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**NLS 2008 Annual Meeting: July 23 — 26, 2009
Hosted by the Secretariats of Florida**

**Share the Blessings from all across America
at the NLS 2009 Annual Meeting in Florida this July**

I remember that spine-tingling feeling at the closing of my weekend (IRC #12, Table of Luke), as one after another, after another new babe chick took the microphone and told their sponsor and our VdC Community how God had changed their faith-walk ~ Forever! Wow! I'm sure you can remember that once-in-a-lifetime experience, too!

And although they say you can only 'make a weekend' once, I have found that there is a way you can experience that same great, overwhelming joy of Jesus at another 3-day faith-renewal weekend once-a-year: It's called the *National Lutheran Secretariat Annual Meeting*, and this year it's set for Barry University in South Florida in July, and you are invited.

It's all here. Come, become **"One In The Son."** Share the blessings, just as you did when you experienced your original weekend: Enjoy contemporary praise singing – morning, noon and nighttime, too... Walk with the Lord at chapel twice daily – everyday, with wonderful spiritual direction and Communion.... Receive Palanca at every meal, and on your pillow... Meet and make eternal friends from all across America... And soar at a Serenade that touches your soul.

Whether you're a delegate, a guest or a volunteer, plan now attend this national faith-renewal weekend set for July 23rd through 26th at Barry University, located at 11300 NE 2nd Avenue in Miami Shores, FL 33161-6695. The cost is only \$175 per person, double occupancy, which includes all meals, housing and all meeting materials from Thursday noon through Sunday morning.* It's well worth the trip to the Sunshine State. Why, you may even wish to combine your vacation, just before or right after this NLS Annual Meeting, as Florida has America's leading theme parks, Kennedy Space Center, cruise vacations from 5 top ports, plus beautiful beaches and water sports galore! * Click on this link <http://www.viadecristo.org/annualmeeting/2009/index.htm> for a Registration and a Travel Form, and for single occupancy information.

For more information, visit www.viadecrisro.org, then click on Our Annual Meeting. There, you'll find a wealth of information about this weekend, including a Registration Form, as well as about Barry University. You will even find a registration, so you can take care of it today. Or call NLS-09 Florida Committee Co-Chair, Don Armbrust at [954.476.9022](tel:954.476.9022) or email him at cigbar@comcat.net. We'll see you here!

The Florida Secretariat's Host Committee
Dave Rankin, Don Armbrust, Dottie Schwartz—Co-Chairs



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Vice President Administration Report

Greetings Sisters and Brothers In Christ,

I wish you all many blessings for the New Year. As Vice President of Administration I would like to ask all of you to continue to keep the National Board members and the Host Committee from Florida in your prayers. God's Plans are coming along just grand for this year's National Lutheran Secretariat Annual Meeting. I look forward to seeing you at Barry University in Miami this coming July 23-26, 2009. The host committee's registration form is included in this newsletter as well as posted on the website. Please do your best to get your registrations in early to assist in planning for the Host Committee and for the National Board Members.

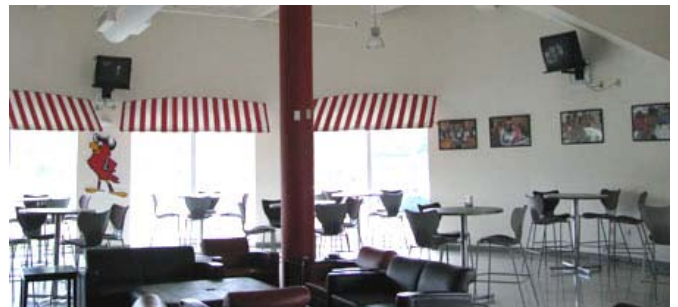
We are looking forward to another year of blessings at the 2009 NLSAM. As always the Keynote speaker, Forum and seminars sessions will all be such great learning opportunities for all of us. This is an opportunity to bring all of your secretariat members to help focus on what VdC is about. Last year's speakers gave us a lot of inspiration and it is always a great opportunity for the host committee to have this occasion to bring as many members of their own communities to come learn and grow from that experience. The surveys you fill out at the end of the NLSAM weekends really give us our direction in choosing these seminars and forums. We listened to what you had to say and pray that you will be blessed with growth and guidance in what we have to offer you this coming summer.

As you make your plans to attend the 2009 NLSAM here are a few things to remember in your planning. The registration form has a new area of service on it. If you are a participant that requires transportation around campus than please check that area on the registration form where it ask. The host committee wants to be prepared for ALL transportation needs for all participants.

One thing we cannot stress enough is that you bring as many people with you from your secretariats and communities to get the most of what we offer. You do not have to be a delegate to come and participate in the seminars and forums. Visitors are always welcome to participate in every aspect of the weekend. During our business sessions, visitors are welcome to attend and listen to the business of the National Secretariat. Talk with your secretariat about attending as a visitor. Start your planning now to attend as a group at the 2009 NLSAM.

Continue to pray and lift up the NLS Board and our Florida Host Committee team for 2009 NLSAM as our plans come together for July 23-26, 2009. Put it on your calendars now.

L1A – John 13:34-35,
Nanette Helgager
NLS Vice President Administration



BARRY UNIVERSITY



NLS President's Report

“Change” into a light for Jesus

Change is the buzz word for our socio-economic atmosphere these days. We are being promised change even though we really do not know what that will look like, what part we are expected to play or whether we will like it. For some, this generates fear, mistrust and anger. For others, it generates a resolve to work harder and more efficient to keep their world from falling apart. For me, it means I will be challenged time and time again to stray from the path that I know to be true. I am suspicious that these temptations will take the focus away from God.

Many of us do not like change, we like our worlds ordered and uncomplicated. Yet, if we are truly honest, we know this too is an illusion. The times we are living in tend to create complications and chaos. **We**, tend to create complications and chaos, because we depend on ourselves more than we depend on God. We believe we can create the answers that are needed. Not only do we leave God out, we work independently from one another. We have become so independent that when the need arises, we aren't even sure where to go or how to ask. We have forgotten how light works in the darkness, how to be salt to the earth or an example to those in need.

I suspect the truth is, our lives are not as ordered as we would like them to be and too often we actually hide from God. We fail to walk like the example He gave to us. Truth is, that *though we walk through the valley of the shadow of death He is with us.* (Ps 23) We have nothing to fear because God is at our side. His rod and His staff are there to comfort us, if we would stop getting in the way. Ah, but we are human.

The “change” we need is not about money, it is not about who is the President or what religion we are, it is not about the things we can hold on to or control. The change is about our relationship with God. The fact is we have a God who loves us so much that *He gave His ONLY Son, that whosoever believes in Him will not perish, but have everlasting life* (John 3:16).

He never promises to fix things, repay loans, keep us healthy, make the people around us behave better, stop the suffering, pain and disillusion. He promises to love us, to walk with us, to forgive us.

The moments we see clearly, hear loudly, and feel deeply that God is with us on this journey, we understand that the real change that must take place; takes place inside of us. It is a place that the world cannot take from us. It is where we meet the Holy Spirit in our souls and it makes us shine as a light into the darkness. Jesus says, *“You are the light of the world. Your light must shine in people's sight, so that, seeing your good works, they may give praise to your*

Father in Heaven: (Matt 5:14-16).

Life is tough and the times ahead are uncertain but we hold a promise from the creator of the universe that is beyond the wisdom of men to take us to places of peace and joy the “world” will never know.

And then, what does he ask of us? To love others. Here is your path. Here is your future. Here is where our relationship with God is lived out in the world. *“A new commandment I give unto you, that you love one another as I have loved you.”*

When we are free from all the changes we “should” make, “have to” make or have on our New Year resolution “to do” lists, we can become lights to the world. Lights that work, like a beacon, to welcome weary people to safe places, where they can also hear, feel and see the love of Christ.

To reconcile the world to Christ, one person at a time, is the Via de Cristo method. Do you recognize it? Do you see it for the light it can be? Are you using it? And please remember the Via de Cristo method also includes reunion group, where we stir up one another to make our lights even brighter.

God Loves You and So Do I!

Tracy Schmidlin,
NLS President



Mid year Planning with the FL Host Teams





Meeting and Registration Form

National Lutheran Secretariat Annual Meeting 2009

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 Barry University, Miami Shores, Florida 33161
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ONE FORM PER PERSON ATTENDING • PLEASE PRINT • PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY REGISTRATION			
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\$175.00 Registration per person for NLS Annual Meeting 2009			
<i>Registration Fee includes: meals, housing & NLS Annual Meeting materials from Thursday noon thru Sunday 11:00 am.</i>			
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\$ _____ Late fee of \$25.00 assessed for registrations postmarked after June 1, 2009			
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Spiritual Director's Report

"I am with you always to the end of the age" Matthew 28

On every airline flight an attendant will announce the destination and flight number and then say something like "if you are not on the correct flight please exit the aircraft." I always look around to see if anyone gets up to leave. As we enter into the spring season and Lent we are on a journey, a flight if you will, toward Easter. I just wanted to check in with you and see if you are on board.

We are always on a journey toward Easter. Not only these days right now, but in every way in every day we are on a journey toward Easter. We are always moving from death to new life. We are always dying to our old way of being and rising to something new. We remember our baptism and the waters of grace in Jesus. We remember the joy of Jesus Christ allows the old in us to die daily (2 C 5:17) and the new to emerge.

The beauty of spring is the way all things are made new. I love this time of year as Mother Nature renews the earth how much more might we pray that God would bring that same renewal in our hearts. We need the fresh newness that Christ brings as we journey on in our lives. As flowers bloom and new growth emerges in the ground and in nature we too can grow in fresh new ways.

Our movement is ready for the fresh breath of the Spirit in our midst. We need the resurrection hope of Christ in our movement, in our churches and in our lives. We need to know, deeply, the forgiveness of sins and the hope of Christ.

We follow Christ and each day we get up and we put on Christ. As we go to work, we put on Christ. As we rise up in our homes, we put on Christ. As we go to the places God will call us to go, we put on Christ. Put on the fresh newness of our Lord and share that with others.

The good news of the Good News is that even if you are on the wrong flight and haven't got anything in your life that feels new, grace allows us to change planes! And no one has to know!! In the Word made flesh, in the meal we share together in Holy Communion we have one among us to guide us and lead us on the way.

For our personal journey we head to Easter with grace and love and the hope of the resurrection. And as you journey to Miami this July may this same joy be yours as we gather this summer! We will in person celebrate the Lord, rejoice in worship and fellowship and renew ourselves with fresh energy for our movement, Via De Cristo/Cursillo.

Blessed Lent and Easter,
on the journey with you,

Pastor Doug Givan
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N.L.S. Distribution Center Notice:

The N.L.S. Distribution Center will be on vacation March 14-22, 2009. We expect that no shipments will occur during that time. March is an active time for VDC Weekends so we encourage you to order at least 30 days before you need your materials.

We also recommend that every pilgrim receive a copy of the NLS "4th Day Manual" to take home from their weekend. This booklet answers almost every question that can be asked about VDC and VDC Weekends. We sell these for only \$1 each. Place orders here:

<http://www.viadecristo.org/resources/supplies/index.htm>.

Thank you,
John & Carol Bradford

PALANCA Intercessory Prayer

Intercessory Prayer – what is different about it and other prayers you might ask. Intercessory prayer is where we place ourselves in the gap between God and other persons to urgently seek with faith, hope and intent that God will step in and positively affect the lives of others. The key to intercessory prayer is trust and faith knowing that God will intervene in His time and place. Remember that somewhere in the world a three day weekend is taking place each and every weekend. We can pray for the participants even though we do not know the place or names – God does.

Most of us are results oriented and our desire is to see the results immediately if not sooner. The results of prayer are God driven and controlled. With intercessory prayer, results are seldom seen immediately, we may have to wait upon Him for long periods of time. God has made it clear in His Word from Genesis through Revelation that prayers are the igniters that will cause the release of His power in the lives of others as well as our own.

Maggie, my bride, and I discuss prayer and its purposes. In her study she found the following regarding intercessory prayer in the New Spirit Filled Life Bible NKJV, Thomas Nelson 1982 2002. It seemed appropriate to share as we begin a new year of Via de Cristo Weekends and activities.

God's quest for intercession...

Standing in the gap:

“So I sought for a man among them who would make a wall, and *stand in the gap* before Me on behalf of the land, that I should not destroy it; but I found no one.” Ezekiel 22:30

Standing in the gap is a metaphor for committed intercession. There is a gap between God and man that an intercessor tries to repair. The picture is clear: Without someone in place, invasion of the darkness occurs, and eventual destruction of people takes place. Answer the Holy Spirit's call.

Don't allow the price that needs to be paid make intercession a passive issue. It will cost:

Time and Energy

Isaiah 64:7 “And there is no one who calls on Your name, Who stirs himself up to take hold of You...”

Sleep

Matt 26:40 “Then He came to the disciples and found them sleeping, and said to Peter, “What! Could you not watch with Me one hour?”

Purity of Motive

Matt 6:6 “But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly.”

The Palanca calendar for 2009 continues to grow with weekend activities. Updates may be provided by utilizing the button on the web page (www.viadechristo.org/palanca/index.htm). They will also be accepted by email or snail mail (US Postal). Early scheduling and posting of dates also allows local Secretariats plenty of time to provide Palanca.

Blessings,
In His Service,
Paul Sabatier-Smith <)))><
NLS Palanca Coordinator



BARRY UNIVERSITY Chapel



Palanca!!!

Future weekends

Weekends for the next five months will be printed in this section. Check the Web for more updated information.

2009 WEEKENDS:

Jan./Feb. 2009 - Michigan: **Lutheran VDC of Central MI**, Men's #71: Jan. 29-Feb. 1 and Women's #71: Feb. 12-15, Send palanca to: Priscilla Killingbeck 960 West Prevo Rd. Linwood, MI 48634

Feb. 2009 - North Carolina: **Eastern North Carolina VdC**, Mixed #66: Mar. 19-22, Send palanca to: Martha Yount 745 Acorn Oaks Dr. Salisbury, NC 28146

Feb./Mar. 2009 - California: **VDC of So CA & Central Valley**, Coed #34: Feb. 26-Mar. 1, Send palanca to: Madeline Jeter-Bell PO Box 6866 Frazier Park, CA 93222

Feb./Mar. 2009 - Minnesota: **Lutheran VdC of Minnesota**, Men's #518 & Men's #520: Feb. 19-22 and Women's #519 & Women's #521: Feb. 26-Mar. 1, Send palanca to: Lenore Jesness 899 Sherwood Ave. St. Paul, MN 55106-1825

Feb./Mar. 2009 - Wisconsin: **Wisconsin Sunrise VdC**, Men's #65: Feb. 26-Mar. 1 & Women #66: Mar. 5-8, Send palanca to: Richard Petitt 772 Dogwood Dr. Beloit, WI 53511

Mar. 2009 - Minnesota: **Lutheran VdC of Minnesota**, Men's #522 & Men's #524; Mar. 5-8, and Women's #523 & Women's #525: Mar.12-15, Send palanca to: Lenore Jesness 899 Sherwood Ave. St. Paul, MN 55106-1825

Mar. 2009 - Arizona: **Lutheran Cursillo of Arizona**, Men's #120, Mar. 12-15, & Women's #121: Mar. 26-29, Send palanca to: Dell Ellis 7833 West Ludlow Dr. Peoria, AZ 85381

Mar. 2009 - Wisconsin: **Northern Light VdC of WI & Upper MI**, Men's #1, Mar. 12-15, & Women's #12:

Mar. 12-15, Send palanca to: Richard Neitzel 18189 Hwy 41 W Champion, MI 49814

Mar. 2009 - AR-OK: **A-OK VdC**, Coed #22: Mar. 19-22, Send palanca to: Becky Del Rio 18115 Fawn Tree Dr. Little Rock, AR 72210

Mar. 2009 - Illinois: **Taste of Grace VdC**, Men's #13 Mar. 19-22 & Women's #13: Mar. 26-29, Send palanca to: Sandy Verdooren 3251 W. 184 St., #2A Homewood, IL 60430

Mar. 2009 - Ohio: **Ohio Lutheran VdC**, Men's #65 Mar. 19-22 & Women's #65: Mar. 26-29, Send palanca to: Paul Swinehart 2303 Colfax Ave. Columbus OH 43224

Mar. 2009 - Tennessee: **Tennessee VdC**, Coed #22: Mar. 19-22, Send palanca to: Bill McComb 21 Meadowlark Cr. Fairfield Glade, TN 38558

Mar. 2009 - Illinois: **Prairie Sonshine VdC of Central Illinois**, Men's #9 Mar. 26-29, Send palanca to: Chad & Stacy Thomas PO Box 436 Jacksonville, IL 62650

Mar. 2009 - Louisiana: **Louisiana Lutheran VdC**, Coed #9: Mar. 26-29, Send palanca to: Erin Belsom 506 Dutton Dr. Lafayette, LA 70503

Mar. 2009 - Tennessee: **Notes of Grace VdC**, Men #7 Mar. 26-29, Send palanca to: Maureen King 4909 Middleton Lane Huntsville, TN 35816

April 2009 - Florida: **Gold Coast VDC of South Florida**, Men's #178: Apr. 2-5, Send palanca to: Janet Pusins 3160 NW 67 Court Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309

April 2009 - Florida: **Sonshine VDC of South Florida**, Women's #100: Apr. 16-19, Send palanca to: Bonny Freese 1150 Wren Ave. Miami Springs, FL 33166

April 2009 - IA/IL: **Living Water VDC**, Men's #39: Apr. 16-19 & Women's #39 Apr. 23-26, Send palanca to: Jeff & Heidi Elkins 504—23rd Ave. Moline, IL 61265

April 2009 - Illinois: **Heart of Illinois VDC**, Men's #23: Apr. 16-19 & Women's #24 Apr. 23-26, Send palanca to: Joyce Zobrist 1326

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April 2009 - Nevada: **Light in the Desert VDC**, Coed #11: Apr. 16-19, Send palanca to: Mary Jamison 290 E. Delamar Dr. Henderson, NV 89015

April 2009 - Texas: **North Texas VDC**, Coed 77# : Apr. 16-19, Send palanca to: Barb Guinn 2832 Mimosa Park Dr. Richland Hills, TX 76118

April 2009 - Nebraska: **Nebraska VDC**, Coed # : Apr. 23-26, Send palanca to: Natalee Armbright 1674 H Ave. Dakota City, NE 68731

April/May 2009 - Florida: **Indian River VDC**, Men's #51: Apr. 23-26, & Women's #51: May 21-24, Send palanca to: Joan Borsari 1308 Japonica Lane Cocoa, FL 32922

April/May 2009 - Michigan/Ohio: **Good News VdC**, Men's #44: Apr. 23-26, & Women's #44: Apr. 30-May 3, Send palanca to: Karen Warsop 5633 E Grand River Ave. Howell, MI 48843

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