



# chrysalis

THE UPPER ROOM®

THREE-DAY SCHEDULE

CHRYSALIS THREE-DAY SCHEDULE

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## SECTION 1— ABBREVIATIONS

### **Conference Room Team**

LL = Lay Leader  
PL = Peer Leader  
ALL = Assistant Lay Leader  
SL = Spiritual Leader  
ATL = Adult Table Leader  
YTL = Youth Table Leader  
AS = Adult Speaker  
YS = Youth Speaker  
ML = Music Leader  
BR = Board Representative

### **Background Support**

BL = Background Leader  
AC = Agape Coordinator  
PC = Prayer Chapel Coordinator  
ASL = Assistant Spiritual Leader  
SC = Supplies Coordinator  
KC = Kitchen Coordinator  
Community Spiritual Leader



## SECTION 2— NIGHT PRIOR TO CHRYsalis WEEKEND

**P**rior to participants arriving, the team will gather to set everything up, review the schedule for the weekend, and have some final time of team preparation. As part of the team's time together, take time for worship. Below is one option for what this time could look like. The Spiritual Leader, Assistant Spiritual Leaders, Lay Leader, and Peer Leader should finalize this time together.

### TEAM WORSHIP & COMMUNION OPTION

#### Before Participants Arrive

- Spiritual Leader begins with a time of prayer.
- Music Leader leads a song or two.
- Read John 15:9–17.
  - Spiritual Leader reminds team about loving and serving one another this weekend.
- The Spiritual Leader calls people up, one team position at a time, to pray and bless each area for the work ahead. Leaders should be called in the following order: Table Leaders, Board Representative & Music Leaders, Background Leaders, Assistant Lay Leaders, Lay & Peer Leader, Spiritual Leaders.
  - Highlight the importance of that position and these people for the weekend as you pray over them, asking God to provide what they need to fulfill their roles well, then have the spiritual team anoint each member with oil and a blessing.
  - Call the Lay and Peer Leader last, and invite them to pray over and anoint the Spiritual Team.

- For example: *Will the Table Leaders please come forward? Gracious God, the Table Leaders have important work this weekend. They will be living with the participants and are uniquely suited to get to know each of them well. Help them see each person clearly. Allow them to guide conversation and time around the tables in such a way to reach each person in your name. Grant them the energy to stay alert, the peace to calm disruptive situations, and the heart to love every participant. Let them feel the presence of the Holy Spirit throughout this weekend as they lay themselves aside to be your hands, feet, eyes, ears, and heart. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*
- After they have been anointed, team members can return to their seats.
- Music Leader leads a song as Spiritual Leaders prepare for Communion.
- Celebrate Holy Communion together. Use the Communion service for Day 2 to allow team leaders to serve one another and to practice the Day 2 time of worship.
- Close with the “Prayer to the Holy Spirit.”

Lay and Peer Leader give any additional instructions for the rest of the night. Remind team of wake-up time and schedule for the morning.



**SECTION 3—  
DAY ONE: FAITH  
LOVE OF GOD & RESPONDING  
WITH ONE’S HEART**

*“Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone.”*

—John 12:24, RSV

Day One is a proclamation of the good news of God’s reconciling love for each person. The underlying intent in each talk and worship experience is to inspire faith in the God who made us and who comes into our lives in Jesus Christ to restore us as images of God. The focus is the celebration of who God created us to be and the invitation to accept God’s unconditional acceptance of us. This takes place alongside an invitation to leave behind sin—all the things that separate us from God, neighbor, and full life—and say yes to God. Day One is a call to faith—to trust and accept God’s offer of a relationship, knowing that we will never be perfect and that we will always need God’s grace.

**BL**  
*Set up Morning  
Prayer for the  
team*

\_\_\_\_\_ (6:15 a.m.)

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ALL Arise.

Wake up the team.

\_\_\_\_\_ (7:00 a.m.)

SL Morning Prayer for the team  
(Optional Communion: see  
*Chrysalis Worship Booklet*)

Begin the chapel service with a period of silence [3–5 minutes] to center on Christ. Sing a song as a group or have the ML provide special music. Give team members an opportunity to share hopes and concerns. Then offer a devotional thought such as the following:

**The theme for this first day of Chrysalis is “Faith.” Even as team members, we need to “let go and let God.” We need to let go of self-concern and everything that would be an obstacle to our being God’s instruments of grace during these three days. Just as Christ humbled himself, Christ now calls us to serve those who are coming to be with us for the next three days—to love them, accept them, and lift them up to God. We remember that this weekend will not be perfect, that there will be times when we need grace from God and from one another. My hope is that you would be open to “Chrysalis Moments,” moments of change and transformation, even inside yourself in these coming days. May you be open to the Spirit and what God has in store for you in these three days.**

	ML	Meditative song  Team breakfast
(7:15 a.m.)		Note: Team members should be prepared to finish breakfast quickly if participants arrive early. It is important for team members to be present in the waiting area, making the participants and sponsors feel welcome.
←-----	ALL	Make sure the conference room is set up and the speakers’ area is prepared.  Check to make sure a slide or poster board with questions for the “new friend” activity is ready.

**BL**  
*Have snacks available in the waiting area.*

## Chrysalis Three-Day Schedule | Day One: Faith

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<u>          </u> <b>(8:00 a.m.)</b>	Registrars	Process registration cards upon participants' arrival.  Check all information on card.  Collect money.  Give out name tags and bed tags.  Turn money over to Chrysalis treasurer.
<u>          </u> <b>(8:15 a.m.)</b>	ALL	Check on participants.  Call those who have not arrived.  Inform the LL of registration status.
<u>          </u> <b>(8:20 a.m.)</b>	ALL	Bing all the participants and team to the Send Off area.  Notify the LL when all are present. Go ahead and begin if a few participants are going to be so late as to seriously delay the schedule.
<u>          </u> <b>(8:30 a.m.)</b>	LL/PL	Send Off

Send Off is a time of moving the participants from the gathering area to the conference room. This may be accomplished by asking the participants simply to follow the Assistant Lay Leaders or the Lay Leader to the conference room, or the Lay Leader may call the names of the participants and Conference Room Team members as they file out to the conference room. The Send Off is a time to demonstrate enthusiastic support for the participants. As the Lay and Peer Leaders, be sensitive to their anxieties; avoid embarrassment or intimidation.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Community Spiritual Director      Sponsors' Hour**  
**(8:40 a.m.)**

When the participants have left the assembly room, the sponsors and others who are present gather in the chapel for a thirty- to forty-five-minute period of prayer for the participants and their Chrysalis weekend. The Spiritual Director of the Community is given responsibility for conducting Sponsors' Hour or arranging leadership for it from within the Chrysalis Community. This brief service begins with a concise overview of the purpose and flow of Chrysalis, helping those present have a better understanding of what the young people will be experiencing.

The remainder of the service consists of prayer for each young person by name. One effective method is for the leader to read slowly the name of each participant. As each name is read, the young person's sponsor walks to the front, where the participants' Chrysalis crosses are draped across the altar. The sponsor takes the cross of his or her participant and hangs it across the arm of a large standing cross where the individual crosses will remain throughout the three days as a symbolic focus of prayer in the Prayer Chapel. Those gathered pray silently for each participant as that young person's cross is carried forward. If it becomes evident that a sponsor is not present, any member of the Community or Background Team can stand in for the sponsor and carry the cross forward.

Communion *may be served* following the prayer time. If this is done, the sponsors would pick up the Chrysalis cross of their participant and return to their seat. When each sponsor comes forward for Communion, he or she could then place the Chrysalis cross on the large standing cross.

Announcements should be made regarding Candlelight and Closing. Close the service with prayer

*Chrysalis Sponsors' Hour begins in the sanctuary*

\_\_\_\_\_ **(8:40 a.m.)**

LL/PL

Welcome everyone and explain the introduction procedure.

**BL**  
*Attend Sponsors' Hour.*

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Extinguish all candles used at Sponsors' Hour and clean up the chapel.

Welcome to (Community name) \_\_\_\_\_ girls/boys Chrysalis # \_\_\_\_\_.

Ask the participants to think about the questions displayed on a slide or poster board at the front of the room. Instruct them to find a person they do not know and learn this information about each other. Let them know that after a few minutes, they will be asked to introduce their “new friend” [5 minutes]. Everyone at the Servants’ Table participates in this informal introduction, including ASLs and BR. Different members of the team will be introduced by their role later.

ALLs introduce one another first, modeling how to keep the introductions brief.

Questions for this time should be appropriate for an “icebreaker.” They should never include anything too personal or embarrassing. Use no more than three questions due to time constraints. Examples of questions:

- What is your name?
- Do you have any pets? What are their names?
- What is your favorite ice cream?
- Do you have any siblings? What are their names?
- What is your favorite type of music? Favorite artist?
- If you could go on vacation anywhere in the world, where would it be?

The partners introduce each other, standing where they are or at the podium. Allow everyone to applaud each pair.

An ALL introduces the SL.

The SL introduces the ASLs and explains their role during the three days.

The SL offers welcome and explanation:

- Take this opportunity to welcome briefly the young people and express your desire to connect with each personally in the course of the three days.
- Explain that SL/ASLs will be available for conversation with regard to concerns, struggles, and any matters of faith.
- Explain that group members may represent various church backgrounds. Stress the importance of remaining open to differences.
- Emphasize that the celebration of Communion is open to all.
- Explain that if participants have any questions for the SL/ASLs throughout the weekend, they can leave them in the Q&A box.

The SL introduces the LL & PL.

\_\_\_\_\_ LL/PL Give the Orientation Talk.  
(9:40 a.m.)

(Use the following narrative as an outline or read aloud.)

**LL: Chrysalis weekends are not ordinary retreats. A retreat, such as many of you have probably attended, is usually an event that happens more than once, maybe a yearly tradition. You may attend a lot of retreats in your lifetime, but Chrysalis is a once-in-a-lifetime experience. It's unique and one of those things that is hard to understand until you've been able to experience it yourself. How often have you taken time out of your busy schedule and the pressures put on you to just "be still and know" God? That is why Chrysalis was created.**

**Chrysalis is a short course in Christianity in which we experience the immeasurable love and grace of God. During these three days, you will hear fourteen talks on the Christian life and have time to apply those talks to your life and your experiences. We will worship in a variety of ways and experience the love of God. We want you to get the most from your three days with Christ. In order to do this, we ask you to keep these three priorities in mind:**

- 1. Keep an open heart and mind to all you will hear and experience during the next three days.**
- 2. Be ready to go with the flow. This place is one of the few places you don't have any responsibilities and you don't have to manage time or plan for what's next. You will hear the reminder "don't anticipate, just participate."**
- 3. Support others around you—whether they need a friend to talk with or there's a supply they have forgotten.**

**This is your Chrysalis weekend; it will be exactly what you make it.**

**PL: We want you to be familiar with this building. This room is called the conference room. We will spend most of our time here. In addition, you will soon get to know the location of the chapel, the dining room, the sleeping area, the restrooms, and the showers. Please do not leave the grounds at any time during the Chrysalis three days. We also ask that you respect the building, the facilities, and the equipment. If something is wrong, broken, or missing, just let us know.**

**We're asking for you to make these three days about what's happening here and not be worried about what's happening at home. Give yourself the**

**gift of disconnecting from your day-to-day life so that we can connect to God and this community in a new way. We'll have time at the end of the weekend for you to be sure to get each other's information to stay connected. If you brought a device such as a cell phone, we ask that you keep it turned off and in your suitcase. No part of the weekend will be recorded; this time is for you and for the team. If you are wearing a watch, please take it off and put it in your pocket at this time. When you get back to your room, we ask that you keep it in your suitcase. We have a lot on our schedule, but the biggest gift of this weekend is that YOU don't have to worry about keeping us on time. You get to just be and enjoy the time. It's up to your leaders to keep the schedule.**

**So, for three days, let's forget all about time and the outside world. If anyone wants or needs anything, don't hesitate to ask me or one of the other leaders. If anyone takes medication, please let one of the leaders know, and they will remind you of the time. The same applies to anyone on a special diet—whether that is special food or a need to eat at a special time. Just let one of the leaders know.**

**LL: If you aren't feeling well or in case of any kind of emergency or injury, please see one of us, one of the Assistant Lay Leaders, or the Spiritual Leader immediately. [Have these leaders stand.] If you need something during the night, a team member will be sleeping by the door in your sleeping area.**

**We are very excited to have each of you here. We hope you will try to set aside everything you have heard about Chrysalis and any expectations you may have formed. Please don't compare Chrysalis with any other Christian experience in which you have participated. As I said earlier, Chrysalis is a once-in-a-lifetime experience. We believe Chrysalis is unique; after these three days, we think you'll agree. Don't try to anticipate or guess what the next part will be, but participate fully in the experience of each moment. By the end of the third day, I think you will find that the experience has been a beautiful one.**

**Try not to think of anything or anyone you have left behind or even about what happened yesterday. You won't be missing out on anything you can't catch up on when you get back. Try not to anticipate what will happen next. Take it as it comes. Don't anticipate, just participate! This means living each moment fully. If you waste time worrying about what comes next, you might miss the joy and gift of this moment. We can't change what is in the past, but by living each moment fully, we begin to grow and prepare for the future.**

**PL: At the end of our time together, you will have the opportunity to describe these three days. This is an experience for you to enjoy and live. Then you can tell us what you received from this experience, if you choose.**

We are asking you to trust us. Weeks and months of preparation have gone into this event, just for you. It is no accident that you are here. You responded to the invitation of a friend, pastor, or your parents, who urged you to come to Chrysalis. But keep this in mind: It is God who has invited you. It is God who has called you here. And you alone have answered God's call by choosing to be here. God calls each of us in this room to have a maturing faith. You have responded by your presence here with (Community name) \_\_\_\_\_ girls/boys Chrysalis # \_\_\_\_\_.

This weekend is planned for all of you to participate in all the talks, worship, and group times, but nothing will be forced upon you during the three days. We want you to be able to move with Christ in your own way, in your own time. Each of you has brought much to share with all of us. We all have potential, the greatness given us by God. So be open—participate, cooperate, share, and love. Look at this experience as an investment in yourself, in your future, in your long-term relationship with God. You deserve this gift of time away to focus just on you and God.

**LL:** The team members are here to help and serve you. If you need anything, just ask. Please wear your name tags at all times, so we can get to know one another more quickly. The team members are here voluntarily to give of themselves for your spiritual and physical needs in any way possible. Feel free to come see the Spiritual Leader, one of the Assistant Spiritual Leaders, Assistant Lay Leaders, or us any time you need anything—or if you just want to talk or pray. If you are open and cooperative, we promise you will encounter Christ during these three days.

Any questions?

**BL**  
 • Make bed charts. Make 3 copies: LL, Agape, extra.  
 • Hang restroom signs. Designate restrooms on the conference room level for the same gender during the three days. Signs may need to be taken down at times depending on building use.

	LL/PL	Introductions
<p>_____ (9:55 a.m.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Music Leader briefly explains their role. Ask the ML to lead one song here to represent the type of music to be sung during the three days.</li> <li>• The ALLs will explain the time concept and the location of restrooms and meeting rooms.</li> </ul>		
<p>←-----</p>	ALL	Explanation of time and locations

- Explain that the bell will awaken everyone in the mornings and call participants to the conference room or the announced location. (You may also choose to play music in place of the bell to awaken the group.) Explain the importance of being prompt and staying on schedule.
- Explain the location of restrooms, showers, and meeting rooms in reference to the conference room and participants' sleeping rooms.
- Explain how time is described, possibly using hand signals or descriptive words (short, medium, long, etc.) since no one is wearing a watch.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(10:05 a.m.)

LL/PL      Overview of conference room  
and table procedures

**I'd like to take a few minutes to describe something of the format we'll be following over the next three days, although there will be exceptions. On each of the three days, we will have talks by young people, adults, and Spiritual Leaders—a total of fourteen talks over the course of these three days. During each of these talks, we ask for continued cooperation in giving of ourselves completely by our total attention to the ideas the speakers express and by taking notes throughout each talk. Take a lot of notes. They will prove valuable—now and in the days to come. Pens and notebooks for this purpose are on the tables.**

**Following each of the talks, we will participate in a small-group discussion on the ideas presented by the speaker. In a few minutes, we will assign table groups. You will remain a member of the same table community throughout the three days. We ask that you practice confidentiality at your table. That means whatever is shared personally at your table will remain within your table group. Each table has two Table Leaders: a youth and an adult. There will also be a note-taker for each talk, who will sit directly across from the adult Table Leader. The position of note-taker will rotate after each talk. The Table Leaders will keep the discussion focused on the subject of the talk presented and help each person at the table have a chance to express their personal responses.**

**The note-taker will summarize the ideas discussed at the table with the help of the whole table. Remember, everybody will be taking notes during the talk itself. The note-taker of each table will have the additional job of writing down the ideas expressed by the persons at that table during the discussion following that talk. Then table members will collaborate on how**

to express the summary: a poster, skit, song, and so on. Materials will be provided.

At the end of each day, we'll ask each table to present its summaries and posters or skits to the entire group. Be sure the summaries reflect your table's actual discussion and decisions, then work to make the poster or skit do the same. The posters or skits may take either a serious or humorous approach. We will ask one person to present the table's summary and another person from that table to describe the poster or skit. This approach enables everyone to participate actively. Limit each talk summary to a couple of sentences.

So the format will be something like this: a talk (by a young person, an adult, or a Spiritual Leader); a moment of silence to reflect upon what the speaker just said and to write down the thoughts you have on that subject (on paper or table reflection guides); discussion at each table; summarizing of the ideas by the note-taker with the aid of all the table members; drawing posters or developing skits with everyone's assistance in their development; and, finally, the presentation of your handiwork to everyone at the end of each day.

Now if everyone will stand along the back and sides of the room, we will assign each person to a table. In a spirit of charity, be open to your assignment to a particular table and accept the opportunity to make new friends.

As I call out your name, please repeat it back to me (to make sure my pronunciation is correct), and go to your assigned table. I will start each table with the adult Table Leader and the youth Table Leader. The adult Table Leader will sit facing the podium; the youth Table Leader will assume the note-taker's position, directly opposite the adult Table Leader, for the first talk.

LL/PL calls out each table, beginning with the ATL, then the YTL, then the participants. Once finished, thank everyone for their cooperation and move to the next activity.

**TABLE ASSIGNMENTS**

1. Table of	2. Table of	3. Table of
ATL:	ATL:	ATL:
YTL:	YTL:	YTL:
4. Table of	5. Table of	6. Table of
ATL:	ATL:	ATL:
YTL:	YTL:	YTL:

\_\_\_\_\_ LL/PL Creating table names  
(10:15 a.m.)

**It is time for you to decide on a name for your table. Please note that this table name will stay with you the rest of your life. During these three days, you will be asked to give your name and table name many different times, so make sure you come up with a table name that everyone at your table agrees upon. Your table name can be just one word, or it can be three to four words. As soon as your table decides on a name, please write it on the poster board provided by the Assistant Lay Leaders. (Allow 10 minutes.)**

ALL Distribute poster boards to  
TLs to make their table name  
cards.

ALL Distribute *Worship Booklets*  
and notebooks to TLs.

\_\_\_\_\_ PL/LL Table introductions  
(10:25 a.m.)

**At this time, I ask each table group to come to the front. Then one person from each table will explain how you came up with your table name or what it means. [Allow applause for each presentation.]**

Use the “Table Roster” worksheet found on page 64 of the *Chrysalis Leaders’ Manual* to record the table names.

**BL**  
 Make four copies  
 of Table Roster,  
 one each for LL,  
 Prayer Chapel,  
 kitchen, extra.

\_\_\_\_\_ ASL Explain the *Worship Booklet*.  
 (10:35 a.m.)

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**ASL: This is your *Worship Booklet*. Put your name inside. We will use the *Worship Booklet* during worship times as a guide for prayer. It contains special songs, prayers, and personal prayer services. It also contains the words to the prayer songs we use before and after meals. You will need it many times over the next three days, so we encourage you to keep it with you.**

The *Worship Booklet* has the “Prayer to the Holy Spirit,” which we pray in unison before each talk. This is a prayer that has a rich history and tradition. Thousands of three-day events like this have used this prayer over the years. Persons of all ages have prayed it, from youth to older adults. By being here, we’re part of the Emmaus Ministries Community now. Please turn now to the “Prayer to the Holy Spirit” in your *Worship Booklet*. I want to take a few minutes to look at the meaning of this prayer.

- ***Come, Holy Spirit,***
  - Here, we’re inviting the Holy Spirit into this space and this prayer. As Christians, we believe in the Trinity—God as three in one: God the Creator, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit. Some of our faith backgrounds will focus more on the Holy Spirit, and others may focus more on Jesus or God the Creator. This weekend, we will hear about all the ways God is active in our lives.
- ***fill the hearts of your faithful***
  - Sometimes our hearts may feel a bit empty, and it’s up to us to be in prayer and be open to God filling our hearts.
- ***and kindle in us the fire of your love.***
  - Can you think of something you would say you’re “on fire” for? A passion of yours? This weekend, we will continue to ask God to light up that passion in us to love more like God loves.
- ***Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created.***
  - The apostle Paul wrote, “*So then, if anyone is in Christ, that person is part of the new creation. The old things have gone*

***away, and look, new things have arrived!" (2 Cor. 5:17, CEB). That is the promise of Chrysalis—of these next three days together. We are together, and we are making something new here—for our community together and for ourselves individually.***

- ***And you shall renew the face of the earth.***
  - When we look around at Earth, there are a LOT of places that God could renew. Think of the places that need the most renewal—relationships, climate, justice issues, and more.
- ***O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful,***
  - The Holy Spirit is often represented by light or fire. We're all still learning, and we know that God's instruction has the ability to impact us.
- ***grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy your consolations;***
  - *Consolations.* This isn't a word we hear in our daily lives, but the root of it—to console—is something that we may have heard. The easiest way to think of it is if you have helped care for a younger child as they need to be reassured by you or by their parent. To console is to provide comfort, and enjoying God's consolations means that, as God's children, we have access to all the ways God can help to comfort us.
- **through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ALL Check on the photographer.

ALL Take the table roster to the BL, who will take it to the Prayer Chapel.

ALL More information and explanations

\_\_\_\_\_  
**(10:40 a.m.)**

- Explain the agape food table: location; freedom to eat as little or as much as desired.
- Explain the restroom: importance of being conscious of plumbing problems; placement of hand towels, tissues, candy wrappers, foreign items, etc. in trash containers.

- Explain the need to write a participant’s name on their cup for use during the entire day. (If your Community provides plastic cups, have cups and permanent markers on each table, and explain that the cups will be washed each night and returned to participants’ tables.)
- Remind participants to wear name tags at all times.
- Explain the importance of music for the three days and invite the ML(s) to teach the prayer songs for the meals.
- If persons wish to share prayer requests, explain how they may write their requests during the three days and place them in a prayer request box, knowing that someone will pray for them.
- If anyone has any questions for the Spiritual Leaders throughout the weekend, they can also put those in the Q&A box.
- Write any extra announcement(s) the ALL may need to make at this time in the space below.

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**BL**  
Set up morning snack table.

**BL**  
In the Prayer Chapel, light the candle, then check on the small hand crosses and give one to the speaker.  
See that the prayer partner for the speaker is in the chapel. (BL or a volunteer is to be the prayer partner if the speaker does not have one or if the prayer partner does not arrive on time.)

\_\_\_\_\_ (10:50 a.m.)  
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ML Practice songs. Introduce the before- and after-meal blessings.

ML Explain that the participants will sing a song in unison before each talk.

ML Practice before-talk chorus.

**Team and Participant Picture**

\_\_\_\_\_ (11:00 a.m.)

Optional: If you plan to take table group pictures as well, call out one table at a time while the other tables sing and take their breaks. Then call the whole group together with the bell for a total conference room group picture. Try to record names in the order in which persons appear in the picture. You might consider having a separate notebook or clipboard ready to pass down each row to record names quickly.

**We are now ready to have our pictures taken, followed by a short break. We ask that you not leave the premises. Please listen for the bell [ring the bell], and when you hear it, please return to the conference room. Now follow your table leader for pictures.**

	Group picture
ALL	Notify the IDEALS speaker to change clothes and proceed to the Prayer Chapel after picture is taken.
ALL	Double-check to see that participants' crosses have been taken to the Prayer Chapel.
ALL	Make sure notebooks, folders, and supplies are on tables.
ALL	Check to see that the speaker is in the Prayer Chapel with a prayer partner.
ALL	Place reflection guides face down on the tables.
ALL	Make sure all the speaker's visual aids are on the podium, easel, etc.
<hr/> <b>(11:15 a.m.)</b>	ALL Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room.
	ALL Check the podium for fresh water, and turn on the microphone.
	ML Draw participants back into the conference room with group singing. (Select songs that are consistent with the day's theme.)

\_\_\_\_\_ LL/PL Review and explain the note-  
(11:20 a.m.) taking procedure.

Let me review our schedule again. During these three days, you will hear talks, and we will have certain meditations in the chapel. Please take notes in the notebooks on your tables during the talks. It is important that you take notes so you will be able to participate in the discussion following each talk. You'll find yourself going back to these notes after you have returned home.

Each table will have a note-taker for your discussion time. The note-taker for this first talk is the person seated across from the adult Table Leader. Each of you will have a turn to serve in this role, but the main purpose is to help summarize your table discussion.

After the talks, you will have a few moments of silence to reflect on the talk. You will receive a reflection guide, which poses questions to help you remember the main points of the talk. You will have a few minutes to write down your thoughts and questions. Then you will have a discussion period with your table members. The note-taker will record the main comments given by the entire group. Toward the end of your discussion time—and we will let you know when that is—your group will summarize its discussion into a brief sentence or two. Keep the notes brief but to the point. Be sure the notes truly summarize the thoughts and responses expressed during your table discussion.

Any questions?

The people who will talk to you are not professional speakers; that is, people who speak for a living. Each of them is a willing Christian who wants to share their faith with you. Each one has written and prepared their talk prior to these three days.

Today's theme is "Faith." To receive faith in God's promise for our lives is to be able to celebrate who God created us to be and to say "yes" to God's invitation of love and life. Today, we want to share with you some ways you can grow strong in faith, ever increasing the joy in your life. We know this journey is not always perfect, but we believe it is something we can do together. Throughout these three days, you will hear the term "Chrysalis Moments" often. These moments are not just things that happen throughout these three days but moments of transformation that are part of our larger journey. "Chrysalis Moments" are a way to celebrate the work God is doing, acknowledging that it is not a straight path but one with many highs and lows.

God is always speaking, because God wants to live in a relationship with us. One of the many ways God speaks is through nature. Romans 1:19–20 says, “For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. Ever since the creation of the world his eternal power and divine nature, invisible though they are, have been understood and seen through the things he has made.”

A caterpillar and a butterfly look like two completely different animals. As you are most likely aware, they are the same animal but in different stages of life. Before a caterpillar becomes a butterfly, it must pass through the cocoon phase, which is called a *chrysalis*. The caterpillar forms the chrysalis to separate itself from the outside world so it can transform into a butterfly.

We use the term *Chrysalis* to describe our three days because it can be a time of transformation from the people we are into the Christians we want to become. In reality, this is a lifelong process. The Christian life is marked with many times of transformation, as we become more like the children God created us to be.

Inner transformation can happen anytime and anywhere, but it is good to take time away from the busyness of life and seek God. There is one more reason why we use the term *Chrysalis*: Just as the caterpillar closes itself in a cocoon to get away from the world, we are taking time to get away from our obligations and responsibilities to focus on spending time with God.

My prayer is that all of us, adults and youth, can free ourselves this weekend from everything going on outside this place and focus on our relationship with God and our Christian community here. I believe that if we give ourselves freely to this weekend, it will be a great time of letting God bring new life into our lives.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(11:25 a.m.)

ALL

Bring the speaker to the conference room door, and notify the LL.

As we prepare for our first speaker, I light this candle as a symbol of Christ’s presence with us and with each speaker. [Light the candle.] We have an open Bible here to remind us that the talks are based upon scripture, God’s light and message to us even today. I invite you to stand. [Pause.] With a clean piece of paper, pen in hand, and a spirit of idealism and charity, please receive the speaker who is a youth. Let us stand together and sing.

	ML	Lead the before-talk chorus as the speaker comes in.
_____ (11:30 a.m.)	YS	<b>Talk #1: IDEALS</b> Lead the “Prayer to the Holy Spirit” in unison while all are standing.
_____ (11:50 a.m.)	ALL	Return to the Prayer Chapel with the speaker, who places the hand cross on the altar.
	ALL	<b>Take a moment of silence.</b> [approximately 15 seconds after the speaker leaves the room]
	ALL	Extinguish the candle.
	ALL	Explain the reflection time.
	ALL	Explain the reflection guide.

**Your Table Leader will now give you a reflection guide. Take a moment to consider the reflection guide questions before beginning your discussions. Think about these questions and perhaps write down some of your thoughts. The purpose of the reflection guide is to help you think about the ideas of the talk. What’s important is not right and wrong answers. We are not in school. Just reflect on your thoughts, experiences, and feelings in response to the message of the talk in preparation for discussion. We will let you know when to begin your table discussions.**

Allow 1–2 minutes for quiet reflection. These reflection guides can be found in the “Talk & Discussion Guides” section of the *Chrysalis Position-Specific Resources* and can be reproduced for each person at a table.

	ALL	Ask tables to begin discussion.
_____ (11:55 a.m.)		[10 minutes]
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**BL**  
*Extinguish candles in the Prayer Chapel.*

**You will now spend time discussing with your tables the ideas presented in the IDEALS talk. Remember, each of you is a unique individual with unique ideas and expressions. Each of you has something to contribute to the discus-**

sion. As you share around your tables, the note-taker for your table should write down some key themes and notes from your discussion. I'll let you know when it is time to begin your table summaries.

**BL**  
*Replenish snack table.*

\_\_\_\_\_ ALL **Begin table summaries.**  
(12:05 p.m.) [5 minutes]  
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Now you have a few minutes to prepare a summary of your discussion on the IDEALS talk. The summary should be no more than two sentences. Remember that each person should record the table's summary in their individual notebook.

\_\_\_\_\_ ALL Hand out poster board, and  
(12:10 p.m.) give instructions for making  
posters. [10 minutes]

Each table will now receive a sheet of poster board. We would like each table to prepare a poster that represents what your table considers a key point or highlight of the IDEALS talk—a visible expression of what you found to be most meaningful for you. Your poster need not be a masterpiece; you can even use stick figures if you like. What is important is that it is an original from your table. Be sure to put your table name on your poster.

If you prefer, your table may write a song or poem, do a skit, or prepare an interpretive movement or dance that reflects your discussion. Be creative! Later you'll be asked to share your posters and summaries with all of us.

You should start now on your poster, writing, or skit. I'll let you know when the time is up.

\_\_\_\_\_ ALL Check to see if the kitchen is  
(12:15 p.m.) ready to serve lunch.

ALL When a couple of tables have finished, you may announce a restroom break for those who need it. Ask them to return promptly for lunch instructions.

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**(12:20 p.m.)** LL/PL Announce lunch and give instructions.

**We are about to eat. In the dining room, we will sing the song we practiced earlier. The words are on posters in the dining room or in your *Chrysalis Worship Booklet* on page 11. Please go by tables and sit with your table for this meal. When you get in the dining room, remain standing until we sing our grace. After the meal, remain in the dining room until we have sung the prayer of thanksgiving. A short break will follow. Let's go to lunch. Please follow the Assistant Lay Leaders.**

ALL Count and verify that all are present.

ML Lead the blessing before the meal.

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**(12:25 p.m.)** Lunch

\_\_\_\_\_  
 ALL Notify the GOD CREATED YOU speaker to change clothes and proceed to the Prayer Chapel.

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**(12:50 p.m.)** ALL Introduce kitchen staff and servers.

**BL**  
*In the Prayer Chapel, light the candle, check on the hand crosses and the prayer partner; give the speaker a hand cross to hold, and pray with them.*

←----- ALL Lead joke time.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**(1:00 p.m.)** ALL Announce a short break to last until the bell rings.

ALL Place reflection guides face down on the tables.

	ALL	Make sure the speaker who is giving the GOD CREATED YOU talk is in the Prayer Chapel with a prayer partner.
<hr/> <b>(1:10 p.m.)</b>	ALL	Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room. Verify the count, and notify the LL.
	ML	Begin to draw people back into the conference room with singing.
	ALL	Check the podium for fresh water; turn on the microphone.
	ALL	Check to make sure the speaker's visual aids are ready.
	ML	Teach "De Colores" at this time.

**You will often hear people say, "De Colores!" Or you may receive those words on some items given to you. *De Colores* is Spanish for "the colors": the colors that we share in God's world. We are a part of these colors as we begin to share God's love with others.**

Teach only one stanza and the chorus from the *Worship Booklet* on the first day. Teach it with joy.

<hr/> <b>(1:15 p.m.)</b>	ALL	Bring the speaker to the conference room door, and notify the LL.
	ALL	Light the candle.

LL/PL **With a clean piece of paper, pen in hand, and a spirit of idealism and charity, please receive the speaker who is a Spiritual Leader.**

ML Ask the group to stand.  
Lead the before-talk chorus.

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**(1:20 p.m.)** SL/ASL **Talk #2: GOD CREATED YOU**  
Lead the “Prayer to the Holy Spirit” in unison while all are standing.

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**(1:40 p.m.)** ALL Return to the Prayer Chapel with the speaker, who places the hand cross on the altar.

**BL**  
*Extinguish candles in Prayer Chapel.*

ALL **Take a moment of silence.**  
[15 seconds]

ALL Extinguish the candle.

**BL**  
*Replenish the snack table.*

ALL **Reflection time.** [1–2 minutes]

ALL **Begin table discussions.**  
[12 minutes]

ALL **Begin table summaries.**  
[5 minutes]

ALL **Begin posters.** [10 minutes]

**BL**  
*In the Prayer Chapel, light the candle; check on the hand crosses and the prayer partner; give one to the speaker, and pray with them.*

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**(2:10 p.m.)** ALL Notify the FAITH speaker to change clothes and proceed to the Prayer Chapel.  
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ALL Announce a short break to last until the bell rings.

ALL Place reflection guides face down on the tables.

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**(2:20 p.m.)** ALL Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room.

		ALL	Make sure the speaker is in the Prayer Chapel with a prayer partner.
		ALL	Verify the count, and notify the LL.
		ML	Lead singing while the participants gather.
	<hr/>	ALL	Bring the speaker to the conference room, and notify the LL.
	<b>(2:25 p.m.)</b>	ALL	Check the podium for fresh water, and turn on the microphone.
		ALL	Check to make sure the speaker's visual aids are ready.
		LL/PL	<b>Please rotate at your table, if you have not already done so.</b>
		ALL	Light the candle.
		LL/PL	<b>With a clean piece of paper, pen in hand, and a spirit of idealism and charity, please receive the speaker who is an adult.</b>
		ML	Lead the before-talk chorus.
		AS	<b>Talk #3: FAITH</b>
	<hr/>	AS	Lead the "Prayer to the Holy Spirit" in unison while all are standing.
	<b>(2:30 p.m.)</b>		
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**BL**  
*Bring agape letters and 72-Hour Prayer Vigil to conference room.*

*Extinguish candle in the Prayer Chapel.*

*If recreational equipment will be used during the long break, be sure the equipment is ready at this time.*

*Inform the ALLs of the location of equipment.*

_____	ALL	Return to the Prayer Chapel with the speaker, who places the hand cross back on the altar.
(2:50 p.m.)		
	ALL	<b>Take a moment of silence.</b> [15 seconds] Extinguish the candle. <b>Reflection time.</b> [1–2 minutes] <b>Begin table discussions.</b> [12 minutes] <b>Begin table summaries.</b> [5 minutes] <b>Begin posters.</b> [10 minutes]
_____	SL	Explain the concept of <i>agape</i> and the meaning of <i>agape love</i> .
(3:20 p.m.)		

You will hear the term *agape* throughout the weekend, and at this time I would like to tell you what that word means. In our language, we have only one word for love, and that is *love*. I can honestly say that I love my favorite food, I love my job, [I love my spouse/friend/mom/pet,] and I love each of you in this room . . . but I definitely don't love all those things with the same type of love.

The Greek language has different words for different kinds of love. For instance, there is *eros*. *Eros* refers to the love or strong desire that is sung about in love songs, about romantic feelings between two persons.

*Phila* refers to brotherly or sisterly love. It is the care and concern for one another that is typically found in families and among friends. The town of Philadelphia is named from the Greek as the "city of brotherly love."

An even greater kind of love is that of *agape*. *Agape* is unconditional love—a GIFT love. It is love that gives and gives and asks nothing in return. It is a love so committed to your highest good that it even makes sacrifices on your behalf. This is the love of God. We see the supreme example of *agape* love in Jesus Christ, who lived and died for us.

During this Chrysalis three days, you will experience many acts of agape love. Right now, young people and adults all over this area are praying for you. They are participating in a 72-Hour Prayer Vigil. [Share the prayer vigil poster.] Every hour around the clock, beginning at 7:00 p.m. last night and lasting until 7:00 p.m. on the evening of Day Three, someone is praying for you and your openness to God’s love while you are here. Others are in the Prayer Chapel, praying for the speakers as they give the talks. Some other examples of agape are the agape food table, the people who are serving the meals, and those who clean up after we leave. Still another example is what we call agape letters. These agape letters come in from all over the state and country—sometimes even from other countries. These letters are from other Chrysalis and Emmaus Communities. They write to let us know that they are thinking of us as we meet these three days and that they are keeping us in prayer.

Share three to five agape letters at this time. Read other general agape letters (from other communities) at designated times throughout the three days. After reading the general agape, ask the ALLs to post the letters in an area where everyone can read them during breaks.

**BL**  
*Replenish snack table for afternoon free time.*

ALL      Hang the prayer vigil chart and general agape letters on the conference room or dining room walls.

LL/PL      Announce a long break.

\_\_\_\_\_ (3:30 p.m.)  
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**BL**  
*Agape can begin at this break.*

**We are going to have a long break. We have had a long but interesting day. Our minds can receive only what our seats can endure. So, in this break, we will be having some recreation and relaxation. The Assistant Lay Leaders have some organized activities, or you may wish to take a nap or just relax. We do ask that you not leave the grounds.** [Explain the boundaries of the grounds and where any organized games will occur.] **You may use this time to talk with one of the leaders or Spiritual Leaders. Whatever you choose, relax and enjoy the break. The Assistant Lay Leaders will ring the bell to let you know you have about forty-five minutes to get cleaned up for dinner. They will ring the bell a second time when it is time to come back to the conference room.**

**BL**  
*Be available to help with recreational equipment as needed.*

_____	ALL	Remind persons that they have about 45 minutes before dinner.
<b>(4:30 p.m.)</b>		
_____	ALL	Check to see if the kitchen is ready.
<b>(5:15 p.m.)</b>		
	ALL	Call everyone to the conference room with the bell.
	ML	Lead singing.
	ALL	Count and verify that all are present.
_____	PL/LL	Theme of Day One.
<b>(5:25 p.m.)</b>		

**The theme of this first day is Faith. Faith is trusting God. Faith enables us to live with confidence, to move forward in positive directions with our lives, to mature as persons and as Christians.**

**We know that the day has been long and may seem a bit tiring at this point. But trust us—today will be good, tomorrow will be better, and the third day will be best of all. We ask for an open mind and heart and a spirit of generosity.**

**Let's go eat, and please sit with your table group.**

_____		Dinner
<b>(5:30 p.m.)</b>		
	ALL	Count and verify that all are present.
	ML	Lead the blessing before the meal.
_____	ALL	Introduce any new servers and kitchen crew.
<b>(5:50 p.m.)</b>		
	ALL	Lead joke time.
	ML	Lead the blessing after the meal.

<p>_____</p> <p><b>(6:00 p.m.)</b></p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p>	<p>Announce a short break to last until the bell rings, at which time everyone is to assemble in the chapel with <i>Worship Booklets</i>.</p> <p>Notify the GOD LOVES YOU speaker to prepare for their talk.</p> <p>Place reflection guides face down on the tables.</p> <p>Check the podium for fresh water, and turn on the microphone.</p> <p>Make sure the speaker's visual aids are ready.</p>
<p>_____</p> <p><b>(6:10 p.m.)</b></p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p>	<p>Ring the bell for assembly in the chapel for evening meditation.</p> <p>Verify the count, and notify the LL.</p> <p>Make sure the speaker who is giving the GOD LOVES YOU talk is in the Prayer Chapel with their prayer partner.</p>
<p>_____</p> <p><b>(6:15 p.m.)</b></p>	<p>SL</p>	<p>Evening Meditation</p>

**BL**  
*In the Prayer Chapel, light the candle and check on the hand crosses and prayer partner; give one hand cross to the speaker, and pray with them.*

*Fill the agape food table. (May be done by the kitchen crew.)*

**Spiritual Leader:** This prayer service helps set the tone for the rest of the evening and for the Evening Chapel—“A Time for Reflection.” The service is short, and no outward response is elicited or expected of the participants. It is a brief pause in the midst of what has been an active first day to recall the message of the day as a whole and to ponder briefly their inward response. So, neither rush through these quiet reflections nor belabor them. The service of prayer and the meditation sets the stage for the GOD LOVES YOU talk and participation in the Evening Chapel later in the evening.

<b>Musical Prelude</b>	ML	Sing a meditative song or have music playing.
<b>Opening</b>	LL/PL	Invite everyone to join in reading Psalm 23 in the <i>Chrysalis Worship Booklet</i> , p. 13.
<b>Meditation</b>	SL/ASL	

**Today, we have heard about ideals and the great influence they have in our lives—how they mold and shape who and what we are. We have heard about how God created us in God’s own image and calls us “very good.”**

**And we have heard about faith—the choice we have each day that allows us to move from a world of fear, loneliness, rejection, hurt (and the list goes on) into a world filled with God’s love and acceptance. The first step to faith is to open up and be vulnerable by allowing ourselves to experience God’s forgiveness and acceptance and accepting the loving relationship that God freely offers. In Revelation 3:20, Jesus says, “Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me.”**

**In simple words, Jesus comes to each of us and knocks at the door of our hearts, offering us hope, forgiveness, and love.**

**Take a moment of silence to reflect upon these words of Jesus as I read them again slowly: “Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me.” Do the following as you think about these words:**

**BL**

*When the chapel is free: Set up for the PRODIGAL talk and the Evening Chapel service.*

*Set up the speaker’s podium toward the front on the same level as the participants’ seats but not in a place to block or draw attention from the cross.*

*Set up a microphone, if needed.*

*Plug in the podium light or arrange for a small flashlight.*

*Dimly light the room. Provide just enough light for writing without turning on the overhead lights. Candles help if light is needed.*

*Place tissue boxes at both ends of each row that will be used.*

*Put an 8’ wooden cross on the chancel steps or floor. Make sure the cross is secure enough for nailing.*

*Place items to symbolize Jesus’ presence four or five feet to the left of the cross, about even with the base of the cross. Consider draping a table with black cloth.*

- **Visualize a door that only you can open because it has a latch only on your side.** [Pause.]
- **Allow yourself to hear the knock of Jesus’ hand upon that door.** [Pause.]
- **Be aware of your feelings as you consider the awesome and wondrous possibilities that are yours if you open the door.** [Long pause.]

**Friends, God has a tremendous design for our lives. God offers each of us a lifelong relationship through which we can realize our purpose in life and experience the fullness of what is possible, agape love. We need to understand that in each of us there is a door that only we can open—the door of our hearts. We can receive what God offers us by opening that door when God knocks. And if you do not open it the first time, God will knock again and again and again. This invitation is not just a one-time thing, just as “Chrysalis Moments”—moments of transformation—are not one-time occurrences. Maybe you’ve already opened the door for God once, but now God is knocking, inviting you to something new. The question I leave you with is this: “What will you do when you hear God knocking?”**

	SL/ASL	Close with prayer.
(6:30 p.m.)	ALL	Return to the conference room from the chapel.
	ALL	Share additional general agape letters, posters, and/or banners. Hang them on dining room or conference room walls each time agape is shared so the participants have an opportunity to look at them.
	ALL	Remind the tables to rotate seating.
	ALL	Explain about tomorrow’s procedures, if the second day is Sunday and you are using a church building where Sunday school classes will be held.

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Place the following on the table: crown of thorns, 3 large nails or railroad spikes, a robe, a pair of sandals at the base of the table on the floor.

Place nails and hammers at several spots around the cross. Use baskets for the nails so they are not loose on the floor.

Cut red construction paper (or plain white paper) into fourths or hearts, or use 3"x5" index cards, enough for participants and the Conference Room Team, as well as pencils; place one piece of paper and one pencil under each seat in the chapel.

Keep the space around the cross dimly lit, to allow the participants to come up freely.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(6:35 p.m.)

ALL

Bring the speaker to the conference room door, and notify the LL.

ALL

Light the candle.

LL/PL

**With a clean piece of paper, pen in hand, and a spirit of idealism and charity, please receive the speaker who is a Spiritual Leader.**

ML

Lead the before-talk chorus.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(6:40 p.m.)

SL/ASL

**Talk #4: GOD LOVES YOU**

SL/ASL

Lead the "Prayer to the Holy Spirit" in unison while all are standing.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(7:00 p.m.)

ALL

Return to the Prayer Chapel with the speaker, who places the hand cross on the altar.

ALL

**Take a moment of silence.**  
[15 seconds]

ALL

Extinguish the candle.

ALL

**Reflection time.** [2 minutes]

ALL

**Begin activity.** [10 minutes]

ALL

**Begin table discussions.**  
[12 minutes]

ALL

**Begin table summaries.**  
[5 minutes]

ALL

**Begin posters.** [10 minutes]

\_\_\_\_\_  
(7:40 p.m.)

ALL

Announce a short break.

ALL Remind tables to get organized because they will share summaries and creative work when everyone returns.

ALL Check setup of the chapel for the PRODIGAL talk and the Cross Service.

ALL Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room.

\_\_\_\_\_ (7:55 p.m.)

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**BL**  
Extinguish the candle in the Prayer Chapel.

ALL Verify the count, and notify the LL.

ML Lead singing.

ALL Make sure tables have their posters ready.

LL/PL Poster party

\_\_\_\_\_ (8:00 p.m.)

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**BL**  
Put out the participants' bedtime agape.

Take breakfast agape to the kitchen or dining area.

**We will now have the presentation of summaries and the artwork on all of the talks. This is a means of sharing with one another the thoughts and ideas of individuals in the various table groups. It is a way for all of us to learn from one another.**

**When we call your table, the entire group will come forward. The note-taker of each talk at the table will present the one- or two-sentence summary; then another person or persons will present the poster or introduce the song or skit. Please present each of your talks in the order in which you received them today. Before you begin your summary or presentation, each table member is to give their name and the table name. [Give an example.]**

**We will begin with the table of \_\_\_\_\_.** [Call the PRODIGAL speaker's table first. Use the roster as a checklist for calling tables.]

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		ALL	Hang the posters on the conference room walls after each presentation.
	_____	ALL	Make a final check of the chapel for the PRODIGAL talk and the Cross Service.
	<b>(8:30 p.m.)</b>	ALL	Notify the PRODIGAL speaker to change and proceed to the Prayer Chapel.
	_____	LL/PL	Thank everyone for the posters.
	<b>(8:45 p.m.)</b>		
	←-----	ALL	Remind participants to clean their tables.
		ALL	Announce a restroom break.
	_____	ALL	Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room.
	<b>(8:55 p.m.)</b>	ALL	Verify the count, and notify the LL.
<b>BL</b>			
<i>In the Prayer Chapel, light the candle, then check on the hand crosses and give one to the speaker.</i>			
<i>See that the prayer partner for the speaker is in the chapel and pray with them.</i>			

## OVERVIEW OF THE EVENING CHAPEL: A TIME FOR REFLECTION

The theme for the day has been Faith, meaning a trust in God who loves us and has a design for our lives. This faith frees us to die with Christ to anything that holds us back from approaching God's loving intention for us. This final chapel visit for the day gives us an opportunity to affirm our faith in God and to indicate our desire to grow closer to God.

The service begins with the participants coming to the chapel in silence following the Poster Party. Without introduction, a speaker gives the PRODIGAL talk. Then the SL explains examination of conscience and leads the participants in an examination of their lives in the light of God's love. The examination consists of a time to reflect on their own "far country" and what separates them from God.

Following the time for reflection, the participants will find blank cards and pencils under their seats. The SL invites them to take a few moments to write on the cards whatever stands between them and God. Whenever they are ready, they may walk forward and nail their cards to the large cross at the front. Then they may return to their seats or stay for a moment at the altar for prayer until everyone has had a chance to participate. Silence is maintained while the young people reflect and nail their papers to the cross. The ML may prepare special music for transition immediately after the PRODIGAL talk and at the conclusion of the service.

Prepare the chapel beforehand as detailed in the pages prior. The chapel is dimly lit with lectern in front, from which the speaker gives the PRODIGAL talk, but moved aside so as not to distract from the rest of the scene. Make sure the chapel has enough light that the participants can see to write—avoid turning lights on and off. Surrounding the large cross placed in the chancel area are nails, hammers, and various symbols of Jesus' life, such as a pair of sandals, a crown of thorns, and a robe. The ML may prepare special music for the time following the PRODIGAL talk, but silence is recommended while the young people reflect and nail their papers to the cross.

\_\_\_\_\_ (8:55 p.m.)

LL/PL

Invitation to the next talk in the chapel.

**We will now be going to Evening Chapel. We will move to the chapel in silence and will sit by table. The Assistant Lay Leaders will direct you where to sit as you enter. You do not need your *Worship Booklet* or anything else. You may leave it all here. [The PRODIGAL speaker’s table needs to be the last row so the speaker can rejoin their table during the evening worship.] Now let’s go to chapel in silence.**

**BL**  
*Clean up the conference room.*  
*Clean up the tables as needed.*  
*Empty all garbage bags.*  
*Replace candle on altar if necessary.*

\_\_\_\_\_ (9:00 p.m.)

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ALL Once in the chapel, verify the count, and notify the LL.

ALL Bring the speaker to the chapel, and notify the LL.

There is no introduction of the speaker or talk title. The before-talk chorus is not sung or the “Prayer to the Holy Spirit” recited.

YS **Talk #5: PRODIGAL**  
 Enter and leave in silence.

\_\_\_\_\_ (9:20 p.m.)

ALL Return to the Prayer Chapel with the speaker, who places the hand cross on the altar.

SL After the speaker has left, proceed with the Reconciliation Service narrative.

## THE EVENING CHAPEL: A TIME FOR REFLECTION

When the PRODIGAL speaker leaves the chapel, the SL speaks from the side or back of the chapel in order to draw the participants’ attention to the cross. You may need a flashlight to see the manual in the dimly lit sanctuary.

**SL: The remainder of the chapel time will be a time to examine our hearts, minds, and lives in the light of God, the one who loves us and knows us better than we know and love ourselves. Christ offers us a holy mirror to allow us to see in ourselves the light of Christ and who we really are as God’s beloved. But what we also see when we look into that mirror are aspects of ourselves**

that don't fit that picture. We may see things for which we are sorry or sad. We may see regret or anger. We may see our hurts, our fears, or our failures. We may see attitudes or habits that we need to let go of and let die in us as we move on and become more like Christ. From now until morning will be a period of silence. The silence gives us an opportunity to look within and see what's going inside our hearts. Silence is not easy for most of us, but it will be a valuable time for us all. [Pause.]

Now I want to invite you to reflect further on the story of the prodigal. The younger son took what the father gave him and went his own way. Then he came to the realization that he was lost, alone, and living with pigs. When he returned home, his father received him with open arms and acceptance, despite the mess he'd made of his life and the way he'd wasted what had been given him. The older son thought he was doing the right thing by staying with his father, but he was judgmental of his younger brother and was not ready to offer love and reconciliation like his father was.

This is a picture of God's unconditional and forgiving love toward us, God's readiness to receive us as we are. God's love and offer of a relationship does not stop when we leave or when our attitude is not right. God loves us when we stink—literally, like the pigpen of the younger son in the story, or figuratively, like the attitude of the older son.

As you reflect on God's love for you, ponder these questions in the silence:

1. In what ways have you been running away from God, trying to find satisfaction in other places? Where have you been more focused on things, finding thrills, or in pleasing others? [Pause.]
2. What is your far country, your pigpen? Is it money, sex, cutting off relationships with people, using people for your own ends, needing to be the center of attention, being less than truthful? In your far country, do you experience loneliness, hurt, rejection, or fear of being known for who you really are? [Pause.]
3. Or is your far country more like the older son's? Do you feel superior because you've been so good? Do you do all the right things and not get the credit you deserve? Are you lost in your own far country of loneliness, resentment, and pride? [Pause.]
4. What is it that prevents you from deciding, like the prodigal in this story, from getting up and moving on, from going to God, asking for help,

**starting afresh? What prevents you from turning off the comparisons and embracing where you already are? [Pause.]**

5. **Finally, ask yourself, *Am I open to receiving the relationship God is offering?* [Pause 30 seconds.]**

ML            Background or special music

**Jesus Christ is with us tonight. His presence is symbolized by the cross here before you. Christ is ready to lead you to the God who loves and forgives and to walk with you into a fresh start. None of the answers to any of these questions can ever stand in the way of your relationship with God.**

**Lying beside the cross are some hammers and nails, sandals, a robe, and a crown of thorns—reminders of Christ’s love for us. The cross is the central symbol for Christians. It represents God’s unconditional love. It also represents Jesus’ power to take from us whatever holds us back or stands in the way of our opening up to God. Jesus is with us in the Spirit to do that for us. He is asking, “What burden can I carry for you?”**

**In a moment, you will be given a piece of paper. On that paper, you are invited to write what it is that stands between you and God. It may be something that you need help to let go of or to overcome. Some examples might be a harmful habit, a fear, an attitude, a sin, an anger or inner hurt, a doubt. Whatever it is for you, write it on your piece of paper. You may spread out to reflect, pray, and write. Then, when you are ready, come forward and nail your paper to the cross. There is no hurry; do this when you are ready. In doing so, you symbolically let go and give Christ that which was keeping you from God and ask for help in clearing the way for a full relationship with God. No one will read what you write. I will take the papers from the cross and burn them later tonight after the service. What you have written is between you and God.**

**After you have nailed your paper on the cross, feel free to stay at the altar for a moment of prayer or reflection and then return to your seat. When everyone has had a chance to nail a paper to the cross, we will conclude the service with one song and then silence.**

*At this time, refer to the papers and pencils under their chairs. Allow plenty of time for the participants to write. The SL should model the instructions and lead the way by nailing their paper to the cross after taking a moment to write. The SL*

*should then step aside, away from the cross, and be prepared to respond to any young people who indicate a need for support or prayer. Team members should not be standing or sitting at the cross. This is an individual's time at the cross. After everyone has had a chance to nail their paper to the cross, close the prayer time with music; conclude the service and dismiss the participants with the following words by the LL.*

\_\_\_\_\_ LL/PL Dismissal  
**(10:20 p.m.)**

**Today has been a time of receiving God's love and reconciliation. We will have this period of silence to listen both to God and to our own hearts. For those of you who are feeling a knock on the door to have more conversation, we are here for you. Spiritual Leaders are available to meet with you anytime you need to talk or have prayer. The silence will continue through the rest of this evening until we come to the chapel tomorrow morning. We will break the silence when we gather tomorrow for Morning Prayer.**

**Today has been a long day, an intense day. Many of you were up early this morning. All of us are tired. Tomorrow is another very full day, with another day after that. Try to get some rest tonight. Remember to be considerate of those who want to sleep or who are still waiting to see one of the Spiritual Leaders. We are a large community, and it is important that each of us cooperates. Your spirit of generosity and cooperation has been great today.**

**Try to get to sleep as quickly as possible. I guarantee that we will all need the rest for tomorrow. It will be a big day! Again, the Spiritual Leaders are available, and the rest of the team is here too. Be careful and quiet as you move to the sleeping area. A *bell/music* will awaken you in the morning. You'll have about forty-five minutes to dress. When the bell rings [again], please come to the chapel. Before coming to chapel, remember to bring your nametag and get your *Worship Booklet* and your notebook from the conference room. Get a good night's sleep, and know that you are loved and that we are praying for you. Rest well.**

LL/PL Team meeting

**SL/BL**

*Remove papers from the cross; burn the papers in a metal coffee can or other metal container outside the facility.*

**BL**

*Clean up the chapel, and set up for Morning Prayer.*

*Leave the empty cross full of nails and symbols of Jesus in place.*

*Remove tissues, excess nails, and hammers.*

*Place the ashes in a small bowl, and return them to the chapel (a clear glass bowl is best).*

*Place the bowl of ashes on a table/altar from which the SL will speak.*

*Beside the bowl, place a pitcher of water (a clear glass pitcher is best).*

*Position a wastebasket or large brown paper bag beside the table so the SL can empty the bowl of ashes into it.*

*Place a towel next to the bowl and pitcher for use by the SL.*

*Place a podium or music stand next to the table for the SL's manual.*

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\_\_\_\_\_ **(10:40 p.m. or after service)**

[See team meeting agenda on the next page.]

\_\_\_\_\_ **(11:00 p.m.)**

ALL

Lights out in participants' sleeping area.

## TEAM MEETING

**BL**

*Clean up the snack table.*

**BL**

*Turn out the lights, and secure the building.*

- The meeting is to be as brief as possible and to the point—ten to fifteen minutes in length, so as not to keep the Table Leaders away from the participants for too long.
- The LL designates a team meeting room apart from the participants.
- The focus of the meeting is the Conference Room Team, though Background Leaders and Coordinators are welcome to attend. Other on-site helpers are encouraged to rest.
- The team meetings allow team members to touch base with one another, share today's joys and concerns, review the next day's schedule, and pray together.
- Work out questions about logistics and details that do not pertain to the Conference Room Team after the team meeting with those who are responsible.

## TEAM MEETING AGENDA

1. Share joys. What went well? Where do you celebrate God's presence in today's experiences?
2. Share concerns. What could we improve for tomorrow? What can we learn from today?
3. Check on tables. How is each table coming with dialogue and participation?
4. Review tomorrow. Briefly remind team members of Day Two's flow, including any instructions for Communion, table chapel visits, Candlelight, and so forth. Be aware of the difference between agape gifts and table or room decorations. Agape is given so everyone in the conference room gets an equal amount representing God's equal love for all. Are there questions about each member's responsibilities?
5. Affirm the team. Celebrate how God is working through them.
6. Ask the SL for any additional comments, observations, or insights.
7. Close with prayer. Remind the team to observe tonight's silence.



**SECTION 4—  
DAY TWO: HOPE  
GRACE OF JESUS &  
RESPONDING WITH ONE’S HEAD**

*[S]o that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.  
—Romans 6:4*

Day Two is a day of entry and incorporation into the new life God opens to us in Jesus Christ. The underlying intent of each talk and worship experience is to foster hope in the promise and possibility of living in the fullness of love with God and one another. The focus is the means God gives by which we are invited to practice and live into this new life—communicating in love, growing in grace and truth, celebrating God’s presence, remaining in grace despite our denials, developing enduring relationships of faithful love, and rededicating our lives as Christian disciples.

**BL**  
*Check to make sure the chapel is prepared for Morning Prayer.*

**BL**  
*Morning drink and snack table optional.*

<p>_____</p> <p><b>(6:15 a.m.)</b></p>	<p>ALLs</p>	<p>Assistants arise.</p>
<p>_____</p> <p><b>(6:30 a.m.)</b></p>	<p>ALL</p>	<p>Wake up the team.</p>
<p>←-----</p> <p>_____</p> <p><b>(6:45 a.m.)</b></p>	<p>ALL</p>	<p>Wake up the participants, reminding them of the silence, and ask them to get their <i>Worship Booklet</i> and go to the chapel after getting dressed.</p>
	<p>ALL</p>	<p>Remind Table Leaders to bring their <i>Worship Booklet</i>.</p>
	<p>ALL</p>	<p>Check the setup of the chapel for the Morning Prayer service.</p>

<hr/> <b>(7:30 a.m.)</b>	ALL	Ring the bell for assembly in the chapel.
	ALL	Verify the count, and notify the LL.
	ALL	As Morning Prayer begins, let the kitchen team know that the service has started.
	ALL	Toward the end of Morning Prayer, check to see if the kitchen team is ready.

**Preparation for Morning Prayer:** During the night, the Spiritual Leader, Assistants, or Background Leaders should have burned the papers the young people nailed to the cross. In preparation for Morning Prayer, the ashes are put in a bowl. Place the bowlful of ashes on the table from which the Spiritual Leader will present the meditation. Beside the bowl, place a pitcher of water. Put a wastebasket or sack behind the table so the Spiritual Leader can empty the ashes into it from the bowl at the appropriate moment in the meditation. Toward the back of the table, place a damp cloth or paper towel with which to wipe out the bowl. Make these preparations the night before or prior to the participants' arrival for Morning Prayer.

<hr/> <b>(7:40 a.m.)</b>		<b>Morning Prayer</b>
	LL/PL	<b>Opening:</b> Greet the gathered community and end the silence.
	LL/PL	<b>Prayer and Psalm:</b> Invite everyone to join in reading a prayer of Psalm 23 or 139 from the <i>Worship Booklet</i> (pp. 13–16).

- ML Special music (optional),  
such as “Create in Me a Clean  
Heart, O God”
- SL Meditation on “Living Water”

**Friends, listen to God’s word of grace in Ephesians 2:4-9:**

**God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—not the result of works, so that no one may boast.**

**Let me read verse eight again: “For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.”**

**This is, in a few words, what yesterday was all about. The message is an affirmation of faith: God made you, God loves you, and God accepts you as you are. You are immersed in God’s grace. You don’t have to create a relationship with God. All of this is God’s gift to you. You can, therefore, let go of whatever is getting between you and the fullness of life God intends for you. Christ bears your burdens. Christ walks with you. That was yesterday. [Pause.]**

**Today is an affirmation of the hope and promise God has for our lives in Jesus Christ. Today we come to realize that dying with Christ is only the beginning of a lifelong process of growth as a Christian. We not only die with Christ to sin but also rise with Christ to new life in the light and love of God. “Chrysalis Moments” include both dying and rising. We are not only immersed in God’s love but also raised to new life in Christ and are renewed as God’s beloved. In the words of Ephesians, we are made “alive together with Christ.” Yesterday, our theme was Faith, and we responded to God’s invitation with our hearts. The theme of today—Day Two—is Hope, and we’ll see how we can respond to God’s invitation with our heads. [Pause.]**

**Now I invite you to focus your attention on two symbols. The first symbol is the bowl of ashes. [Lift the bowl.] You will notice that the cross is empty. All the things you nailed to it are gone. So have our lives been made clean**

of those temptations and sins we chose to let go of. The ashes are all that remain. The ashes have been placed here as a symbol of cleansing and transformation in you. The ashes represent something else as well. Sometimes, when we give our burdens to Christ, we want him to take them, but we won't let go. We continue to hold on to sins that God has since forgiven, hurts that could have been healed, feelings that we are free to leave behind. We continue to be a little like this bowl: We have experienced the fire of God's saving love, yet—like this bowl—we are weighted down with the ashes of our past. What will it mean for you to really let go and let Christ free you of those things you have given up? [Pause.]

Here in this pitcher is a second symbol I would like you to ponder: water. [Lift the pitcher.] Water is a symbol of cleansing, life, rebirth, and renewal. Jesus once referred to himself as the "living water." Jesus said to the woman at the well, "Those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life" (John 4:14). I invite each of you this morning to open yourself to being filled with the living water of Christ and to let the life of Christ flow through you, freeing you, refreshing you, and renewing you in love.

How do we let go of the old life in us? By receiving the new life that has been poured out for us. Christ is the living water. Christ calls us to empty our lives . . . [Dump all the ashes from the bowl into wastebasket, wipe it out with the towel, and show the empty bowl.] **of all that keeps us from living our lives in the fullness of faith and to let them be filled with living water.** [Pour water into the bowl.] **Receive the fullness of life that God gives.**

**The question we must wrestle with and come to terms with today is this: With what or with whom will we fill our lives?**

Close with prayer.

ML Closing music (choose a song of presence and new life)

\_\_\_\_\_ LL/PL Announce breakfast.  
**(8:10 a.m.)**

**Let's go to breakfast. Let's sit with someone new during our mealtime today, so we get to know new friends.**

**BL**  
*In the Prayer Chapel, light the candle; check on the small hand crosses and the prayer partner. Give the speaker a cross to hold, and pray with them.*

<p>_____</p> <p><b>(8:15 a.m.)</b></p>	<p>ML</p>	<p>Lead the blessing before the meal.</p> <p>Breakfast</p>
<p>_____</p> <p><b>(8:40 a.m.)</b></p> <p>←-----</p>	<p>ALL</p>	<p>Notify the WALKING WITH CHRIST speaker to change and proceed to the Prayer Chapel.</p>
<p>_____</p> <p><b>(8:45 a.m.)</b></p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>ML</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p>	<p>Introduce Kitchen Volunteers.</p> <p>Lead the blessing after the meal.</p> <p>Announce a short break to last until the bell rings.</p> <p>Place reflection guides face down on the tables.</p> <p>Check the podium for fresh water, and turn on microphone.</p> <p>Make sure all the speaker’s visual aids are in place.</p>
<p>_____</p> <p><b>(8:50 a.m.)</b></p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ML</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p>	<p>Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room.</p> <p>Verify the count, and notify the LL.</p> <p>Lead singing.</p> <p>Share general agape letters.</p> <p>Make sure the speaker and their prayer partner are in the Prayer Chapel.</p>
<p>_____</p> <p><b>(9:05 a.m.)</b></p>	<p>LL/PL</p>	<p>Introduce the theme of Day Two.</p>

**LL: Yesterday’s theme was Faith. God’s love for us enables us to have faith—in God and in ourselves—and to let go of things that prevent us from living. Through faith, God’s grace transforms us into more beautiful and complete persons. Today’s theme is Hope, the hope that allows us to journey with God.**

Today's theme of Hope focuses on the potential that all of us have but sometimes do not feel. Sometimes we may feel that our lives, our families, the world are hopeless. We may say to ourselves, "Why try?" So today, we will focus on the hope God gives and how we begin to open our hearts to life with Christ.

In order for us to realize that hope today, we need your spirit of cooperation. We need your openness and enthusiastic participation. We need your honesty in sharing, your insights, and your criticisms. Above all, we need you to be yourself. Each of us has a uniqueness that is God-given. Each one of us has been given a special grace that takes the form of a personal vision, dream, ideal, or calling. When we share what God has given us, then we are altogether more grace-filled. We move toward our dream. We come alive together in Christ.

As we share today, let's be aware of God's hope and promise for us and for each person here; the hope that transforms us to live Christ-filled lives.

**PL:** One of the ways God speaks to us is through the Bible. The Bible is not simply an instruction book, a history book, or a rule book. It is a book of relationship. The Bible is the story of God working in and through all God's children.

Acts 9:1-9 tells the story of Saul's encounter with Jesus. Saul was working to round up and kill Christians because he believed they were heretics, people leading the Jews away from the true God. He was doing his absolute best to follow God, but he was very wrong in his understanding of who Jesus was. He was traveling to Damascus to round up more Christians when he was blinded by a bright light and heard Jesus speak to him. Verses 4-5 say,

"Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting."

Saul was blind for three days before God sent Ananias to come lay hands on his eyes to restore his sight. During that time, Saul also sought God through fasting. Don't worry. You won't be blinded this weekend, and we will have plenty of food. Saul goes through a glorious inner transformation, changes his name to Paul, and becomes one of the most influential leaders in the early church and author of more of the New Testament than anyone else.

Sometimes our transformations come in big moments like retreats, worship services, concerts, or an encounter with God through scripture or prayer. Other times they come quietly and slowly.

Regardless of how we experience transformation, it is wonderful to remember that no matter who we are—or who we have been—God is trying to get our attention to help us become the children of God we were created to be. How is God trying to get your attention? My prayer for all of us this weekend is that we will see and hear the Holy Spirit speaking to our hearts to strengthen and transform us. Our next talk continues this theme. . . .

_____	ALL	Bring the speaker to the conference room door, and notify the LL.
<b>(9:10 a.m.)</b>		
_____	PL/LL	Light the candle. <b>With a clean piece of paper, pen in hand, and a spirit of idealism and charity, please receive the speaker who is a youth.</b>
<b>(9:15 a.m.)</b>		
	ML	Lead the before-talk chorus.
	YS	<b>Talk #6: WALKING WITH CHRIST</b>
	YS	Lead the “Prayer to the Holy Spirit” in unison while all are standing.
_____	ALL	Return to the Prayer Chapel with the speaker, who places the hand cross on the altar.
<b>(9:35 a.m.)</b>		
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	ALL	<b>Take a moment of silence.</b> [15 seconds]
	ALL	Extinguish the candle.
	ALL	<b>Reflection time.</b> [2 minutes]
	ALL	<b>Begin table discussions.</b> [12 minutes]

**BL**  
*Replenish the snack table.*

**BL**  
*Extinguish the  
 candles in the  
 Prayer Chapel.*

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**(10:05 a.m.)**

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- ALL **Begin table summaries.**  
[5 minutes]
- ALL **Begin posters.** [10 minutes]
- ALL Announce a break to last until the bell rings.
- ALL Place reflection guides face down on the tables.
- ALL Notify the LOVING LIKE CHRIST speaker to change and proceed to the Prayer Chapel.

**BL**  
*In the Prayer  
 Chapel, light the  
 candle, check on  
 the hand crosses  
 and the prayer  
 partner. Give the  
 speaker a cross  
 agape to the  
 to hold, and pray  
 with them.*

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**(10:15 a.m.)**

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- ALL Make sure the speaker and their prayer partner are in the Prayer Chapel.
- ALL Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room.
- ALL Verify the count, and notify the LL.
- ML Lead singing. (Sing “De Colores” again so the song becomes familiar. Teach the verse with the animals too.)
- ALL Share agape.

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**(10:25 a.m.)**

- ALL Check the podium for fresh water, and turn on the microphone.
- ALL Check and make sure the speaker’s visual aids are ready.
- ALL Bring the speaker to the conference room door, and notify the LL.
- ALL Light the candle.

<p><b>BL:</b> Prepare elements for Communion: 1 plate with bread and 1 cup with grape juice for each table (including the Leaders' table). The SL will also need a set of elements. Have them ready to easily transport to the conference room or have them on a covered table, ready in the conference room.</p>	<p>_____</p> <p><b>(10:30 a.m.)</b></p>	ALL	<p><b>With a clean piece of paper, pen in hand, and a spirit of idealism and charity, please receive the speaker who is an adult.</b></p>
	<p>←-----</p>	ML	Lead the before-talk song chorus.
		YS	<b>Talk #7: LOVING LIKE CHRIST</b>
		YS	Lead the "Prayer to the Holy Spirit" in unison while all are standing.
<p><b>BL</b> Extinguish the candles in the Prayer Chapel.</p> <p><b>BL</b> Replenish snacks, if needed, before lunch.</p>	<p>_____</p> <p><b>(10:50 a.m.)</b></p>	ALL	Return to the Prayer Chapel with the speaker, who places the hand cross on the altar.
	ALL	<b>Take a moment of silence.</b> [15 seconds]	
	ALL	Extinguish the candle.	
	ALL	<b>Reflection time.</b> [2 minutes]	
	ALL	<b>Begin activity.</b> [10 minutes]	
	ALL	<b>Begin table discussions.</b> [12 minutes]	
	ALL	<b>Begin table summaries.</b> [5 minutes]	
	ALL	<b>Begin posters.</b> [10 minutes]	
	ALL	Check to see if the kitchen is ready to serve lunch.	
	ALL	Announce a short break until the bell rings.	
<p>_____</p> <p><b>(11:30 a.m.)</b></p>	ALL	Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room.	
<p>_____</p> <p><b>(11:40 a.m.)</b></p>	ALL	Verify the count, and notify the LL.	
	ML	Lead singing.	

LL/PL **It's now lunch time. Let's sit by someone we haven't met yet.**

Lunch

\_\_\_\_\_ (11:55 a.m.)

ML Lead the blessing before the meal.

ALL Introduce the servers.  
Lead joke time.

ALL Notify the GOD'S GIFT TO YOU Speaker to change and proceed to Prayer Chapel.

ML Lead the blessing after the meal.

ALL Announce a break to last until the bell rings.

ALL Check to see that the speaker who is giving the GOD'S GIFT TO YOU talk is in the Prayer Chapel with their prayer partner.

ALL Check the podium for fresh water, and turn on the microphone.

ALL Bring Communion elements to the conference room if they are not already there. Have them ready, and wait for instructions from the SL.

\_\_\_\_\_ (12:45 p.m.)

ALL Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room.

ALL Verify the count, and notify the LL.

ML Lead singing.

**BL**  
*In the Prayer Chapel, light the candle, check on the hand crosses and the prayer partner. Give a cross to the speaker to hold, and pray with them.*

**BL**

*Check on designated spots where each table group will be praying after Communion. Be sure any doors are unlocked, that the rooms are not occupied, etc. Each table will need a separate spot.*

\_\_\_\_\_ (12:55 p.m.)

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- ALL Share agape.
- ALL Share that this next talk will be given by an SL and will have a different format, with worship and then a Q&A session following it.
- ALL Bring the speaker to the conference room door, and notify the LL.
- ALL Light the candle.
- ALL **With a clean piece of paper, pen in hand, and a spirit of idealism and charity, please receive the speaker who is a Spiritual Leader.**
- ML Lead the before-talk chorus.
- SL **Talk #8: GOD’S GIFT TO YOU**
- SL Lead the “Prayer to the Holy Spirit” in unison while all are standing.

At the end of the GOD’S GIFT TO YOU talk, the SL introduces Communion by saying something brief about God’s love, forgiveness, grace, mercy, commitment, tenderheartedness, or faithfulness. Connect your words with the personal stories of the group that you may have heard from the talks or time of sharing. Then the SL invites participants to open their *Worship Booklet* to participate in the Communion service adapted for Chrysalis (p. 35).

## COMMUNION ADAPTED FOR CHRYSALIS

[SL: Read 1 Corinthians 11:23-26.]

*For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.*

We are here to receive God's grace, and we are also called to pass it on to others. Today, we will celebrate Communion and share it in each of our table groups. Each of you will have the chance to serve Communion. There's no special training or achievement required in order to serve Communion. God takes the ordinary elements and ordinary people in serving to give this extraordinary gift to each of us.

Communion is God's gift to us, the body of Christ. We, as the body of Christ, are called to be God's gift to the world. YOU each are God's gift to the world. You matter to God. You matter to your table. You matter to us. You matter to the world.

God's grace is at work in your lives, and it does not matter whether you are unsure about Jesus, just going through the motions with Jesus, or passionately seeking Jesus. I promise you with full confidence that God loves you. God gave YOU this gift.

Let us celebrate Communion together!

Beloved, we have come to Chrysalis to draw nearer to Christ and nearer to one another. We have traveled here from many places for a sacred weekend of becoming. Gathered around tables, we sense God's presence here with us. We are going to celebrate Communion together.

When I hold my hand on my heart, know that these words are words that only I am going to say (words in standard font)

When I hold my hand out, these are words that you are going to join me in saying (**words in bold font**).

**Gracious God,  
We are truly grateful for your love  
and those you have sent us to journey with this weekend.  
We ask that you be with us  
as we share in this sacred meal.**

Creator and creating God,  
We thank you for sending us Jesus Christ,  
who came to earth as your Word made flesh to live among us,  
**The one who came to teach us how to love and to give.**

We look back and remember when  
Jesus gathered with his friends, as we are doing now,  
to share a special meal.

On that special night, Jesus took bread, gave thanks to God,  
broke the bread, and gave it to those he loved, saying:  
**Take, eat.**

**This is my body which is given for you.  
Do this so you don't forget me or my love.**

After the supper, Jesus took the cup,  
gave thanks to God, and gave it to those he loved, saying:  
**Drink from this, all of you.**

**This is my blood of the new covenant,  
poured out for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins.**

Do this so you don't forget me or my love.  
And we are all here together: remembering.

**Grateful for how much God loves us,  
celebrating the sacrifice Jesus made for us,  
rejoicing in our connection as the family of God.**

We ask you, Holy Spirit,  
**to come upon these gifts of bread and cup  
and awaken us to the wonder of this sacred moment.**

Embolden us to live as Jesus did:  
**with love for the lost and hungry;  
in prayerful connection with the Divine;  
strengthened by this community of faith**

as we work for the day when things will be

**On earth as they are in heaven.**

**Amen.**

Bread will now be passed around by your Table Leaders. The Table Leader will serve the person on their left and say the words, “**The bread of life.**” You may respond by saying, “**Amen,**” but don’t eat the bread yet. They will then pass the bread to the right. That person will then serve the person to their left.

The thing to remember is to serve the person on your left—the person who handed you the bread—and then pass the bread to the person on your right.

After the bread has been passed all the way around, you will receive the cup of grape juice. The table leader will offer it to the person on their left with the words, “**The cup of joy.**” You will dip the bread in the cup and eat it. You may also respond by saying, “**Amen.**” The table leader will then pass the cup to the right and be served by that person.

*ASLs will now deliver bread to each of the table leaders. The cups are to be distributed after everyone at the table has bread. ASLs may receive Communion from each other.*

(Repeat after me) Prayer after Communion

**Gracious God,**

**We thank you for this sacred gift,**

**which draws us closer to you and to each other.**

**We rejoice in the love of our creator.**

**We are challenged by the example of Jesus  
to love and help others.**

**We are empowered by the Holy Spirit  
to be the people you have called us to be.**

**Amen.**

\_\_\_\_\_ (1:45 p.m.)

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SL Following the service of  
Communion, invite  
participants into a Q&A time.

SL Q&A for GOD’S GIFT TO YOU talk.

**BL**  
*Set up the snack  
table for the  
afternoon break.*

The Spiritual Leader may field questions directly or respond to questions written on index cards. If questions are few, move on quickly with the schedule.

If someone still has questions and desires a personal answer, invite that person to speak to the SL or one of the ASLs during breaks or at mealtimes.

<p>_____</p> <p><b>(2:15 p.m.)</b></p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p>	<p>Return to the Prayer Chapel with the speaker, who places the hand cross on the altar.</p> <p><b>Take a moment of silence.</b> [15 seconds]</p> <p>Extinguish the candle.</p> <p><b>Reflection time.</b> [2 minutes]</p> <p><b>Begin table discussions.</b> [12 minutes]</p> <p><b>Begin table summaries.</b> [5 minutes]</p> <p><b>Begin posters.</b> [10 minutes]</p>
<p>_____</p> <p><b>(2:45 p.m.)</b></p> <p>←-----</p>	<p>LL/PL</p>	<p>Introduce prayer with tables.</p>

**BL**  
*Extinguish candles in the Prayer Chapel.*

**BL**  
*Take decorations to the dining area for dinner. Arrange tables so table groups can sit together to celebrate.*

*Take dinner agape to the kitchen.*

*Help with decorating of the dining room.*

*Hang signs for servers coming in from the Community.*

During this time, each table group will be sent to separate designated areas around the facility so that each table can pray together at the same time following their experience of serving Communion to one another. As the tables finish praying, they will go straight into the long break.

**This morning, we talked about prayer as a way whereby we can talk to God and God can communicate with us. You have been developing Christian community at your tables. We want to give you opportunities as a table group to spend some time in prayer.** (Give instructions for where each table group will meet for prayer.) **As a group, you can decide how you want to pray. You may hold hands and pray one at a time, squeezing the hand of the person next to you when you are done. You may lift up prayer requests informally all together, and one person may close your time in prayer. This is your time, pray as it feels comfortable to your group.**

**During your time, the Assistant Lay Leader will bring a hand cross to you to pass around your prayer circle. The hand cross that you will receive has been used by the speakers. Before their talk, each speaker goes to the Prayer**

Chapel with a partner for prayer. All speakers brought the hand cross with them to hold during their talks. When finished, each one returned to the Prayer Chapel for a prayer of thanksgiving with their prayer partner. The hand cross was returned to the altar in the Prayer Chapel for use by the next speaker. Spend some time in prayer together; at the close of your prayer time, you have a long break. Please be respectful of other table groups still praying. At the close of the long break, you will hear the bell to let you know that you have about forty-five minutes remaining to get ready for dinner. When you hear a second bell, please meet in the conference room.

You may also explain the available recreation options at this time, including both organized games and free time. Remind the young people to remain within the bounds of the facility property.

_____	ALL	Ring the bell to tell everyone they have 45 minutes before gathering back in the conference room. This is the time to clean up and put on clean clothes for dinner.
<b>(4:00 p.m.)</b>		
_____	ALL	Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room.
<b>(4:45 p.m.)</b>		
	ML	Lead a song to draw everyone back to the conference room.
_____	ALL	Check to see if the kitchen team is ready to serve dinner.
<b>(4:50 p.m.)</b>		
	ALL	Verify the count, and notify the LL.
_____	ALL	Announce that dinner will be special.
<b>(4:55 p.m.)</b>		
	ALL	<b>Please sit with your table so you can celebrate together.</b>
_____		Special Dinner.
<b>(5:00 p.m.)</b>		
	ML	Lead the blessing before the meal.

**BL**  
Remove directional signs for servers from the doors.

\_\_\_\_\_ (5:30 p.m.)  
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ALL Introduce any new servers.  
Announce the evening entertainment.  
Evening entertainment [10–15 minutes]

Entertainment is provided by members of the support team or from within the Emmaus Ministries Community.

**BL**  
In the Prayer Chapel, light the candle; check on the hand crosses and the prayer partner. Give a cross to the speaker to hold, and pray with them.

\_\_\_\_\_ (5:40 p.m.)  
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ML Lead the blessing after the meal.  
ALL Announce a short break to last until the bell rings.  
ALL Notify the FAITHFUL LOVE talk speakers to change and proceed to the Prayer Chapel.

**BL**  
Set up for the Candlelight Service in the chapel:  
• Put out Communion elements for the Community.  
• Place a table roster on the podium for the SL.  
• Place tissues throughout the sanctuary.

\_\_\_\_\_ (5:45 p.m.)

ALL Check that the FAITHFUL LOVE speakers are in the Prayer Chapel with their prayer partners.  
ALL Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room.  
ML Lead singing.  
ALL Share general agape.  
ALL Explain tomorrow's procedure.

- Check on the sound system and possible slides for music lyrics.
- Place candles by the door entering the sanctuary.
- Place empty boxes by the exits to place the candles in as the Community leaves.
- Have offering plates ready.
- Place boxes next to the entrance to collect agape letters.
- Check the order of worship for the Community service.
- Check with the Board member who organizes Candlelight for any other details that need addressed.

**Don't worry about getting up in the morning. We will wake you, giving you plenty of time to shower and dress. Pack up all of your belongings and bedding after showers. Place your belongings \_\_\_\_\_. Help pick up your sleeping area. After storing your gear, listen for the bell and proceed to the chapel for Morning Prayer.**

Have everything out of the Sunday school classrooms if using a church and Day Three is on Sunday.

_____	ALL	Bring the FAITHFUL LOVE talk speakers to the conference room door, and notify the LL.
<b>(5:55 p.m.)</b>	ALL	Check the podium for fresh water, and turn on the microphone.
	ALL	Make sure all the speakers' visual aids are in place.
	LL/PL	Have the ALLs pass out 3 x 5 cards, or ask participants to take out a piece of paper.

**On this paper/notecard, you may write a question you would like to ask of the pair that is giving the next talk. Do not put your name on the paper. At the end of the talk, the Leaders will collect the papers, and I will ask the questions of the pair during a question-and-answer period that will follow this talk.**

- ALL Light the candle.
- ALL **With a clean piece of paper, pen in hand, and a spirit of idealism and charity, please receive the speakers who are adults.**

**BL**  
 Recheck the  
 snack table for  
 the evening

<p>_____</p> <p><b>(6:00 p.m.)</b></p>	<p>ML</p> <p>AS</p>	<p>Lead the before-talk chorus.</p> <p><b>Talk #9: FAITHFUL LOVE</b>                  Lead in unison the “Prayer to the Holy Spirit” while everyone remains standing.</p>
<p>_____</p> <p><b>(6:20 p.m.)</b></p> <p>←-----</p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p>	<p><b>Take a moment of silence.</b>                  [15 seconds]</p> <p>Extinguish the candle while the couple leaves the conference room for a break.</p>
	<p>ALL</p>	<p><b>We will take a minute for you to finish writing your questions.</b></p>
	<p>ALL</p>	<p>Collect questions from the participants.</p>
	<p>ML</p>	<p>Lead a song while the LL takes the questions to the speakers.</p>
<p>_____</p> <p><b>(6:30 p.m.)</b></p>	<p>LL</p>	<p>Organize the questions and share with the speakers.</p>

*Organize the questions by similarity before giving them to the speakers. Allow the couple a few moments in the hallway to review the questions, combine similar questions, and reflect on appropriate responses. In the conference room, the speakers may choose to read the questions or have the questions read to them. Each question requires a response or an acknowledgment.*

**BL**  
 Hang signs for  
 the incoming  
 Community.  
 Extinguish the  
 candle in the  
 Prayer Chapel.

<p>_____</p> <p><b>(7:00 p.m.)</b></p> <p>←-----</p>	<p>ALL</p>	<p>Return to the Prayer Chapel with the speakers, who place the hand crosses on the altar.</p>
	<p>ALL</p>	<p>Announce a short break until the bell rings.</p>

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<p><b>BL</b> Recognize that the Community will begin arriving for the Candlelight Service during the next 30 minutes.</p>	<p>_____</p> <p><b>(7:05 p.m.)</b></p>	<p>ALL</p>	<p>Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room.</p>
<p>Watch for Community members and direct them to the sanctuary and away from the conference room.</p>	<p>_____</p> <p><b>(7:15 p.m.)</b></p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>ML</p> <p>LL/PL</p>	<p>Verify the count, and notify the LL.</p> <p>Lead singing.</p> <p>Poster party.</p>
<p><b>BL</b> In the Prayer Chapel, light the candle, check on the hand crosses and the prayer partner. Give the speaker a cross to hold, and pray with them.</p>	<p>_____</p> <p><b>(7:45 p.m.)</b></p> <p>_____</p> <p><b>(8:00 p.m.)</b></p> <p>←-----</p>	<p>LL/PL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p>	<p>Use the table roster to call up tables.</p> <p>Notify the GOD SUSTAINS YOU speaker to change and proceed to the Prayer Chapel.</p> <p>Announce a restroom break.</p> <p>Check to see that the speaker who is giving GOD SUSTAINS YOU talk is in the Prayer Chapel with their prayer partner.</p>
<p>_____</p> <p><b>(8:10 p.m.)</b></p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>ML</p> <p>ALL</p>	<p>Place reflection guides face down on the tables.</p> <p>Check the podium for fresh water, and turn on the microphone.</p> <p>Make sure all the speaker's visual aids are in place.</p> <p>Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room.</p> <p>Lead the singing.</p> <p>Share agape.</p>	

## DETERMINE LEADERSHIP FOR CANDLELIGHT

Prior to the Chrysalis weekend, determine clergy, lay, and music leaders for the Community service. The service is often led by leaders from the Chrysalis Community (such as a Community Lay Director, a Community Spiritual Director, and a music leader from the community). This allows the Conference Room Team to be present with the participants. The service is prepared ahead of time with special music. Typically, there is a member of the Board who will coordinate the needs of this service.

BL	Enlist helpers from the gathered community to set up.
BL	Light candles at the appropriate time.
BL	Pass out songbooks and Communion liturgy.
BL	Help run the sound system or projector.
BL	Put out boxes to collect agape letters.
BL	Help collect candles after the Candlelight Service.
BL	Take up the offering during the worship service.
Community ML	Begin with informal singing.
Community SL	Lead the Community in the service of Communion.

Include these elements in the service, either prior to the liturgy or at appropriate places in the liturgy:

- Greet the Community. Recognize the many places from which people have traveled. Recognize members of other Chrysalis or Emmaus Communities.
- Announce the time and place for the Closing tomorrow, including any special instructions and any other announcements needing to be made.
- Share highlights from the Chrysalis event.
- Pray for the participants by name.
- The sermon is brief and relevant to the purpose of Chrysalis and the Community's presence at Candlelight.
- Use the Communion liturgy found in the *Worship Booklet* (p. 26).
- Leave time after Communion to prepare the Community for Candlelight.

ALL          Prepare the Community for  
Candlelight.

Following Communion, explain how the young people will enter the sanctuary, when the Community will begin to sing, and how the Community is to receive the young people. Ask the Community to form an illuminated pathway through which the young people will move to the chancel area. Also ask the Community not to reach out and touch any of the participants or team members. Let this be a time when the young people can see the faces of Community persons who love and support them.

Community ML	Practice the entrance song. ("Jesus, Jesus")
BL	Explain the proper handling of the candles.
BL	Explain how to exit the sanctuary while singing, where to place the candles on the way out, and how to leave quietly.

## Back in the Conference Room

_____	ALL	Bring the speaker for the GOD SUSTAINS YOU talk to the conference room door, and notify the LL.
<b>(8:15 p.m.)</b>		
	ALL	Light the candle.
	ALL	<b>With a clean piece of paper, pen in hand, and a spirit of idealism and charity, please receive the speaker who is a Spiritual Leader.</b>
	ML	Lead the before-talk chorus.
	ML	If assigned, go to the sanctuary to teach the Community members the song they are to sing when the participants enter.
_____	SL/ASL	<b>Talk #10: GOD SUSTAINS YOU</b>
<b>(8:20 p.m.)</b>		Lead the “Prayer to the Holy Spirit” in unison while all are standing.
	ALL	Prepare the Community for Candlelight.
_____	ALL	Return to the Prayer Chapel with the speaker, who places the hand cross back on the altar.
<b>(8:40 p.m.)</b>		
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	ALL	<b>Take a moment of silence.</b> [15 seconds]
	ALL	Extinguish the candle.
	ALL	<b>Reflection time.</b> [2 minutes]
	ALL	<b>Begin table discussions.</b> [10 minutes]

**BL**  
*Put out bedtime agape.*

	ALL	Remind them they do not need to create a skit or poster for this talk.
<hr/> <b>(8:55 p.m.)</b>	ALL	Announce a short break if needed. <b>Stay close by the conference room.</b>
	ALL	Ring the bell after 4 minutes.
	ALL	Notify leaders of the Community service that the conference room is ready.
	ALL	Check to see if the Community's service has ended.
<hr/> <b>(9:00 p.m.)</b>	LL/PL	Lead the participants to the chapel for Night Prayer.

**Let's go to the chapel for our Night Prayer. We will walk by tables in single file to the chancel area (the front) of the chapel. Follow me.**

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**(9:05 p.m.)** Candlelight Service

**Note to Spiritual Leader:** The intent of the Candlelight Service is to move the young people closer to a realization of God's love through the support shown by the Community. The presence of the gathered Community signifies the encouragement and commitment of the body of Christ on the young people's behalf. The Candlelight Service strengthens the young people in their decision to live into hope and walk with Christ to new life as Christian disciples and members of Christ's church.

Candlelight also prepares the young people for the time of prayer that follows, when they have an opportunity to renew their commitment to Jesus Christ or to make a first-time commitment. The length of the prayer service following Candlelight varies. The prayer time is the participants' time with God. Leaders are present and supportive, while being careful not to evoke or manipulate responses. The time for prayer should be long enough for each participant to have a chance to decide how to respond personally to God but should not be prolonged unnecessarily. Invite those who wish to remain in the chapel following the dismissal to do so, while directing the others to the informal refreshment time. Aim to have the young people and team in bed on time so the participants can stay awake during Day Three.

### SL Narrative

*You may need a flashlight if you are reading the narrative. After the participants have walked down the aisle of lighted candles through the singing Community and have assembled in the chancel area/front of the chapel, the SL explains Candlelight in these words:*

**The Christian life is full of surprises! Tonight, the Chrysalis and Emmaus Communities have gathered here out of their love for Christ and their love for you. They have come from near and far from such places as** (name the places that have been collected by the Community SL or BL).

**While we were having our poster party, they worshiped God by celebrating the gift of Communion. They acted on their agape love for each of you by praying for you by name.**

**They came to show you that you are never alone in this world. They came to show you just how much God loves you. They came to give you a glimpse**

of life on earth being as it is in heaven. Can you feel their love for God and their love for you? It's shining on their faces, isn't it?

In a few minutes, they will be leaving to return home, full of the joy that comes from connecting with Christian community and embracing God's love through action.

It defies human logic, doesn't it? That all these people, who don't even know you, would come here for this moment—just to help you realize how much God loves you. This is what God's grace, expressed through Christian action, looks like!

Let's sing " \_\_\_\_\_ " to let them know that we appreciate and accept their expression of agape love.

**BL**  
Check on refreshments.

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ML      Lead the participants in a song to the Community. Be sure to have practiced this song earlier in the day.

**BL**  
Clean up the conference room; empty trash bags

ML      Optional meditative song or solo after an initial period of silent reflection.

SL.      Evening Chapel

Everyone, please find a space in the sanctuary for some quiet moments with God to reflect on what happened here tonight. We will have some more time together in a few minutes, but for now just rest in however you are feeling.

(Allow a few minutes of silence for personal reflection time.)

That was a lot, wasn't it? And I am sure you have all kinds of thoughts and feelings swirling around in your mind. Let's take some time to reflect on where we are right now.

All the acts of agape, gift-love, over the past two days have been to help you move closer to Christ. In the quiet of the chapel, you will have an opportunity to respond to God's love and call. No two people will have the same response to this weekend or these events. But here are four possible ways to spend your time this evening in this sacred space to get you going:

1. After yesterday's experience at the cross, you may realize that you still have some barriers that are keeping you from drawing closer to God. You

may want to use tonight to let go of some of the things that you still need to hand over to Jesus. Use this time to allow God's grace to replace the hurt, guilt, and shame that you are holding on to.

2. You may feel like opening your life more fully to Christ, the living water, as we considered this morning. The feeling of forgiveness could be what you focus on as you allow the Holy Spirit to flow in and through you. Invite it to continue to cleanse, empower, and strengthen you. Start to see yourself as the truly beloved of God.
3. You may be in a place where you want to commit or recommit your life to the Lord Jesus Christ. Saying "Yes!" to being a true disciple is something that can be both exhilarating and scary. If you are making a commitment to Jesus for the first time, I encourage you to share that with one of the leaders who can both celebrate with you and give you further advice on your next steps.
4. You may want to use this time to pray for guidance for what is happening in your life as you struggle with something that is troubling you. Open your heart and mind up to God and trust that God sees and loves you. Listen for the nudging of the Holy Spirit.

There is no right or wrong way to use this time. You are free to stay where you are or go up to the altar to pray. You may stay by yourself, or you may feel moved to join someone else, like a Table Leader, Spiritual Leader, or one or more of your friends. Just make sure that you respect everyone else's choices too.

Remember that the Chrysalis leaders are all here for you and would love to support you. Most importantly, remember that God is here for you and that no matter how you choose to respond, Jesus Christ is with you and the Holy Spirit is empowering you for this journey.

**Relax into this time of prayer and reflection. After a while, we will conclude this service with music and a closing prayer.**

Give sufficient time [15–30 minutes] for the young people to come to the chancel rail or to respond in prayer as they are moved. Be sensitive to those who need special support. If someone wishes to talk, find a quiet place for conversation. Make it clear the ASLs are also present to help.

Draw the prayer service to a close with song and/or prayer, but indicate that those who desire more time may stay. Invite everyone to the next agape gift—informal refreshments. Let the participants know that they may choose

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**BL**

*Clean up the chapel.*

to remain in the chapel as long as they wish. At least two ASLs should remain available in the sanctuary until every participant leaves.

*Extinguish candles.*

*Remove tissues.*

\_\_\_\_\_ (10:30 p.m.)

*Collect any song-books or papers from the pews.*

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*Put the remaining candles and lighters in storage.*

\_\_\_\_\_ (11:10 p.m.)

ALL

*Clean up the snack table for the night.*

\_\_\_\_\_ (11:25 p.m.)

LL/PL

ALL

\_\_\_\_\_ (12:00 a.m., midnight)

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**BL**

*Turn out lights and lock doors.*

Refreshment and relaxation

Let it be spontaneous, without planned entertainment.

Suggested foods: ice cream sundaes or pizza

Prepare for bed.

Team meeting

[See team agenda, next page]

Lights out in the participants' sleeping area.

**NOTE:** Sleep is essential both for participants and team members. Prevent the evening activities from being drawn out unnecessarily and extending beyond 11:30 p.m. or 12:00 a.m. Encourage participants and team members alike to get rest in preparation for Day Three. Keep the three days in focus.

## TEAM MEETING

The LL designates a team meeting room apart from the participants.

- The focus of the meeting is on the Conference Room Team, though BLs and Coordinators are welcome to attend. Other on-site helpers are encouraged to rest.
- The purpose of the team meeting is to allow team members to touch base with one another, share today's joys and concerns, review the next day's schedule, and pray together.
- The meeting is to be brief and to the point.
- Work out questions about logistics and details that do not pertain to the Conference Room Team after the team meeting with those who are responsible.

## TEAM MEETING AGENDA

1. Share joys. What went well? Where do you celebrate God's presence in today's experiences?
2. Share concerns. What could we improve for tomorrow? What can we learn from today?
3. Check on tables. How is each table coming with dialogue and participation?
4. Review tomorrow's schedule and responsibilities, and answer questions.
5. Affirm the team members. Celebrate how God is working through them.
6. Ask the SL for any additional comments, observations, insights.
7. Close with prayer.
8. Encourage all team members to get their rest.
9. If a closing team prayer is planned immediately after Closing, inform everyone where to meet.



**SECTION 5—  
DAY THREE: LOVE  
FELLOWSHIP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT &  
RESPONDING WITH OUR HANDS**

*“As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”*

—John 20:21

*“And you will be my witnesses . . . to the ends of the earth.”*

—Acts 1:8

Day Three is a day of return to the world from which we came. The underlying intent in each talk and special moment is to communicate God’s call to a Christlike life of self-giving love. The focus is the empowerment God gives to embody that love—in witness and service, in everyday relationships, as members of the church with the ongoing support of spiritual friends. Faith and hope are born of God’s love and bear fruit in wholehearted love for God and neighbor. Therefore, Day Three is a call to go forth with Christ on the wings of God’s love and to make that love visible wherever we go.

**NOTE:** Watch your schedule closely throughout Day Three. Honor the time needed for the talks and experiences, each of which is essential to the message of the day. Begin the day on time because of the compressed schedule of Day Three. Aim for the scheduled closing time, and respect the traveling time needed for people to get home.

**BL**  
*Prepare the  
chapel for  
Morning Prayer.*

_____	ALL	Assistants arise and quietly
<b>(6:30 a.m.)</b>		wake up the Servants’ Table.
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_____	ALL/ ML/SL/ LL/PL	Wake the participants with
<b>(7:00 a.m.)</b>		singing from the Servants’ Table.

**BL**

Help the participants store their gear so the sleeping rooms can be put in order.

(SLs of the same gender as the participants. Team members of different genders should not enter participants' sleeping rooms.)

**BL**

Pack up personal belongings.

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ALL

Help participants pack their belongings and clean up the sleeping areas.

Clean up the sleeping areas, and help put the mats away.

\_\_\_\_\_ (7:40 a.m.)

ALL

Ring the bell for assembly in the chapel.

Run the sweeper in the sleeping areas.

ALL

Verify the count, and notify the LL.

Put the rooms in order. (The team members can help when they finish packing up their things.)

ALL

Let the kitchen know that Morning Prayer is starting.

From the front of the chapel, lead everyone in praying “The Prayer of Saint Francis” from the *Chrysalis Worship Booklet* (p. 17).

Take the breakfast agape to the kitchen.

SL

Meditation on “Being Instruments of Love”

**Friends, we have received many expressions of love these three days. We have experienced what the First Letter of John (1 John 3:1) means when it states, “See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are.” However, the Christian life is not only about receiving the love God gives but also about passing that love on to others—in the everyday settings in which we live.**

**This morning I want to share with you some images of how Jesus saw the potential for love in everything and how he and his friends turned things, problems, and situations into ways to show love and opportunities to worship God.**

**Jesus and the disciples were at supper. “The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a**

basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him" (John 13:2-5).

Whoever thought of doing anything special with a towel? Towels are for cleaning and drying ourselves. And yet Jesus took an ordinary towel and changed the lives of twelve men by turning it into an instrument of love. "I have set you an example," said Jesus, "that you also should do [for one another] as I have done to you" (13:15). What about your things? What things do you have—as ordinary as a towel—that you could use for service to other people? Jesus took a towel and used it to touch twelve friends with God's love. How is God asking you to take and use what you have to glorify God in service to others? Here's another story:

"Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?'" (John 6:1-9).

"We don't have enough," said Philip. That's the response of most people when faced with a challenge to meet the need in today's world. "We can't do that. We don't have enough time, enough money, enough help." Or "We aren't smart enough, important enough, or popular enough." Have you ever felt that way?

But a boy in this story had a different attitude. He had only five bread rolls and two fish, but he offered what he had to Jesus. Jesus took the boy's little bit of bread and fish, offered it to God, and with it he fed a multitude. There were even leftovers.

Jesus calls us to focus not on what God has not given us but on what God has given us. Jesus calls us to be like the boy in the story—to step forward and to offer what we have and who we are, as little as that may seem to us. This story tells us that when we offer what we have, God can work miracles with our lives.

**Jesus calls us today to offer our lives for God. What do you say? What will be your response?** [Pause 15 seconds.]

Close with a prayer of thanksgiving for the participants, for the gift of their lives, and for the tremendous potential for love within the reach of each person.

**BL**  
*In the Prayer Chapel, light the candle, then check on the hand crosses and prayer partner. Give the speaker a cross to hold, and pray with them.*

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**(7:55 a.m.)**

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**(8:00 a.m.)**

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**(8:15 a.m.)**

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**(8:20 a.m.)**

- ML      Lead a song of celebration and going forth. (*optional*)
- ALL     Check to see if the kitchen team is ready to serve breakfast.
- LL      Announce breakfast.  
**You may sit anywhere.**  
 Breakfast
- ML      Lead the blessing before the meal.
- ALL     Notify the CHRISTIAN ACTION speaker to change and proceed to the Prayer Chapel.
- ALL     Introduce new servers.
- ALL     Allow joke time only if time permits.
- ML      Lead the blessing after the meal.
- ALL     Announce a restroom break.
- ALL     Place reflection guides face down on the tables.
- ALL     Check the podium for fresh water, and turn on the microphone.
- ALL     Make sure all the speaker's visual aids are in place.

ALL Make sure the CHRISTIAN ACTION speaker and their prayer partner are in the Prayer Chapel.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(8:30 a.m.)

ALL Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room.

ALL Verify the count, and notify the LL.

ML Lead singing.

ALL Share agape.

ALL Bring the speaker to the conference room door, and notify the LL.

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(8:35 a.m.)

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PL Introduce the theme of Day Three.

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(8:35 a.m.)

**BL**  
Stuff the information packets. See the Appendix in the Emmaus Ministries Community Manual.

**Today's theme is Love. Today we focus on how to take the love we've experienced here at Chrysalis and share it out into the world. In First John, we read that "God is love." As we increase our openness to God's love for us and as we grow in faith and hope, we seek ways to express God's love for others.**

**Today, our goal is to let God's love continue to transform us into the persons God wants us to be. This transformation takes place, however, not only by receiving God's love but also by giving what we have received to others. So today is a day of preparation for going forth from this place to make a difference in our homes, schools, churches, and world. This does not mean that we are perfect Christians or that we are better than anyone else. It simply means that we receive the gift in order to share it with others. As we do so and as Christ's love shines through us, we are being transformed into the likeness of Christ.**

PL Continues sharing.

**“Chrysalis Moment” 3–5 Minutes**

*Share a transformation moment from your life. What have you died to, and how have you experienced new life in Jesus? (See the Chrysalis Position-Specific Resources manual’s “Peer Leader” section [p. 17] for more details.)*

	ALL	Light the candle.
	ALL	<b>With a clean piece of paper, pen in hand, and a spirit of idealism and charity, please receive the speaker who is a youth.</b>
	ML	Lead the before-talk chorus.
	YS	<b>Talk #11: CHRISTIAN ACTION</b> Lead the “Prayer to the Holy Spirit” in unison while all are standing.
<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: 0;"/> <b>(8:45 a.m.)</b>	ALL	Return to the Prayer Chapel with the speaker, who places the hand cross on the altar.
<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: 0;"/> <b>(9:05 a.m.)</b> ←-----	ALL	<b>Take a moment of silence.</b> [15 seconds]
	ALL	<b>Reflection time.</b> [2 minutes]
	ALL	<b>Begin table discussions.</b> [10 minutes]
	ALL	<b>Begin table summaries.</b> [5 minutes]
	ALL	Announce: <b>There will be no posters today.</b>
	ALL	Announce a break.
<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: 0;"/> <b>(9:25 a.m.)</b>	ALL	Notify the DISCOVERING GOD’S CALL speaker to change and proceed to the Prayer Chapel.

**BL**  
*Set up morning snack table.*

**BL**  
*Extinguish the candle in the Prayer Chapel.*

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**BL**

*In the Prayer Chapel, check on the candle to see if a new one is needed, since it will not be extinguished until lunch. Then light the candle, check on the hand crosses and prayer partner. Give the speaker a cross to hold, and pray with them .*

\_\_\_\_\_ (9:35 a.m.)

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\_\_\_\_\_ (9:40 a.m.)

\_\_\_\_\_ (9:45 a.m.)

ALL Make sure the speaker and their prayer partner are in the Prayer Chapel.

ALL Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room.

ALL Verify the count, and notify the LL/PL.

ML Lead singing to bring the participants back into the conference room.

ALL Share agape.

ALL Bring the speaker to the conference room, and notify the LL.

ALL Check the podium for fresh water, and turn on the microphone.

ALL Check to make sure the speaker's visual aids are ready.

ALL Light the candle.

ALL **With a clean piece of paper, pen in hand, and a spirit of idealism and charity, please receive the speaker who is an adult.**

ML Lead the before-talk chorus.

\_\_\_\_\_ (9:50 a.m.)

AS **Talk #12: DISCOVERING GOD'S CALL**

AS Lead the "Prayer to the Holy Spirit" in unison while all are standing .

\_\_\_\_\_ (10:10 a.m.)

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ALL Speaker returns to Prayer Chapel.

**BL**

*Replenish the snack table.*

**BL**  
*In the Prayer Chapel, check on the candle, which remains lighted, then the hand crosses and prayer partner. Give a cross to the speaker to hold, and pray with them .*

\_\_\_\_\_ (10:40 a.m.)

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\_\_\_\_\_ (10:50 a.m.)

\_\_\_\_\_ (11:00 a.m.)

\_\_\_\_\_ (11:05 a.m.)

- ALL **Take a moment of silence.**  
[15 seconds]
- ALL **Reflection time.** [2 minutes]
- ALL **Begin activity.** [10 minutes]
- ALL **Begin table discussions.**  
[10 minutes]
- ALL **Begin table summaries.**  
[5 minutes]
- ALL Notify the GOD EMPOWERS YOU speaker to change and proceed to the Prayer Chapel.
- ALL Announce a medium break.
- ALL Make sure the GOD EMPOWERS YOU speaker and their prayer partner are in the Prayer Chapel.
- ALL Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room.
- ALL Verify the count, and notify the LL.
- ML Begin singing when the bell is rung.
- ALL Share general agape.
- ALL Bring the speaker to the conference room, and notify the LL.
- ALL Check the podium for fresh water, and turn on the microphone.
- ALL Check to make sure the speaker's visual aids are ready.

\_\_\_\_\_ (11:10 a.m.) ALL Light the candle.  
**With a clean piece of paper, pen in hand, and a spirit of idealism and charity, please receive the speaker who is a Spiritual Leader.**

ML Lead the before-talk chorus.  
 SL/ASL **Talk #13: GOD EMPOWERS YOU**  
 SL/ASL Lead the “Prayer to the Holy Spirit” in unision while all are standing.

\_\_\_\_\_ (11:30 a.m.) ALL Return to the Prayer Chapel with the speaker, who places the hand cross on the altar.

ALL **Take a moment of silence.**  
 [15 seconds]

ALL Extinguish the candle.

ALL **Reflection time.** [2 minutes]

ALL **Begin table discussions.**  
 [12 minutes]

ALL **Begin table summaries.**  
 [5 minutes]

\_\_\_\_\_ (11:45 a.m.) ALL Check to see if kitchen team is ready to serve lunch.

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\_\_\_\_\_ (11:50 a.m.) ALL Announce lunch.  
 Break on the way if needed.

\_\_\_\_\_ (12:00 p.m.) Lunch

ML Lead the blessing before the meal.

\_\_\_\_\_ (12:20 p.m.) ALL Introduce the new servers and kitchen helpers.

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**BL**  
 Extinguish the candle in the Prayer Chapel.

**BL**  
 In the Prayer Chapel, light the candle, check on the hand crosses and the prayer partner; give the speaker the hand cross to hold, and pray with them.

ALL Notify the NEXT STEPS speaker to change clothes and proceed to the Prayer Chapel.

ML Lead the blessing after the meal.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(12:30 p.m.)

ALL Announce a short break to last until the bell rings.

ALL Place reflection guides face down on the tables.

ALL Make sure the speaker and their prayer partner are in the Prayer Chapel.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(12:40 p.m.)

ALL Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room.

ALL Verify the count, and notify the LL.

ML Lead singing.

ALL Bring the speaker to the conference room, and notify the LL.

ALL Check the podium for fresh water, and turn on the microphone.

ALL Check to make sure the speaker's visual aids are ready.

ALL Light the candle.

ALL **With a clean piece of paper, pen in hand, and a spirit of idealism and charity, please receive the speaker who is a youth.**

ML Lead the before-talk chorus.

**BC**  
*Sort agape letter envelopes by tables, using the table roster.*

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*Place the TL's envelope on top, rubber band them together, write the table name on a small slip of paper, and slide it under the rubber band.*

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(12:50 p.m.)

	_____	YS	<b>Talk #14: NEXT STEPS</b>
	<b>(12:55 p.m.)</b>		
<b>BL</b> <i>Replenish the snack table.</i>	←-----		
		YS	Lead the “Prayer to the Holy Spirit” in unison while all are standing.
	_____	ALL	Return to the Prayer Chapel with the speaker, who places the hand cross back on the altar.
	<b>(1:15 p.m.)</b>		
<b>BL</b> <i>Extinguish the candle in the Prayer Chapel.</i>	←-----		
		ALL	<b>Take a moment of silence.</b> [15 seconds]
<b>BL</b> <i>Assist with kitchen cleanup.</i>		ALL	Extinguish the candle.
		ALL	<b>Reflection time.</b> [2 minutes]
<b>BL</b> <i>Dismantle the agape room.</i>		ALL	<b>Begin table discussions.</b> [12 minutes]
<i>Place the agape envelopes in the conference room behind the Servants’ Table.</i>		ALL	<b>Begin table summaries.</b> [5 minutes]
<i>Throw away garbage, and put the rooms back in order.</i>	_____	LL/PL	NEXT STEPS Application.
	<b>(1:35 p.m.)</b>		Immediately following the NEXT STEPS talk, introduce the small group exercise.
<i>Sweep the floors.</i>	←-----		
<i>Check the showers for items that may have been left by the participants or the team. Take these items and anything left in the sleeping area to the ALLs so they can make a lost and found announcement during the next break.</i>			

**Note to Lay Leader:** [Optional] In place of the usual table discussion format, Table Leaders guide participants through an experience of small groups. Form participants into groups related by school, church, area of city, or town. Reassign Table Leaders to the new groups as well in order to guide the groups and answer questions. Grouping participants in this way encourages the formation of support groups that could continue after the three days and gives the young people an opportunity to share their three-day experience with a new set of friends before returning home.

\_\_\_\_\_ [name of the speaker who gave the NEXT STEPS talk] told you how important a small group is. I too would like to emphasize the importance of a group like this. These groups can be a lifeline for you in your Christian journey.

During this time, we invite you to answer four questions:

- Where did you see God this week?
- Where did you experience love this week?
- What was challenging about this week?
- What do you hope for in the week to come?

**BL**

Remove the items used in the Prayer Chapel, and clean up the room.

If you have any questions, your Table Leaders will answer them. You may begin your small group now, starting with the “Prayer to the Holy Spirit.”

Remove the hand crosses; place on the podium for Closing.

\_\_\_\_\_ (2:20 p.m.)

LL/PL

Inform the groups they have 5 minutes to finish their discussions and close in prayer.

Reset the room to the way it was before the three days.

\_\_\_\_\_ (2:25 p.m.)

ALL

Lost and found. Announce the location of items that have been found and encourage participants to see which may belong to them.

Take the individual crosses to the Commissioning site.

ALL

Announce a short break until the bell rings.

**BL**

Set up the area for Commissioning.

\_\_\_\_\_ (2:30 p.m.)

ALL

Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room.

Check on the sound system.

ALL

Verify the count, and notify the LL.

Have the wooden cross with the participants' crosses.

ML

Lead singing.

ALLs

Pass out the Information Packets.

Hang the signs for the incoming Community for Closing.

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**(2:40 p.m.)**

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| PL/LL | Review the materials in the Information Packet.  |
| PL/LL | Describe each piece in the packet briefly.   |
| PL/LL | Go over the rosters and make address corrections.  |
| PL/LL | Look through the packet ahead of time. Know what is in the packet and be prepared to speak on each item.   |
| PL/LL | Go over the rosters and make corrections to info as needed.  |
| PL/LL | Pick out some highlights from “Things You Should Know” and “Points to Remember” to share with the participants. Do not read the entire form but point out some important sections. |
| PL/LL | Give the date/time for the follow-up meeting/reunion, where they will receive more information about the Chrysalis Community and have a chance to reconnect with one another.      |
| PL/LL | Give the date and time for the next Chrysalis RUSH event and Emmaus Ministries Gathering.  |
| PL/LL | Acknowledge the participants’ group photo to remember their Chrysalis weekend and all of those who attended.   |

PL/LL Briefly explain any additional items that are included. Other items could be “The Gift” flyer, sponsorship info, Chrysalis or Walk to Emmaus application, info on other Emmaus Ministries programs, volunteer sign-up sheet, info on the Community’s social media pages.

PL/LL Answer any questions.

ALL/  
BL/LL/  
PL (Option) Break down the tables so participants can sit on the floor, or encourage the participants to spread out for the next part.

LL/PL Prepare the participants to receive the individual agape letters.

\_\_\_\_\_ (3:00 p.m.)  
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**BL**  
*Replenish the snack table, if possible, so participants can have something during or immediately after reading agape letters.*

**We are now going to receive some very special agape prepared for us by our sponsors, which our SL will introduce.**

SL Introduction of individual agape letters

**In his first letter to Timothy, Paul says, “To Timothy, my loyal child in the faith: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord” (1 Timothy 1:2).**

**Letters of agape, like Paul’s letter to Timothy, have always been part of the Christian tradition. During these three days, you have heard again and again about agape—God’s love—and have received many agape letters that tell of the prayers and sacrifices of other people on your behalf, many of whom you will never know. These agape letters have been for all of you.**

**We have also told you that the world out there has not changed, and you will be returning to essentially the same situation you left a few days ago. So, it is important that you know there are Christian friends who love you and stand ready to help you live in grace and bring change to your environment.**

**It is also important that you know you are loved and appreciated, not only by us but also by people who have known you for a long time. So, we want to give you some personal agape letters. Will the Assistant Lay Leaders please distribute the personal agape letters at this time?**

\_\_\_\_\_ ALL      Distribute letters.  
**(3:05 p.m.)**

**BL      Set up for Closing**

- Arrange the worship space in consultation with the LL, SL, and BR.
- Plan to seat participants by tables and with the team. Avoid seating arrangements that place participants in the spotlight, on a stage, or alone.
- Save enough pews or chairs at the front for the participants, Conference Room Team, and background support.
- Set up the microphone and podium.
- Tape the two questions to the podium.

_____	LL	After distributing the envelopes, encourage the youth to spread out and find a space for themselves to read their letters. [20–30 minutes]
<b>(3:10 p.m.)</b>		
	ALL	Give the tables' names to the BL.
_____	ALL	Ring the bell to call everyone back to the conference room when they have had ample time to read their letters.
<b>(3:40 p.m.)</b>		
	LL/PL	(Option) Reflection on Closing questions

*Invite the participants to take a couple of minutes to reflect on the two questions for Closing: “What have these three days meant to me?” and “What am I going to do with this experience in my next steps?” They might want to write down some thoughts and put the paper in their pocket. This practice helps focus the sharing at Closing on the two questions.*

**On the morning of Day One, you were told that at the end of the weekend, you would have an opportunity to share what these three days have meant to you. Now is the time for you to do that. We have two questions we would like you to think about and share with us. The questions are the following:**

- 1. What have these three days meant to me?**
- 2. What am I going to do with this experience in my next steps?**

Inform participants of what comes next: cleaning up the conference room, a Commissioning, and a Closing Service in the chapel.

Ask participants to put their folders and notebooks with their luggage in a designated place so the Agape Crew can clean up the room during the Commissioning Service. Put the tables back in order and put supplies away.

_____	ALL	(Option) Announce a short restroom break.
<b>(3:45 p.m.)</b>		

\_\_\_\_\_ (3:50 p.m.)

ALL Ring the bell for assembly in the conference room.  
Move to the Commissioning area and sit by tables.

- BL** Clean and rearrange the facility between now and Closing.
- Return the conference room to its original condition.
  - Remove the restroom signs.
  - Take down posters; check with the LL to see if anyone wants to keep them. If not, throw them away.
  - Take down any banners and store them.
  - Store all items in their proper places. Be sure all areas are cleaned and cleared.
  - Remove all snack tables at this time.

\_\_\_\_\_ (3:55 p.m.)

SL Commissioning Service

**A tradition in the Chrysalis movement is to give each of you a cross. On the cross is the simple inscription “Christ is counting on you.” Christ needs your hands and hearts to share all the love God has in store for the world. This cross does not set you apart from other Christians. You have not joined a special club or secret society, but you have simply accepted your responsibility in the ministry of love in the name of Jesus Christ.**

**These crosses, each representing one of you, have been a focus of prayer throughout the three days. The crosses were marked with your names before you arrived and were prayed over by your Table Leaders on the evening before we started. After your sponsor brought you to Send Off, your sponsor held your cross and prayed again for you by name. The large cross, to which all the individual crosses are attached, has been the focal point of the Prayer Chapel, where prayer was continually offered for you and for the speakers throughout the three days.**

**When I call your table name, please come forward together. I will then call each of your names individually. When your name is called, please step over to the Peer Leader, who will place your cross around your neck as the Lay Leader says the words, “Christ is counting on you.” Your response is, “And I am counting on Christ.” Please remain in front until every member of your table has received a cross; then you may return to your place.**

Begin calling tables. When a table group is up front, call each individual’s name in the order in which the crosses are hanging on the wooden cross. Let hugs be spontaneous from the participants and not staged.

ALL      Take each cross off the large wooden cross, and hand each one separately to the LL/PL as the participants come forward.

LL/PL      While assisting in giving crosses to the participants, you say, **Christ is counting on you.**  
The participants reply, “And I am counting on Christ.”

SL      Conclude the Commissioning Service with a blessing.

ML      Lead a concluding song. The song will serve to bring closure to the participants’ time together. [Be considerate of the scheduled starting time for Closing.]

LL      Prepare for Closing.

\_\_\_\_\_ **(4:15 p.m.)**

If you haven’t reminded the participants of the two questions they are to respond to at Closing, remind them now so they can reflect on the two questions as they move to Closing. Have the participants line up by table. Lead them to the chapel. Ask them to sit in the front rows together as tables as they enter the chapel. Team members sit with their table groups.

Closing

\_\_\_\_\_ (4:20 p.m.)

**The Entrance:** The gathered community sings for the young people as they enter the chapel (suggestions: “When the Saints Go Marching In” or “Amazing Grace”), or the young people may sing the song and the Community join in as they enter. Decide the entrance music ahead of time with the ML for the Closing.

LL Greeting.

**We are so glad that you are here for our Closing Worship Celebration for (Community Name) (Boys/Girls) Chrysalis flight #\_\_\_\_. Thank you for coming to support our youth, to hear about their experiences, and to worship together with us.**

**First, I would like to thank the parents for what you have done to bring your children this far in the faith. Everything we have done has built upon that foundation. It has been a privilege to get to know them and a real joy to share this step in their lives.**

**We are coming to the close of our three-day Chrysalis experience and to the beginning of our next steps—the rest of our lives. There are no more surprises, so you can relax and stop anticipating. These people are here because they love you. They are your support community.**

PL Introduction of the participants to the gathered community as table groups.

**As I call your table name, each table group please stand and face the community gathered here today so we can celebrate the table communities you have spent the last few days with.** (The intention here is to introduce the table names, not the individuals at the table.)

[Write the table names below.]

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<p><b>TABLE OF</b></p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>TABLE OF</b></p> <p>_____</p>
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**Community, please welcome the participants of Chrysalis #\_\_\_\_\_. [Applause.]**

LL Introduction of team members  
by their servant roles.

The team is not recognized by name but by area of service. There is no need to recognize individuals or their spouses by name. They volunteered to be servants these three days.

**Next we want to celebrate and honor the amazing team that served in so many ways. Please stand and remain standing as I call your area of service. Please hold your applause until I have called everyone's area of service.**

**Background Leaders  
Speakers for the Talks  
Table Leaders  
Music Leader(s)  
Board Representative  
Assistant Lay Leaders  
Assistant Spiritual Leaders  
Spiritual Leader**

[Applause.]

PL Recognition of everyone else  
who supported this Chrysalis  
in any way or at any time.

**We also want to recognize everyone who has supported us by helping out beforehand and behind the scenes in various ways. Please stand and remain standing as I call your area of support. Please hold your applause until the end.**

**Registration  
Meal servers  
Kitchen workers  
Background Volunteers  
Sponsors  
Parents  
72-Hour Prayer Vigil  
Agape  
People who attended last night's service  
All who came to Closing**

By now, everyone should be standing. [Applause.]

- ML Optional special music.  
If the participants have prepared a special song to share at Closing, lead the song at this time.
- ML Have the participants stand and face the Community. (If the team sings with them, make sure the participants are most visible.)
- LL Responses to the two questions.

**Participants, meet the community that has supported you during these three days. When you arrived, you were told that at the end of this weekend you would have an opportunity to share what these three days have meant to you. Now is the time for you to do that. We have given you two questions to think about and to share with us. The questions are . . .**

1. **What have these three days meant to me?**
2. **What do I intend to do with the experience in my next steps?**

**We have asked two team members to share their answers to these questions as a model for us. Then it will be your turn. You may come up alone or you may, if you like, ask someone or even your table to come up with you. When you come to the microphone, give your name and table name. The hand crosses are here for you to use. You do not have to share unless you would like to do so. We ask that you stick to the two questions, even though many of you are bubbling over to share; please only come up to share once, so everyone can have a chance to speak. Save the rest of your story for your family, youth group, and church. This is not a time for saying thanks to anyone because all efforts were made out of agape love. Besides, there will be plenty of time to say thank you later. Focus now on the two questions.**

Sit to the side and allow the young people to come forward at their own pace. Adjust the microphone as needed. Give ample time for everyone to share. When it seems that most have come forward, approach the microphone and ask if any more participants would like to respond to the questions before you proceed. Then sit and wait for a few more minutes. If participants who have

shared already begin to return to the microphone, move to conclude the time of witnessing. Be sensitive if someone is at a loss for words, and help them move on. Thank everyone for sharing.

LL/PL            Introduce the Chrysalis  
                         Chairperson/Community Lay  
                         Director.

Community        Announcements by the  
Lay Director or    Chairperson  
Chairperson

- Welcome on behalf of the Board.
- Dates of the next Chrysalis events and upcoming Emmaus Walks.
- Dates of the next Chrysalis RUSH and Emmaus Gathering.
- Day and time of the follow-up meeting for the new members of the Chrysalis Community.
- Visitors from other Chrysalis and Emmaus Communities.
- Encouragement to the participants in their daily practice of prayer, study, and action.

[The chairperson then introduces the Community Spiritual Director.]

Community        Presentation of the Hand Crosses  
Spiritual Director to the Weekend Lay Leader and  
Peer Leader

The Community Spiritual Director [or, if absent, the Community ASL] presents the hand cross to the Weekend LL and PL as a token of appreciation on behalf of the entire Community.

## COMMUNION: WEEKEND SPIRITUAL LEADER

Communion is the best way to end the Chrysalis weekend as a final celebration of God’s grace and a way of reuniting the participants with their community.

- The Spiritual Leader should lead the service of Communion using the liturgy found in the *Worship Booklet*. This brings continuity to the weekend and allows the community to experience a bit of what the participants did.
- The service should be a capstone to the earlier sharing and not have a unique theme or sermon of its own. The youth have already provided the message of God’s love, grace, and redemptive work, so there is no need for the pastor to say more.
- Communion should be served from wherever the Closing is happening. The sharing has already made the space sacred. It is unnecessary to move to a different location. Everyone is tired and ready to go home, so relocating can feel like a burden.
- Have several serving stations so that everyone is served quickly. The Community Spiritual Director, ASLs, the LL and PL, and other team members should be the servers as a last act of agape love for the participants.
- Participants should come forward for Communion with their sponsor and others who came to support them. In some ways, the sacrament is a way of transitioning them back to their community and to those who will be helping them move forward in their journey with Christ now that the weekend is over.

**BL**

*Final cleanup:*

- Restore the chapel to its original state.
- Store all items in their proper places.
- Remove signs from outside doors.
- Clean up Communion elements, if necessary.
- Remove soiled tissues.
- Store all supplies.



Community  
Spiritual Directors

Conclude the Closing by holding hands and singing a closing song.

Community  
Spiritual Directors

Then pronounce a benediction.

Team

Turn in all *Team Manuals*.

(Option decided by the  
LL, PL, and SL) Meet for a  
prayer of thanksgiving in a  
designated area or room.

(Option) Fellowship time.

*“Well done, good and faithful servant.”*

—Matthew 25:21, RSV



## SECTION 6— OPTIONAL SCHEDULE

### GUIDELINES FOR AN EVENING BEFORE DAY ONE

Originally, all Chrysalis weekends started on the morning of Day One. The *Chrysalis Three-Day Schedule* now includes the option of starting Chrysalis on the evening before Day One, in order to accommodate areas where long distances to travel make a morning start difficult for many young people.

The plan for an Evening Before Day One is designed to gather and prepare the young people for the next three days, not to engage them prematurely in the substance of the three-day message. The focus of the evening is to get to know one another, introduce Chrysalis, build relationships, and foster trust of team members. The spirit of the evening needs to be relational, lighthearted, expectant, and reflective. Leaders should be low-key, flexible, warm, and informal.

Following introductions and the Lay Leader's "Orientation" talk, the evening agenda includes community-building activities and/or the showing of a video. Fun activities should be simple and consistent with the spirit of the next three days.

Videos need to be approved by the Chrysalis Board of Directors. The content of videos should be consistent with the nature of the Chrysalis message and should not throw the participants into the message of the three days. The most appropriate videos do such things as invite laughter, stimulate thoughtfulness about our lives in relation to God, and challenge us to be honest with ourselves.

Avoid videos that are preachy, have heavy messages, or that are so compelling that they deserve to be the focus of a program in and of themselves. Select simple videos that are twenty to forty-five minutes in length; longer videos will lose the young people at the end of a long day. The Upper Room Chrysalis Office keeps a list of video resources and recommendations for the Evening Before Day One.

Approach the Evening Before Day One as a time of preparation. The purpose of the evening is not to call young people to repentance, to launch a revival, or to make sure they get the point before the event has even begun. It is simply a time to gather, to get oriented, and to open our hearts and minds to a message that begins to unfold the next morning.

The evening plan concludes with a brief service of Night Prayer in the chapel and with bedtime on schedule.

<u>          </u> <b>(5:00 p.m.)</b>		Team dinner. Last-minute setup.
	ALL	Make sure the conference room is set and the speaker's area is prepared.
	ALL	Make sure the questions for the "New Friend Introductions" are written on a board/poster/slide.
<u>          </u> <b>(6:00 p.m.)</b>	Registrars	Process registration cards. Check all information on cards.
	Registrars	Collect money.
	Registrars	Give out name tags and bed tags.
	Registrars	Turn money over to the Chrysalis treasurer.
		Arrival and registration of participants
		Team members meet participants at the door; help with luggage.
<u>          </u> <b>(6:30 p.m.)</b>	ALL	Check on participants. Call those who have not arrived.

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	ALL	Inform the LL on the status of registration.
<b>(6:45 p.m.)</b>	ALL	Bring all the participants and team to the Send Off area.
	ALL	Notify the LL when all are present. Go ahead and start if a few participants are going to be so late as to seriously delay the schedule.
<b>(7:00 p.m.)</b>	LL/PL	Send Off

Send Off is a time of moving the participants from the gathering area to the conference room. This may be accomplished by asking the participants simply to follow the PL/ALLs to the conference room, or the LL may call off each name of the participants and Conference Room Team members as they file out to the conference room. The Send Off is a time to demonstrate enthusiastic support for the participants. As the LL/PL, be sensitive to their anxieties; avoid embarrassment or intimidation.

	LL/PL	Welcome everyone and explain the introduction procedure.
<b>(7:15 p.m.)</b>		

**Welcome to (Community name) \_\_\_\_\_ boys/girls Chrysalis # \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Chrysalis Sponsors' Hour begins in the chapel.*

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Ask the participants to think about the questions displayed on a slide or poster board at the front of the room. Instruct them to find a person they do not know, and learn this information about each other. Let them know that after a few minutes, they will be asked to introduce their "new friend" [5 minutes]. Everyone at the Servants' Table participates in this informal introduction, including ASLs and BR. Different members of the team will be introduced by role later.

**BL**  
*Attend Sponsors' Hour.*

*Extinguish all candles used at Sponsors' Hour and clean up the chapel.*

ALLs introduce one another, modeling how to keep the introductions brief.

Questions for this time should be appropriate for an “icebreaker.” They should never include anything too personal or embarrassing. Use no more than three questions due to time constraints. Examples of questions:

- What is your name?
- Do you have any pets? What are their names?
- What is your favorite ice cream?
- Do you have any siblings? What are their names?
- What is your favorite type of music? Favorite artist?
- If you could go on vacation anywhere in the world, where would it be?

The partners introduce each other, standing where they are or at the podium. Allow everyone to applaud each pair.

An ALL introduces the SL.

The SL introduces the ASLs and explains their role during the three days.

The SL offers welcome and explanation

- Take this opportunity to briefly welcome the young people and express your desire to visit with each personally in the course of the three days.
- Explain that SL/ASLs will be available for conversation with regard to concerns, struggles, and any matters of faith.
- Explain that group members may represent various church backgrounds. Stress the importance of remaining open to differences.
- Emphasize that the celebration of Communion is open to all.
- Explain that if participants have questions for the SL/ASLs through the weekend, they can leave them in the Q&A box.

The SL introduces the LL and PL.

\_\_\_\_\_ (8:20 p.m.)

LL &  
PL

Give the Orientation Talk.

(Use the following narrative as an outline or read aloud.)

**LL: Chrysalis events are not ordinary retreats. A retreat, such as many of you have probably attended, is usually an event that happens more than once, maybe a yearly tradition. You may attend a lot of retreats in your lifetime, but Chrysalis is a once-in-a-life-time experience. It's unique and one of those things that is hard to understand until you've been able to experience it yourself. How often have you taken time out of your busy schedule and the pressures put on you to just "be still and know" God? That is why Chrysalis has been created.**

**It is a short course in Christianity, in which we experience the immeasurable love and grace of God. During these three days, you will hear fourteen talks on the Christian life and have time to apply those talks to your life and your experiences. We will worship in a variety of ways and experience the love of God. We want you to get the most from your three days with Christ. In order to do this, we ask you to keep these three priorities in mind:**

- 1. Keep an open heart and mind to all you will hear and experience during the next three days.**
- 2. Be ready to go with the flow. This place is one of the few places you don't have any responsibilities and you don't have to manage time or plan for what's next. You will hear the reminder "don't anticipate, just participate."**
- 3. Support others around you—whether they need a friend to talk with or there's a supply they have forgotten.**

**This is your Chrysalis weekend; it will be exactly what you make it.**

**PL: We want you to be familiar with this building. This room is called the conference room. We will spend most of our time here. In addition, you will soon get to know the location of the chapel, the dining room, the sleeping area, the restrooms, and the showers. Please do not leave the grounds at any time during the Chrysalis three days. We also ask that you respect the building, the facilities, and the equipment. If something is wrong, broken, or missing, just let us know.**

**We're asking for you to make these three days about what's happening here and not being worried about what's happening at home. Give yourself the gift of disconnecting from your day-to-day life so that we can connect to God and this community in a new way. We'll have time at the end of the weekend for you to be sure to get each other's information to stay connected. If you**

brought a phone or other device, we ask that you keep it turned off and in your suitcase. No part of the weekend will be recorded; this time is for you and for the team. If you are wearing watches, please take them off and put them in your pockets at this time. When you get back to your room, we ask that you keep them in your suitcase. We have a lot on our schedule, but the biggest gift of this weekend is that YOU don't have to worry about keeping us on time. You get to just be and enjoy the time. It's up to your leaders to keep the schedule.

So, for three days, let's forget all about time and the outside world. If anyone wants or needs anything, don't hesitate to ask me or one of the assistants. If anyone takes medication, please let one of the leaders know, and they will remind you of the time. The same applies to anyone on a special diet—whether that is special food or a need to eat at a special time—just tell one of the leaders.

LL: If you aren't feeling well or in case of any kind of emergency or injury, please see one of us, one of the Assistant Lay Leaders, or the Spiritual Leader immediately. [Have these leaders stand.] If you need something during the night, a team member will be sleeping by the door in your sleeping area.

We are very excited to have each of you here. We hope you will try to set aside everything you have heard about Chrysalis and any expectations you may have formed. Please don't compare Chrysalis with any other Christian experience in which you have participated. As I said earlier, Chrysalis is a once-in-a-lifetime experience. We believe Chrysalis is unique; after these three days, we think you'll agree. Don't try to anticipate or guess what the next part will be, but participate fully in the experience of each moment. By the end of the third day, I think you will find that the experience has been a beautiful one.

Try not to think of anything or anyone you have left behind or even about what happened yesterday. You won't be missing out on anything you can't catch up on when you get back. Try not to anticipate what will happen next. Take it as it comes. Don't anticipate, just participate! This means living each moment fully. If you waste time worrying about what comes next, you might miss the joy and gift of this moment. We can't change what is in the past; but by living each moment fully, we begin to grow and prepare for the future.

**PL:** At the end of our time together, you will have the opportunity to describe these three days. This is an experience for you to enjoy and live. Then you can tell us what you received from this experience.

We are asking you to trust us. Weeks and months of preparation have gone into this event, just for you. It is no accident that you are here. You responded to the invitation of a friend, pastor, or your parents, who urged you to come to Chrysalis. But keep this in mind: It is God who has invited you. It is God who has called you here. And you alone have answered God's call by choosing to be here. God calls each of us in this room to have a maturing faith. You have responded by your presence here with (Community name) \_\_\_\_\_ girls/boys Chrysalis # \_\_\_\_\_.

This weekend is planned for all of you to participate in all the talks, worship, and group times, but nothing will be forced upon you during the three days. We want you to be able to move with Christ in your own way, in your own time. Each of you has brought much to share with all of us. None of us knows our own potential, the greatness given us by God. So be open—participate, cooperate, share, and love. Look at this experience as an investment in yourself, in your future, in your long-term relationship with God. You deserve this gift of time away to focus just on you and God.

**LL:** The team members are here to help and serve you. If you need anything, just ask. Please wear your name tags at all times, so we can get to know one another more quickly. The team members are here voluntarily to give of themselves for your spiritual and physical needs in any way possible. Feel free to come see the Spiritual Leader, one of the Assistant Spiritual Leaders, Assistant Lay Leaders, or us any time you need anything or if you just want to talk or pray. If you are open and cooperative, we promise you will encounter Christ during these three days.

**Any questions?**

←----- LL Introductions

The Music Leader, who briefly explains their role; have ML lead one song here to represent the type of music to be sung during the three days.

The ALLs, who will explain about the time concept and the location of restrooms and meeting rooms.

**BL**  
*Make out bed charts. Make 3 copies: LL, Agape, extra.*  
*Hang restroom signs. Designate restrooms on the conference room level for the same gender as the three days. Signs may need to be taken down at times depending on building use.*

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ALL      Explanation of Time and  
Locations

Explain that the bell will awaken everyone in the mornings and call participants to the conference room or the announced location. (You may also choose to play music in place of the bell to awaken the group.) Explain the importance of being prompt and staying on schedule.

Explain the location of restrooms, showers, and meeting rooms in reference to the conference room and participants' sleeping rooms.

Explain how time is described using hand signals or descriptive words (short, medium, long, etc.) since no one is wearing a watch. Tell them we will now have a short break before our next activity.

**BL**  
*Make sure snacks  
are available for  
the conference  
room.*

\_\_\_\_\_ (8:45 p.m.)  
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LL      Community-Building Activities  
or Video

*Clean up after  
Sponsors' Hour.*

Introduce community-building activities (one example is in the *Chrysalis Leaders' Manual*) or a video. If time permits, follow the video with a brief discussion in small groups. Invite the young people to share briefly the parts they liked most, the parts they liked least, and why. List the chosen community-building activity or video below.

\_\_\_\_\_ (9:30 p.m.)

ALL      Operate the video or movie  
equipment or direct the  
community-building activities.

ALL      Announce a short break, and  
ask participants to listen for  
the bell as a signal to return to  
the conference room.

ALL      Announce that snacks are  
available.

\_\_\_\_\_ (9:45 p.m.)

ALL      Ring the bell and notify the LL  
when everyone is present.

_____	LL/PL	Invite everyone to proceed to the chapel for Night Prayer.
<b>(9:50 p.m.)</b>		
_____	LL/PL	Night Prayer
<b>(9:55 p.m.)</b>		

This brief service consists of gathering in the chapel, an opening scripture (2 Corinthians 5:17), a brief meditation by the SL as outlined, and closing instructions from the LL/PL. The ML prepares special music in consultation with the Spiritual Leader. The service is an invitation to relax, to be oneself, and to be open to the message of the upcoming three days. When using a video, the SL may incorporate images from the video into the SL meditation. The SL should resist the temptation to preach or make Night Prayer into more than a prayerful pause preceding bedtime. The PL and LL lead this prayer time from the front of the chapel so the young people can see and become comfortable with the leaders.

ML Music as participants enter  
PL Meditation

Read 2 Corinthians 5:17 (CEB). ***So then, if anyone is in Christ, that person is part of the new creation. The old things have gone away, and look, new things have arrived!***

**Have you ever been in a place where you felt you could be yourself? That place of total comfort and authenticity? Where you didn't feel you had to pretend or try to be something you're not? Where you could be honest about your thoughts, your feelings, and your questions? Where is that place for you? [Pause.] What is GOOD about that place? [Pause.]**

**I hope that this room and this community will become such a place for you during these three days. Our priorities here may be a bit different than we're used to at home. Our focus for life is not what society might make it to be. We're not worried about being proper, perfect, or popular. The truth is, none of us has it all together, no matter how hard we try to look as if we do. What matters most is being authentic to who we were created to be and being honest with one another, with ourselves, and with God.**

During our time together, there will be laughter, fun, and lots of time for sharing and listening to one another. But all that will count for nothing if we are not being ourselves. We are exactly who God made us to be, right now. If we are being true to ourselves, accepting of one another, and open to God’s message for us during these days apart, then I promise you that these will be a fantastic and unforgettable three days.

The apostle Paul wrote in 2 Corinthians 5:17, “*So then, if anyone is in Christ, that person is part of the new creation. The old things have gone away, and look, new things have arrived!*” That is the promise of Chrysalis—of these next three days together. We are together and we are making something new here—for our community together and for ourselves individually. As our time together begins to unfold, I think you will begin to see what the apostle Paul meant.

We are glad you are here. God has called you to be here. Let’s head to bed and get some rest so we’ll be ready for tomorrow. [Close with prayer.]

**BL**  
Clean up the conference room and then set up the chapel for Morning Prayer.

\_\_\_\_\_ (10:15 p.m.)  
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LL Instructions for the evening. After the meditation and closing prayer, give the participants instructions for going to bed:

**Spend the rest of the evening in an attitude of preparation for tomorrow as you get ready for bed. If you have any needs that haven’t been taken care of, speak with one of us. We’ll help you out. You are welcome to take a shower tonight or in the morning. You do not need to wake yourself up in the morning; a bell will awaken you. The first ring means wake up; you will have about one hour to get ready. When you hear the bell the second time, please come here to the chapel for Morning Prayer. After that, we’ll go to breakfast. Good-night.**

**BL**  
Turn out the lights and lock up.

\_\_\_\_\_ (10:45 p.m.)  
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\_\_\_\_\_ (6:15 a.m.)

ALL Lights out in the participants’ area.

ALL Assistants arise.

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_____	ALL	Wake up the team.
<b>(6:30 a.m.)</b>		
_____	ALL	Wake up participants.
<b>(7:00 a.m.)</b>		
_____	SL	To chapel for morning worship (consider using a scripture passage or traditional prayer from the <i>Chrysalis Worship Booklet</i> ).
<b>(8:00 a.m.)</b>		
	SL	Offer a short meditation, inviting the young people to open their eyes to God's creation and the gifts God will give today.
_____	SL	Breakfast; SL offers meal blessing.
<b>(8:30 a.m.)</b>		
_____	ALL	Announce a break until the bell rings.
<b>(9:00 a.m.)</b>		
		Time to mix and get to know one another and relax before the event begins.
_____	ALL	Ring bell for assembly in the conference room.
<b>(9:45 a.m.)</b>		
		Day One schedule begins at 9:55 a.m. (p. 14 of <i>Three-Day Schedule</i> ). Teams may decide to begin the Day One schedule earlier than 9:55 a.m. and take a longer break later in the day.