

An evaluation of the first EXCEL weekend of the Rising Starz (Dallas, Texas)

I had the pleasure to have attended this first weekend exercise presented by 6 team members at Lake Sharon Retreat Center in Corinth, Texas on Friday, March 20 to Sunday, March 22, 2009.

Two officers from the Board of Directors of EXCEL RETREAT MINISTRIES, INC were able to participate and attend this team's very first EXCEL retreat exercise in "Christian Community Living". George Tresch, Treasurer and Jerry Reitz, Moderator were present to evaluate the retreat weekend.

Let me share that the team did an outstanding job as they presented the 9 talks and the tripod to 10 first time participants. There were a total of 20 people in attendance. They had a different approach to the weekend by utilizing the technique of skits being presented before each talk and then followed up with a team member presenting the talk with normally a personal testimony. Quite effective! Their tripod was unique because they used a bicycle as their puzzle with various parts of the bike representing each talk. Example was the handlebars were presented as the IDEAL and so forth until the entire bike had puzzle pieces hanging from them. A very clever idea! Overall, we were impressed and welcome our newest Active EXCEL team our family.

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Jerry Reitz

