

Unidos en Cristo

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Excelsior Covenant Church

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Men's UEC #261

June 20-23, 2013

*"You will seek me and find me
when you seek me with all your heart.
I will be found by you," declares the Lord.*
Jeremiah 29:13-14a

Rector: Steve Staloch 952-881-8639
Kitchen: Dave Eckart 612-802-7507
4th Day: David Webb webb@unidosencristo.com
Palanca: Steve Martin 952-432-4931

Women's UEC #262

June 27-30, 2013

*"With God,
all things are possible."*
Matthew 19:26

Rectora: Darla O'Flanagan 763-439-9693
Kitchen: Cheryl Howard 507-889-3309
4th Day: Dawn Ziegler 952-846-4773
Palanca: Jen Bowe 952-594-1909

Directions / Schedules

Directions: Excelsior Covenant Church

From Hwy. 494 in Minnetonka, take Hwy. 7 west. Go 2 miles. Take a right onto Vine Hill Rd. and then an immediate left onto Excelsior Blvd. (This is not the same Excelsior Blvd. that meets 494). The church is two blocks on the left. Watch for "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!

Paper Palanca Send to:

Men of UEC #261 or Women of UEC #262
c/o David Webb, Palanca Coordinator
4737 CR 101, #218, Minnetonka, MN 55435
webb@unidosencristo.com
Must arrive TWO WEEKS PRIOR to weekend.

Helping Hands Palanca:

Unable to serve on team? 4th Day & Kitchen Teams are happy for your help throughout the weekend. Call ahead to learn times of particular need when you might be able to give a couple hours of your time.

All About Palanca

How many items should I provide?

When sending Palanca for distribution in the Rollo Room, please send 56 items for each weekend.

Food Palanca Requests - Men & Women

The "common" list below are items most often needed on weekends. Please contact those listed for details and quantities. UEC weekends are NUT-FREE. Please — no nuts, nut-exposed products.

Common Food Palanca List

regular/decaf coffee, asst tea bags, asst juice, asst fresh fruit/vegies, eggs, asst bagels/cream cheese, asst boxed cereal, milk, bacon, breakfast sausage, asst individual yogurt, lunch meat, sliced cheese, white bread, whole wheat bread, asst individual chips, tossed salad mix, asst salad dressing, baking potatoes, ground beef, chicken breasts, hot dogs, hamburger buns, hot dog buns, tortilla chips, salsa, catawba juice, cheesecake, asst 2 liter soda pop

Men's Weekend:

Also need: ice cream sandwiches, syrup, avocados, angel food cake, dried cranberries. Contact: Dave Eckart at 612-802-7507.

Women's Weekend:

Do not need hotdog buns. Contact: Cheryl Howard at 507-889-3309 or by email at cheryl.howard@austin.k12.mn.us.

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"). One-hour slots are available around the clock and tips are provided. We would like to see ALL slots filled for both weekends. By praying, you become part of the Weekend Team.



Steve Staloch (14) Jerry Low (9) Mike Pedersen (1) Alex Plechash (13) Bruce Bjork (2,12) Robert Bollar (4,7) Dan Everson Phil McWilliams	Hope Presbyterian Plymouth Covenant St. Luke's Lutheran Christ Presbyterian LeSueur UMC Church of All Nations Hope Presbyterian Hope Presbyterian	Rector/a Assistant Rector/a	Darla O'Flanagan (14) Michelle Benyo (10) Sarah Peterson (13) Heide Walker (5) Cindy Gregorson (4,12) Rosemary Klass (2, 7) Arla Berry Deb Johanson	Buffalo UMC Calvary United Pentecostal New Day Covenant Hosanna! Sanctuary Covenant Calvary Baptist Riverside Evangelical Presbyterian
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Weekend Watch

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

WEEKEND REGISTRATIONS will be accepted at any time for any weekend if the weekend hasn't filled. If you wish to submit a Weekend Registration form within two weeks of an upcoming weekend, contact Cheryl Lecy, Allocations Coordinator to determine if space is available. *As of the publishing of this newsletter, there are still many spots available for Weekenders for the June weekends.* Send Weekend Registration forms to:

Cheryl Lecy, UEC Allocations • 22603 W. Martin Lake Dr. • Stacy, MN 55079 • lecy@unidosencristo.com

The weekend registration fee of \$40.00 per Weekender should accompany the Weekend Registration form.

TEAM APPLICATIONS may be submitted at any time for any weekend. Submission of a team application does not guarantee placement on a team. You may contact Don May, Leadership Training at 651-437-6905 or dongmay@comcast.net to determine if there are still team openings. ***The June teams ARE FULL ... please consider serving in October!***

Weekend	Date	Host Church
#263 Men	October 3-6, 2013	Plymouth Covenant, Plymouth, MN
#264 Women	October 10-13, 2013	Plymouth Covenant, Plymouth, MN

WHY are there FROGS all over this newsletter?

The editor has just rediscovered an old acronym.

FROG - Fully Rely On God

It is the mission of the editor in this issue to so implant the image of the FROG into your brain that you will remember to:

FULLY RELY ON GOD!



Weekend Reminders

Prayer Vigil

Originally, Palanca was a small note or a prayer rather than the practice of showering the weekenders with trinkets. It was the gift of setting aside time to talk to God about the Weekenders, to ask Him to show them His grace, to thank Him for interceding on their behalf, to beg for His love to be manifest in their hearts.

This is a self-less act, the giving of Prayer Palanca. Very few in our community sign up for the Prayer Vigil. What is holding you back? A committed time of prayer is nothing to be afraid of or wonder about. It's simply a conversation with someone who loves you and loves the Weekenders.

Won't you sign up today?

www.unidosencristo.com, click on 4th Day and then on Prayer Vigil. If you have trouble, contact the Prayer Vigil Coordinators for UEC 261 and 262:

UEC 261: No Prayer Vigil Administrator listed. If you have questions, talk to the Palanca Rector or a Council member.

UEC 262: Jen Bowe 952-594-1909
fishesandloaves@charter.net

Exactly WHAT is a Church Liaison?

After attending a UEC Weekend, it is our hope that each Weekender will be welcomed into an active 4th Day Community either in his/her own church or in a church nearby. Active 4th Day Communities are the HEART of UEC. They host local Ultreyas to fellowship and worship God together, find Sponsors for Weekenders, share UEC news, do mission projects, make Palanca, etc.

The UEC Church Liaison is the person connecting UEC at large and the local 4th Day Community. The Liaison helps to process UEC registration forms and encourage team participation. This is not a difficult task and can be very rewarding if a community is vibrant and active.

Does your church have an active 4th Day Community? Do you wish it did? Does your church have a UEC Church Liaison? If not, would you consider being that person?

Join us at an upcoming Church Liaison Networking Gathering. These are held on Sunday of all women's weekends at 3:00 pm, just before the Clausura. Mike Peterson, Liaison Coordinator on the UEC Council, will join you to share up-to-date news and answer any questions you might have. You can also reach him at 507-775-0005 or peterson@unidosencristo.com

Fourth Day

Welcome to the 4th Day! Participant List from UEC #259 & #260 Faith Covenant Church, Burnsville, MN

Fully
Rely
On
God



Evynne Amsrud, Common Grounds
 Josh Arment, Church of the Open Door
 Kim Bakke, Assembly of God
 Lynn Bauch, Anoka Covenant
 Susan Beers, River Falls AOG
 Kyle Bell, Wesley UMC
 Mary Jo and Larry Carlson, Christ Presbyterian
 Stephanie Carlson, Hosanna!
 Wendy Carlson, Woodridge
 Laurie Erickson, Mount Calvary
 Richard Evans, Wesley UMC
 Andy Formantes, Faith Covenant, Burnsville
 Shaniquia Hammonds, Light of the World Christian Ctr
 Aliasha Harkess, Woodland Hills
 Jean Hart, Rosemount UMC
 Pete Hawn, True North
 Karolyn and Matt Hinrichs, Grace Fellowship
 Gordy Hjellming, Hope Presbyterian
 Russ Hook, Brunswick UMC
 Julie Houle, Epiphany
 Melody Jacobs, Alliance Church
 Troy Jelinek, Christ Lutheran
 Gina and Adam Johnson, Main Street
 Tina and Ben Kramer, Christ Church
 Bonnie Kundert, Rosemount UMC
 Kevin Kunnari, Hossana!

Janice Laven, Family of Christ
 Kelly and Kirk Litynski, Hosanna!
 Lisa Marie Mackenzie, Faith Covenant, Burnsville
 William Makepeace, Westwood Lutheran
 Shelly and John Marcon, Faith in Christ Fellowship
 Jen Marschall, Peace Reformed
 Meg Martin, True North
 Jessica and Rick Narvaez, 3 Degrees
 Gloria and Ron Neperud, River Wood
 Susan Rausch, Rosemount UMC
 Lois Riesgraf, St. Huberts Catholic
 Abby Schmidt, Main Street
 Robin Schroeder, Rosemount UMC
 Tina and Scott Sirek, New Life Christian Community
 Robert Smith, Shiloh Temple
 Jayne Stolt, Faith Covenant, Burnsville
 Becky Tarvin, Wooddale
 Carolyn and Bruce Temte, Faith Covenant, Burnsville
 Amy Thach, Hosanna!
 Wendy Vanderwerf, First UMC
 Janice Waheed, Shiloh Temple
 Joan Walton, True North
 Scott Weaver, Who's Next?
 Louise and Steve Wentworth, First Free
 Bryan Winslow, Wesley UMC

Weekender Reviews

Rather than share Weekender quotes from the previous Clausuras, enjoy this letter received from a Weekender that attended a couple years ago:

"Everyone who attends a cursillo weekend has a unique experience, yet our encounter with God's grace is the same. My experience was no different.

God's grace lavished me with love.

God's grace forgave my Sin (capital S) and sins (small s).

God's grace freed me to be me.

God's grace gave me purpose and called me to love.

God's grace gave REAL promises.

God's grace proved God is alive and well and trustworthy.

God's grace filled me and overflows out of me.

God's grace squashed hurt, bitterness and pride, gently.

God's grace came through the Spirit AND God's people.

God's grace is infinite and present.

God's grace is ALWAYS available to me.

This is what I experienced in the three days we call a UEC Weekend. This is what those I've sponsored experienced on their weekends. No wonder it is overwhelming. That is what the world needs. Let us go and overwhelm the world with God's Grace!"

Promised Rest ...
Ahhh.

"And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also."

John 14:3



Fifth Day

In Loving Memory

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

Dorothy Kuether, UEC 72, Hennepin UMC
 Ron Randall, Episcopal Cursillo 79, Colonial Church (Carole)
 Charlie Fraatz, Episcopal Cursillo 97, Colonial Church

Memorials have been given in memory of:

Karen Davis and Joel Stangeland

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 them to the Unidos en Cristo Council Treasurer Julie Dulac, 5108 W 74th Str., PO Box 390122, Edina, MN 55439.

Are you a Winter Bird and Missing Your Copy of the Palanca Press?

If you are in Minnesota for the summer and elsewhere in the country for the winter, then this **ALERT** is for you! We don't want you to miss out on any UEC news!

Did you know that because we send out the Palanca Press via "bulk" mail, the post office will **NOT FORWARD** your Palanca Press to you at a different address?

Did you know that if the Palanca Press cannot be forwarded to you, it is **RETURNED** to us for a fee?

Did you know that if it is **RETURNED** to us two times, and we cannot reach you by e-mail to correct the address, then we **INACTIVATE** your mailing until we hear from you?

Of course, our best suggestion is for you to sign up for e-mail delivery of the Palanca Press all the time. Then the problem is non-existent.

However, if you prefer to receive the Palanca Press by mail, we are happy to comply, but we need you to contact us each time you move with your new address (that's twice/year for winter birds).

If you have questions or need to submit an address change or wish to receive the Palanca Press by e-mail, contact Betsie Mills, Database Administrator at database@unidosencristo.com or by phone at 952-292-0952.



New Cursillistas NOW Receive the Palanca Press by E-mail!!

Beginning with the Weekenders for the June 2013 weekends, all Weekenders who have provided us with an e-mail address will be signed up to receive the Palanca Press by e-mail. They can choose to receive a paper copy by mail by contacting the Database Administrator. If an e-mail address is not provided, they will receive a paper copy. A note will be included in their Palanca bags explaining this process.

We are now mailing 350 paper copies of the Palanca Press and e-mailing to over 1,000 people. It now makes sense for us to make this long awaited transition. It will also save on paper, printing and postage costs.

Sponsors and Liaisons

NEW Registration Forms

The Weekend Registration forms have been slightly revised. Liaisons and Sponsors, please go to the web site to download the May 2013 version of the Weekender Registration Form. The new form includes a place for the Applicant's Pastor's e-mail address. Pastors are easier to reach by e-mail than by phone these days. A new Applicant question has also been added. We'd like to know whether the applicant has attended a cursillo-type weekend in the past. Attending UEC when one has already attended is allowed under certain circumstances on a case-by-case basis. When it is allowed, the Weekender will be asked, via the Sponsor, to allow the other Weekenders to experience the weekend as they did their first one. Also, priority will be given to those who have not attended before.

Registration Forms Need to be Complete BEFORE Submission

Please avoid the urge to submit an incomplete registration form. The registration form should not be sent to the Allocations Coordinator until ALL sections of the form have been filled out ... Applicant, Sponsor, Applicant's Pastor (NOT Sponsor's Pastor) and Liaison (unless there is NOT a Liaison at both the Applicant's and the Sponsor's churches). The \$40.00/person fee must be submitted with the registration form. If an incomplete registration form is submitted, it will be sent back to you. If you have questions while you are completing the form, you may certainly contact Cheryl Lecy, Allocations Coordinator for help. This would be better than sending in an incomplete form. Thank you for your cooperation.



"I put my trust in you, God." Psalms 56:3b

Do you trust in God fully?

Do you believe that He loves you?

Do you believe that He is working for you?

Does trusting God bring you peace?

If you think God has let you down,
are you sure it was not you who let go?

Fully relying on God is a good risk. Sometimes God may do something unexpected or different than you hoped or anticipated. But He sees the big picture and knows pieces of it that you don't. If you trust God to do what is best for you, and be patient for the outcome, you will see that God is good and that you can ...

FROG - Fully Rely on God!

Council Quarters

Convenor's Corner

The first day of spring, March 20, passed us by without much hope of seeing an end to the snow. While here in Duluth, I have had multiple opportunities to cross a small pedestrian bridge and see chunks of ice resembling small icebergs in the water. From a distance, they seemed to be floating on the water. As I got closer, it became clear that the portion visible above the surface was just a small part of the whole "iceberg". The water was clear enough to see some of what lurked below the surface, but it was impossible to tell just how big it might be. According to Google, about 90% of a true iceberg lies below the surface.



As I stood admiring the beauty of the harbor, I had to ask myself, "Am I like these chunks of ice? Do the people I encounter on a daily basis see just a little piece of who I am, or can they sense God's love deeper in me?"

In Matthew 16:24, Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me." As we approach each set of UEC weekends, we earnestly pray for full sets of Weekenders. We attend team meetings, knowing that last minute adjustments will need to be made if our Weekender numbers are smaller than we'd like. Are we "picking up our cross and following Him"? If each one of us were less like an iceberg, and more of an open book, those around us would sense the joy we have in our Lord, and would want to be a part of what we have. Look around you in the workplace, in the sanctuary, and in your family. Who doesn't know they are waiting for you to extend an invitation to a UEC weekend? Who is waiting for you to notice their pain or loneliness? Who needs you to invite them to a relationship with God?"

He is too important for us to keep Him to ourselves! As Casting Crowns has said, "If we are the body, why aren't His arms reaching? Why aren't His hands healing? Why aren't His words teaching? Why is His love not showing them there is a way?"

Let's spread the joy of His love in all we do, or as John Wesley would say, "Do all the good we can, by all the means we can, in all the ways we can, in all the places we can, at all the times we can, to all the people we can, as long as we ever can."

Christ is counting on us.
Teresa Van Batavia

Can you help?

Storage Facility Needed

The donation of a storage unit that is indoor, lockable, climate controlled, free of dust, mice, etc. is being sought as a place to store Kitchen Consumables, Banners, Stations of the Cross costumes, etc.

If you have one that you are not using, have access to one, or know how we might obtain one as a non-profit organization at a reduced cost or for free, please contact Rich Carlson, Council Supplies Coordinator.

Inspiration

What is your biggest worry in life?

William Ralph Inge, English author and Anglican priest, said that "Worry is interest paid on trouble before it is due." I tend to be a bit of a "worry wart" at times. Jesus often talked about worry, "That is why I tell you not to worry about everyday life—whether you have enough food and drink, or enough clothes to wear. Isn't life more than food, and your body more than clothing? Look at the birds. They don't plant or harvest or store food in barns, for your heavenly Father feeds them. And aren't you far more valuable to him than they are? Can all your worries add a single moment to your life? So don't worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring its own worries. Today has enough trouble of its own." (Matthew 6:25-34)

It sounds simple, but I believe it's human nature to worry. As Christians we are often called to do things that go against our human nature—to forgive, to turn the other cheek, to treat our enemies with kindness, to put away our swords and live in peace, love, and joy with one another, to be good and faithful to one another. However, nothing is easier than saying words, nothing more difficult than living them out.

So what can we do rather than worry? Researchers have discovered that we emit a particular type of energy when we worry and another type when we pray. In Philippians, Paul tells us what we are to do with our worry: "Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank God for all he has done. If you do this, you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus... Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise. Keep putting into practice all you learned and received from me—everything you heard from me and saw me doing. Then the God of peace will be with you... I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I have learned the secret of living in every situation... For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength." (Philippians 4:6-13)

Don't worry. Pray earnestly. And watch for God's answers.

Rev. Mary C. Marcoux
UEC Clergy Coordinator
(with Editors Note: "Fully Rely on God")

UEC Volunteer Opportunities and Thank You

Volunteers are being sought for the following positions. If you are interested, please contact Teresa Van Batavia for more information at vanbatavia@unidosencristo.com or by phone at 612-270-3876.

Kitchen Resource: Attends Day 2 Training, trains and is available to the Kitchen Teams as a Council liaison and resource. *Diane Swaback has been serving in this position for several years and is now stepping down. We thank her for her service!*

Kitchen Consumables Coordinator: Stores, organizes and restocks the Kitchen Consumables bins or perishable items that cannot be stored on the trucks. *Sandy Dunleavy organized this position and has served in it and perfected it. Thank you Sandy for your contribution in this area!*

Banner Coordinator: Stores, organizes and cleans the banners which are progressively hung around the church on weekends.

UEC Donation DOs and DON'Ts

In order to prevent the possibility of UEC donations getting lost before they reach our bank account, we'd like to ask you to observe the following **DOs** and **DON'Ts** of giving to UEC:

DON'T give your donation to a busy team member on a UEC weekend, unless he/she is the Weekend Treasurer.

DON'T give your donation to a Council Member unless he/she is the Treasurer.

DO place a donation in the plate at a UEC Clausura as it is passed.

DO send your donation to the address on the back of this newsletter, c/o UEC Treasurer.

DO be aware that we have instructed team members (other than the Weekend Treasurer) to NOT accept donations, but to direct you to the Treasurer.

These **DOs** and **DON'Ts** protect God's money, UEC Council members and UEC Team members. Help us make sure that your gift is used for God's purposes in UEC.

Thank you for being generous and for helping us in these ways!



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2012-2013

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UEC Council Nominations

Your help is needed in soliciting nominations for the 2013-2014 Unidos en Cristo Council. Serving on the Council is another way to see God's wonderful grace working in and through this lay-led renewal movement. The criteria for a prospective candidate includes:

- Completion of a cursillo-type weekend.
- UEC team experience in a leadership role.
- Active support of the 4th Day Community.
- Active participant in the life of his/her home church.
- Can commit to monthly meetings – September through June – plus the duties of the position for a three-year term.

We ask the support of the Fourth Day Community as we work to select a Council. Please prayerfully consider whether you, or someone you know, should be nominated for a Council position. Questions may be addressed to Teresa Van Batavia by phone at 612-270-3876 or by e-mail at vanbatavia@unidosencristo.com. Positions to be elected in 2013 are indicated in the listing to the right by "***".

In years past, we have published a form to be submitted. As we have only received 1-2 of those forms over the last 3-5 years, please make your nomination by phone to Teresa. Please be prepared to provide the name of the nominee, position being nominated for, address, home phone, e-mail address, church, cursillo weekend attended, teams served on, your name and phone number.

NEW Rector / Rector Mentor Program in Pilot Stage (Part 2)

We informed you in the January issue of the Palanca Press that we would be piloting a new program of Mentorship for the Rector/as beginning with the June leaders.

Dennis Lund and Colleen Bocchi were the first mentors chosen to pray for, advise and walk alongside Steve Staloch and Darla O'Flanagan (UEC 261 & 262 Rector/a) as they were called, prayed, prepared, chose their leadership and began their team meetings. The feedback we will get from Dennis and Colleen, as well as from Steve and Darla, will be valuable in shaping the program and will also help us develop a training program for the mentors.

Mentors are prayerfully chosen by the Council for this position. You can read more about the requirements in the January issue of the Palanca Press (available at our web site).

If you would like to know more, please contact a Council member.





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Next Palanca Press Submission Deadline:

August 14, 2013

CALENDAR

Oct. 3-6 Men #263 Plymouth Covenant

Oct. 10-13 Women #264 Plymouth Covenant

4th Tuesdays September - June: UEC Council Meetings are held at 6:45 pm at Christ Presbyterian Church.



"If I take the wings of the morning
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me."

Psalm 139:9-10