



I'd like to cancel my subscription to 2021. I've experienced the free 7-day trial and I'm not interested.

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Have you seen this meme popping up on your Facebook feed? I sure have! But I'm not ready to give up on 2021 just yet (or throw out all the positive parts of 2020 either, for that matter!) Yes, there have been very difficult moments in the previous year, and 2021 has started off a bit rocky, but as with every other time in human history, God is still at work. We ended last year by counting our blessings, and I plan to start this one in a similar way.

First, let's look at the Weekend to Remember® marriage getaway spring season. When we canceled so many events in the fall, we were optimistic that we would be able to start the new year off with a full calendar. At this point we know that will not be the case, though we are still hoping to be able to host a few reduced capacity events. But, has that team of people sat around doing nothing? Not at all! They have continued to interact virtually with local volunteers all around the country helping them with small scale, local or virtual events. They have also been part of developing a brand new resource!

[Dates to Remember™](#) is a 'mini Weekend to Remember' in a box. While most date boxes provide a perfectly fine and fun date night, Dates to Remember™ was created by members of the Weekend to Remember team to make several insights from our first-class getaway available in an at-home experience. The biblically-based teachings, intimate moments, relatable honesty, and splashes of fun and romance you know and look forward to at a Weekend to Remember event have been packaged up into this convenient little box. It can be used at home over a series of nights or weeks, or you can create your own getaway by booking a hotel room to take it to. Do what works for you!

Can't get away?
Get together instead.

INTRODUCING:
Dates to Remember™

From the people who brought you Weekend to Remember®

Another good reason to keep our 'subscription to 2021' - the arrival of **Ruby Mae Vandiver**

Born to Jon and Charissa on 1/4/2021, 9 pounds & 21 inches



When we stepped on the Love Like You Mean It® cruise last February, we had to answer some strange new questions regarding travel or contact with China. We had no idea this was the beginning of a pandemic that would cancel the 2021 cruise event! Yet here we are, having to postpone thousands of registrations to the year 2022. Did this planning team decide to take the year off then? Of course not!

Since our annual Love Like You Mean It Cruise can't sail away just yet, we are bringing the great teaching, entertainment, fun couple interaction experiences, and special sessions you normally find and offering them in an amazing online experience. I'm excited for this virtual event. Not only is this a great way to keep our 'cruising crowd' connected despite the canceled event, but also it is a chance for many that may not be able to get away physically to still experience the phenomenal teaching and the fun this event provides! Learn more at <https://www.lovelikeyoumeanitcruise.com/21Virtual> for some Valentine's getaway time.



The next event on our horizon has been both an in-person and a livestream event for years. This makes the 2021 transition to only virtual even easier! Blended & Blessed® is the only one-day livestream just for stepfamily couples, single parents, dating couples with kids, and those who care about blended families. You can watch at home with your spouse or even host an event in your home with your small group or friends, bringing together couples for one incredible day of teaching, music, and humor! With some of today's most trusted and respected experts, Blended & Blessed will challenge, inspire, and encourage you. Over 27,000 people from 22 countries have experienced the event over the past five years because of its 'virtual nature' - we pray this year will continue its spread! Streaming in April 2021, visit <https://www.blendedandblessed.com>.

So yes, 2021 may have had a few 'glitches' already, but I'm not quite ready to 'cancel my subscription' - I'm looking forward to seeing the many ways that God is at work!


In Him,

Tear & Prayer

Pray for the
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Pray for our tech teams & creative teams looking to pull off these new 'COVID friendly' outreaches-providing Biblically based family support

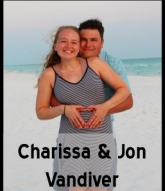
Pray for wisdom & timing on our move to Florida this spring-esp. the sale & purchase of houses

Pray for us both personally & in regards to FamilyLife as we navigate continuing high COVID levels

Praise that all worked out for our whole family was able to be in MO to welcome Ruby home & hold her!

Praise for Brenna thriving at her on-line college at JBU & Amanda almost done with high school requirements

Praise for an unexpectedly encouraging & positive season of year-end giving for both us and FamilyLife



Charissa & Jon
Vandiver