

Earth Temple to hold telethon for anti-drug

Earth Temple, a non-profit, non-denominational religious organization founded by Columbus native Anthony Hodge, will soon be sponsoring a telethon to benefit its anti-drug program, Operation G.O.D. (Get Off Drugs). The event will be held on Friday, March 31, 8 a.m.-10 p.m., on the west lawn and atrium of the State House.

The focus of the event is to bring awareness to the issue of drug abuse and its underlying causes, such as poverty. The event will feature guest speakers, exhibits, a variety of entertainment, vendors and refreshments. Live coverage of the event will be provided by several radio and television stations.

Earth Temple is also seeking volunteers to help organize the

event. Slots are still open for vendors and those who want to provide live entertainment. Anyone wishing to participate on the Plan of Operations or Concession Operations committees, provide live entertainment or make a donation can contact Earth Temple at 231-5595, P.O. Box 27100, Columbus, Ohio 43227.

Operation G.O.D. has helped many in the central Ohio area get off drugs through a variety of treatment methods. Recovering addicts who participate in the program are encouraged to skydive, ski, eat gourmet food or do any constructive, legal activity that will replace the intense stimulation of chemical substances.

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