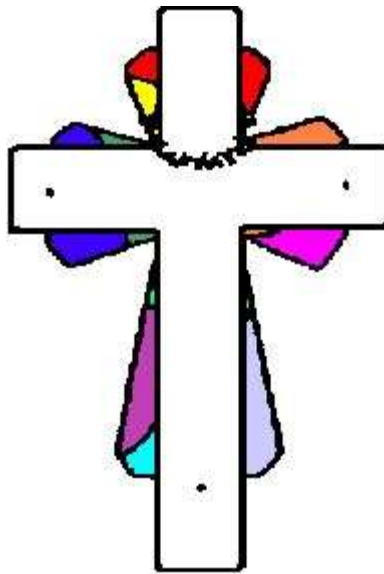


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Two questions have come up concerning what constitutes a complete Weekend.

- How much of the Weekend can a candidate attend and, if they have to leave, come back and repeat the Weekend?
- How much of the Weekend should a candidate experience in order to be considered to have completed the Weekend and serve on future teams?

Both questions have the same answer. That is – A complete Weekend is considered to be from the beginning of the First Director’s Talk until the completion of the Cross Presentations. This is basically the cloistered portion of the Weekend and allows the candidate to experience all components of the Weekend.

The cloistered portion of the Weekend consists of several components which build upon each other and interrelate. If a candidate has to miss one or more of the individual components (due to illness, etc.) it is up to the Weekend leadership to determine whether the candidate should complete the Weekend, depending on the candidate’s attitude, participation thus far, and desire to remain. Heavy preference should be given to letting them stay.

We are presenting this as a “Best Practice”, rather than an “Essential” in order to allow each Community and the leadership of each individual Weekend the leeway to practice what they think is best for the candidate in each individual situation.

One of the more subtle aspects of the Weekend is the sense of community built by each table group and by the team and candidates as a whole (e.g., I attended NGTD #6 and sat at the Table of John). It is important that we allow each candidate to be a member of the group for the entire Weekend.

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