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Men's UEC #241 — June 17-20, 2010

*Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying,
 "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?"
 And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"
 Isaiah 6:8*

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Women's UEC #242 — June 24-27, 2010

*"Those who hope in the Lord will renew their
 strength. They will soar on wings like eagles.
 They will run and not grow weary. They will walk
 and not faint." Isaiah 40:31*

Rectora:	Kathy Messerli	763-557-7114
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Palanca:	Gretchen Hoppe	507-236-7253

Directions / Schedules

Directions: 4th Avenue UMC—Faribault, MN

From the Twin Cities, take I35 S to Faribault. Exit at Hwy. 60. Go East into Faribault. Take a right at 4th Ave. NW. Go 2 blocks. The church is on the left. Follow the UEC 4th Day Signs.

Serenades

Agape Dinner: Open to 4th Day and Kitchen Team members and their guests only.

Sunday Morning: Open to Sponsors only.

Sunday Dinner: Open to the 4th Day Community.
 4:30 p.m. - Sponsors, please arrive at 4:00 p.m.

Clausura

Sunday afternoon at 4:30 p.m. Bring your song book!

Weekend Prayer Vigil

Prayer is critical. Please sign up to pray during these weekends at www.unidosencristo.com (click on "4th Day" and then "Prayer Vigil"). Tips are provided.

Church Liaison Meetings - DAY CHANGE!!!

The Church Liaison meeting will be at 3:00 pm on Sunday before the **MEN'S CLAUSURA**. We will discuss a new policy which allows Christians from churches not affiliated with UEC to attend UEC weekends. While this is a way for Liaisons to network, **everyone is welcome**.

Helping Hands Palanca:

Offer to help cook, serve, or wash dishes for the Kitchen Team. Help 4th Day Team on Thursday with set up, on Saturday before or after the Agape dinner or on Sunday with tear down and cleaning. Host the 4th Day Center anytime throughout the weekend.

All About Palanca

How many items should I provide?

When sending Palanca for distribution in the Rollo Room, please send 48 items for the Women's weekend and/or 56 items for the Men's weekend.

Food Palanca Requests

Men's Weekend:

120 bagels, 8 gal milk, 10 gal orange juice, 10 lbs breakfast sausage links, 12 lbs ea - sliced ham, turkey, cheese, 120 burger buns, 10 lbs ground beef, 140 boneless chicken breasts, 192 asst dinner rolls, 26 bottles white catawba juice, 100 black/100 green tea bags, 120 all beef hot dogs, 120 hot dog buns, asst fresh veggies/fruit. Contact Jeremy Schwein at 763-221-4850 or jermeschwein@yahoo.com.

Women's Weekend:

Asst mini muffins/specialty breads, 100 croissants, 4 veggie trays, 24-paks of canned soda pop, 10 lbs regular and 10 lbs decaf coffee, 2 qt btls of juice - 2 prune, 2 cranberry, 2 apple, 2 grape, 24 btls catawba juice, 4 - 24 paks 16 oz bottled water, 3 extra large bags of white pre-popped popcorn. Contact Connie Volling at 952-474-0766 or cvolling@aol.com.

Paper Palanca

Letters arrive for each UEC weekend from around the country and the world! Cash donations can also be given to each weekend. Send Palanca to:

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Kitchen Team

4th Day Rector/a
Asst. 4th Day Rector/a
4th Day Team



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Does UEC really make a difference? A Memorial to Jeanie Martens Marsters

George and Jeanie Martens attended United Cursillos #15 and #16 in 1984. From then on, they were passionate about sharing a renewed relationship with Jesus and the Body of Christ with anyone they could.

George entered his 5th Day and went to be with Jesus in 2001, and Jeanie followed Sunday, Oct. 4, 2009. After three years of battling her cancer, she chose to enter hospice care at home. During that time, she was lovingly serenaded twice by her 4th Day Community. She touched the lives of many through sponsoring or encouraging people to attend Cursillo/UEC. The weekend she died, she and her new husband, Chuck Marsters, were actually sponsoring their new pastor.

Jeanie loved to sing. While she was in hospice, she asked that memorial money be divided equally between her church choir, supporting a cousin in missions in Kenya, and new song books for UEC.

She died the afternoon of Oct. 4. Her husband Chuck still went to the Clausura that day because he knew Jeanie would want him to be there as Sponsor of their pastor. He also knew the community of love he would find there. The comments that meant the most in the days after were, "Now she's at the REAL Agape Dinner, and singing with the angels."

This piece was submitted by Jeanie's daughter, Kathy Dyrdal (United Cursillo #18). She included a list of people that Jeanie sponsored and touched through UEC. For lack of space and for the sake of privacy, we aren't printing that list here. It was certainly proof that UEC can make a difference and has a ripple effect when we pass it on.



Water is an amazing element. It covers 71% of the earth's

surface in the form of oceans, lakes, rivers, streams, rain, and dew. Water is found throughout scripture. In the beginning, "the Spirit of God hovered over the surface of the water" before beginning creation. In the Old Testament, we find God using water to flood the entire earth as the people had become corrupt ... we find Him using the same water to save Noah's faithful family. We find water delivering Moses, the baby, to his God-planned destiny, parting the Red Sea for the Israelites to begin their Exodus, spewing forth from a Rock to quench the thirst of those waiting for God to deliver them to the promised land. In the New Testament, water is the basis for Jesus' first miracle and a symbolism of new birth to those who are baptized. Jesus calls himself the "Living Water." Water is a symbol for the Holy Spirit.

Images of water appear throughout this newsletter. Ponder water's scriptural symbolism as you see them. Let God rain on you today.

Prayer Vigil

Please commit to prayer by joining the weekend Prayer Vigils. Go to www.unidosencristo.com. Click on "4th Day" and then "Prayer Vigil". You can input your e-mail address and choose a one-hour time slot to pray. You'll receive a reminder e-mail, prayer tips and specific requests from the weekend team.

These have been updated and are easier to use. The Palanca Teams for both UEC #241 and #242 are utilizing the Prayer Vigils to solicit specific prayer for team and weekenders.

Give Palanca

Reach back in your memory to your cursillo weekend and feel the amazement at the realization that there were literally thousands out there praying for you. They let you know this by sending you Palanca, be it small gifts, honorariums, simple notes or small posters. It was because of Palanca that you felt outrageously well cared for and showered with love.

Pay it forward by giving Palanca. Your 4th Day Community can make Rollo Room Palanca. You can give individual Palanca for those you know on team and attending.

Remember that Weekenders from new churches do not yet have a 4th Day Community providing Palanca to them, so it is up to the rest of us to make sure they feel outrageously well cared for as well ... by giving Palanca!

New Churches

UEC would like to welcome the following churches. These have become involved in UEC since June 2009.

Alliance Church ... Valley, St Croix Falls, WI
Berean Community, Rochester, MN
Christ Fellowship, Elk River, MN
Family Baptist Church, Minneapolis, MN
Fairmount Avenue UMC, Minneapolis, MN
Grace Fellowship, Brooklyn Park, MN
Harbor Church, Hastings, MN
Mills Church, Minnetonka, MN
Recovery Church, St. Paul, MN
River of Life, Elk River, MN
Woodridge Church, Long Lake, MN



WELCOME!

Fourth Day

Welcome to the 4th Day! Cursillista List from UEC #239 & #240 Colonial Church of Edina

Pat and Robert Ahrens, Discovery UMC
Jack Anderson, Minnewashta
Jay and Ann Anderson, Crosswinds UMC
Rob and Michelle Bonahoom, Hosanna! Lutheran
Dennis and Pat Bowe, Discovery UMC
Kathy Carter, Brooklyn UMC
Carol Clason, Christ Community
Dave Deutsch, Pax Christi Catholic
Maryn and Alison Dibben, Buffalo UMC
Pamela Dille, Riverside Evangelical
Jon Enquist, The Recovery Church
Tim Geisinger, Brooklyn Park Evangelical Free
Pat Gilbert, Hosanna! Lutheran
Willie and Carmen Grimm, True North
Phil and Laura Haarstad, Excelsior Covenant
Barb Halvorson, Colonial Church of Edina
Jerry Hauer, Autumn Ridge
Janet Huber-Loe, First Baptist, Hudson
Grace Knight, The Mills Church
Dave and Julia Knutson, Grace Fellowship
Gregg and Robin Kragenbring, First Baptist, Grove City
Greg Loomis, Watertown Evangelical Free
Darrell and Julie Lund, Harris Covenant
Joyce Meichels, Hope Presbyterian
Greg Meyer, Plymouth Covenant
Jim and Laura Molenaar, New London Evang. Cov.

Dave Morrison, Hope Presbyterian
Mark Narveson, Hosanna! Lutheran
Greg and Kay Oien, First UMC, Lindstrom
Mark Olson, Riverside Evangelical
Joe Parkes, Fairmount Avenue UMC
Jo Anne Pavlik, Peace Reformed
Dave Pavelka, Faith Presbyterian, Minnetonka
Marcia Pederson, Woodridge
Becky Petersen, Plymouth Covenant / Living Word
Al Pruis, Peace Reformed
Noah Reedy, North Branch UMC
Vicky Roers, Our Lady of Peace
Rick and Becky Ruddy, True North
John and Christina Schallock, The Harbor
Tom Schultz, Rochester Covenant
Mark and Sherri Scott, Autumn Ridge
Cindy Smith, Crown of Glory Lutheran
Bill and Liz Souther, Harris Covenant
Larry and Anne Spicer, Peace Reformed
Doug Stolt, St. Lucas Community
Keith and Lynn Stotts, Woodridge
Kathryn Stuelke, Peace Reformed
Barb Suapaia, Colonial Church of Edina
Lynn Teschendorf, Colonial Church of Edina
Randy VanderVorste, Woodridge
Joyce Weaver, Faith Presbyterian, Minnetonka

Fifth Day

Weekender Reviews

In Loving Memory

*We joyfully celebrate the
life and resurrection of each friend in Christ
who has entered the Fifth Day:*

Pat Koepke (Nelson Berg), UEC 64, Hopkins UMC
Leslie Meader (Eileen), VDC 55, St. Croix Valley UMC
Trudy Wasson (Boyd), UEC 238, Faith Presbyterian

If you know of a Cursillista who has entered his or her 5th Day, please e-mail information to the Palanca Press editor (walker@unidosencristo.com) for inclusion in the newsletter. Others in the 4th Day Community may have no other way of knowing that their friends in Christ have entered His presence. If you provide the name and address of family, a sympathy card will also be mailed to the family. Memorials given in memory of Cursillistas will be acknowledged in the Palanca Press, unless otherwise requested. Send memorials to the Unidos en Cristo Council Treasurer: Teresa VanBatavia, 404 Union Terrace Lane N., Plymouth, MN 55441.

*"To make a long story short —
I was blind and now I see."*

*"I saw God's unconditional love
for the very first time."*

"At this weekend, I saw a lot of God with skin on."

*"I've known about God's love.
This weekend, I EXPERIENCED God's love."*

*"I witnessed uncertainty and brokenness
replaced with wholeness and healing."*

*"I've felt before as though I was walking beside
the path in the ruts and the weeds.
Now, I feel as though I am on the path."*

*"I saw my Lord. And, he loves me.
He thinks I'm perfect!"*

*"This is NOT your average men's retreat. I've been stuck
in my life. This weekend provided a way to get unstuck."*

Weekend Watch

Upcoming UEC weekends are listed in the table below. Weekend Registration Forms and Team Applications are available from your Church Liaison or online at www.unidosencristo.com on the *Resources / Forms* page.

WEEKEND REGISTRATION FORMS will be accepted at any time for any weekend if the weekend hasn't filled — up until two weeks before the weekend begins. If you wish to submit a Weekend Registration Form within two weeks of an upcoming weekend, ask your Church Liaison to contact Audrey Mondelli, Allocations Coordinator to determine if space is available. When this issue of the Palanca Press went to print, **there were still Applicant openings for the June 2010 weekends at 4th Avenue UMC, Faribault, MN.** Send Weekend Registration Forms to:

Audrey Mondelli, UEC Allocations • 2630 Boulder Way • Burnsville, MN 55337 • mondelli@unidosencristo.com
The Weekend Registration fee of \$40.00 should accompany the Weekend Registration Form.

TEAM APPLICATIONS will be accepted after the Final TEAM AP DATE in the table below only if the team is not yet full. **NOW is the PERFECT TIME to apply to serve on the October 2010 weekends.** Leadership will begin filling those teams in July.

Weekend	Date	Host Church	Rector/a	Spiritual Directors	Team Ap Window
#243 Men	November 4-7, 2010	Evangel UMC, Rochester, MN	TBA	TBA	May 4 - August 4, 2010
#244 Women	November 11-14, 2010	Evangel UMC, Rochester, MN	TBA	TBA	May 4 - August 4, 2010
#245 Men	February 10-13, 2010	Excelsior Covenant Excelsior, MN	TBA	TBA	August 13 - November 13, 2010
#246 Women	February 17-20, 2010	Excelsior Covenant Excelsior, MN	TBA	TBA	August 13 - November 13, 2010

UEC Friends

Support Teens Encounter Christ (TEC)

(submitted by Dianna Knack, TEC)

TEC is cursillo for high school teens. From the moment the weekenders arrive at the host church on Friday morning, they are greeted by an energetic team of teenagers and adults. Tears and laughter are shared as the weekend progresses in faith, going through the despair of Christ's crucifixion, and ending with the triumph of the resurrection. The whole team works together to lead the weekenders in music, games, good food, and lots of laughter to put everyone at ease and make an enjoyable experience for all. By Sunday, weekenders and team alike rejoice in the new life that Christ brings.

TEC is offered as an expression of God's grace and love extended to all, regardless of race, gender, economic status or educational achievement. Teens wanting to attend need only a parent's permission.

Please support TEC! Send your teens!

Websites are:

www.unitedtec.org (metro) & www.southerntec.org. (S MN)

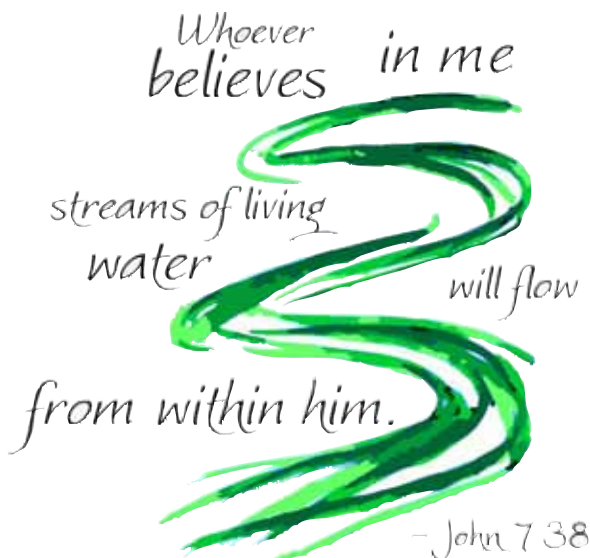
UEC also supports these other cursillo movements:

Charis (UEC in prison): www.charismn.com

Via de Cristo (Minnesota): www.mnviadecristo.org

Tre Dias: www.tresdias.org.

Walk to Emmaus: www.mnemmasus.org.



Council Quarters

Convenor's Corner

Dear Friends in Christ,

Life is all about progression. The world progresses (sometimes). Our communities progress as they strive to improve our quality of life. Churches progress as they learn how to cultivate our relationship with God. Families progress as they discover how to be in relationship together. Christians progress as they grow and live out their faith. While all of this occurs, God remains God.

UEC weekends are all about progression, from simple meals to elaborate dinners, from carnations to roses, from blank dinner mats to beautiful hand-made creations, from meeting Christ, to preparing to serve Christ, to going out and serving Christ in our churches and communities.

I invite you to read about our newest and hopefully our last UEC Allocations policy change (on the opposite page). It represents the progression of UEC as an organization. Our Mission is, "To revive and strengthen Christian commitment and community in the local church." Since 1940, cursillo has been changing and progressing, expanding to various parts of the world through various movements, some large, some small, some in churches, some in prisons, some in camps, changing to meet needs of pilgrims wherever they are. God remains God and brings His Grace to all of them.

UEC is progressing as well. I invite you to embrace this newest change. It is progressive ... some may even call it radical. It is definitely God-led and opens our door quite wide while at the same time retains those elements of cursillo that are precious and important.

Over the summer, with an open heart and mind, ask God who you might sponsor to attend UEC over the next year. Don't be surprised if a name comes to mind of someone you know who attends a church not yet affiliated with a cursillo organization. Now you can invite them. Now they, too, can experience God's grace in the unique way that we call Unidos en Cristo!

Abrazos!
Kathy Walker, Convenor

Thank You

Palanca Chapel Cross

Stop by the Palanca Chapel and see the beautiful new wooden cross crafted by Steve Staloch. This will be used to hang the weekend crosses on throughout the weekend until they are presented to the Weekenders during the Apostolic Hour. Thank you, Steve!

Trailer Storage

We'd like to extend a HUGE Thank You to Mark Whims. Mark has graciously, at no cost to UEC, allowed us to store our UEC supplies trailers safely and securely on his property, for 15+ years. Having sold the property, the trailers have been moved. Thank you, Mark!

Inspiration

Treat the Bible like our Cell Phone?

Ever wonder what would happen if we treated our Bible like we treat our cell phone?

- What if we carried it around in our purses or pockets all the time?
- What if we flipped through it several times a day to check for missed calls?
- What if we went back to get it when realizing we didn't have it with us?
- What if we used it to receive messages from the text?
- What if we treated it like we couldn't live without it?
- What if we gave it to our kids as gifts?
- What if we used it when we traveled?
- What if we used it in case of emergency?
- What if we programmed it with memorized numbers and verses that we could speed dial when needed?
- What if we used it to keep in touch with God and with each other?

Cell phones cost money. Scripture is Free. Jesus already paid the bill. Cell phones drop calls. We are never disconnected from God. So every time you panic when you realize you don't have your cell phone with you ... consciously ask yourself if you have God's Word with you and go back to get them both! Be in God's Word daily, seek it for wisdom, give it away! Memorize it and hide it in your heart so you always have it with you!



Jesus said,
"If you only knew
the gift God has for you
and who you are speaking to,
you would ask me, and
I would give you
living water."

John 4:10

UEC Volunteer Opportunities

New Home Needed for UEC Trailers

We are now in need of a new home for our UEC supply trailers.

We would like to have a fenced-in, locked setting somewhere in the metro area. The trailers are approximately 8' x 25' each. Good accessibility is important as well.

If you have property as described and would be willing to provide a new home for the UEC supplies trailers, contact Don May at 651-437-6905 or at dongmay@comcast.net.

Thank you.

ALLOCATIONS POLICY CHANGE EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2010

In 2005, the Long Range Task Force (LRTF) finalized and presented recommendations to UEC Council for improving UEC. For the past five years, UEC Council has been busy implementing those recommendations, many of which required Allocations policy change towards becoming more "open." Those changes have included allowing married people to attend individually, removing the clergy signature requirement on weekend applications, removing the requirement that clergy attend first before members of a church can attend, making the appeals process easier, and more.

In spring of 2009, UEC Council voted unanimously to accept a policy that would allow Cursillistas to sponsor Christians who are active participants in churches that are not yet affiliated with any cursillo organization. We chose NOT to make the policy effective immediately to allow time to discern how such a policy might be implemented. We felt that an important balance must be achieved allowing us to move forward while retaining important elements like follow-up and clergy involvement. We wanted time to pray and receive God's guidance.

In January, the 2010 Policy Task Force began meeting to work on implementation of this policy. The task force included Dick Hamblin, Trace James, Pamela Jensen, Dennis Miller, Polly Olson, Kathy Walker and Steve Wilson. These people represented support for the policy, opinions against the policy, lay and clergy, Council as well as 4th Day Community members, male and female. It was amazing to watch our different opinions and points of view about the policy meld and become united over the course of five months. We believe that we reached the balance we set out to find and UEC Council agrees.

The task force presented recommendations to Council on April 27 and made final decisions on May 5.

Pending a vote by Council on May 25 (this newsletter went to print on May 18):

This policy will become EFFECTIVE ON JULY 1, 2010.

Here are the basics:

- Cursillistas can now sponsor Christians who attend churches and fellowships that are not cursillo affiliated.
- Sponsors will be encouraged, more than ever, to be serious about follow-up by helping their new Cursillistas sponsor, join a renewal group, serve on team and become involved in a 4th Day Community.
- Liaisons can expect that their local 4th Day Community will grow, welcoming Cursillistas from nearby churches that do not yet have 4th Day Communities.
- Cursillistas will continue to be encouraged to go back to their home churches and serve. Cursillistas in churches not affiliated with UEC will be encouraged to stay at their churches and will be given help in building a 4th Day Community at their church.
- Clergy of new churches will be contacted before a member of their church attends a UEC weekend. They will be introduced to UEC and invited to attend alongside their member. This was a very important point to the task force. We believe the way that this will be implemented will not only increase clergy participation, but will also be a natural and positive way to inform new churches and clergy about what UEC is, what UEC is not and our mission to *"To revive and strengthen Christian commitment and community in the local church."*

For more detailed information, visit our web site at www.unidosencristo.com. Go to Leadership / Council and download the two articles "2010 Policy Task Force Recommendations — May 25, 2010" and "Allocations Information July 2010." In addition, you may want to join us for the **Liaison Gathering being held at 3:00 pm on Sunday, June 20 at 4th Avenue UMC in Faribault, just before the Men's Clausura.** We will be discussing this new policy.

NEW WEEKEND REGISTRATION FORM: YES, there is yet one FINAL Weekend Application / Registration Revision. Please destroy all Weekend Applications you currently have and download our NEW WEEKEND REGISTRATION FORM. Click on Resources / Forms. Beginning with registrations (applications) for the November weekends, please use this form ONLY.

This new way of doing things will experience a transition period and be provisional for a couple of years. Feedback from the 4th Day Community is, as always, welcomed. Anyone on UEC Council should be able to answer questions, explain reasoning and deliver suggestions back to Council OR be able to direct you to the person who can address your concern. We ask that you be open, gentle and patient as we confidently move forward.

Together in Christ's Service,
UEC Council

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June 22

June 24-27

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November 23

December

Men #241, 4th Ave. UMC, Faribault

UEC Council Meeting — End of Term

Women #242, 4th Ave. UMC, Faribault

UEC Council Meeting — Beginning of Term

UEC Council Meeting

Men #243, Evangel UMC, Rochester

Women #244, Evangel UMC, Rochester

UEC Council Meeting

NO Council Meeting



*“The earth was formless and empty, and darkness covered the deep waters.
And the Spirit of God was hovering over the surface of the waters.”*

Genesis 1:2 — New Living Translation