

Newcomer “Treat to Lunch” Report

This important ministry falls under the umbrella of the Welcome Team ministry. The purpose of treating a newcomer to lunch is to make them feel warmly welcomed and to give them a solid connection with someone in the church. We know from research that people are more likely to return to church if they feel that they *know* someone and are *known* by someone.

Some Important Guidelines:

- Remember the purpose of the lunch; it is not just an opportunity have a free lunch.
- Only staff and non-staff members that have been approved by Pastor Jim may participate in this as an official ministry of the church that is eligible for reimbursement.
- The church will cover the expense of taking newcomers to lunch. We ask you to choose the lunch location wisely in order to keep the cost of meals to approximately \$8 per person or less.
- Receipts must be turned into the church office along with a reimbursement form. No reimbursement will be given without a receipt.
- Anyone who takes a newcomer to lunch must turn in the follow-up report below along with the receipts.

Newcomer Name(s): _____ Spouse: _____

Children (ages): _____

How did they hear about Heartland? _____

Why did they visit? _____

Occupation(s): _____

Interests: _____

Comments: _____

Suggestions for next step: _____