

What Happens at TWWC?

The weekend centers around a group of talks by lay persons and clergy that focus on the essentials of the life of a disciple of Jesus Christ. The messages progress from the priorities in our lives, through the essentials of the life of a disciple of Jesus, to the amazing grace and love the Father demonstrated in the atoning sacrifice of His Son. The talks include spiritual guidelines for our lives as we are the hands and heart of Christ to a hostile world. There is opportunity for prayer, along with worship and singing; communion is celebrated daily under the direction of clergy, and group discussion and other fun activities blend together to make the weekend a time of learning, worshipping, and building relationships. After every talk there is time for silent reflection and discussion, and usually a creative activity intended for group interaction. Each day includes break times and snacks. Those who help make each Walk happen immerse the three days in prayer and sacrificial love. But the essence of God's blessing can't be fully described as He touches lives over the three days, pouring out His love on all who participate.

Each of the three days has a focus with day one focusing on God and our relationship with Him as He has reached out to us and we have responded. Day two's focus is Jesus Christ Himself, His sacrificial love, and each disciple's response to God's grace as it is embodied in selfless love among His community of believers. Day three focuses on the Holy Spirit and His call to live as an active member of the Body of Christ as we serve in our church and our community with the certain hope of God's continuing intervention in our world. These three days lead to our Fourth Day, which is the rest of our life as we walk with one another and maintain a lifestyle of prayer, study and service.

What Happens After A Walk?

As those who attend The Walk With Christ weekend go back to his/her everyday lives (their Fourth Day) they seek to build up the Body of Christ in their local church and in other ministries, sharing what they have received throughout the weekend. Each one seeks to glorify God in every area of his/her life by being Christ to all they are in contact with; at home, at work, in their communities and their churches.

Participants are urged to meet in small groups weekly to support and challenge one another in a daily walk with the living Christ, and to continue to build on what God began during the walk weekend. They urge one another to be faithful in their Christian walk

and live by God's grace, all the while growing in the servant attitude Jesus Christ asks of His own. Some of these groups not only provide personal support to each other, but minister together where needed.

The primary mission of the weekend walk is to gird up the local church by sending back workers who are willing to be loving servants used by God to strengthen His church. Having experienced a walk for themselves, each person is encouraged to continue the growth started on the weekend by working on subsequent walks to make the weekend possible for others. By serving in the kitchen, setting up rooms, cleaning bathrooms, preparing the worship center, praying for candidates and the team, or committing to the weekend preparation, we share the blessing with future participants on walk weekends. In this way, individuals learn to lead small groups, they learn to share their own faith, speaking before groups, and using their special gifts in concert with the gifts of others as members of one Body. This time of serving provides renewal, fellowship and fun while fostering maturity in our lives, thus strengthening us as we experience His love being poured out to us as His children. Serving on a weekend walk allows us to focus on blessing others, while at the same time receiving the overflow of His love to us as we love and serve Him.

Is TWWC for Me? (...And Should I Sponsor Someone?)

The Walk With Christ is designed for active church members with a vital faith in Jesus Christ who never tire of rekindling their faith and renewing their spiritual vision. Those who are less active in their faith life, but who wish to grow in Christ or discover deeper truths, and who want to build the church in love would also enjoy a Walk weekend. The TWWC weekend is not intended for those who do not know Christ as Savior, and does not consider itself an evangelistic outreach. The Lord always works in wonderful ways on a Walk weekend and lives are always touched and changed, but it is not a physical healing ministry, nor a place for marriage counseling, or therapy for those with emotional or social dysfunction or illness. It is not intended to be a time to work through grief or psychological problems, as those present are not trained for personal or group therapy. If you tend toward preoccupation with working through personal dilemmas, you should seek counseling from professionals, and wait to go on a Walk weekend when you are freer to focus on the message of the Walk.

TWWC considers itself in the mainstream of evangelical faith. The Walk content assumes and builds on a belief in the basics of the Christian faith, the core of which is a personal relationship with Jesus Christ as redeemer. There is room for a wide variety of

personalities who seek growth in Christ on a Walk weekend. Our common meeting ground is the cross of Christ, and we seek to build relationships with one another, and in the church, holding fast to the Biblical faith in God through Jesus Christ. There is no room for theological debate or argument about denominations; rather there is an atmosphere of appreciation and love for one another, and a striving toward unity and tolerance with charity toward others of the family of God.

The Walk weekend is relaxing, uplifting, and fun while at the same time intense. Don't bring work with you from your job, and don't plan to take time off to read. The weekend is completely full, and you will lose all track of time. Plan to open your heart and your hands, and Christ will fill them. Pray to meet with Jesus, to walk with Him, to talk with Him, and to be changed forever by Him.

How Do I Participate?

The Walk With Christ is for the development of Christian leaders who:

- Wish to strengthen their spiritual lives
- May have unanswered questions about prayer, study, and sharing their faith
- Understand that being a Christian involves responsibility
- Are willing to dedicate their everyday lives to God in an ongoing manner
- Have positions of responsibility in the church and the world

The Walk With Christ is open to members or regular participants of any denomination. Participants to The Walk With Christ are sponsored by a member of TWWC, or Cursillo (Catholic/Episcopal).

If you wish to experience a Walk With Christ weekend, contact one of the TWWC community members in your church (ask around, you just might be surprised at how many are involved!) or go to the CONTACT US menu item and let us know of your interest – someone will be very glad to help either way.