

As we all seek to discern who God wants us to invite to upcoming weekends, many of us may wonder how to start our search for a candidate. I suggest you remember the old Cum Christo mantra of “Make a Friend; Be a Friend; Bring a Friend to Christ.”

MAKE A FRIEND -- Don't forget this important step. We don't invite people on a Cum Christo weekend in order to get warm bodies in seats at the tables. We invite *friends* to experience a life changing weekend that can draw them closer to Christ. Invitations that come out of love and genuine friendship are the ones most likely to produce positive results.

BE A FRIEND -- Be a true friend to your potential candidate. *Pray* for them. *Listen* to them. Learn about their life. Only then can you discern when is the best time to offer the invitation to the weekend. If your friend has suffered a recent loss, is struggling with an addiction, is dealing with marital or job issues or is recently divorced - now may not be the right time for them to make a weekend. Walk with your friend through their struggles and you will know best when they are able to fully experience what Christ has to offer them in Cum Christo.

BRING A FRIEND TO CHRIST -- Once you have fully committed yourself to this friendship, you will have earned the right to speak to them about their spiritual life. Your friend will know that the invitation to a Cum Christo weekend comes from your love for them and your desire for them to grow in faith.

I am praying for your sponsorship efforts.

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