



The Taste

Newsletter for
Taste of Grace Via de Cristo
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From the Lay Director and Weekend #4 Rector

1 Corinthians 12:5-6

5 There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord.

6 There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men.

I'm writing this feeling a little schizophrenic as both Lay Director and Rector for weekend #4. I think, though, that the verses above say it all. It doesn't matter how you serve or what work you do, it is all important and it is all for the Lord.

So, even if you aren't working on team you can still serve and work. Have you thought about helping the teams setup on Thursday afternoon or tear-down on Sunday night. I know everyone loves to come to the serenade on Saturday night but how about coming Thursday evening to the send-off and dedication of the crosses too? Or how about coming to clausura on Sunday afternoon.

You can even come during the weekend and offer to pray in the chapel both with

and for the rollistas. If you have a spouse or friend giving a rollo maybe you'd like to come along and offer up prayers and support for them during their rollo.

Of course we need snacks and soft drinks too for the rollo room. Maybe you could bake something to share and don't forget the healthy stuff too, fruit and er, that's where my list of healthy stuff ends but I'm sure you can think of something.

One final thing, please don't forget the prayer scroll. Taste of Grace, like every Cursillo-based movement, depends on prayer to work, without we're just a bunch of people in a room talking.

One other final thing, please don't forget that ToG is not the only Via de Cristo movement in need of prayers and support. Both Heart of Illinois and Living Water need us as much as we need them please remember them in your prayers and try and attend a serenade with them too, they will love seeing you!

God loves you and so do I.

Simon Prior

Prayer Concerns

- Lord, please be with your children whom you are calling to attend the upcoming fall weekends. Be also with the teams you've formed, that they are able to be Christ's hands, heart and ears to the pilgrims attending.
- Ultimate Healer, please be with all those fighting cancer. Be with the patient for healing, with the medical profession for wisdom and with loved ones for comfort.
- Father God, thank you for those you place in our lives, for our marriage partners, our reunion brothers & sisters and all others that help shape us into who you would like for us to become.
- Our prayers continue for the Cursillistas from Taste of Grace #1, #2, and #3 as they continue their 4th day journey. May they remember the mountaintop as they work in the hills and valley.
- Pray for our troops – that God will guard and guide them whether they serve at home, overseas or in the volatile fields of Afghanistan and Iraq. Pray for their protection and for peace of mind for their friends, family and loved ones.

From the Rectora

Dear "Taste" Friends,

Women's team #4 is slated! The community, on the invitation of Rev. C. Sagebiel will call and commission them to their assignments Sept. 11th. Plan to share in this important time in the life of the community and these women. An Ultreya/Potluck is planned also at Our Savior Lutheran Church, Bradley, Il. We are mostly a team of babe chicks with a few senior members who are heavily relying on your prayer support and your fourth day activities of sponsorship, attendance at send-off, sponsors hour, serenade and clausura. The success of a week-end does not solely depend on whether the talks or the informal encounters between pilgrim and Cha's are clear, penetrating and convincing but on whether backing up the week-end is a 4th day community "teeming" with witnessing members. That's what Ultreya and community is all about.... Each of us who are willing to walk the walk every day convince the pilgrim that TO WALK THE TALK IS POSSIBLE! Will you begin right now to make the fall week-ends a success? How? First schedule yourself to attend the Sept.11th Ultreya and give our team prayer and moral support while renewing your own spirit. Second hand-carry or plan to pick up your applications for pilgrims you will sponsor. Although you may not be able to serve on this

fall's team you can nonetheless continue to grow in your own apostolic leadership and ensure that this team is used at this time. (Teams have been cancelled when there are no pilgrims to attend. Don't let all this time and work be in vain).

Your active participation in the fall success of TOG is needed. Pray. Sponsor. Pray some more-constantly. Write support notes to the teams in training. Write palanca notes to pilgrims. Attend send-off, Sponsors hour and Apostolic hour Saturday night (serenade) and clausura. Sharing in the work of "the week-end" provides EVERYONE with opportunities to be light and leavening in our various personal environments. Consider sponsoring someone from your work-place, neighborhood or community organization.

Each of us is blessed to be a blessing. Each of us entered into this community only through the prayer and invitation of a single person. Our sponsor. Your sponsor wants you to "pass it on". God loves you. Seek (a pilgrim) and ye shall find...In His Name, Loretta V. (Womens' #4 Rector).

Communications

Peace to everyone. Let me introduce myself. My name is Debbie Claar and I attended Taste of Grace Weekend #1. I live in Plainfield with my husband and granddaughter. We worship at Abundant Life Lutheran Church. If you have any articles or items you would like to add to the newsletter, please let me know. Any prayer requests or other items you would like to have sent out to the community, please let me know. I can be reached at:

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I would also like to extend a prayer of Thanksgiving to Karen Deverick for her love and devotion in keeping our email notices and prayer requests current with all of you in the community.

God loves you and so do I

Debbie Claar

*And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.
Romans 8:28*

Make a friend, be a friend, bring that friend to Christ!

Taste of Grace Team Roster for Weekend# 4

POSITION	MEN'S TEAM	WOMEN'S TEAM
Spiritual Directors	Kathy Flores	Pr Craig Sagebiel
Rector/Rectora	Simon Prior	Loretta Volker
Head Cha	Tim Mulder	Michele Koneiwicz
Ideal	Kevin Scruggs	Celeste Benak
Laity	Colin Kirchner	Cathy Hawkins
Piety	Frank Marshall	Amy Prior
Study	Rob Bordanero	Sue Boylan
Apostolic Action	Lenny Koneiwicz	Marcia Kiser
Leaders	Chuck Conklin	Pam Sagebiel
Environment	Andrew Kjos	Cindy Musselman
CCIA	Larry Herrman	Terry Damyahn
Silent Professors	Frank Brozek	Dawn Constantino
	John Bradford	Peggy Ashby
Head Outside Cha	Scott Hoecker	Debbie Claar
Utility Chas	Joe Claar	Fran Mulder
	Jorge Ochoa	Lisa Bickus
	Scott Thompson	Carol Marshall
Chapel Chas	Greg Bickus	Jeni Thomas
	Gary Herrman	Denise Jones
	Joe Slogar	Sandy Froehlke
4 th day Chas	Harry Benner	Sarah Kiser
	Al Ashby	Jacey Hoecker
	James Forbes	Annmarie Zan
Music Chas	John Simosky	Karen Peterson
		Karen Effner
Head Inside Cha		Janet Nackovic
Rollo Room Chas	Robert Borger	Pat Dever
	Keith Reed	Dani Strever
	Troy Thomas	Stephanie Walter
Prayer Warriors	Mike Hamilton	
	Tina Hamilton	
	Donna Weaver	

Calendar of Events

Sep 11 > Ultreya
5pm Our Savior's Lutheran Church 815-932-1848
975 Brookmont Blvd
Bradley IL

Oct 28 – 31 > Fall Taste of Grace Men's Weekend #4
Sendoff Thurs 10/28 **7 pm**
Serenade Sat 10/30 **6pm**
Practice begins
Clausura Sun 10/31 **4 pm**

Nov 11 – 14 > Fall Taste of Grace Women's Weekend #4
Sendoff Thurs 11/11 **7 pm**
Serenade Sat 11/12 **6 pm**
Practice begins
Clausura Sun 11/14 **4 pm**

Apr 21 – 24, 2005
Spring Taste of Grace Men's Weekend #5

Apr 28 – May 1, 2005
Spring Taste of Grace Women's Weekend #5

Palanca

True Palanca is intense prayer and sacrifice on part of the outside community for the community being formed in the three day weekend.

Prayer times are available for both Men's and Women's 72 hour prayer scrolls. Sign up now. Contact Amy Prior at 815-834-1385 or by email at amyprior1@aol.com or go to the following link - it will take you to the prayer vigil sign up sheets <http://www.3dayol.org/Vigil/index.html>. All you have to do is click on "Check out a list of Prayer Vigils" and scroll down to the Taste of Grace VDC weekends.

ULTREYA

September 11, 2004
Saturday 5:00 pm

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

(815) 932-1848
975 Brookmont Blvd
Bradley IL

Please bring:

A dish to pass
Silverware, Plate & Cup

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Position Open

Secretariat Meetings are the 4th Sunday of each month at 4:00 pm (location varies)