

PROSPECTIVE TEAM MEMBERS
MEANS OF GRACE – must be given by clergy

PURPOSE:

The single purpose of this talk is to prepare the residents for Dying Moments (to confess their sins to God and receive Christ.

POINTS TO COVER:

1. Holy Sacraments are outward signs of inward changes and have been a part of Christ's church from the beginning.
2. Briefly mention the lesser and more common Sacraments, dwelling only on Baptism and Marriage (because these are the most familiar).
3. An in-depth explanation of the acts and significance of Holy Communion. Of all the talks this should be the least about the speaker and the most about God's Plan of Salvation and what is required of us as Children of God.

DYING MOMENTS

Up to this point in the weekend the overall focus has been leading up to this moment. "Dying Moments" are the points in our lives when we confess and let go of those things that are separating us from God. They may include unconfessed sins, prejudices, feelings of unworthiness, resentments, or anything else that stands in the way of a close personal relationship with Christ. Once these burdens have been turned over to God they are dead to us. The point at which we let go and accept our forgiveness is a dying moment.