
Westshore DeColores Newsletter January 2023

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings

To all my Brothers and Sisters of Westshore DeColores and of our Lord Jesus Christ! I most humbly say thank you for the support I've received as Vice President and your continued support for me now as President. I pray that with God's grace and wisdom I will serve the Lord and the Westshore community most faithfully. I am truly honored and also very excited to begin this new chapter in my life!

It's been nearly two years now that I've been attending secretariat meetings and I have a great comfort with those whom God has chosen to serve with me on this current board. However, the term for our present treasurer (who has faithfully and diligently served) will be open very soon. I'm very curious to see who God chooses next to fill this important position. All positions on this board are equally important as the Bible points out to us in 1st Corinthians 12:12-27. There are other positions needed as well, especially church reps. With the Lord as our guide there is a great joy as we make preparations for the upcoming weekends! Please remember the work we are doing here for Westshore is eternal as we are serving for the Kingdom of God!

For me personally, being a board member epitomizes the role of servant. About eighty percent of what we do is unseen by most. Maybe ten percent is spent on the mountaintop (DeColores weekends). The last ten percent is dealing with all the difficulties associated with such a complex group of people, US! Well if that's what it looks like to serve Christ then "sign me up"!

The truth is I love, love, love the mountaintop! I have not found love like DeColores weekends anywhere! I live to serve knowing that we have been called to be the Lord's hands and feet. And the difficulties, well scripture says in Ephesians 4:2 "Be completely humble and gentle, be patient, bearing with one another in love." So with each step on the path which the Lord has already prepared for me I will love them as I worship Him!

The Holy Spirit compels us to serve our DeColores community. We take this opportunity to serve our God very seriously, as we should. The truth is our board needs more servants! In Matthew 9:37 Jesus says "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few." Then in the next verse He says "Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field."

So I will pray that we will all unite and help prepare the way for God's chosen that they might find their way home because of our service to Him through Westshore DeColores! Lord find in us a heart to serve that we should bring the good news of the gospel to those in need of You!

Blessings to all!! Amen

Your Brother in Christ

Lawrence E. Grennan

-----FROM THE VICE-PRESIDENT
COUPLE

DeColores Community,

Thank you so much for the opportunity to serve as your Vice President couple in 2023. We look forward to seeing what God has in store for this amazing movement, and allowing His Will to be done. Please continue to be in prayer for all of us on the board, as well as the DeColores community. We can't wait for a phenomenal year! DeColores!

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR CORNER

Living Out Your Calling

“I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.” Ephesians 4:1-6

2023 is off and running. Some are welcoming it and others dreading it. In my conversations with people, it appears there was an extreme amount of sickness and unexpected passings last year. People are worn down and looking for ways to endure and persevere. This led me to the thought process of how precious life is, not knowing what life might throw our way, and how life can change in a moment of time. Consequently, we need to make every effort to “make life matter”. One way is by living out our calling.

Maintaining unity of the Spirit is the goal of the DeColores board this year and this too can be accomplished by living out our calling. If each of us were to do that, we would be humble servants loving each other with patience and gentleness. Living and serving in peace would be natural behavior tendencies.

Like a broken record, you have heard over and over again that you were created in the image of God and for a purpose. You also have been told each of us has a calling, a ministry. The question is, do you honestly believe it? If so, can you identify your calling? Are you living it out or floundering, questioning what that looks like for you? We have been equipped by the power and presence of the Holy Spirit to fulfill whatever the calling on our life is, no excuses. God provides and God is faithful to see us through whatever God calls to do. God’s doing God’s part, are you doing yours?

- This year the theme of the Day of Fasting and Prayer is “Living Out Your Calling”. We are all invited to participate, to fast, pray, and seek the Lord’s calling on our lives and how it relates to the ministry of DeColores. This is a wonderful way to seek revelation of your**

calling if you are unsure. Turn your focus from food and the world to God. This scripture from Ephesians is the core scripture of the day and other scriptures will support the theme. Please join us in person or consider participating in the fast and praying even if you can't make the service. Prayer matters and fasting is putting prayers on steroids.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Donna Rick

Weekend Information

Women's Weekend #121

Date: February 16-19

Location: Central Assembly [896 Home St. Muskegon, MI 49442](#)

Theme: The War is Already Won

Scripture(s): Phil 4:6-7 & James 1:12

Rectress: Trish Adsit

Co-Rectress: Dana La Madline

Spiritual Directors: Pastor Donna Rick and Pastor Joe Gongalski

Sponsor's Chapel Thursday 8:00

Host: Linda Gerber

Holy Hour Friday 7:30

Hosts: Bob and Yvonne Dixon

Homily: Pastor Haywood Floyd

Reflection Dinner: Bob and Yvonne Dixon. 616-402-8371

Past Rector/Rectress Serenade Saturday 6:30

Sunday Worship 10:00am

Serenade Sunday 5:30

Closing 6:30

Hosts: Mike and Rebecca Steinke

24 hour prayer: Amanda Webb 231-726-8531

Kitchen Help: DeAnna Micheal 231-903-1086

Guard Duty: CJ Adsit 616-638-3227 & Randy Holcomb 61-6729-9422

Tear down and set up: CJ Adsit 616-638-3227

Men's Weekend #122

Date April 20 - 23 2023

Location: Hope Church in Grand Haven

Day of Prayer and Fasting 2023

Fasting begins at 11am on Friday January 27. January 28th we will gather at New Creations in Christ Church [1641 East Pontaluna Rd Spring Lake](#).

Doors will open at 9am for silent prayer and music. Program will begin at 10am. Snack and fellowship to follow.

From the WSD Board

While it is very much appreciated when the team has outside help, there are boundaries that must be followed on a Westshore Decolores weekend.

If you are an outside team you must not be in chapel or in the talk rooms during talks.

If you are there during 24 hour prayer and a weekend concern enters the prayer chapel you must excuse yourself and pray in another area unless you are invited to stay and pray.

If you are at set up, follow the direction of the Head coordinator even if you think your idea is better, the Head coordinator has been planning the set up with the Rector/Rectress for weeks. If you are there to clean up, follow the direction of those in charge of clean-up, they were selected by the Rector/Rectress for a reason. Do not come in expecting breakfast.

When you come in for kitchen help, you must have your hair restrained and may need to wear a hat or hair net or beard net if directed to do so by the head cook. Closed-toe shoes are also required. Be prepared to follow the directions of the Head cook and their team. Do not plan on eating food from the weekend or eating with the team.

While coffee and cookies may be available for 24 hour security do not expect it. Plan accordingly. You must remain outside the church and not

interact with the team or candidates unless necessary

WE APPRECIATE EVERYONE'S WILLINGNESS TO SERVE BUT THESE GUIDELINES ARE IN PLACE TO PROTECT THE SANCTITY OF THE WEEKEND..

Renewal Weekends

Renewal Rectors and Rectoresses are needed.

Are you a past Rector or Rectoress and are feeling led to lead one of these awesome weekends contact the Renewal Committee Representatives Bob & Yvonne Dixon 616-402-3423 for more information.

Upcoming Events

January 27-28 Day of Fasting and Prayer 2023

February 13 Board Meeting

February 16-19 Weekend #121

March 13 Board Meeting

April 10 Board Meeting

April 20-23 Weekend #122

May 8 Board Meeting

Immediate Open Board Positions

Equipment Coordinator: The equipment coordinator is responsible for delivery of the DeColores equipment trailer to the appropriate church for upcoming DeColores weekends. A capable truck or van with a heavy duty hitch and compatible electric braking unit and light hookup. You will also set up the sound equipment. You will be a member of the board and will need to attend the board meetings. For more information contact the President or attend the next board meeting.

Church Contacts: Is the Lord leading you to serve on the board but just not sure where to start? If your church is not represented, consider becoming a church contact for your church. Requirements are to keep in contact with those that have made a WestShore weekend, engage with those that have not. Keep your church informed of WestShore activities

by writing a letter to members, placing info on a bulletin board or in your bulletin and maybe even placing info on the screen for announcement time. Come to board meetings the second Monday of each month and give a report of your church activity concerning DeColores.

Treasurer: Keeps track of the ministries monies, pays the bills and reconciles the accounts every month and brings a report to the board meeting.

Contact any board member for information or attend the next board meeting.

FAQs

How can I work on the weekend?

You need to be asked by the Rector/Rectoress of a weekend, fill out a want to work form available on the website, there is an online submission or a print and mail version, mailing address at end of newsletter.

How else can I help on a weekend?

There are several opportunities to serve on a weekend from set up to tear down, kitchen and meal help, 24 hour prayer, and guard duty. See the website for who to contact on each weekend to sign up and for times.

Just a reminder that when you serve on a weekend you are part of an outside team which means you are coming to serve only in your assigned area. You do not get to wander the church to see what is happening or listen to any talks, do not come expecting to mingle with the team and candidates. This is to protect the sanctity of the weekend.

Do not come expecting to be fed but to serve, food is purchased from monies donated and the cook buys what is needed for the number of people on the weekend, leftover food may be needed for a later meal or snack. You are there to support the team and candidates. You are not permitted to eat with the team and candidates. You should be taking care of serving or cleaning needs so the kitchen team and sit and enjoy a meal with the team and candidates.

Are there other ways to help?

Yes you can attend Holy Hour and Closing/serenade and sponsor a candidate. Candidate applications are available on the Website. You can check the website for Holy Hour and Closing times for each weekend. You

can send Palanca or coordinate your cursiestas from your home church to do group Palanca. Just a reminder only those that have attended a weekend can attend Closing.

If you have something that you wish to share in our newsletter send the information to wsdnewslettereditor@gmail.com

For urgent prayer requests use the contact us link at the bottom of the home page on the Website, post on our Facebook page or contact a board member. For upcoming events please go to the website.
www.westshoredocolores.com

Do you know a Cursillista who needs a newsletter mailed to them due to lack of internet access? Feel free to print off and mail this to them. To have them added to the newsletter email list, have them visit the website and sign up. If anyone is having issues email the editor directly wsdnewslettereditor@gmail.com with their name, and email address..

Secretariat Meetings 2nd Monday of each Month

7:00 pm at:

New Creations Church, [1641 East Pontaluna Rd Spring Lake](#) Everyone is Welcome. Please Join Us!

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