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Summertime: Is the Living Easy?

My son Nathan was watching a cartoon the other day and I overheard something that made me laugh to myself a little. The show starts with a little intro jingle that goes:

*"There's a 'hundred and four days of summer vacation,
and school comes along just to end it.
So the annual problem for our generation is finding a
good way to spend it."*

Do you remember summer vacation when you had to find something to fill up the days? Staying up late and sleeping-in just because? Playing outside and going on road-trips? Maybe there was a pool involved? I realize for some of you, this may still be a reality.

For the rest of us, I dare say we don't have any difficulty in *"finding a good way to spend it."* I've forgotten what a summer vacation looks like. In my home, homeschooling kind of redefines the conventional school year calendar. There isn't really a summer vacation, just the summer schedule. Mind you, we still take time away from school during the year. It just looks different, and may or may not coincide with the public school system's typically recognized calendar.

For me personally, time-off or time away only refers to the act of not actually being at my place of employment. It means doing something else that needs to be done. We all have them... those lists of 'stuff' that never really go away. The daily and weekly chores that keep the house and family sane and collected. You know... those thankless things that need to be done... just because..

And let's be honest; do Floridians really take a summer vacation? Isn't that what other people do from those other states and countries? According to the state's website: Tourism — with 87.3 million visitors in 2011 (a record number), Florida is the top travel destination in the world. If anything, **we** take a vacation to get away from those who are ON vacation! On that note, you

should also know that Sonbeam Via de Cristo is NOT on vacation this summer either!

As Professor Hinkle from Frosty the Snowman would say, we are *"Busy Busy Busy!"*



- We are on the precipice of launching Sonbeam's official Handbook, a go-to resource for questions or concerns on who, what, when, where, and why we do what we do.
- We continue to look at and consider new and exciting venues to stay current with today's social and relevant forms of communication, keeping members 'plugged-in' to what's happening.
- We are working on exciting new gatherings and fundraisers planned to help strengthen sponsorship as a whole, as well as funding for our upcoming National events.
- We are working to expand the ways and means to help cursillistas get connected with reunion groups; the backbone to a *fruitful* fourth day journey.

With all that's going on, and with all that we envision to accomplish, we CANNOT do it without YOU!

The community of believers is what makes-up the body of this great movement. With reunion groups and volunteers devoting their own time and *palanca*, we have been able to accomplish so much over a short amount of time. But there is still a *tremendous* amount of things to do.

With a community this large, we have an incredible amount of talent and resources that have yet to be tapped into. Even if only 1/3 of the community responded, that's still over 1000 people who could contribute just a portion of their God-given talents to enhance this vessel in which He has formed.

We need:

- Idea creators
- Fundraising makers
- IT developers and programmers
- Social media experts
- Audio and visual specialists
- Tradesmen and women
- Logistics and mobility experts
- Cooks and bakers
- Historians
- Accountants
- Inventory specialists
- Writers, publishers, and journalists
- Teachers and professors
- Musicians
- Retirees
- YOU

In August, we will be voting-in a slate of Secretariat members for a new term of service. In this newsletter, you will see the brief bio's of a few members who have answered the call to help serve in some form. There are still opportunities, both on Secretariat and behind the scenes. One does not need to sit ON the board in order to serve within Secretariat or the community. This is not an "all or nothing" movement! The prerequisite? A willing heart and the love of Christ to give back to others.

⁴For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, ⁵so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. ⁶We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; ⁷if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; ⁸if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully. Romans 12: 4-8:

Weekends 64 are 'in the books', and we are just getting started on the fall schedule for weekends #65. Be thinking now what you're going to do to flood others with God's Grace. Lock-in the calendar dates now before it's too late, and reach-out to myself or one of the members of this great team to see where you can get started.

...If you don't, I have 3 kids I'm going to send to your house to spend the rest of their summer vacation. They're all wired-up and need a place to crash for the next 2 ½ months!

In His Service-

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ANNOUNCING THE UPCOMING WEEKENDS

**Nov. 12-15, 2015 -
MEN'S WEEKEND #65**

**Nov. 19-22, 2015 -
WOMEN'S WEEKEND #65**

*Please note:
Fee Increase to \$125.00
per candidate*

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Annual Election of Secretariat Members 2015

The following positions are coming open for election at the August 2015 Sonbeam Annual Meeting:

- Treasurer
- At-Large
- At-Large
- Communications
- Pre-VdC
- Physical Arrangements
- Purchasing
- Prayer-Line Coordinator

As of the publishing of the July/August newsletter, the following individuals have expressed interest and will be on the ballot on August 8th:

- Bobbi Lind - (Treasurer)
- David Lind - (Pre VdC)
- Katherina Crowder - (At-Large co-chair)
- Adriana Lee - (At-Large co-chair)
- Sue Miller-Cinelli - (Communications – 2nd term)
- Sue Neal – (At-Large)

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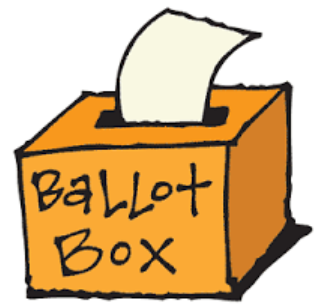
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Submissions for consideration will be accepted up to midnight August 8th. Nominations will not be accepted from the floor during the annual meeting.

CANDIDATES ON AUGUST 8, 2015 BALLOT BRIEF BIOS



Adriana Lee – Member At large Position #1 – Co-Chair

Presently serving by Appointment

I worship my lord and savior at Bridgepoint church in Saint Petersburg. I made weekend #61 and sat at the table of Martha. I am a single mother of two amazing children. My daughter Angel Lee is 6 years old, but gifted and assumes that makes her 16. My son Christian Lee is 5 years old and has ADHD, adjustment disorder, and asthma. I'm a preschool teacher and have been for many years so I am self-reliant, sometimes to a fault. So, while I was being so loved and served on my weekend, I wasn't fully impacted by depth of the service and love until I served on weekends #62 and #63. As I began to show love to others on their weekend, God took me back and solidified everything that was said and done for me on my weekend. It was truly an indescribable defining moment in my faith.

I was a youth worker for many years, eventually becoming a youth pastor. I created and facilitated many ministry projects with all age groups in the church. However when my son's health became more prevalent, I decided to make our home my ministry. After a few hard years stabilizing my home and our health needs, I find myself hearing that still small voice again. I am presently serving by appointment as co-chair with Katherina Crowder in the Member at Large position. It has been exciting working with the Secretariat on all the new projects coming up and I am looking forward to continuing if elected. God loves you and so do I, Adriana.

Katherina Crowder – Member At large Position #1 – Co-Chair

Presently serving by Appointment

My name is Katherina Crowder. I made weekend #40, where I sat at the table of Esther. I worship my Lord and Savior everywhere and at all times. I attend Bridgepoint Church in St. Petersburg. I have been serving by appointment as co-chair with Adriana Lee in a Member At large Position. I have enjoyed being involved with the new Secretariat projects, including the Fund Raiser activity. I hope to continue to serve the Secretariat in any capacity needed.

I am blessed to be Mom to Matthew (12) and Melina's (10). I am a kindergarten teacher and I love to serve my students and their families. In the past I served in children's ministry at Northside Baptist Church. I am looking forward to getting back into children's ministry at Bridgepoint. We are an up and coming church that is bringing our local community into an active and closer relationship with the Lord. Via de Cristo is a special ministry close to my heart and has been for many years now. I have seen lives transformed and I am one of the many testimonies. I feel that this is a season to serve our VDC community and I am looking forward to the joy in the journey. In His love, Katherina Crowder

Bobbi Lind – Treasurer Position

Presently serving by Appointment

I'm Bobbi Lind –married to David. I worship at SeaBreeze Community Church in Largo. I was a candidate at Women's Via de Cristo Weekend #61. I served on the team on weekend #62 and community on weekend #63. My husband David and I also were sponsors for both sets of weekends. At SeaBreeze I help out with the Wednesday night meal on occasion, as well as assisting David with the church's new deaf ministry, "iSign".

I have been serving by appointment in the role of VdC Treasurer and it would be my pleasure to continue to serve. My secular career has included over 20 years of financial or accounting roles. I have earned a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration, as well as an MBA and a Masters in Accounting. I am currently employed by Raytheon as a Lead Proposal Analyst.

David Lind – Pre-VDC

(Presently serving by Appointment)

I'm David Lind –married to Bobbi. I worship at SeaBreeze Community Church in Largo. I was a candidate at Men's Via de Cristo Weekend #61. I served on the team on weekend #62 and community on weekend #63. My wife Bobbi and I also were sponsors for both sets of weekends. At SeaBreeze I have assisted in the media ministry and lead

the new deaf ministry, "iSign". This consists of interpreting the service every Sunday morning and teaching a Deaf Bible study twice a month.

I am presently serving in the position of Pre-VdC Chair by appointment and just finished my first weekend in this role. I have been promoting social media activity and working with the VdC Facebook Page. I would be honored to continue in this role. My secular career has included over 30 years in various customer service positions. This includes everything from cleaning windows to working a counter at Panera Bread to meeting and interpreting for various Deaf clients in the area. I also have a desire to do everything God calls me to do with excellence and as professionally as possible.

Sue Neal – 2nd Member at Large Position (First time candidate)

Hi dear Brothers and Sisters. I am running for the vacant Member at Large position on the Secretariat. It would be my pleasure to assist the Secretariat however needed. I was asked to write a short bio about me. Short will be the hard part since I can talk a whole lot! Interestingly, God has used the internet in BIG ways in my life. I was walked to faith via MySpace, found my first church on Google and met my amazing husband Rick on Facebook. Too long to tell all here, but ask and I will be glad to tell you more. It is quite a story.

Both my husband, Rick, and I made weekends #63 and the minute I saw the verse and footsteps picture I knew I was supposed to be there. I just served on the Women's team for Weekend #64. We presently worship at Calvary Chapel St. Pete but are looking for something a bit smaller.

I have been blessed with a wonderful prayer/crochet ministry that God continues to grow me in. Through my hands, God creates hats, shawls and blankets for cancer centers, nursing homes and NICU babies. There is also a group of ladies in prison that make hats for the ministry as well. God has truly blessed this ministry.

I am a part of two reunion groups that I just adore! We are actually starting another to include teaching crochet since a few ladies asked. Please let me know if you care to join us. I look forward to serving the Lord further through this wonderful VdC community. God loves you, and so do I.

Sue Miller-Cinelli – Communications Chair (up for 2nd term)

It has been my privilege to serve on the Secretariat as the Communications Chair for 1 term. My primary responsibility is producing the VdC newsletter. It would be my pleasure to continue on in this position for another term.

I made Weekend #59 where I sat at the table of Deborah and have served on subsequent teams. I worship the Lord Jesus Christ wherever I am. One of the reasons I value VdC so much is the special opportunity to worship and fellowship with the Body of Christ beyond denominational walls. I am blessed to be in a dynamic Reunion Group.



*Serve the Lord with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing!
Psalm 100:2*



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Reflections from a Spiritual Director

He impressed me as a likeable young man who'd come to worship on Easter with his Father and Mother. The following morning I received a phone call from him asking if I would be willing to stop by his home because *"I have some things I'd like to chat with you about over a cup of coffee"*. I had no idea what the "some things" were. I soon learned.

Ted was in his late 20's or early 30's, a graduate of Georgia Tech, married to an "on fire" Christian and father of two elementary school-aged children. Over the first of – to exaggerate a bit – **hundreds of cups of coffee** – Ted shared a struggle of many years to believe in the Easter story. As a recent seminary graduate, that simply cranked me up to help him believe! Boy, would that have been a notch in my belt! Nothing worked! Please understand Ted wasn't being obstinate. He was a true seeker of the truth. Though he somewhat resented the nagging approach his wife has used on him (which I think just drove him further away), I believe he also realized she had something he didn't have that had become a gnawing hunger within his spirit. Maybe that's why he had been open to his parents' invitation to accompany them that Easter.

There are many Ted's out in the world. They may be our spouses, children, co-workers, neighbors, extended family members, and yes, even fellow church members. It has been noted by more than one credible theologian: "One of the biggest mission fields is within our congregations." Trouble is, we who do "get" Easter, who rejoice in the resurrection, can unknowingly convey a smugness about our faith, an "I believe—what's wrong with you—attitude?" You see, Ted wanted to believe, but his logical, one plus one equals two "Teckie" training was a roadblock. No amount of logic, goading, cajoling, or whatever is going to change such a person. Let's face it, the resurrection of Jesus Christ flies in the face of our experiences and our logic. I have yet to meet someone whose funeral I had attended three days earlier! Not only was I going about reaching Ted the wrong way (you see, it was all about me!), I neglected something we talk about quite a bit in VdC: "Make a friend, be a friend, and bring a friend to Jesus." Absolutely fundamental! Also, I learned (and still have to remind myself) **WE CANNOT MAKE PEOPLE BELIEVE!** Martin Luther, in explaining the work of the Holy Spirit, says we cannot by our own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ our Lord or come to him, but **the Holy Spirit can!** Oh yes, it's not magic. The Holy Spirit uses folks like us. It's so important to remember on our weekends to express sincere love, especially to the candidates, and honestly share our faith journey with Jesus (yes, including some of the faith struggles we may have) and use the partnership we have with the Holy Spirit.

Finally, though I lost track of Ted, I still have hope that through the seeds planted he has come to know the riches of God's grace in Jesus Christ, and that one day I'll have the opportunity to greet him before the throne of Christ.

God's peace be with you! Pastor Jerry



"OLD REC'S" FROM WEEKENDS #64 SAY THANK YOU!

"Being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to a completion until the day of Christ Jesus." Philippians 1:6

Being Rectora for Weekend #64 was a fun experience, & I am grateful for the opportunity. Welcome to the family Babe chicks!

Thank you VDC family for your prayers, sacrifice of time & palanca for #64. Many were praying specifically for the health of the team & candidates. I am grateful to say for the most part, we were healthy. Your gifts are tangible reminders that we are in this together!

God gifted us with a wonderful group of candidates. We saw the Lord show up and show off all weekend. I pray I never lose being in awe of how God puts the exact people together at a table and use them to bless, heal and grow one another. They reflected His love beautifully. The team God assembled was exceptional. One of the goals for the team was to be a united group, and I praise God we worked as one.

Hosting the Post Ultreya at our church was also a blessing. I am grateful for the hands and hearts that pitched in to set up and clean up.

Please begin to pray for those God will call to serve on weekends 65. Could it be you? Perhaps He is calling you to sponsor a candidate?

November will be here before we know it. We can all do our part as the VDC community.

Christ's tool,
Kristen Beiler, Rectora
Women's Weekend #64

*"Seek the Lord and His Strength;
Seek His presence continually."
Psalm 105:4*

Men's Weekend #64 was an amazing weekend. It was an incredible experience to be a part of such a God-filled weekend. The team was filled with faithful servants who wanted to do everything that they could to glorify God. It was a real blessing for me to go through the planning stages with them and the Weekend itself. I was continually reminded that God is in charge and all things are possible when we rely on His Strength.

God's touch has already reached well beyond the babe chicks who made the weekend. Besides a new or renewed focus on Christ being seen by those around the babe chicks, God's grace has been poured out and continues to be poured out on those involved in the weekend.

In His Strength,
Rector John Odom
Men's Weekend #64

Thank You!

To all my VDC Brothers and Sisters,

*I have been overwhelmed by the outpouring of love and support
from Secretariat, Teams, Reunion Groups, and everyone.
I humbly thank all of you for being there for my family and myself
when we had to say goodbye for a while to Buck,
husband and father, grandpa & uncle.*

You all show the Lord's Grace and I am proud to be your sister.

*God loves you and so do I.
Shirley Phillips*

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SECRETARIAT NEWS & UPDATES

EXTENDED PALANCA – Dana Marquart #26

True Palanca --**Simple Prayers** ... As defined on page 31 of the NLS Essentials Manual (NLSEM), Palanca is the heart and lifeblood of the movement – **deep, intentional, selfless and sacrificial prayer**. Over time, we've come to call the small gifts and contributions "Palanca"... but **true Palanca is the power of prayer**. ~ Paul Sabatier-Smith

I found this written in the NLS newsletter by our own VDC brother, Paul. Although we don't personally know our brothers and sisters in other communities, God does. He knows them, loves them, and called them to spend intimate time with Him. As many prayed over you, your weekend and your 4th day walk, let us do the same by lifting them up to enter into a closer walk with The Lord as they spend their 4th day serving God and others. We will be blessed and grow closer to the Lord in these "Simple Prayers".

LOCAL PALANCA – Shirley Phillips & Clo Molloy

Check out the Palanca Table at the Ultreyas & start working on your Palanca for weekends.

PRE VDC – David Lind

I was appointed by Secretariat to fill the position of Pre-VdC chair. Some of you have heard from me already as you sponsored candidates for weekends #64.

Weekends #64 have come and gone and God moved in ways that only He can move. Most of the 37 new Babe chicks met with the VdC community at the Post Ultreya. Unfortunately, not all were able to be there.

Dan Johansen and Joy Feininger have been chosen as Rector and Rectora for Weekends #65. Please begin to pray for them as they seek God's leadership to build teams for the upcoming weekends.

It is now time for us to turn our focus towards the fall weekends. Getting time off is not always quick and easy, so let us be wise & invite prospective candidates for Weekends #65 speedily to allow ample time for them and their sponsors to prepare for the weekend.

Pray for the Holy Spirit to lead you to the candidates He is seeking to the weekends. I have been told that 3 women candidates have already scheduled the fall weekends. Pray for the candidates that God will prepare their hearts, health & scheduling for the coming weekends!

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Sing to God,
sing praises to
his name;
lift up a
song to him
who rides
through the
deserts; his
name is the
Lord;
exult before
him!
Father of the
fatherless and
protector of
widows is
God
in his holy
habitation.

Psalms 68:4-5

ESV

Romans 1:16 NIV

SECRETARIAT NEWS & UPDATES

TREASURER – Bobbi Lind #61

I was appointed to fill the Treasurer Position by the Secretariat, relieving Hal Feininger, who served so capably & graciously, well beyond his term. If approved at the August Meeting, I will continue as Treasurer. As a recent Babe Chick, I'm enjoying the opportunity to be a part of this wonderful community!

The accounting for the Spring Weekends is complete. By God's Grace, careful stewardship of Jerry Brown & others; together with generous palanca, ***all financial obligations of the weekends were met with a comfortable margin remaining!*** We give God is the Glory & our thanksgiving for His provision, which allows us to enter into the next set of weekends well equipped for deposits & advance purchases.

Candidate and team fees have increased to \$125, effective for the coming set of weekends. This is the result of Rotary Camp increases and rising general expenses. Knowing this could be difficult for some, **the Secretariat is discussing possible fund raisers & other efforts aimed at increasing the standing Scholarship Fund.** This fund is available to qualifying team and candidates, who couldn't participate without assistance.

If you would like to donate to the scholarship fund, donations can be made at Ultreyas, mailed to P.O. Box, or online with PayPal.

If you have ideas for, or interest in, Fund Raising Projects or scholarships, please contact me or any member of the Secretariat.

AT LARGE – Katharina Crowder & Adriana Lee

Adriana & I are serving as appointees to the Secretariat as co-chairs of one of the At Large Positions & are excited to be a part of what God is doing with VdC. We are enthusiastic about new fund raising projects to help provide scholarships assisting more people be part of the teams, especially in light of the **recent increases of team and candidate fees to \$125.**

We need your ideas & participation with new projects & we encourage you to begin with our first project - ***"filling up the "Babe Chick jars"*** available at the Ultreyas.

DATABASE TEAM REPORT - John Foster

Several years ago, your Secretariat sought to save on the cost of printing & mailing our newsletter by emailing all newsletters. As not all of the community had email access, this resulted in a drop of attendance at ultreyas & sponsorship of candidates. We began

mailing out newsletters twice a year. We centralized our records & tried to update mailing addresses to reduce "undeliverable mail" in order to reduce waste & expense. However, we were unable to get a good response to our requests for updated records.

In the last 2 newsletters, we asked our readership to tell us if they wanted to continue to have their newsletter mailed to them. We decided that those who were reading their newsletters would respond. We would take "no response" to mean: 1. No mailed newsletter wanted; 2. Recipient moved & no forwarding address; or, 3. Recipients had passed away.

The number of newsletters to be mailed at that time was 1,412. The result is 1,335 of the addresses have been removed from the newsletter mailing list, reducing number of newsletters to be mailed to 77. This number may fluctuate as new requests are received.

Newsletters are being mailed to our new cursillistas for 1 year or until told to stop, whichever comes first. We mail newsletters to those who request it twice a year. All Community information & all newsletters are available on the Sonbeam Via de Cristo Website. These can be printed & shared by a reunion brother/sister. This is also true of our Yahoo groups and our updated Facebook site. If you need help accessing VdC information, please let us know and we will assist you.

Thank you for your responses to our survey. Your interaction with us helps make this organization more responsive to your needs. If you'd like to help us in any way, please contact a member of the Secretariat.

PURCHASING – Jerry Brown

Thanks be to God we were able to come in under budget for the last set of weekends and to return leftover funds to Treasury.

Begin your prayers for
Teams and Candidates of Weekends 65!



WELCOME NEW BABE CHICKS

I would like to welcome all our new Babe Chicks that made their weekend in May. It is our privilege to welcome you into the Via de Cristo family and it is my job to help you stay connected. If you have not found a reunion group since you made your weekend, I strongly urge you to do so. Your weekend experience really begins after you complete your weekend. We are to live our lives one day at a time, and every day we must renew our acceptance of Christ's invitation to "Come and see the goodness of God." It is by doing so that we can then confidently respond to His command "Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News."

Sponsors, this is for you. If you have sponsored a candidate this past year, it is your duty, as a sponsor, to ensure that your candidate is connected with a group, keep them informed of upcoming Ultreyas, as well as to continue to lift them up in prayer. The movement recognizes that the enthusiasm of the weekend needs to be nurtured and deepened so that our candidates AND our community can receive those blessings.

If you need assistance in finding a reunion group, call or text me at 863-205-3375 or e-mail to cwilson@sonbeamvdc.org.

I am currently working on updating our master list of reunion groups, so keep me informed of any new groups or changes within any old groups so that I can further assist others into finding the group that works best for them.

Together we can assure that all of us remain connected to the Via de Cristo family, God loves you and so do I,

Christy Wilson #18

Don't miss these Upcoming Events

08/08/15 ~ Ultreya ~ Annual Meeting 5 p.m.
Central Christian Church,
1200 S Keene Rd, Clearwater, FL 33756

09/26/15 ~ Leader's Workshop 8 a.m.
First United Methodist of Pinellas Park,
9025 49th Street, Pinellas Park, 33782

10/03/15 ~ Ultreya ~ Team Commissioning 5 p.m.
St. Andrews Presbyterian Church,
705 Michigan Blvd., Dunedin, FL 34698

12/05/15 ~ Ultreya ~ Post VDC 5 p.m.
Location to be determined



COMMUNITY CALENDAR - JULY/AUGUST, 2015

August 8, 2015 - ULTREYA/ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION

Central Christian Church,
S. Keene Road, Clearwater, 33756

- Secretariat meets @ 2pm
- Dinner @ 5pm [bring dish to share - also serving utensils]

August 10, 2015 - SEPT/OCT NEWSLETTER - Articles Deadline

Sept. 26, 2015 - LEADER'S WORKSHOP @ 8 am

First United Methodist of Pinellas Park
9025 49th Street, Pinellas Park, 33782

October 3, 2015 - ULTREYA & TEAM COMMISSIONING

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church
705 Michigan Avenue, Palm Harbor, FL

- Secretariat meets @ 2pm
- Dinner @ 5pm [bring dish to share - also serving utensils]

Nov. 12-15, 2015 - MEN'S WEEKEND #65 @ Rotary Camp, Brandon, FL

- Set up - Thursday @ 9 am
- Serenade - Saturday @ 6 pm
- Closing - Sunday @ 4:30 pm @ Apostles Lutheran Church

Nov. 19-22, 2015 - WOMEN'S WEEKEND #65 @ Rotary Camp, Brandon, FL

- Set up - 9 am Thursday
- Serenade - 6 pm Saturday
- Closing - 4:30 pm Sunday @ Apostles Lutheran Church

Nov. 26, 2015 - HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Dec. 5, 2015 - POST ULTREYA [Location TBD]

- Secretariat Meets @ 2 pm
- Tables meet - 4 pm
- Dinner - 5 pm [bring a dish to share - also serving utensils]



Humility is perfect quietness of heart.

It is to have no trouble.

It is never to be fretted or irritated or sore or disappointed.

It is to expect nothing, to wonder at nothing that is done to me.

It is to be at rest when nobody praises me

and when I am blamed or despised.

It is to go in and shut the door and kneel to my Father in secret,

and be at peace as in the deep sea of calmness

when all around and above is trouble.

Andrew Murray (1828-1917)

God's salvation is His blessing. God blessed the creatures of the sea, the birds of the air, and the man and woman whom He had created. He told them to be fruitful and multiply. An added blessing to the man and woman was to fill the earth and subdue it. They were given stewardship over the rest of God's creation. Saved persons are stewards of God's blessings.

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