



## Pre-Marriage Facilitation Summary Form

This form may be used when follow up documentation is requested regarding FOCCUS<sup>®</sup> facilitation sessions with a couple. This form should be used only in conjunction with a written Release of Information form whereby the couple gives written permission for the sharing of information specifically related to the FOCCUS<sup>®</sup> Couple Report. All FOCCUS<sup>®</sup> facilitators are reminded that the FOCCUS<sup>®</sup> Couple Report is only to be used by certified FOCCUS<sup>®</sup> facilitators and is to be destroyed immediately upon the last facilitation session with the couple. This requirement is in place to maintain integrity of purpose for which the FOCCUS<sup>®</sup> inventory was developed and to reinforce that the inventory was not developed for use as a predictor of future behavior or outcomes. Responses to items on the FOCCUS<sup>®</sup> Pre-Marriage Inventory can change as a couple discusses the inventory and a couple's Areas of Agreement or Disagreement may be different now than when they first took the inventory. Scores on the FOCCUS<sup>®</sup> Inventory may be impacted by respondents not understanding specific inventory items and/or marking many "Uncertain" responses.

Names of Engaged Couple \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Priest/Deacon \_\_\_\_\_ Parish \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of FOCCUS Facilitator(s) completing this form \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting dates for Administration of FOCCUS<sup>®</sup> Pre-Marriage Inventory Facilitation sessions \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose for completion of this form \_\_\_\_\_

Name and contact information for person receiving this information \_\_\_\_\_

### **Please utilize the back of this form for your responses to the following:**

#### Describe your overall impression of the engaged couple

- Their level of self-exploration:
- Their level of self/partner understanding:

#### Patterns of Couple Communication

- Strengths you observed:
- Weaknesses you observed:

#### Areas of Difficulty

Did you notice any particular areas of difficulty, disagreement or resistance?

If yes, describe:

#### Faith Development and Sharing

Did the couple each share their views on their faith and their expectations for the future? If yes, describe.

Were they in agreement or have an understanding and acceptance of each other's faith?

Describe any apparent difficulties in this area.

#### Recommendations to the Couple

At the conclusion of the FOCCUS<sup>®</sup> discussions, did you make any specific recommendations to the couple, i.e. further counseling, classes, books or periodicals to read, work sheets on subjects such as finances, in-laws? If so, list.

#### Recommendations, concerns or further comments for the Priest/Deacon/Supervisor/Other Party

What recommendations do you have for the priest or deacon who will witness the marriage?

Did any difficulties arise in your discussions that would indicate the need for a delay? If so, describe.

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