We've started a church with its own pool: Special Event in Danbury, CT / Saturday, June 14 / 4:00 PM

June 5, 2014 / New York City

Wendy

We started a church for people who never want to step foot in a church again.

Our church comes with a pool for the kids to enjoy.
Think of it as the Jordan River with chlorine!
Last month at the **Hilton Garden Inn in Danbury, CT** we held our first REACH-NYC/DANBURY gathering. There were eighteen people who attended.

We have secured the date of **Saturday, June 14, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.** for our second gathering at this same location.

Please invite your interested friends and neighbors to this event, that we pray will be a blessing for all who attend. This is a relaxed setting where we discuss Biblical issues and where all members of any faith tradition or no faith tradition are invited to attend. This is a safe place to bring your friends and an even safer place to ask questions or share varying points of view.

**Hilton Garden Inn - Danbury, CT is located just off I-84 on the border of New York State and Connecticut. The address is: 119 Mill Plain Road, Danbury, CT Telephone: 203.205.2000. The thinking and fun begins at 4:00 p.m.**

There is a pool area that your children might enjoy using.

We look forward to seeing you there. If you would like further details, just write and we will get back to you promptly. I can be reached at: romeo.anthonyj@gmail.com

We will soon start the summer REACH-NYC gatherings in New York City once again. Look for the start date in an upcoming issue of this newsletter. If you would be interested in joining this ministry, we need musicians, and open minded people who are friendly and kind to others.

Best regards - Tony Romeo / Anthony Mazzella

----------------------------------
Please pass this press release to your friends --------------------------
percent saw the Almighty as authoritarian, 16 percent as critical and 24 percent as distant. Five percent claimed to be atheist.

Does it matter which God-concept we hold to? Recent brain research by Dr. Newberg at the University of Pennsylvania has documented that all forms of contemplative meditation were associated with positive brain changes—but the greatest improvements occurred when participants meditated specifically on a God of love. Such meditation was associated with growth in the prefrontal cortex (the part of the brain right behind our forehead where we reason, make judgements and experience Godlike love) and subsequent increased capacity for empathy, sympathy, compassion and altruism. But here’s the most astonishing part. Not only does other-centered love increase when we worship a God of love, but sharp thinking and memory improve as well. In other words, worshiping a God of love actually stimulates the brain to heal and grow.

However, when we worship a god other than one of love—a being who is punitive, authoritarian, critical or distant—fear circuits are activated and, if not calmed, will result in chronic inflammation and damage to both brain and body. As we bow before authoritarian gods, our characters are slowly changed to be less like Jesus. Truly by beholding we are changed, not only in character, but our neural circuitry as well. (2 Corinthians 3:18)

There are many other studies and research that indicates that events in your life as a child, also play a role in the God-image that all of us have. Join us on Saturday, June 14 at 4:00 p.m. as we share together and find healthy ways to rediscover the God who loves us, not a god we should fear, but the God who is on our side and wants the very best for us. The very best for us now!

Both Pastor Mazzella and I look forward to seeing you tomorrow as we build a community in a relaxed setting and learn together.

Best regards - Tony Romeo, Pastor / REACH-NYC

Donations to REACH-NYC help us in our efforts to reach out to the people of New York City. REACH-NYC is recognized by the IRS as a tax-exempt corporation, and all contributions are fully tax-deductible.*

Make A Donation

Contributions can also be made by check payable to: "REACH-NYC"
and mailed to:
REACH-NYC, P.O. Box 651, North Salem, NY 10560

Thank you for helping the REACH-NYC ministry!
*A receipt will be sent recognizing all contributions for tax purposes.