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May 2007

An online newsletter for the worldwide TEC Family

To Hope and Prosper: God's Future for the TEC Family

Dear TEC Family,

From Canada to New Orleans and the Bahamas to Denver, the Lord is inviting us to a new awareness and giving us new insights into the TEC ministry we are all a part of. In Jeremiah 29:11, He says that He knows "the plans I have for you...plans to prosper you; plans to give you hope and a future." How is your TEC community prospering? What new hope have you been given? Is the future of your TEC community clearer today than it was a few months ago or at this time last year? I invite you to please share your blessings and your new found awareness with the rest of our TEC Family.

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In two months, we will all gather in Cape Girardeau, Mo. for the 2007 Congress to pray, celebrate, meet new friends and reconnect with existing ones. A lot is planned that weekend for prospering our TEC communities, for giving us renewed hope and plans for a clearer future. Have you registered yet? Is your community going to be represented at this family gathering? Yes, it is a commitment, and in some cases, a good distance to travel. **In return for your YES, I guarantee that the Lord will not be outdone in His blessings back to your TEC community.**

I just got back Tuesday from the New Orleans "Communities of Faith and Follow-Through" workshop, May 4-6; the eighth such workshop since January 2006. The CF&F was an opportunity for 26 people to gather in prayer and dialogue about the Pre-TEC (Evangelizing Community) and the Post-TEC (Ministering Community) aspects of our ministry. Both TECs represented there -- Rocky Mountain (Denver, Col.) and New Orleans, La. -- also focused on the importance of rebuilding and strengthening their adult faith communities. May the Lord bless both groups as they minister to the young people in their archdioceses.

The reports I have received from TEC centers who have hosted past CF&F workshops indicate that renewal is happening in their faith communities. **Our goal is to make the efforts and strategies developed from these workshops available to the rest of our TEC Family.** Some of these resources will be presented at the Congress in July, and others will be given out later as they unfold. For more details about the Congress and upcoming workshops, check out our website, www.TECConference.org, or the information on page 2 for more details.

Thanks for your continued prayers and support of the TEC Conference. **I invite our entire family to pray for clarity in seeing the plan God has for TEC as explained in Jeremiah 29:11.** Do we doubt its success? I'm not planning on missing any part of its ongoing creation and development. Will you join me? See you in Cape Girardeau, and possibly before then at one of the June workshops.

Sincerely in Christ,

Ronald Reiter
TEC Conference Director

TEC: One Heart, One Mind' in Jesus (Acts 4:32)



The team and participants of the eighth Communities of Faith & Follow-Through (CF&F) workshop, held May 4-6 at the Magnificat Center of the Holy Spirit in New Orleans, La.

Insights TEC's Patron Saint



"There is only ONE THING to do here below: to love Jesus, to win souls for Him so that He may be loved. Let us seize with jealous care every least opportunity of self sacrifice. Let us refuse Him nothing - He does so want our love!"

St. Therese of Lisieux, pray for your TEC Family!

TEC Family Reminders...

2007 TEC CONGRESS DELEGATES

Remember to contact the Conference by June 22 with the names of your community's two Congress delegates at office@TECConference.org or (636) 933-9233. While there can only be two delegates, we invite as many members of your TEC to attend as possible to pray and partner with the larger TEC Family.

SPIRIT OF TEC AWARD DEADLINE, MAY 15

Don't forget to submit the names of your community's **Spirit of TEC Award** recipients by this Tues., May 15. For more information about the award criteria, call or email the Conference office.

WORKSHOP PROJECTOR NEEDED

We invite you to prayerfully discern donating this much needed item to the TEC Conference to assist us in our faith formation workshops and annual Congress:

- LCD Projector (new or gently used)

Please contact the office for more details.

JOIN TEC FAMILY ADORATION:

Has your community joined our Eucharistic Adoration prayer campaign yet? For more information, check out: www.TECConference.org/TECFamilyAdoration.htm

Join the TEC Family in Italy this Fall!

Join the TEC Family for a faith journey of a lifetime as we travel to Italy, **Nov. 11-20**, following in the footsteps of popes, pilgrims, saints and martyrs. Itinerary includes visits to religious, cultural and historic sites in Assisi, Florence, Rome and Siena; and an audience with our Holy Father. More than half of the spots are already filled, so be sure to sign up soon!



Contact:
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(877) GOD-TRIP
www.TECConference.org/2007Pilgrimage.htm

Spiritual Director:
Rev. Joe Dondanville,
Diocese of Peoria, Ill.

TEC Family Gatherings...

Communities of Faith & Follow-Through

June 1-3
Central Minnesota
TEC Center
Little Falls, Minn.
Contact: Fr. Ken Opat
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ken.opat@cmtec.org

June 8-10
St. Francis Borgia
Regional High School
Washington, Mo.
Contact: Teresa Huxel
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tmhuxel@yahoo.com



Aug. 10-12
Lumen Christi
High School
Anchorage, Alaska
Contact: Theresa Lutes
(907) 333-9060
theresalutes@alaska.com

Oct. 5-7
Camp Eppley
Bellevue, Neb.
More details coming!

Spiritual Directors Workshop



June 25-28
LaSalle Retreat Center,
Wildwood, Mo.

Contact: TEC Conference
(636) 933-9233 or
office@TECConference.org
www.TECConference.org/SDWorkshop.htm

Team includes:

Episcopal Moderator Archbishop Roger Schwietz, OMI
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2007 TEC Congress:

Mary: Our Guide to Perfect Discipleship



July 13-15
Notre Dame High School
Cape Girardeau, Mo.
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Register by: Friday, June 30
Download a brochure at:
www.TECConference.org/2007Congress.htm