



Cursillo

Diocese Of Birmingham Alabama

School of Leaders

June 2014

“A Cursillo Leader, therefore is a dedicated apostle; a person who puts all of his abilities in the service of Christ.”



Agenda



- † Leader's Prayer
- † Leader's Group Reunion
- † Doctrinal Talk
- † Technique Talk: Environments
- † Work of the Sections
- † Announcements
- † Discussion Items
- † Closing Prayer-Chapel visit





Leader's Prayer



- † Lord grant that we may understand the necessity for depth in our Movement, rather than surface glory. Convince us of the truth that colorful programs do not constitute success.
- † My God, give us a spirit of self sacrifice so that we may offer everything for Your cause: our time, our abilities, our health and even our lives if necessary. Instill in us courage in our initiatives, good judgment in our choice of the right means, and that determination, which in spite of failures, assures victory.
- † Move away from us the tiny rivalries, sensitivities, discourtesies, pride, everything which distracts from You, everything which divides or discourages.



Leader's Prayer con't



- † Help us to maintain at a high level, a meaningful supernatural and mutual charity among ourselves, so that each one will seek by preference, the most humble task and will rejoice at the good performed by others, so that all our spirits, united in a common purpose, will have one single spirit, Yours Jesus, and that this spirit may let us see Your attractive goodness marked in all our faces, Your warm accents in all our words, and in our lives something superior to the world, something that proclaims Your Living Presence among us. Amen
- † Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patron of the Americas, Pray for Us.
- † St Paul, Patron of the Cursillo, Pray for Us.



Doctrinal Talk



TECHNIQUE TALK



Role of the Pre-Cursillo



- † Choose those with the required characteristics to become Cursillistas
- † Candidates:
 - Come from a variety of backgrounds
 - Young adults have great potential to act as agents of change
 - Must be open to discern the message
 - Must have a commitment to the love of God
 - Be prepared to serve the community by the use of their talents
 - Have clean circumstances
 - An attitude of progressive conversion
- † Candidates:
 - Should have strength of character
 - They should be leaders
 - Those who are concerned with the social conditions of our times
 - Have the aptitude and attitude to live in the community



Role of the Pre-Cursillo (con't)



- † Those who should not go:
 - Persons with psychological or emotional problems
 - Persons who are ill
 - Those with moral lives so disorientated that they cannot understand the message
 - Those who cannot receive the sacraments
- † Candidate Preparation: Sponsor responsibilities:
 - Know the Cursillo movement in at least a general way
 - Read the sponsor's booklet
 - Know the candidate as much as possible; speak to God about the candidate before speaking to the candidate about God
 - Give an authentic witness
 - Provide the candidates with as much information as possible
 - Spark the desire for God and an attitude of conversion
 - Take responsibility for the perseverance of the candidate until he/she established



How Cursillistas can help the Pre-Cursillo Chair



- † Actively see candidates all the time: be a friend, make a friend, bring a friend to Christ
- † Know your candidate; anticipate any problems that might arise
 - Invite your candidate to group with you, this is the best way to determine his/her spiritual maturity
- † Sponsors should provide their estimation of the surety that the candidate will attend the next weekend
- † Fill out the weekend application legibly and get it mailed to Cullman ASAP
- † Drive your candidate to the weekend, then attend Clausura and drive him/her home
- † Insure your candidate has a group. Invite him to your group initially
 - Be prepared to leave your group to start a group with your candidate
- † Invite your candidate to Ultreya and School of Leaders
 - Explain each program to them
 - If the candidate decides to attend one of these meetings go with him/her to at least the first session

Work of the Sections





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- † Work of the Sections is designed to be the opportunity for the members of the School of Leaders to identify, design, and help implement solutions to any issues within the three sections--PreCursillo, Cursillo and PostCursillo
- † Work of the Sections is directed and conducted under the leadership and guidance of the current Secretariat member responsible for that section
- † SOL members count off and distribute evenly between the 3 sections—unless they are actively serving on a particular committee within a particular section (i.e. Palanca committee members work with the Precursillo section, Communications committee members work with PostCursillo, etc...)

Announcement Items





SoL 2014 Schedule



Month (2014)	SoL Meeting Location	Comment
Jan	Combined-Cullman-Sacred Heart	
Feb/Mar	Satellite – Hsv and B’Ham	Quarter 1
Apr	Combined-Cullman-Sacred Heart	
May/Jun	Satellite – Hsv and B’Ham	Quarter 2
★ Jul	Combined-Cullman-Sacred Heart	
Aug/Sep	Satellite – Hsv and B’Ham	Quarter 3
Oct	Combined-Cullman-Sacred Heart	
Nov	Satellite – Hsv and B’Ham	Quarter 4

**Remote SoL 1st Thursday each Month; 1900
Go to www.BhmCursillo.org for details**



Announcements



- † Secretariat meetings during 2014 will be held after each of the Combined SOLs and other months will held the first Sunday afternoon with location TBD by the Secretariat
- † Next Cursillo Region VII Encounter, October 17-18, in Savannah, GA. Link to Registration form and other info is on Region VII website, www.cursillo.org/region7
- † Cursillo de Cursillos weekend will be 25-28 September 2014 at St Bernard's Retreat Center. Registration is now underway.



Discussion

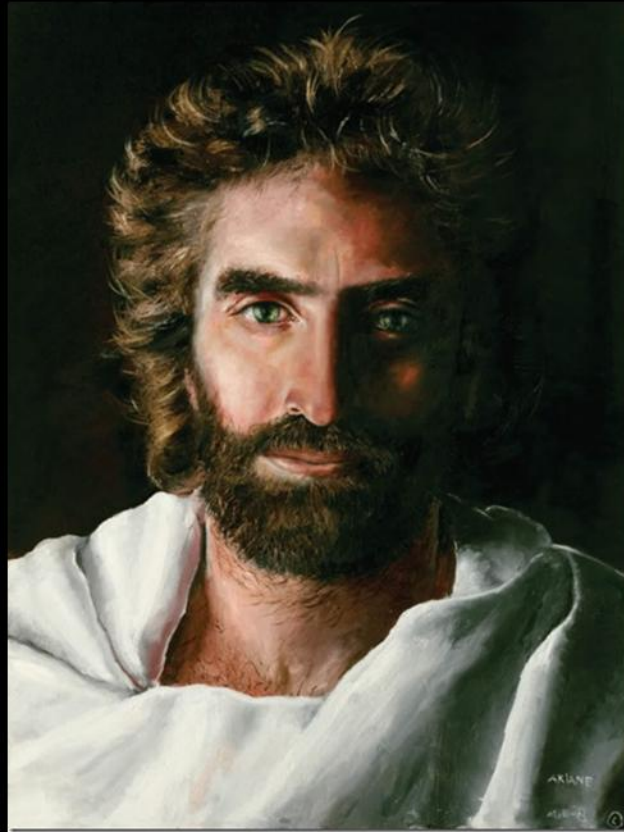


Closing Prayer



- † Dear Lord, we must have fraternal charity, or we can accomplish nothing for you.
- † In loving you, help us to have a genuine concern for one another, a generosity in sharing one another's burdens, a gallantry in defending the reputation of our group, a sincere sympathy in sharing one another's suffering and sorrows, and a joy in sharing their spiritual growth.
- † By this shall all men know that we are your Apostles. Amen.

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