



**Cursillo is...LOVE ★ NEW LIFE ★ RENEWAL ★ JOY ★ LEARNING★  
★ DISCUSSING ★ LISTENING ★ CHANGING ★ GOING ★ SINGING ★ SHARING**

### **What Are the Purposes of a Cursillo Weekend?**

- Helps to measure the depths of your faith
- An opportunity to share your thoughts and ideas about Christianity with others
- A potential for growth in your life with Christ
- A way of renewal in the church

A CURSILLO WEEKEND IS  
THREE DAYS LONG . . .  
IT CAN LAST A LIFETIME!

#### **What is Cursillo?**

50 people attend the average weekend. This includes both 'candidates' and 'team'. The small size is important for sharing and forming community. During the three days small talks (called rollos) are given by team members. They cover a wide range of topics on Christian living. After each talk discussions evolve in small table groups. Discussing values and goals of being a Christian forms many friendships.

The Eucharist is also important to the Cursillo experience and the Episcopal form of worship is used.

#### **Who May Take Part?**

The Cursillo weekend is open to BAPTIZED Christians of all denominations, 25 years of age and older, who are emotionally mature.

Presently, weekends are being held in a retreat center in Oakland.

Attention is paid to special needs such as diet, medication and lodging.

#### **How Much Does It Cost?**

It costs approximately \$160.00 per person for the whole weekend. This includes all meals and lodging. However, a 'candidate' may not pay for anything. The members of the Cursillo community have already paid the cost.

#### **Sponsorship**

Every applicant must have a sponsor who has already attended Cursillo.

The Sponsor provides encouragement and support for your experience. They also provide assistance in transportation, and other arrangements. Your sponsor and a Priest, Pastor, or Minister MUST sign your application. After your application is signed, your sponsor will submit it. Our ecumenical Episcopal Secretariat currently has two weekends a year. One in English and one in Spanish. It is a co-ed weekend and is available for single individuals or married couples.

**English Cursillo on: April  
28 - May 1, 2016 2016**

## How Cursillo Began

"Cursillo" is a Spanish word, which means "a short course". "Cursillo en Cristiandad" means "a short course in Christianity". It began on the island of Majorca, Spain, in the 1940's as a means of training leaders to live a Christian life and, by example, to bring others to Christ. The Cursillo program was introduced to the Episcopal Church about thirty years ago. The Cursillo movement is now throughout the United States and the rest of the world.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION, OR IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, ASK YOUR CLERGY OR CONTACT US AT OUR WEBSITE AT [WWW.CURSILLOCA.ORG](http://WWW.CURSILLOCA.ORG)



## Cursillo is NOT...

- A body of the spiritually elite.
- A para-church organization.
- A form of group therapy
- A parish renewal program
- An encounter group
- A weekend extravaganza.
- A solution to personal or business problems



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EXPERIENCE  
IN  
CHRISTIAN  
LIVING