a history of Tres Dias

TRES DIAS was derived from Cursillo de Christianadad - a "short course in Christianity" which has been an active tool of church renewal since its beginnings in Spain in 1949.

TRES DIAS was started in The United States in 1972 and is now overseen by a national organization of laity and clergy. Individual weekends are sponsored and coordinated by local communities which have been chartered by the national organization.

TRES DIAS is a nondenominational ministry open to Christians who are interested in deepening their walk with the Lord.

STATEMENT OF BELIEF

- 1. We believe and profess our faith in one Triune God - The Father, The Son and The Holy Spirit (Matt. 28:19).
- 2. We believe and profess that Jesus Christ is the only Savior and is God in the flesh (John 1:1, 1:14, 3:36, 14: & Heb. 2:17).
- 3. We believe and profess that The Holy Spirit is God and is The Lord and Giver of life, who continues to work in believers today to sanctify, edify and empower the whole Christian church on earth for His purpose (Job 33:4, Acts 1:8, John 14:26 & Rom. 8:11).
- 4. We believe and profess that the Holy Scriptures are the inspired and completely true Word of God (2 Tim. 3:16 -17).
- 5. We believe and profess that all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God; that forgiveness of sins is received through confession and repentance and that our sins are washed away through the blood of Jesus Christ (Acts 2:38, 1 John 1:9 & Rom. 3:23).
- 6. We believe and profess that salvation is a gift of God's grace received through personal faith in Jesus Christ (Eph. 2:8).
- 7. We believe and profess that the Body of Christ is to make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of The Son of God (Eph. 4:3, 13).
- 8. We believe and profess that God's unconditional love, as made manifest to us through Jesus Christ, is the primary witness by which people are renewed, edified and changed (I Cor. 13:8).
- 9. We believe and profess that God has called us to live holy lives that will bring glory to His name (Col. 3:1-25).





An Instrument of Renewal

TRES DIAS is an adult weekend which aims to concentrate on Jesus Christ. While TRES DIAS explores basic Christian beliefs, it is best described as a spiritual encounter with Christ. Many who have attended the weekend have experienced a deeper and more meaningful relationship with Christ as they sense His love in a dynamic way.

What Can I Expect?

The Spanish words "TRES DIAS" mean "three days". TRES DIAS begins on a Thursday evening and ends the following Sunday evening.

During the three days, the basics of the Christian life and the meaning of living the Christian ideal and its application in our daily lives is presented.

The basic atmosphere of TRES DIAS is one of love, joy, Christian fellowship, singing, laughing, and worship.

You can attend TRES DIAS only once in a lifetime. It is not a retreat, nor does it have the individual solitude of a retreat.

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Who Can Attend?

TRES DIAS is designed for those who desire to be strengthened in their faith and to be brought closer to Christ in their discipleship.

Who Will Be Leading?

The TRES DIAS team leading the weekend is composed of former attendees of a TRES DIAS or a similar weekend like Emmaus or Cursillo and who have volunteered their time during weeks of preparation by working and praying together as a team.

Although TRES DIAS is a lay-led movement, the active participation of the clergy is both essential and encouraged. TRES DIAS is centered around 15 lay and clergy talks. Each talk is discussed by table groups.

What is the Fourth Day?

Following TRES DIAS, a person is able to expand his/her own spiritual life and become a more active disciple of Christ in the world and in the church.

One's life after attending a TRES DIAS is called the "Fourth Day".

During this time, perseverance is important. Perseverance is enhanced in the "Fourth Day" through contact with the TRES DIAS community.

This contact is available regularly as a means for growth. Also, reunions of smaller groups within the local church are encouraged so that the participants may help one another in living the Christian life.