



# ¡De Colores Cursillista!

December 2012

## PRAYER - COMMUNICATION - COMMITMENT

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

At our most recent Ultreya on November 17 at Risen Christ, about 20 cursillistas gathered to discuss the Cursillo movement in the Treasure Valley. We dispensed with the witness talk and opted to have table groups discuss how we can keep the Cursillo movement alive, vibrant and how to engage more cursillistas not only in the Ultreyas but also in the upcoming Cursillos this summer. The reason for this format was to explore ways in which we have more overall participation. Attendance and participation in the School of Leaders (SOL) is only about 9-10 each monthly meeting. My fellow cursillistas we need your HELP.

After hearing from all of the table groups, Jim Scherer acted as the facilitator to prioritize the three main points which the groups brought forth. Listed in order are the following:

- 1. Prayer
- 2. Communication
- 3. Commitment

Needless to say praying, especially to the Holy Spirit is first and foremost in all of our Cursillo activities and we should strive to be more persistent and diligent with daily prayers. Secondly we thought that the overall communication for the Cursillo movement needs much improvement. For instance, if you know of someone who does not receive this newsletter or would like to receive it then please act upon it. An email can be forwarded to: [boisecursillo@gmail.com](mailto:boisecursillo@gmail.com) Also, if your email has changed please contact the above address. Lastly we discussed commitment; this means more than just showing up, it means to be involved, to make the Cursillo a continued and improving journey as the Spanish translation reads, "A short course in Christianity." Remember your Cursillo where the "Apostolic Action" Rollo speaks to bringing Christ to others; please make a COMMITMENT to make this possible by getting involved with the Cursillo and the Ultreyas. Christ needs all of our help, "lend him your hands."

I would ask the men & women to take the initiative and contact Tom Allen, who will be the rector, and Melissa Murano who will be the rectora this summer and offer your assistance, i.e., being on the team, kitchen help, palanca letter coordinator, Sunday night cleanup and various other duties. Tom can be contacted at [allent61@msn.com](mailto:allent61@msn.com); Melissa at [mgm0868@hotmail.com](mailto:mgm0868@hotmail.com); they will appreciate hearing from you.

In conclusion, I submit to you PCC, Prayer, Communication and Commitment, please continue to pray for the Cursillo movement and ask all of your 4<sup>th</sup> day participants to do the same. Let's all communicate better, pass along pertinent information and please pray about making a commitment to personally involve yourself more with the Cursillo.

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George Weissbeck, School of Leaders, Co-chair

## PCC

- Prayer
- Communication
- Commitment

## ULTREYA

- Jan 12th—St Johns
- Feb 9th—OLR
- Mar 9th—Holy Apostles
- Apr 13th—St. Mary's
- May 11th—St. Marks

## SOL MEETINGS 7PM ST MARKS

- January 8th
- February 5th
- March 5th
- April 9th
- May 7th

## STRENGTHENING THE CURSILLO MOVEMENT

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As you can probably tell we are focusing on making the movement stronger in the Treasure Valley. Admittedly, the local movement has done a poor job of reaching out to our fellow Cursillistas who have fallen away and no longer are grouping or using the group reunion format.

This happens to be an area where every single Cursillista can help out and make the movement stronger by reaching out to those who are not active in the movement and invite them back to your group. If you happen to be one of those who is no longer attending or using the group reunion format, I encourage you to give it another chance to see the benefits of the format and how focusing weekly on your piety, study and action can be of great benefit to keeping you balanced in your faith.

Quick side note, Matthew Kelly came out with a new book called "4 signs of a dynamic Catholic". Can you guess what 3 of the signs are? You probably guessed prayer, study and evangelization. Can others see those 3 signs in you? The group reunion format focuses on that. By the way, the 4th sign is Love, which should come naturally if the tripod is firmly in place.

If everyone does this then the local Cursillo Movement will touch more lives than ever and the valley will be filled with Dynamic Catholics. If you know of anyone that wants to group but can't find a group that fits their schedule, please have them contact me ([mikeschauble@yahoo.com](mailto:mikeschauble@yahoo.com)) and I will try to find a group that uses the group reunion format that they can join.



God Bless!!

Mike Schauble

Southern Idaho Lay Director

### SUMMER 2013 CURSILLO DATES

**MEN:** June 20-23 @ OLR      **WOMEN:** July 11-14 @ OLR

**Make a Friend—Be a Friend—Bring a Friend to Christ**

## I AM THE LIGHT

Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." (Jn 8:10)

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.

"When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born.

They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: 'And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel.'"

Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance.

He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage."

After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was.

They were overjoyed at seeing the star...(Mt 2:1-10)

I have always been intrigued with space, stars and the whole universe. One of the facts that I learned was that space is dark without light. Light from the moon for example is reflected light and therefore the moon's dark side is on the opposite side from the earth. Light as we see around us on earth is defused light caused by dust. Without that troublesome dust, all our light would be point sources rather than as we view it.

I was thinking about that phenomena and how Jesus refers to himself as "The light of the world" and he refers to us as "you are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden."(Mt 5:14-16)

To be the light of the world we must be like the moon, reflecting the true light of the world which is Jesus our Savior. But our reflected light is just a point source. It takes others, like dust defusing the light of the sun, to join with us to spread the light of Jesus.

So as we celebrate Jesus's coming into the world the first time, let us join with all other Christians to become the light that prepares the world for His second coming.

Deacon Bill Booth

Spiritual Director

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