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 **Church GriefShare Press Release**

* This is a press release written for Weddington United Methodist Church, located in Weddington, North Carolina.
* The assignment was to write a press release for an organization you are a part of about an event taking place that year. I chose to write about GriefShare, an event held for people that have lost loved ones and are having a hard time handling the holidays without them.
* This shows my ability to write a press release for an organization about an upcoming event while focusing on the important information that needs to get out.
* It is important to be able to write press releases in the public relations industry. I think I am able to represent any organization well and write press releases the client would be proud to put their name on.

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**Weddington Church to arrange GriefShare: how to survive the holidays**

Weddington, N.C.- Weddington United Methodist Church, located in small town Weddington, North Carolina, plans to arrange a seminar titled GriefShare on November 10, 2011. The event will take place on a Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary at Weddington United Methodist Church.

 Long time member of Weddington Church, Gail Bishop, declares, “Last year’s GriefShare got me through the toughest holiday season I have ever encountered when I lost my brother. It was heartwarming to know there were others going through the same pain that were there for me.”

 The seminar focuses on grief and helps one cope with a loved one’s death during the holiday season. There will be special music for the audience to enjoy. The topics that will be talked about include: “Why the Holidays are Tough,” “What to Expect,” “How to Prepare,” “How to Manage Relationships and Holiday Socials,” and others. Weddington Church suggests families go together for love and support during these emotional times. Those who attend will receive a booklet with over 30 daily devotional readings to help get them through the holidays without their loved one. There is also going to be childcare provided for those who need it.

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 Senior Pastor, Dr. Terry Moore, says, “Everyone is invited, members and nonmembers alike. We hope to see a lot of people there, turning to God and other Christians for support during these difficult times.”

While it is not required for one to preregister it is helpful to Weddington Church if you do so. For more information and/or to preregister you can call the church office at (704)846-1032 or email jkemp2@caroline.rr.com.

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