

# MID-VALLEY fellowship

*releasing the power of hope*

*Hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us.*

*Romans 5:5*

*September 2009*



## Struggling with Homosexuality?

### You're Not Alone

**Taking Back Ground Begins Tuesday, October 6th**  
*(Discipleship & Support Program)*

**Taking Back Ground** is a two year discipleship and support program designed for people struggling with homosexuality. The name is not arbitrary. Many times in life, the ground you walk on seems uncertain. You have lost your bearings, perhaps feeling lost or on an uphill climb that never summits. You may be walking where you were never intended to walk. Resting in Christ as your firm foundation is what you long for. Yet as someone struggling with homosexual desires, the only message from the world at large is that you must give in to those longings – that you will never be happy unless you do. Taking Back Ground creates an environment in which you can step away from that lie and walk instead toward a redemptive God who will not reject you, no matter what the temptation. It allows you to “take back” your true identity in Christ as His son or daughter.

### Applications Now Being Accepted

*All communication is confidential*

#### Taking Back Ground Leaders



*It turns out my biggest fears were the greatest gifts  
God blessed me with during the program.  
I didn't walk into a group of people ready to judge and condemn me.  
I found a loving group of people who knew where I was coming from  
and were able to see me through the eyes of grace,  
not the sin that had a hold on my life.*

Support Program Alumnus



**Donate \$9.99 by 9.9.9 and make a difference  
in the lives of those impacted by homosexuality**

Your \$9.99 before September 9, 2009 can go a long way!  
Partner with us and invite others to do the same!

**Use the enclosed Response Envelope, Visit our Website, or  
Join our Facebook Cause at [www.facebook.com/midvalleyfellowship](http://www.facebook.com/midvalleyfellowship)**



**Friday, October 9, 2009**

Plan ahead to join us for the Benefit Dinner! There are also opportunities to serve as **Table Sponsors**, **Table Hosts**, and **Volunteers** the night of the event. Please contact us for questions or more information.

**Coming Soon: Your Banquet Headquarters!**  
[www.midvalleyfellowship.org/benefit](http://www.midvalleyfellowship.org/benefit)



**Please Pray With Us:** Heavenly Father, we thank You for the changing seasons of ministry and the joys and challenges that come with it. We ask for your guidance in this next season and desire that You will be glorified in all we do. We ask for Your hand of protection over staff, volunteers, participants, and partners in ministry.

**Host MVF for  
Homosexuality 101  
at Your Church!**



*Educational*  
*Interactive*  
*Practical*

Homosexuality 101 is an interactive three-part curriculum, intended to fit into a Sunday School or Small Group format. The focus is to educate, give practical advice, and answer questions on this complex and confusing topic.

**Contact Us to Learn More**  
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### **Sy Rogers Seminar in Portland ~ September 25-26, 2009**

Regarded internationally as a gifted communicator, award-winning talk show host, recording artist, and pastor, Sy has served for over two decades in ministry as a pastoral care specialist regarding sexuality and related concerns. His seminars and speaking events are conducted trans-denominationally on six continents.

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