

## Guidelines for a Pilgrimage Sponsor

Sponsoring a guest to go to Pilgrimage has many responsibilities. You should choose guests very carefully. Talk to the Lord about your guest before you talk to your guest about Pilgrimage. These responsibilities are listed below in the form of a checklist so that you will not forget what to do. The success of your guest's 4th Day depends on you.

- When you are looking for guests for Pilgrimage, bear in mind the influence they will have on others, not only the good they will derive from Pilgrimage for themselves.
- Pray for your guest often: before, during, and after the 72 hours of Pilgrimage.
- Be sure the guest's registration is complete and turned in at least four (4) weeks prior to Pilgrimage **along with the sponsor's application, medical form, and initial deposit**. If there is anything the team should know about allergies or physical limitations be sure they are written on the registration. You may want to make a copy of their registration to keep for your info. to help you gather palanca.
- It is your responsibility to get the signature of the guest's pastor. At that time, you can answer any questions the pastor may have about Pilgrimage.
- Check with guests often to see if they still plan to attend. If there are any changes, let the Registrar or contact person know right away. Be sure your guest knows the exact times, dates and location of the weekend and the Ultreya (save date on calendar).
- Write Palanca for your guest and for the team and guests in general.
- If you are not serving on the team, sign up for the Prayer Banner through [www.prayerbanner.org](http://www.prayerbanner.org). and attend the Serenade Saturday night (you may be the only one your guest knows) .
- Obtain Palanca letters from family and close friends; bring them to Send-off. Ensure arrangements have been made to pay the balance of the weekend fee by send-off (we do not create a situation that embarrasses your guest).
- Call your guest by Monday to give them final transportation instructions. (If you are going with a group you may need to pitch in for gas, and let your guest know if you will be eating dinner on the way to camp – you may want to make it your treat.)
- Bring your guests to Send-off and stay with them until they are called by name to join other guests. Meet with them at Closura Sunday evening.
- Introduce your guests into a Reunion Group. Help them start one or see that they attend one.
- Bring your guest to the first Ultreya after the Pilgrimage weekend. Remember to cook enough for you and your guest for the covered dish dinner. Remind them to bring their cross and nametag.

**The sponsor will mail the guest registration, sponsor application, medical form, and deposit to the Registrar.** All registrations must be filled out completely. No place will be held on the weekend for a guest until both guest and sponsor applications are received. The Registrar will notify both the guest and the sponsor when the guest has been accepted for the weekend. Remember, in sponsoring a guest, you have made their spiritual welfare your responsibility. You are your brother's keeper, so do everything in your power to make your guest's Pilgrimage a success in Christ. **The guests and Christ are counting on you!**

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