



Wisconsin SonRise Via De Cristo

Pilgrim Application

Applications are being accepted from persons whose churches are participating in the Via de Cristo movement as an instrument of Christian renewal. Via de Cristo is an experience of people coming together to examine their lives and to see how Christianity continues to be a part of their future. It is not sensitivity training or a vehicle for personal problem solving. There is no pressure on anyone to participate beyond what they are comfortable with. Each person is required to complete an application. Please do not combine husband and wife on one application. Single men and women are welcome to attend. Husband and wife are encouraged to attend as a couple. Please fill out the application carefully and print or type the information requested so it is legible.

Weekend Date You Are Applying For _____ Date Received by SonRise Coordinator _____

Check One: Clergy _____ Clergy Spouse _____ Lay Person _____

Full Name: _____

Birthdate: _____ Baptism Date: **(Required)** _____

Marital Status: Married _____ Single _____ Spouse's Name: _____

Spouse's Weekend Attended or Attending _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip+4 Code: _____

Home Telephone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____ E-Mail Address _____

Home Church: _____

Church City: _____ Denomination: _____

Have you ever attended a similar weekend? _____ If so, which one _____

Name you would like on your nametag: _____

Are there any special considerations that you would like the leadership to be aware of? (i.e. dietary needs, medications, health concerns, etc.) If you need more room, please continue on the backside of this form and check here [____].

Name of Sponsor: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Pastor's Section

I certify that the applicant's church membership is at the church of which I am pastor and I endorse his or her participation on this weekend.

Pastor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Church: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip+4 Code: _____

Pastor's Daytime Telephone: (_____) _____

Parish Representative Responsibilities

Pilgrim Name _____

Sponsor Name _____

Weekend # _____ Check # _____ Cash \$ _____

A \$50 fee is required for each applicant. Checks should be made payable to "Wisconsin Via de Cristo" and must be attached to the application. Your fee will be refunded up to two weeks prior to the weekend if you cannot attend. An acceptance letter and instructions for the weekend will be sent at a later date. The completed application should be given to your sponsor for further processing.

Parish Representative: _____ Date: _____

Please make sure that the information requested on the application is complete.

Send completed **Application Form**, **Sponsor Sheet**, and **\$50.00 check** to:

Denise Organ, WI SonRise Coordinator
1718 Windsor Ct.
Beloit, WI 53511
608-362-8410
missnise@yahoo.com

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Accepted: Yes No if no, reason for declining _____

Waiting LIST: Yes No Date Placed on Waiting List: _____

*****Pilgrim Special Considerations continued from front page*****

WHAT TO EXPECT ON A VIA DE CRISTO WEEKEND

This weekend is not intended to be a conversion experience, but is for Christian growth by active, baptized members of a Christian congregation.

This application does not guarantee acceptance.

Applicants who are not accepted for reasons other than overflow will not be reconsidered for this weekend, but can resubmit an application for a following weekend.

Persons who have experienced recent trauma (death, divorce, marital problems, job loss, etc.) should consult with their pastor before applying.

The weekend schedule for eating and rest can be irregular, but some accommodations can be made if special needs exist and are known.

Showers are provided once on the weekend at a YMCA or at a school locker room having community type shower facilities.

Because the weekends are held in churches, many people will be sleeping in the same area on either cots or air mattresses, which are provided. You will need to bring your own sleeping bag or bedding. Please let your sponsor know if you desire an air mattress.

Husbands and wives are asked to attend on consecutive weekends. Like many other things in marriage this, too, is best if experienced by both partners.

Weekenders should plan on staying for the complete weekend.

The weekend is NOT a retreat. It is an encounter with Christ experienced in community with other people.

All worship services and singing, are accompanied by the use of guitars.

Each day on the weekend Eucharist is celebrated.

Weekenders with concerns about the weekend are encouraged to talk with their pastors.

Weekenders should be open to speak with their pastor about their experience at Via de Cristo.