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News of Unidos En Cristo, formerly United Cursillo Community of Minnesota

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*Christ died for us.
-Romans 5:8*

SUPPORT UNIDOS EN CRISTO #144

FAITH COVENANT
12921 Nicollet Avenue, South
Burnsville, MN 55337
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Women's Unidos En Cristo #144 will be April 16 -19, 1998. The weekend theme is, "...know God's secret, which is Christ himself. He is the key that opens all the hidden treasures of God's wisdom and knowledge." (Colossians 2:2b-3)



The Sunday morning serenade is open to Sponsors only. The Sunday dinner serenade, open to the entire Fourth Day Community, will be at 4:30 p.m.

Do you realize ... how important your presence is at the Sunday evening serenades? As the weekenders are 'bathed' in your love and prayers, the team members, often near exhaustion, are re-fueled to make it through the long evening ahead! Your prayers and Palanca throughout the weekend are part of the 'skin on' that God equips each of us with to share with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Don't miss this opportunity to PASS IT ON.

Need Palanca Ideas?

You might want to assist the Palanca team with prayer support... offer to help cook, serve, or wash dishes for the Kitchen team... assist the 4th Day team in clean-up after the Agape dinner, or after the Sunday morning serenade or the Clausura.

Women's Weekend #144

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| • Susan McDaniel | (Rectora) | 934-5779 |
| • Cindy Gandrud | (Kitchen Rectora) | (507) 373-2952 |
| • Jeanie Grimes | (Assistant Kitchen Rectora) | 861-1001 |
| • Darice Weems | (4th Day Rectora) | 784-4176 |
| • Carol Olsen | (Palanca Rectora) | 574-1444 |

The Kitchen Team has requested palanca of food, more specifically: baking potatoes, hamburger, chicken breasts, carmel rolls, dinner rolls, fresh fruit, healthy treats and orange, apple or grape juice. Also, servers and cleanup assistance for the Agape dinner. The 4th Day Team requests cleanup assistance following the Sunday Clausura and with loading the truck Sunday evening. These are all excellent opportunities for Renewal Groups or individuals to gather and serve together.

♥ *Please contact the appropriate team Rectora to coordinate your efforts with their needs.* ♥

Palanca Note

There will be seven tables at the Women's weekend (56 Weekenders and team). When sending palanca to the Rollo Room, be sure to include enough for eight at each table, and seven or eight at the Leadership table. Palanca for the Rollo Room must include enough for all weekenders and team or it cannot be distributed in the Rollo Room, but will go direct to the weekender Palanca bags.

Attention 4th Dayers !!

Just think about *how many* people support Unidos En Cristo. Hundreds of letters from prisons and other Christian "walks" around the country and the world arrive for each Weekend! Please prayerfully think about the palanca *you* send for the upcoming Weekend. You might write an encouraging note... honor the Weekenders with a contribution to a food shelf, homeless shelter, or favorite charity... *or*, consider enclosing a check with a palanca note to help cover the weekend expenses. Checks can be made out to Unidos En Cristo #144.

Address your palanca to: Women of Unidos En Cristo #144
Mail to: Don Harper, 5401 Scenic Heights Drive, Minnetonka, MN 55345

Please allow adequate time for mail delivery! Palanca will be delivered in time for each weekend.

UNDOS EN CRISTO WOMEN'S #144 TEAM ROSTER

Rectora

Susan McDaniel, *Church of the Jubilee*

Assistant Rectoras

Becky Bennett, *Minnetonka United Methodist*
Carole Gesme, *Minnetonka Lutheran*
Lynn Roghair, *Faith Covenant, Burnsville*

Spiritual Directors

Rev Gary Downing, *Faith Covenant, Burnsville*
Rev John Ward, *Faith Covenant, Burnsville*

Music Directors

Karen Anderson, *First Baptist, Hudson, WI*
Elaine Fredrikson, *First Baptist, Hudson, WI*

Rollistas

Leanne Bondhus, *Eagan Covenant*
Melanie Gillis, *Rochester Covenant*
Victoria Horner, *Colonial Church of Edina*
Jan LaSell, *Calvary Lutheran, Golden Valley*
Gwen Thomas, *Calvary United Methodist, Shakopee*

Table Leaders

Carol Aldrich, *Church of Peace United Methodist*
Karen Andrew, *Hennepin Ave, United Methodist*
Karen Howard, *Grace Lutheran, Apple Valley*
Aino Husen, *Central Lutheran, Minneapolis*
Cindy Laybourn, *Excelsior United Methodist*
Mary Moffitt, *Rosemount United Methodist*
Ann Sample, *Rosemount United Methodist*
Lorna Sopcak, *Eden Prairie Presbyterian*
Kathy Walker, *Crossroads Church, Lakeville*

Palanca Rectora

Carol Olsen, *North Heights Lutheran, Roseville*

Assistant Palanca Rectora

Mari Powell, *St Lucas Community, Lake Elmo*

Palanca Spiritual Director

Rev Ted Olsen, *Fridley Covenant*

Palanca Music Director

Gail Karlgaard, *Eagan Covenant*

Palanca Team

Shelly Haiker, *Faith Covenant, Burnsville*
Sue Perkins, *Eden Prairie Presbyterian*
Kathy Prebil, *North Heights Lutheran, Roseville*
Pat Ryan, *Eden Prairie Presbyterian*
Beth Tiefenthal,
Linda Heubach, *St Louis Park Evangelical Free*
Debbie Eller, *Cross of the Christ Community*

Kitchen Rectora

Cindy Gandrud, *1st Presbyterian, Albert Lea*

Assistant Kitchen Rectora

Jeanie Grimes, *Hope Presbyterian, Richfield*

Kitchen Team

Sara Ackins, *1st Presbyterian, Albert Lea*
Kerri Baldwin, *Rosemount United Methodist*
Mary Brainard, *Faith Covenant, Burnsville*
Jean Detroi, *Colonial Church of Edina*
Elaine Griebenow, *Colonial Church of Edina*
Darlene Jackson, *Faith Covenant, Burnsville*
Beth Maiwurm, *Normandale Hylands UMC*
Rita Peterson, *Church of Peace United Methodist*
Mary Fullerton, *Rosemount United Methodist*
Cindy Corry, *Faith Covenant, Burnsville*

4th Day Rectora

Darice Weems, *Fridley Covenant*

Assistant 4th Day Rector

Mary Goblirsch, *Faith Covenant, Burnsville*

4th Day Team

Cassie Albinson, *Plymouth Covenant*
Sharie Graber, *1st Presbyterian, Maple Plain*
Kristi Bloom, *Faith Covenant, Burnsville*
Pat Keisling, *Fridley Covenant*
Vicki Brotzel, *Fridley Covenant*
Dawn Marquart, *First Baptist, Hudson, WI*
Denise Engberg, *Faith Covenant, Burnsville*
Mary Matthews, *Christ Presbyterian*
Rusty Nutting, *Hopkins United Methodist*

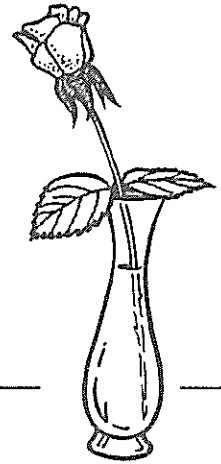
**PARTICIPANT LIST FROM UNIDOS EN CRISTO #141 AND #142
HENNEPIN AVENUE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, MINNEAPOLIS, MN**

Jim and Edy Barber, *Eden Prairie Presbyterian*
 Nancy Berg, *Colonial Church of Edina*
 Rev Bruce and Margo Bjork, *LeSeuer United Methodist*
 Frankie Blake, *Fridley Covenant*
 Chris and Tina Blomquist, *Cambridge United Methodist*
 Judy Broman, *Hennepin Avenue United Methodist*
 Clinton and Barbara Browder, *Open Arms Christian*
 Tonia Buchholz, *Lydia Zion United Methodist*
 Greg and Beth Carlson, *Crosstown Covenant*
 Lew and Dorothy Caster, *1st Presbyterian, Maple Plain*
 Jim Couch, *St Croix Valley United Methodist*
 Karl and Caryl Darge, *Evangelical Covenant*
 Mel and Marcie DeGeest, *Normandale Hylands UMC*
 Mike and Andrea Dircz, *Christ Presbyterian*
 Joe and Genie Ebertz, *St Lucas Community*
 Jeff and Lisa Ellis, *Spirit of Hope*
 Erick Frank, *Cambridge United Methodist*
 Heather Hoffman, *Christ Presbyterian*
 Sean and Angie Hokland, *Hennepin Ave Untied Methodist*
 Jim and Mary Jo Houlding, *Christ Presbyterian*
 Bruce and Jeanne Iverson, *Faith Covenant*
 Bruce and Angie Leach, *Park Avenue Untied Methodist*
 Kathy Lucas, *Faith United Methodist, Spring Valley*

Brad and Tammy Luedtke, *Fairmont Covenant*
 Howard and Barb Maki, *Woodbury United Methodist*
 John and Kathy Morris, *St Croix United Methodist*
 Colleen McDermott, *St Croix Valley United Methodist*
 Val and Kathy Nelson, *Faith Presbyterian*
 Marc and Juliene Noerenberg, *1st Presbyterian, Shakopee*
 Kara Noren, *Excelsior United Methodist*
 Mike and Gail Ohnstad, *Buffalo United Methodist*
 Mike and Johanna Oslovar, *Hope Covenant, St Cloud*
 Libby Johnston, *Hennepin Avenue United Methodist*
 Bill Osterm, *Hennepin Avenue United Methodist*
 Dan Pavlenko, *Colonial Church of Edina*
 Greg and Carol Peterson, *Church of Peace, United Methodist*
 Ken and Gloria Pfilpsen, *St Louis Park Evangelical Free*
 Marty and Lynda Pietruszka, *Evangel United Methodist*
 Michael and Gail Richmond, *St Lucas Community Church*
 Kenneth and Loida Robinson, *Eagan Evangelical Covenant*
 Tonia Thimjon, *Wayzata Evangelical Free*
 Darrin and Stacy Wagner, *Lydia Zion United Methodist*
 Rev Wayne and Susan Walther, *LeSeuer United Methodist*
 Chuck & Sarah Lawrence-Weiben, *Church of the Open Door*
 Michael and Carol Wood, *Rosemount United Methodist*
 Jamim and Lynn Zook, *Plymouth Covenant*

In Loving Memory

We celebrate the life of our brothers, **Earl Bandelin, Paul Keisling, Malcom Kindig, Walter "Barta" Denison and Doug Benson** who have recently entered their *Fifth Day* and are in our Lord's glorious Presence.



Clergy ... we need YOU!!!

The role of Spiritual Director is a critical one. And only Clergy can fulfill that role. Every weekend has three Spiritual Directors. Unidos sponsors ten weekends each year ... and well, you can do the math. Often, teams are in place, teams meetings have started, and we are still making phone calls searching and praying for that last Spiritual Director. It is not how we prefer to do things. So, please, prayerfully consider how you might use your gifts to build up the body of Christ as expressed through Unidos En Cristo. Look at the upcoming dates printed elsewhere in the Palanca Press and give any one of us a call, if you can help out. And remember, the weekends come around every year in February, April, June, August, October or November ... so plan ahead, and we can tentatively schedule you in. Thanks for your contributions.

Cindy Gregorson
682-3538

Greg Iverson
776-1547

Dave Kiel
444-4940

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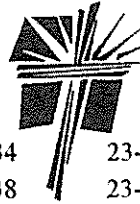
Planning

Study

Have you found a Renewal Group that works for your schedule? Are you encouraging others on their spiritual journeys? Are you studying and acting according to a plan? Regular participation in a Renewal Group can help keep you on track. (Your sponsors or church liaisons are good resources for finding a renewal group.)

T.E.C.

T.E.C. (TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST) is an opportunity for teenagers (grades 10-12 recommended) to share their faith with other teens in a way patterned after Cursillo. If you would like to serve as an Adult Leader on a weekend — as a Table Leader (ATL); an Adult Leader for the Kitchen, Wheat (TEC's prayer warriors) or Support (TEC's 4th Day) team, please call:



T.E.C Convenor	Darrell Spors	436-1034	23-26 Apr	TEC #39	Christ Presbyterian
Weekender Apps	Lynn Roghair	891-2038	23-26 Jul	TEC #40	Faith Presbyterian
Adult Team Apps	Doug Grabham	926-3459	22-25 Oct	TEC #41	Peace Reformed
Youth Team Apps	Bobo Burns	927-7545	28-31 Jan	TEC #42	To be determined

Unidos En Cristo received a memorial recently in loving memory of Paul Keisling.

Memorials given in memory of Cursillistas may be sent to the Unidos En Cristo Council Treasurer and will be acknowledged in the Palanca Press. Please send memorials to: David Tellett, Treasurer, 3409 Yosemite Avenue South Minneapolis, MN 55416. If you know of a Cursillista who has entered his or her *Fifth Day*, please call Marie Wilson, Editor (835-0301) for names to be included in the Palanca Press. Others in the Fourth Day Community may have no other way of knowing special friends in Christ have now entered His glorious presence.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

"What were you doing reading 10 years of council minutes?" Many of you were responding to my comments in the last Palanca Press. I'm glad you asked!! TEC (Teens Encounter Christ) has been a vital ministry for the past 10+ years. We thank God the way He has changed and touched the lives of our teens through this ministry. Through the years TEC has had some challenges with their 'legal' identity, i.e. obtaining accounts, postal permits, etc. There have been no articles of incorporation or by-laws naming them as a recognized organization. Through the years, United Cursillo and now Unidos En Cristo has supported the ministry financially and through other means. In recent years there has been a TEC liaison attending the Cursillo/Unidos council meeting each month. Twice there were task forces formed to 'solidify' the relationship between Cursillo and TEC; however, I was unable to locate any 'action' items in the Cursillo minutes. For approximately 3 years, there was no mention of TEC in the Cursillo minutes. In recent years the TEC Council under the leadership of Rex Cooper and now Darrell Spoor has made great strides in the areas of accountability and organization. This is not to say that the previous leadership did not make progress but the more recent council felt it was time to make a very direct and strong affiliation with the Cursillo/Unidos council. At the November 25, 1997 Unidos En Cristo council meeting, Martin Johnson, Dave Tellett and I were directed to become a task force and charged to "Decide how we (Unidos) can best accommodate incorporating TEC into this body." After reading the past 10 years of Cursillo/Unidos minutes, a number of meetings, phone calls, conversations and wonderful prayer support, we came back to the Unidos Council on January 27, 1998 with the following recommendations:

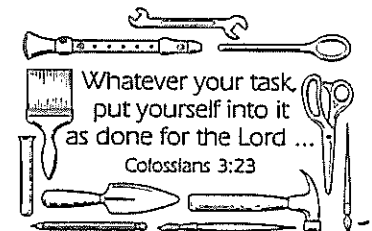
- 1) TEC to become a part of Unidos En Cristo as a Committee, and written into the by-laws, as such
- 2) Create a new position on the Unidos Council; a TEC spokesperson that will be a liaison that will attend both Unidos and TEC meetings and will also be a voting member on the Unidos Council.
- 3) Both, Unidos and TEC Council Treasurers will be bonded
- 4) Unidos will receive monthly financial statements from the TEC treasurer. (TEC's yearly financial statement will be combined with Unidos and annually reported to the IRS.)
- 5) Continue to be a line of accountability and support to one another.

The Unidos En Cristo moved, seconded and approved to adopt these recommendations.

I, would also like to remind you that nominations are still open for the Unidos Council. There are seven positions to fill, including 1 clergy position and 1 'new' TEC position. The term is for 3 years, beginning in September of 1998. Please send your nominations, along with biographical information, to Nominations Committee, 15144 Everleigh Circle, Rosemount, MN 55068.

Criteria for a Unidos council member includes:

- A Living faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and His Word
- Has attended a Cursillo/Unidos En Cristo weekend
- Has served on a Cursillo/Unidos En Cristo team as a part of leadership
- Is an active member of the 4th day community (weekends, renewal group, Ultreyas)
- Is a member in good standing in a Unidos En Cristo church
- Is an active participant in the life of his or her home church
- Can commit to monthly meetings September through June, plus the duties of the position



More importantly, I wish all of you a blessed Easter season. We serve a Risen Savior and He Lives! Praise be to God!

In His service
Bob Olson, Convenor
(612-431-7968)

Unidos En Cristo Weekend Watch

Weekend:	# 145 (Men)	# 146 (Women)	# 147 (Men)	# 148 (Women)
Date:	June 11 - 14, 1998 Christ Presbyterian	June 18 - 21, 1998 Christ Presbyterian	August 13 - 16, 1998 Excelsior Covenant	August 20 - 23, 1998 Excelsior Covenant
Rector(a) Spiritual Director Asst. Spiritual Director Palanca Spiritual Director	Satoru Sudoh Mark Watkins Carl Palm John Williams	Sandy Ross	Duane Sarazin Bob Zeimes	Susie Prin Judy Myers Marjory Shields Cindy Shepherd
Application Dates:	March 31 - April 28	March 31 - April 28	June 2 - June 30	June 2 - June 30
Weekend:	# 149 (Men)	# 150 (Women)	# 151 (Men)	# 152 (Women)
Date:	November 12 - 15, 1998 St Croix Valley UMC	November 19 - 22, 1998 St Croix Valley UMC	TBD	TBD
Rector(a) Spiritual Director Asst. Spiritual Director Palanca Spiritual Director	Jim Buelow			
Application Dates:	September 1 - Sep 29	September 1 - Sep 29		



Weekender applications should be sent to: Carole Snyder (H: 479-2303)
P.O. Box 117
Maple Plain, MN 55359

ATTENTION CHURCH LIAISONS

Please note that the JUNE weekends have had a change in location, from 1st United Methodist Church in Duluth, MN to Christ Presbyterian Church in Edina, MN. A postcard was mailed to all Church Liaisons the week of March 16th. If you DID NOT receive this notification, please contact Carole Snyder (above) in order to update the Church Liaison Contact Listing. In addition, please remember that application checks should be made payable to Unidos En Cristo.

Unidos En Cristo Palanca reaches around the world ...

At the March 24, 1998 Unidos Council meeting, Don Harper, Unidos Palanca Contact, shared that as a Fourth Day Community Unidos supported 167 Weekends from Madrid, Spain to Okinawa to the South China Sea to Quebec to all over the US in March. April finds Unidos supporting 132 weekends in Spain, Canada, United Kingdom, Australia, South Africa, England, and many states in the US. All denominations including Youth ministries to Prison ministries to Catholic, Episcopalian, Walk to Emmaus, Tres Dias, Via De Cristo and many more are being supported by Unidos En Cristo of Minnesota. Please continue to remember our brothers and sisters in prayer as God's grace is experienced and shared coast to coast and continent to continent.

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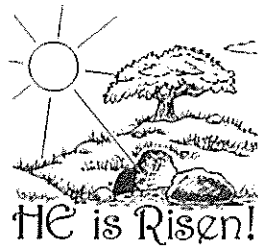
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Lee Peterson
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Rosemount, MN 55068

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