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Marble Retreat has exciting news to share! We are launching The Founders and Future Capital Campaign in celebration of the past 40 years of ministry and in planning for the next 40 years.

"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

The funds raised from this capital campaign will not only ensure that the current ministry of Marble Retreat stays strong and secure but it will also improve and expand our service to Christian Leaders worldwide.

Currently the Marble Retreat ministry leases the lodge building from the McBurney Family Trust. The capital campaign will allow Marble Retreat to purchase the lodge where we have hosted our groups for 40 years

and make many needed renovations. Purchasing the lodge will lower our monthly expenses as it will cut out our lease payment, thereby freeing up funds for other needs and



development. Purchasing the Cappa home will keep our campus integrated and united, preserving this peaceful haven, which will allow us to continue to provide the quiet, anonymity, and beauty our clients love and appreciate. We also see the acquisition of the Cappa house expanding our service to Christian Leaders by allowing us to host larger church staff retreats, couple's retreats, and spiritual formation retreats than

we have been able to host in the past. As well, we want to use this house to offer ministry leaders a place to come find solitude, Sabbath, and communion with God. We will also offer this home to ministry couples and families for vacation renewal and re-connection, in a beautiful setting.

We are so blessed by how God has been faithful to this ministry and are excited to see how He is leading us into the future.

Currently, Marble Retreat is beginning the Capital Campaign by looking at grants and individual gifts to get the ball rolling. We ask that you pray for this endeavor, that doors would open and hearts would be moved to support this investment. Also, if you can help or know of anyone who could help through personal resources or a foundation please call the office at (970) 963-2499.

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### The Founders and the Future: Capital Campaign

those in vocational Christian ministry and the Church at large through Christ-centered brief intensive counseling.

## **A Roof Over Our Heads!**



View from Lodge Roof

A new one that is. For many years we have needed to redo the roof on the lodge and last year a generous gift by Ernest Hickman gave us the funds to do just that. We are very thankful for his substantial gift and the roof is finally fixed and looks great too! Now that the roof is fixed the next hope is to have solar panels installed. We have a south facing roof and over 300 days of sunshine every year of which to take advantage. Preliminary estimates are that solar panels would save us at least \$2500 per year in electricity costs. If this is something you would like to help make happen, please contact us.

Seasons of solitude with God enable us to see life and ministry accurately. H.B. London, Jr. and Neil Wiseman, Pastors at Risk

# Alumni Quotes – Spring 2015

"Group counseling developed a strong group identity and comradery that provided a safe place to process which was very effective for me."

"Wise and Godly counselors with good experience. Sound Biblical and psychological principles."

"I wish I could send everyone I know!"

"We are moving forward and leaning into the many provisions God made for us during our restoration. Marble Retreat was a major part of God's provision for us. We lean into many of the important messages God sent our way during our week with you. We thank God for you!" "We are truly thankful to you for your care of us. I am hopeful and can see a future together. This is something I could not do before we came. Thank you!"

"Perfect!!! Such a blessing!!! Gorgeous!!!"

"The food was amazing!" - "The best food of my life!!"



Mike and Kari

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