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From the desk of the Chief Executive Officer

Family, Friends, and Associates Happy New Year. Last year was very exciting for ARIEL Connections. Many new friends and associates have been added to our circle of relationships. Within the triangle of services we provide we made the following accomplishments: New clients: PriorityONE, Institute for Black Family Development and Global Projects. Last years speaking engagements were in metro Detroit, Philadelphia, PA, Dallas, Texas, and Chicago, IL. Collaborations with parent based industries include Chicago Comer schools, Detroit Parent Network, and Oak Park school systems. Three new books: "Leaving the Long Ranger Mentality Alone", "When We Reach the Edge, Where Do We Go For Support?" and the "Self Care Workbook for Help! for Your Leadership." In the second quarter of this year look for new book "He is not Left Behind, He is with Me". (TNT) This book is being done in collaboration with Dr. Loretta Martin of Chicago, IL. In the fall, the "Help for Your Leadership" authors are planning a Leadership seminar. We look forward to working with you and sharing our skills.

Sincerely,

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Accepting others is a skill sometimes hard for many to achieve. Why is that? Do we want people to be the way we want them to be? Why is it hard to just let them do it their way?

Relationship with others is paramount. Begin looking for ways to enhance your current relationships and adding new ones this upcoming year. Would you like to write a poem or an article on Accepting people, developing quality Relationships, Investing in people, Encouraging people, or just simply Loving them? Send your articles in today. (Limit to 100 - 150 words)

Invest is the word for the "I" in ARIEL. How many are planning family reunions this year. Why wait on a family reunion? Do you have regular family meals with family and friends? Do you listen to others? You may have fun just laughing at the mishaps in life. Laughter is easier than the results of stress.

Love is an action word and the most potent force in the universe.

Free Information for Parents and those who are involved with children

Are you aware that March is Parent Awareness Month (PAM) in Michigan? Of course parenting in something we do everyday. It is a life long job. Check out this state site
<http://www.preventionnetwork.org/pam%20homepage.htm>
Get downloadable information that you can use and/or share with others.

You may call **Michigan Resource Center at 1 800-626-4636 to order PAM Poster for 2006 and book marks with Parenting tips.**

Information for parents from the United States government
<http://www.ed.gov/parents/landing.jhtml?src=fp>

Parents in Macomb, Oakland and Wayne countries area can now dial 211 for human resource answers? Those outside of this area can still dial United Way's Tel-Help at 800-552-1183. Some cell phones may not be able to connect with this number. They should dial the 800 number.

Get your copy of Metro Parent at local area businesses or visit www.metroparent.com The February issue has a special section "2006 Education Roundup".

The African American Family magazine is one of Metro Parents publications.



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Jenkins upcoming speaking engagements for the 1st quarter of 2006:

- Chicago IL March 15 – 19, 2006 National Coalition of Title 1 Parents Region V 30th Annual Conference, Workshop Title: Powerful Communications, Friday, March 17, 2006. Check with your local school district's parent involvement office about registration.
- Detroit MI, March 24 – 25 Women in the Word Conference, “Faithfully Loving His Own”, Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church, 2080 W. Grand Blvd. near Grand River Registration \$65 Discount for groups of six Workshop Title: God Your Protector (Spiritual Warfare)

<http://witw.mts.edu/workshops.html>



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