

An Important Note from the STUDENT HUB

Greetings, Parents of Middle & High School Students!

On Sunday, February 26th we begin the **Counterfeit Love** series at SundayPM. The series is about the human tendencies to trust in the counterfeit “saviors” of relationships, sex, & beauty to save them from their loneliness & emptiness. **Counterfeit Love** will explore love, relationships, purity, modesty and sexuality, but primarily will focus on Jesus, the true Savior, the only one who can truly rescue us and fill our lives with meaning & connection.

With so many different messages being thrown at students through media, friends, and school, topics like sex and dating can be really confusing. Our desire is to help students navigate through these difficult topics and make decisions that are honoring to God and the healthiest for their future.

We are hoping that our discussion of these topics will lead to further discussions between you and your student about sex and dating. After all, you as parents have far more of an influence in your students’ lives than we as a ministry staff do. Please ask your students what they are learning as we progress through the next few weeks. We really want to encourage you to have conversations with your student about these difficult issues often.

Because of the nature of this series, we want to invite you to participate. You are welcome to join us for any night of the series and hear for yourself what is being taught. We will also be providing parental talking guides and message outlines in advance. Your feedback, questions, and input are strongly desired.

Purple Retreat - The culmination of this series is the **(Appropriately)PURPLE** weekend experience. This retreat encourages students to form a Biblical worldview about relationships & sex. Students will be challenged to identify their standards based on a renewed personal commitment to what the Bible teaches about sex, relationships, and the value of each individual. Parents are welcome to attend the main sessions of this retreat, or to attend the parent elective that we are offering Saturday (3.31) @ noon.

We are really excited for this series. Every time we do a series touching on these topics, God does amazing things in the lives of our students.

As always, please contact us with concerns or questions.

Brandon & the StudentHub Staff

coun·ter·feit [koun-ter-fit]
noun

1 a fraudulent imitation intended to be passed off deceptively as genuine; forgery; a fake copy.
2 impostor; pretender



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SundayPM 6-8:00

Counterfeit Love Series:

- 2.26 *Counterfeit Love (intro)
- 3.4 Counterfeit Saviors
- 3.11 Counterfeit Beauty
- 3.18 Counterfeit Sex
- 3.25 Counterfeit Identity
- 3.30-31 PURPLE RETREAT
- 4.1 Real Love

MiddleSchool teaching:
6:15 in the Amphitheater
(Please sit in the chairs provided on the top level).

HighSchool teaching:
7pm in the chapel (please sit in the balcony).

*2.26 is Parents night @ SundayPM! (Please attend with your student)

Parents are welcome to attend any session.

More student info: elmbrook.org/students

PURPLE Retreat

AWKWARD is the new AWESOME - a challenge for students to embrace the awkwardness of the topic and form a Biblical understanding about sex & relationships.

Starts: March 30th @ 6:30pm (Eat before you come!)

Ends: March 31st @ 4pm

Who: Students 6-8; 9-12 grade (*separate sessions)

Cost: \$25 (Includes: T-shirt, training materials, overnight at the church, snack, breakfast & lunch)

Registration: online starting March 1st

- more info at elmbrook.org/studentevents

*Parents welcome at any session.

*Special Parent elective: **Talking to your kids about Sex 3.31 @ Noon** (Lunch Provided)