

Church breakfast targets pornography

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One local church wants boys and their fathers to talk sex over breakfast.

New Venture Christian Church, along with XXXchurch.com based in Michigan, is hosting a community conversation called "Porn and Pancakes" tomorrow at Midlothian Middle School, 13501 Midlothian Turnpike, in Chesterfield County.

Pancakes are served at 8 a.m., with discussion beginning at 9.

The event focuses on "the overly sexualized worlds of MySpace, YouTube, Paris Hilton and reality shows like 'Girls Next Door.'" Among the speakers is a former pornography producer.

The event is aimed at boys and men because "it's difficult to address this issue in a mixed group," said Steve Thornton, New Venture's senior minister.

"It's the No. 1 epidemic in America, and people don't want to talk about it. It is the most difficult addiction to overcome," he said. "And the fallacy is that it's an innocent addiction. It's not innocent in any way. It shapes a man's perspective of women in a false and fantasy way."

He said it's time for the faith community to address pornography and come up with some answers and solutions to tackle the problem.

The event is free, but a \$10 donation is recommended.

For more information, visit www.richmondpornandpancakes.com.

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