

Readers Respond Guidelines

For *FamilyOnline* and *Marianist.com*

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Title: Readers Respond Guidelines: Fall/Winter 2009 *ALIVE* magazine

ALIVE magazine will unveil a new format in the Fall/Winter 2009 issue. To encourage reader participation, the new version of the magazine will feature a department called “Readers Respond” – short comments and statements on a variety of subjects written and supplied by readers. Guidelines for submitting a commentary, along with upcoming topics and submission deadlines are listed below.

Guidelines for submitting copy to “Readers Respond”

The topics below have been selected because they reflect issues of interest, concern and spiritual relevance to the Marianist Family and readers of *ALIVE*. They invite a broad range of expression, ideas and points of view.

Here a few things to keep in mind before submitting an entry:

- **Space limitations:** [100 words or less](#)
Because of space limitations, we will print as many entries in *ALIVE* magazine as space allows. Additional “Readers Respond” comments may be posted online at the new *ALIVE* blogazine (visit www.marianist.com/ALIVEblogazine)
- **Editorial review:** If your commentary is selected for publication in the magazine or the blogazine, it will be edited to meet style and editorial standards. However, you will be notified and receive a copy of your work before it is published.
- **Nonfiction only:** We will publish only those pieces that are nonfiction and relevant to the topics outlined below.
- **How to submit your work:**
Please submit your work typed double-spaced. (No handwritten entries will be published.) If your entry is not chosen for publication, it will not be returned to you, so please keep that in mind.
Send your written entry, along with your name, address, e-mail address and phone number where you may be reached to:
 - **E-mail:** Marianist@Marianist.com (be sure to put “Readers Respond” as the subject of the e-mail)
 - **Regular mail:** Readers Respond, c/o *ALIVE* magazine, 4425 West Pine Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63108

<u>Upcoming topics</u>	<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Publication date</u>
When Less is More	August 31, 2009	November 2009
Practicing a Spiritual Discipline	January 5, 2010	March 2010
Examples of Mary in My Life	May 15, 2010	July 2010