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Day of Prayer and Friendship Sponsored by UD Ministry

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DAYTON, Ohio, August 30, 1988—A "Day of Prayer and Friendship" for people with disabilities will be held on Saturday, Sept. 10 from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at St. Charles Parish in Kettering. The special event is sponsored by the University of Dayton's MORES Ministry with Handicapped People.

An estimated 90 people, both disabled and able-bodied, are expected to take part in the activities. Speakers will include Dixie Harmon, archdiocesan coordinator for Ministry with Handicapped People, and the Rev. Bill Frost, professor of religious studies at UD. Participants will share a family-style covered dish lunch followed by singing and dancing with UD students in what organizers describe as "a celebration of community."

Participants will also bake altar bread, design a banner and create a mass booklet for use in a 5 p.m. Access Mass at St. Charles. People with handicaps will be directly involved in the liturgy as readers, ushers and gift bearers. The public is invited to attend.

"An event such as this one makes people in the parish aware of the needs of people with disabilities as well as the special gifts they have to share," said Ross Maguire, project coordinator of MORES Ministry with Handicapped People.

MORES sponsors two groups in the Dayton area. Faith in Action is a community of adults with physical handicaps, and Faith and Light is a community of people with mental retardation. For more information, contact Ross Maguire at 229-4356.