Emmaus Road Releases Public Policy Book on Definition of Marriage

STEUBENVILLE, Ohio, October, 2012 Emmaus Road Publishing (ERP) announced today the release of *Getting the Marriage Conversation Right: A Guide for Effective Dialogue*, available online at emmausroad.org, Amazon, or your local Catholic bookstores.

*Getting the Marriage Conversation Right* by William B. May, president of Catholics for the Common Good, has just joined the culture war. But this is not an anti-homosexual pro-Christian book, because (surprise!) it’s not a homosexual vs. Christian quarrel. A thirst-quenching approach to the oft predictable war of words, May offers a conversation in a reality-based, reasoned approach to the public policy debate on marriage. He brings into the legal definition of marriage the rights of children, and provides sensible guidelines on how to avoid common traps that hinder communications for advocating public policy about marriage.

Mike Sullivan, president of Catholics United for the Faith (CUF) and publisher of ERP, said: “Today’s national debate about the meaning of marriage is everywhere and is influencing our children, friends, and families. We must be part of it. CUF has long been at the forefront searching for clear ways to communicate with culture. That’s why I’m thrilled to publish this ‘how to’ guide that will facilitate reasonable conversations about the true meaning of marriage.”

Former U.S. Ambassador to the Vatican and Mayor of Boston Raymond L. Flynn:

“This communication guide is an invaluable resource for answering questions and explaining what is at stake for the future of marriage and the rights of children if marriage is redefined. Every family should have one.”

If you’ve ever been in a discussion about marriage and not known how to explain it in non-religious terms, or if you have children or grandchildren and have struggled to answer the tough questions they bring home from school, or if you’ve had difficulty explaining the difference between civil and religious marriage or why the government should be in the business of sanctioning marriages at all, get this book! *Getting the Marriage Conversation Right* includes a substantial section of FAQs at the heart of the conflict.

Marriage is the only institution that unites children with their parents, and that has been recognized by every culture, society, and religion, each according to their own competencies. *Getting the Marriage Conversation Right* seeks to recognize that interest in laws, societal institutions, and individuals. It aims to rebuild a marriage culture by influencing public policy on the civil recognition of marriage.

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