

POSTCURSILLO

“Everything that is done in terms of the Cursillo purpose and methodology has the Postcursillo as its final objective. The Precursillo and the Cursillo Weekend are only the preliminary steps toward the Postcursillo.” Leaders’ Manual p.121

“The primary and permanent purpose of the Postcursillo must be, above, all, to renew, accelerate and perfect the conversion of each of those who have experienced the Cursillo Weekend. This conversion is a progressive process, which never ends, and the transformation of environments will be accomplished only to the degree that we ourselves are converted.” ---The Fundamental Ideas of the Cursillo Movement

As the new cursillista left the Cursillo Weekend, they were reminded by the leaders of the perseverance program which consists of attending the Ultreyas and to think about forming or joining a Friendship Group Reunion. Both forms of the perseverance program give us an opportunity to be helped by others and to help others. This sharing is continued in the Ultreyas and intensified in Group Reunions. The work of the Fourth Day and the Postcursillo is to help each one of us to follow Christ.

The Purpose of the Ultreya is to:

- Root the results of the Weekend in the soil of perseverance
- Foster the atmosphere of unity which the diocesan, parish and Catholic communities must have if they are to be dynamic
- Manifest the unity of purpose of those who share their Christian friendship, idealism, self surrender and spirit of charity in living the divine life of Christ, individually and corporately.

Group Reunions are formed and/or based on common interests. Group Reunions thrive best on friendship, common interests and a common apostolic action.

The Group Reunion is not only a means of perseverance, but it is an ideal way for us to share the Christianity we live each week. They are at the service of those who wish to be saints and apostles.

The order of reunion is meant to structure a conversation among the Group participants about Christ in their life over the past week in the three areas : Piety, Study and Action.

“Everything that is lived as a Christian should be lived together. The Group reunion is only a means for living together the Christianity that each one lives or seeks to live. The deepest form of living together is friendship. Therefore, the Group Reunion is friendship raised to the level of the Trancendental; friendship converted into permanent actual Grace.” --(Structure of Ideas, p. 79)

“It is easy to have a person encounter Christ; it is much more difficult to have him follow Christ.”
Eduardo Bonnín (the Cursillo founder)