

Experience Christ in Community

Maybe you've heard of DeColores. This is your invitation to experience it. Because DeColores is, above all, an experience of Christ moving in powerful ways in the midst of intimate community, you'll see how his spirit transcends denominational and ethnic boundaries as you and your friends connect with Jesus and one another. *And you'll find a new freedom to love God, others, and yourself.*

DeColores encourages each person to develop a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Many people who attend the DeColores Weekend consider it to be a landmark in their Christian experience. Expect to have your understanding of what 'church' is all about expanded in many ways.

What is a DeColores Weekend Like?

Those who have attended a DeColores Weekend seldom discuss its details. There is nothing secret about it. The Weekend is an experience to which words won't do justice. The fewer perceptions you bring with you, the more open you're likely to be to what God has in store for you. Your Weekend will be uniquely yours.

The DeColores Weekend is...

- A three-day interdenominational short course in Christianity, in a semi-retreat format, filled with singing, praying, and praising God.
- An atmosphere of loving, accepting Christian community where personal stories are shared (though never forced), confidences are honored, grief may be comforted, joys can be celebrated, and hearts can heal.
- Sharing by lay leaders and clergy emphasize piety, study, and action, and connect biblical principles to the realities of human hearts and experiences.

One of the principles of DeColores is that we focus on Christ and His resurrection power in our lives, transforming us into the people He would have us be.

DeColores is Christ centered and Biblically based. We are focused on knowing Christ and making Him known to others. That is our call, and in doing it lies our greatest joy.

We begin every three-day Weekend by asking the candidates and the team for a spirit of idealism – accept what one can, and to put aside those issues that one cannot accept. We urge the candidates to pray for His church and each other every day.

You are Invited!

The Northeast Michigan DeColores Ministry's community invites people from all walks of life to participate. Each participant must be sponsored by a current member. Each Weekend is a once-in-a-lifetime experience that will have lasting impact. If you would like to participate, please contact the person who gave you this brochure, or one of the numbers listed on the back of this brochure to help you get in contact with a person who will sponsor you.

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A Brief History

DeColores has its roots in the Cursillo Movement which began with the Catholic Church in Spain in 1949. As the movement grew in popularity, efforts were started to make the Cursillo experience available to all Christians.

DeColores began as an ecumenical for of the Cursillo method. Many Spanish traditions remain, but there is no direct affiliation with Cursillo. The word 'DeColores' literally means "of colors" and refers to the many colors of God's love and grace through Christ.

When it's over, then what?

The "Fourth Day". What is that?

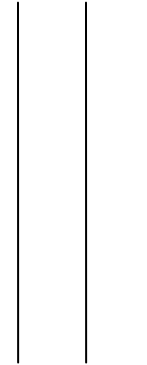
It's our way of saying that after three days of various encounters with God our Father, Jesus Christ His Son, the Holy Spirit, and each other, the DeColores experience enters a new phase – the rest of your life. You enter this aspect of your life with a new sense of grace, vision, and spiritual sensitivity, living in communion with God. Strengthened by the fellowship of believers, you are commissioned to serve Christ in your local church.

The DeColores community provides on-going support with regular monthly meetings (called Ultreyas), discussions, and small reunion groups. In other words, you've got family! Through the months and years ahead, we continue to encourage each other, spur each other on to good works, and help each other grow in our love for God and ourselves.

Want more information?

If you would like more information about DeColores, the dates of upcoming DeColores Weekends, or registration details, please visit our website at www.nemdecolores.com

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