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News Of Minnesota United Cursillo

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Support United Cursillo #73 and #74 at Faith Covenant of Bursville, Minnesota

The Men's United Cursillo #73 will take place April 4-7. The Sunday morning serenade (5:30 a.m.) and the evening serenade (5:30 p.m.) are open to *all* the 4th Day Community. The theme for the weekend is 2 Timothy 1:6 "... *fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you ...*". Please call the team rectors to see how you may assist the team with special Palanca such as food contributions towards some of the meals or time commitments to help with the Agape dinner.

The Women's United Cursillo #74 will be held April 11-14. The Sunday morning serenade (5:30 a.m.) is open to the team and sponsors *only* while the evening serenade (5:30 p.m.) is open to *all* the 4th Day Community. Their theme is Ephesians 5:2 "*and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you, and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma*". Some Palanca ideas from the kitchen team are: croissants or catawba juice for the Agape dinner, dish the Agape dinner, serve the second seating to team at the Agape dinner, breakfast sausage links, juices, or mini-muffins.

Special Palanca Note: there is an extra table for the women's weekend resulting in 6 more participants and 2 more silent table leaders. The Rollo Room will have 56 women at the tables plus 7 persons in leadership.

Need Palanca Ideas? Please Call:

Men's weekend

- Bud Anderson (rector).....(H) 926-5010 (W) 721-1721
- Dean Adolph (kitchen rector).....(H) 943-8749 (W) 640-3210
- Bob Duncan (4th day rector)..... (H) 431-2524
- Joe Johnston (palanca rector) (H) (507) 373-2542 (W) 373-2353

Women's weekend

- Sue Esler (rectora) (H) 437-2187
- Gail Weems (kitchen rectora).....(H) 784-7848 (W) 370-8530
- Brenda Duncan (4th day rectora)(H) 431-2524 (W) 890-3110
- Kathy Dick (palanca rectora)..... (H) 432-3106

Remember that to palanca time to the teams is always appreciated. Assist the Palanca team on stations of the cross or in chapel coverage. Palanca food or garden flowers or cooking or serving or washing dishes to the Kitchen team. Assist the 4th Day team in set-up for the Agape dinner or music for the Closura or in cleanup afterwards. ***However, please contact the appropriate team leader to coordinate this effort.***

Remember to nurture and support all the participants going through on these weekends at your own churches afterwards. Perhaps one of the greatest gifts you can give them is to help them find renewal groups.

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! From A-Far

I think all of us were very surprised and moved by all of the palanca that was sent during our own weekend. One of the special things was notes from far-away places. So, if you are reading this from out-state, please give some thought to sending a palanca note for the upcoming week-ends. Another thing, for those who are so inclined, is to send a palanca donation to a food shelf or home-less shelter or charity of your choice. When the week-enders receive so much, it is refreshing for each one of them to share with those less fortunate.

Address your notes or letters to "Men of United Cursillo #__" or "Women of United Cursillo #__". Mail your notes for each United Cursillo week-end to **Jean Girardot, 3545 Girard Ave. S., Mpls., MN 55408**, and she will see that all notes get to the week-end.

United Men's #73 Team Roster

Rector:

Bud Anderson, *Hope Presbyterian*

Assistant Rector:

Jim Lindvall, *Hope Presbyterian*

Dick Flint, *Wayzata Free*

Andy Tscholl, *St. Francis Catholic - Buffalo*

Spiritual Director:

Duane Sarazin, *Hastings United Methodist*

John Hall, *Deer Creek Community - Bloomington*

Music Director:

Dave Olson, *Hope Presbyterian*

Rollistas:

Bill Brastad, *Plymouth Congregational*

Wes Johnson, *Hope Presbyterian*

Mike Kerrison, *Colonial Church of Edina*

Dick Lee, *Hastings United Methodist*

Tom Tibbetts, *St. Croix Valley United Methodist*

Tom Hagen, *Wayzata Free*

Table Leaders:

Ray Peterson, *Crosstown Covenant*

Stan Stanek, *Colonial Church of Edina*

Don Cunningham, *St. Croix Valley United Methodist*

Harold Brandt, *St. Croix Valley United Methodist*

Dan Ritchie, *Christ Presbyterian*

Ralph Carter, *Hopkins United Methodist*

Palanca Rector:

Joe Johnston, *First Presbyterian - Albert Lea*

Assistant Rector:

Tom Clawson, *First Presbyterian - Albert Lea*

Spiritual Director:

Don McNair, *Aldrich Presbyterian*

Music Director:

Lowell Larson, *Evangelical Covenant - St. Cloud*

Palanca Team:

Curt Bocchi, *United Methodist - Hopkins*

Rudy Dick, *Faith Covenant - Burnsville*

Jerry Doebbeling, *First Presbyterian - LeSeuer*

Bob Dopkins, *Evangelical Covenant - St. Cloud*

Jim Jackson, *Wyoming United Methodist*

Roger Pickering, *Wyoming United Methodist*

Jerry Snyder, *Minnetonka United Methodist*

Courtney Fulk, *Minnetonka United Methodist*

Andy Whitman, *Wayzata Community*

Kitchen Rector:

Dean Adolph, *Christ Presbyterian*

Assistant Rector:

Jack Weems, *Shiloh Bethany Presbyterian*

Kitchen Team:

Art Peterson, *Faith Covenant - Burnsville*

Lee Danielson, *Wayzata Evangelical Free*

Larry Ojala, *Faith Covenant Burnsville*

Jon Tisch, *Hennepin Avenue Methodist*

Steve Smith, *Oak Grove Presbyterian*

Dave Swanson, *Hope Presbyterian*

Dennis Randall, *Hope Presbyterian*

Blair Mowery, *Christ Presbyterian*

Roger Roth, *Hopkins United Methodist*

David Paxson, *Colonial Church of Edina*

4th Day Rector:

Bob Duncan, *Faith Covenant - Burnsville*

Assistant Rector:

Warren Eck, *Faith Covenant - Burnsville*

4th Day Team:

Dave Dahlin, *Hope Presbyterian*

Ivan Lee, *Hennepin Avenue Methodist*

Van Holston, *Faith Covenant - Burnsville*

Tom Peterson, *Normandale Highlands United Methodist*

Greg Johnson, *Oak Grove Presbyterian*

Bob Albrecht, *Faith Lutheran - Lakeville*

Fran Feldahn, *Peace Reformed - Eagan*

Mike Ward, *Hastings United Methodist*

Todd Skaine, *Hennepin Avenue Methodist*

Mark Nelson, *Fridley Covenant*

United Women's #74 Team Roster

Rectora:

Sue Esler, *Bloomington Assemblies of God*

Assistant Rectora:

Tami Grotjohn, *Bloomington Assemblies of God*

Jan Shepley, *North Heights Lutheran*

Mary Taylor, *First Presbyterian - Stillwater*

Spiritual Director:

Neil Bonkoski, *Fridley Covenant*

Dan Nordin, *Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran - Edina*

Music Director:

Debbie Walker, *Hastings United Methodist*

Linda Schlueter, *Olive Branch Lutheran - Coon Rapids*

Rollistas:

Jan Holmquist, *Bloomington Assemblies of God*

Sally Kettle, *Bloomington Assemblies of God*

Dee Larson, *Hastings United Methodist*

Kathy Tatge, *Evangelical Free - Hastings*

Cathy Twito, *Our Savior's Lutheran - Hastings*

Patti Ward, *Hastings United Methodist*

Table Leaders:

Kay Boyce, *First Presbyterian - Stillwater*

Judy Cheeley, *First Presbyterian - St. Cloud*

Barb DeLorme, *First Presbyterian - Stillwater*

Jo Kircher, *House of Hope Presbyterian*

Susan McIntyre, *People's Congregational - Bayport*

Jan Peterson, *Our Saviour's Lutheran - Hastings*

Millie Teders, *First Presbyterian - St. Cloud*

Pat Wilson, *First Presbyterian - Stillwater*

Palanca Rectora:

Kathy Dick, *Faith Covenant - Burnsville*

Assistant Rectora:

Pam Cooper, *Hope Presbyterian*

Spiritual Director:

Tony Deach, *Faith Covenant - Burnsville*

Music Director:

Arla Berry, *Hope Presbyterian*

Palanca Team:

Violet Backe, *Minnetonka United Methodist*

Colleen Bocchi, *Hopkins United Methodist*

Kathy Chadwick, *Oak Grove Presbyterian*

Becky Eck, *Faith Covenant - Burnsville*

Donna Kudlas, *Rochester Covenant*

Ginny Kypke, *Hope Presbyterian*

Lawana Lewis, *Minnetonka United Methodist*

Tricia Madison, *Hope Presbyterian*

Lorraine Wallace, *Creek Valley Baptist*

Kitchen Rectora:

Gail Weems, *Shiloh Bethany*

Assistant Rectora:

Sandy Trudeau, *North Heights Lutheran - Mpls.*

Kitchen Team:

Matti Dustrude, *Shiloh Bethany Presbyterian*

Kerry Erickson, *Aldrich Presbyterian*

Deb Johansen, *Riverside Presbyterian - Sartell*

Linda Johnson, *Oak Grove Presbyterian*

Sue Ojala, *Faith Covenant - Burnsville*

Linda Paulson, *Riverside Presbyterian - Sartell*

Carole Snyder, *Minnetonka United Methodist*

Dorothy Sorensen, *Oak Grove Presbyterian*

Lucia Stamp, *Riverside Presbyterian - Sartell*

Jo West, *Hopkins United Methodist*

4th Day Rectora:

Brenda Duncan, *Faith Covenant - Burnsville*

Assistant Rectora:

Bonnie Dealing, *Rochester Covenant*

4th Day Team:

Dorothy Backstrom, *Oak Grove Presbyterian*

Kathy Billings, *Colonial Church of Edina*

Joan Countryman, *Oak Grove Presbyterian*

Pat Heimkes, *Faith Covenant - Burnsville*

Carol Johnston, *Wayzata Community*

Jan Peterson, *Faith Covenant - Burnsville*

Diana Sievers, *First Presbyterian - Stillwater*

Kris Sopoci, *Hennepin Avenue United Methodist*

Linda Stancer, *Hastings United Methodist*

Martha Warner, *Minnetonka United Methodist*

Charis Update

The Charis prison ministry continues to need our prayers and palanca. There are also opportunities to serve on the teams for these weekends. Contact Ed Fuller of Charis in Minnesota at 3800 Fairhomes Road, Wayzata, MN 55391 (612+473-2193), for further information.

- See special insert for Charis team request form

Teens Encounter Christ

For adult and youth team applications, call Mark Opseth (507+373-2910) or Bobo Burns (612+935-3979). For weekender applications call Nancy Bone (612+890-5356) The Sunday afternoon clausuras are open to all Cursillo 4th days.

Your prayers and wheat are needed for the following TEC weekends

- TEC #11 at Christ Presbyterian on April 11-14.
- TEC #12 at Hope Presbyterian on August 1-4.

Southern Minnesota T.E.C.

United T.E.C. has branched off into southern Minnesota and northern Iowa so more young people from the area can be impacted by God's grace and love. We are looking for a lot of prayer and a little financial assistance with this ministry. Questions may be directed to Mark Opseth or Joe Johnson {(W) 507+373-2353 (H) 507+373-2542}. Financial gifts (*please make checks payable to T.E.C.*) can be sent to Joe Johnston, 411 Lakeview Blvd., Albert Lea, MN 56007. Thank you!

Singles Cursillo Community

The Singles Community meets for ultreya on the second Saturday of every month at 5:30 p.m. Each ultreya includes floating renewal, the agape meal, the sharing of our Lord in the eucharist, and a faith-centered talk by a lay Cursillista. If you have questions about the Singles Cursillo Community, please call Pat Howell at 789-0869.

Southern Minnesota Ultreya #2

Come! Join in the Southern Minnesota Cursillo Community! We will meet Sunday, April 21, 1991 from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church, 404 Turril, Le Sueur, Minnesota. One specific goal is to build a support community for the Cursillo to be held in North Mankato in July, 1991. Another is to continue the connections made at Ultreya #1 last December. It was wonderful to expand the sense of community into the southern hinterlands of Minnesota. There will be sharing, singing, study and eucharist followed by a potluck supper. Bring your favorite dish to share. We'll provide silverware, dishes, coffee and soft drinks. We can provide nursery care if you notify us of your need.

Remember: April 21, 1991 from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. - LeSueur, Minnesota!

RSVP - Presbyterian Church (612) 665-2587

Wayne & Marilyn Wells (612) 665-2500

Lee & Liz Snow (612) 665-3804 (eve. only)

Minnesota Charis Opportunities

Dear fellow Cursillistas,

De Colores! Thank you for this opportunity to inform you of the changes that have occurred within the Minnesota Charis (formerly Kairos) prison ministry and to invite you to consider serving our Lord in prison.

In March, 1990, the Minnesota Kairos Board of Directors voted to change the name of this ministry to Charis Minnesota. After years of discussion with the national Kairos organization, we decided to remain independent and to be known as Charis, which means "grace", in our case "God's grace". This move towards independence allows the Minnesota ministry to continue to follow the Cursillo method inside Minnesota prisons, while maintaining the flexibility to enter prisons with coed teams when appropriate.

The Charis Minnesota directors and the entire Charis community is thankful for the support we have received from within the various Cursillo communities and we would like to encourage each of you, including clergy, to consider serving on a Charis weekend.

Charis currently conducts four weekends each year in Minnesota. We enter the Sandstone Federal Correctional Institution in February and October, the Rochester Federal Medical Institution in October, and the Minnesota State Women's Correctional Facility at Shakopee in May. In 1991, Charis hopes to re-enter the Minnesota State Prison at Stillwater. The growth of Charis in Minnesota and the need for Charis weekends in our prisons is tremendous. All of our volunteers are members of the Cursillo Fourth Day and the goal of our board is to staff each Charis weekend with 50% new members.

Because we enter prison environment with a coed team, we are able to offer a rather unique opportunity for married cursillistas to serve together on a weekend. Inmates respond very well to the presence of strong Christian men and women serving God together and our expanding community is a witness to the power of God's grace on a Charis weekend.

Minnesota Charis Opportunities - continued

Following this letter you will find an application to work on a Charis weekend. Please consider the opportunity to serve Christ in prison in your prayers. "Even a small yearning to work on a Charis is probably a calling from God." For further information, you may call 338-3847 and someone will be in touch with you. May God bless you as you serve Him in 1991.

Love and peace!

Your brothers and sisters in Christ

CHARIS Team (Staff) Application

"Even a small yearning to work Charis is probably a calling from God."

Please send completed application to: Charis Minnesota, P.O. Box 10325, Minneapolis, MN 55458

(Rev.) (Mr.) (Mrs.) (Miss) _____ Name called _____

Address _____

Telephone number(s): Home _____ Work _____

Date of birth _____ Denomination _____

Church _____ Location _____

My Cursillo walk: Month & Year _____ Place _____

Previous team experience in Cursillo _____

Previous team experience in Charis/Kairos _____

Would you be willing to give a talk? _____

Note any talents or interests that you would let God use for Charis (i.e. musical instrument)

Other information or comments as you feel led _____

It is expected that you are active in your Renewal Group and your local church. It is understood that attendance at team meetings is required and that reasonable attendance is expected at monthly Charis reunions to be held in the prison in the 12 months following the Charis weekend. (Note - monthly attendance after the weekend does not apply to clergy, although they are welcome to make this commitment if schedules allow.)

Signed _____ Date _____

Perspectives on Palanca Gifts and Clergy Support for Cursillo

My Dear Friends in Christ -- and Cursillo!

Because I am one of the clergy representatives on our United Cursillo council, the council has asked me to address the United Cursillistas regarding two recurring issues within the United Cursillo community.

Palanca

The first issue is actually a combination of three: palanca, gift giving, and United Cursillo finances.

As you may remember from your first introduction to *palanca*, the word means a *wedge* or *lever*. Palanca is the various means we use to *lift* people during the course of a Cursillo weekend to offer them a spectacular glimpse of God's love. ***Palanca* is many things, but it is primarily prayer and support for the weekenders, as well as a giving of time and self.**

There is concern that we have forgotten the original intention of palanca and are confusing it with the various material items that are given to the Rollo Room in the course of a weekend. This deviates from the original method of Cursillo. In fact, Cursillo in its original form discourages any kind of giving of material gifts, emphasizing instead the giving of prayer and personal sacrifices of time and effort. In the original Catholic Cursillo, material palanca is given only in the form of handwritten notes, written to each individual weekender by the various members of the Fourth Day Community. To give in a non-material means can be a challenge for a society such as ours that equates so much of giving with material gifts.

There has also been a dramatic change in our society placing an emphasis on conservation and the environment. Each time I serve as Spiritual Director, I am approached by more than one weekender who is somewhat disturbed by the excess given in the course of a weekend when so many others have so little. Although material palanca is given by the community with the best of intentions, it can actually be a distraction for the weekenders.

In recent years there has been a concerted effort on the part of United Cursillo to become totally independent. In the last few years United Cursillo has purchased items such as our own mattresses and other much needed materials, as well as a truck-trailer in which to store all these items. However, as a result, financially we live from weekend to weekend with little excess funds.

Taking all these factors into consideration -- the need to give in non-material ways, the need to conserve, and the need to be good stewards of our finances -- the Council would like to suggest that we consider some of the following as a recommended means of *palanca*:

- While items such as printed materials, bookmarks, candy, flowers, balloons, and such are all thoughtful gifts, the following items are extremely beneficial, and a beautiful and practical remembrance of the weekend: the Bibles, crosses, and song books. You may want to consider making a small monetary donation towards the purchase of these items, or simply purchasing one item, e.g. a song-book for a random weekender and simply writing that person a *palanca* note or personal message in the song book regarding the book and the weekend.
- Instead of sending a material item to the Rollo Room, send a note and, as a gift to the weekenders, donate so many hours that weekend working for a local food shelf or some such organization, or make a contribution to a special charity. Or get together with other Cursillistas in your church or area and create a prayer vigil for the weekenders, spending so many hours of continual prayer in the course of the weekend. Or paint an elderly persons home or clean his or her yard. Be creative and come up with "sacrifices" that will serve others in the name of Christ, Christian love, and Cursillo community. * Concentrate on each weekender individually. Pick up a list of the weekenders names and send a handwritten note to each of them -- not just the ones you know. Such a gesture, an individual receiving dozens of caring and prayerful notes from people he or she doesn't even know, can have a far greater impact than an abundance of material items.
- As a team, you might want to consider implementing a "no team palanca" policy. This enables the team to concentrate all their efforts on the weekenders, rather than other team members. Such a policy can also create a much more affordable and less stressful team experience.
- Remember that the most important, meaningful, and effective form of *palanca* is prayer.

The need for clergy -- and efforts by the fourth day community to help supply clergy:

Clergy are a much needed and valuable commodity in the life of Cursillo. A minimum of three, ideally four, clergy are needed for each Cursillo weekend. Unfortunately the clergy slots are also the most difficult to fill. You can help us to remedy this difficulty by making sure your church is contributing its fair share in order to make a Cursillo weekend happen.

I have served Cursillo as both a layperson (prior to my ordination) and a member of the clergy. As a layperson, Cursillo offered me a considerable change from my day to day routine and the opportunity to exercise other gifts and abilities. As a member of the clergy, the change of environment and opportunity is not nearly as dramatic as it was as a layperson. In fact in some ways it can appear to be an added burden of "more of the same" in an already overcrowded schedule. However, with each weekend I serve I am reminded of the very unique and beneficial way that only Cursillo can affirm and challenge me and my ministry -- a way considerably different from my own congregation. I firmly believe this affirmation and challenge greatly enhances the work I do within my own congregation. I am also greatly aware of the unique gift that Cursillo has given individual members of my congregation and my congregation as a whole -- a gift that could not be duplicated by my church alone. For these and many other reasons I have continued to serve Cursillo for the past 12 years.

If your church has been active in Cursillo and members have attended weekends in recent years, we are asking each church to do their fair share in providing clergy for these weekends. Cursillo council Guidelines recommend that clergy from active churches provide clergy at least once every three years. The guidelines further recommend that new clergy serve on as an assistant spiritual director within 15 months of making their Cursillo weekend.

If each church adhered to this guideline, we would have adequate clergy numbers to easily fill each weekend. This would benefit the Cursillo movement in a number of ways:

- It would alleviate the burden of a small and limited core of clergy who currently consistently serve Cursillo because of the urgent need.
- It would utilize the varied gifts of a diverse group of clergy and denominations which is central to the United community.
- It would open up opportunities to provide more Cursillo weekends in the course of a year.
- If enough clergy volunteered, four clergy could serve each weekend and therefore lighten the load of an individual weekend.

We are asking all clergy and lay people to consider the following:

- If you are a member of the clergy and have not served within the past year, please contact Bob Zalk at 933-02546 or 347-7050 and volunteer to work a weekend for the year 1991 or 1992.
- If you are a member of the clergy and could pulpit-fill for a minister serving on a Cursillo weekend, please contact Bob Zalk at 933-0256 or 347-7050 to be placed on such a list.
- If you are a layperson, please check the list on page 8 and see if your church has been active and if it has provided clergy within the past three years. If your church has not provided clergy, please encourage your church to do so.
- If you are a layperson, be aware of how your minister is compensated for his or her involvement with Cursillo. In order to work a Cursillo weekend do they have to consider it personal time, vacation time, or work time? In our church, Cursillo is a part of our regular job descriptions and we are encouraged to work at least one weekend a year. Cursillo is considered part of our work time and we may take time off accordingly when serving on a weekend.
- Remember that clergy involvement is just as vital, necessary, and beneficial to the TEC movement as well.

I hope you will give prayerful consideration to both the issues of palanca and clergy involvement and act accordingly. Thank you so much for your time and consideration. God bless.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. M. C. Marcoux

United Cursillo Council - Clergy Representative

United Cursillo Statistics for 1989-1991

Church	H	C	P	T	Church	H	C	P	T
Aldrich Avenue Presbyterian - Mpls.	1	2	12	24	Hopkins United Methodist.....	13	13		
Arlington United Methodist.....		2	5	9	House of Hope Presbyterian - St. Paul.....				6
Assemblies of God - Bloomington.....				6	Koinonia Christian - Cannon Falls.....				1
Bethany Covenant - Stillwater.....			4		Lester Park United Methodist.....	1	3	5	
Bethany Presbyterian - Mpls.....			2		LeSueur Presbyterian.....	3	6	8	
Christ Presbyterian - Edina.....	1	4	38	72	Minnetonka United Methodist.....		21	26	
Colonial Church of Edina.....	2	4	53	99	Minnewashta UCC.....	1	5	19	
Communion Life Fellowship - St. Cloud.....			6		Normandale Hylands United Methodist.....	1	25	5	
Creek Valley Baptist - Edina.....		1	5	2	Northbrook Alliance - Brooklyn Center.....			4	
Crosstown Covenant - Mpls.....		1	23	39	Oak Grove Presbyterian - Bloomington.....	2	28	19	
Duluth Congregational - Duluth.....		1			Parkwood Presbyterian.....			4	
Eden Prairie Presbyterian.....			6	13	Peace Presbyterian - St. Louis Park.....		8	9	
Edina Covenant.....	1		2	14	Peace Reformed - Eagan.....	1	8	8	
Ellendale United Methodist.....			2	1	People's Congregational - Bayport.....	2	2	9	
Evangel United Methodist - Rochester.....		1	10	9	Plymouth Congregational - Mpls.....	1	9	21	
Evangelical Covenant - Eagan.....		1	23	17	Plymouth Covenant.....			6	5
Evangelical Covenant - Fairmont.....			7		Riverside Presbyterian - Sartell.....	2	24	28	
Evangelical Covenant - N. Mankato.....		1	13	5	Rochester Covenant.....			15	18
Evangelical Covenant - Rochester.....			8	2	Shiloh Bethany Pres. - Columbia Hgts.....	1		2	16
Evangelical Covenant - St. Cloud.....		1	10	1	St. Croix Valley United Methodist.....	1	1	22	46
Excelsior Covenant.....			12	2	St. Lucas UCC - Lake Elmo.....	1	6		
Faith Covenant - Burnsville.....		3	29	8	Union Congregational - Hackensack.....				1
First Congregational - Cannon Falls.....			8		Union Congregational - Mpls.....				1
First Congregational UCC - Fairmont.....		1	7	5	Wayzata Community.....	1	2	32	36
First Presbyterian - Albert Lea.....		1	2	23	Wayzata Evangelical Free.....			15	5
First Presbyterian - Hudson, WI.....			10	12	Woodbury United Methodist.....		1		
First Presbyterian - St. Cloud.....			23	16	Wooddale Baptist - Eden Prairie.....				2
First Presbyterian - Stillwater.....		1	12	45	Wyoming United Methodist.....			2	
First United Methodist - Duluth.....	1	1	7	8	Catholic.....			4	19
First United Methodist - Lindstrom.....		2	15	3	Episcopal.....		1	6	19
Fridley Covenant.....			4		Lutheran.....			23	54
Golden Valley United Methodist.....		1	2		Other.....		7	8	37
Grace Church - Edina.....				4					
Hastings United Methodist.....		1	31	31					
Hennepin Avenue United Methodist.....		2	34	23					
Hobart United Methodist.....		1	11	5					
Hope Presbyterian - Richfield.....	1		41	57					

H..... Host Church
C..... Clergy on Team
P..... Weekend Participants
T..... Team Members

Liaison & Clergy Meetings at Faith Covenant

Sharon Rhodes (United Cursillo Council Allocations) has scheduled meetings at 4:30 P.M. Sunday prior to the upcoming Closuras at Faith Covenant Church on April 7 and 14. The mechanics of applications will be reviewed and there will be opportunity for questions and answers regarding the process. These are the only meetings of the year and each liaison and clergy should plan on attending ONE of these meetings.

Convener's Comments

As individuals, we sometimes find it necessary and/or beneficial to re-examine the principles by which we judge our past efforts and which will guide our future decisions. In this same spirit, I feel it appropriate and timely to share with the Fourth Day Community an excerpt from "The Fundamental Ideas of the Cursillo Movement". This is a translation of the original Spanish work "Ideas Fundamentales del Movimiento de Cursillos de Cristiandad" of the III World Encounter of National Secretariats (Episcopal). This 1974 publication, by National Ultreya Publications, has served as *one* basis for the development of United Cursillo in Minnesota.

A. As regards the Movement in general:

1. it should be a Movement of the Church;
2. it should be lived and shared;
3. it should lead the Cursillistas to an encounter with the living and personal God, with themselves, and with their brothers and sisters;
4. it should be a school of Christian spirituality;
5. it should be an agent with a specific function in the pastoral plan;
6. it should leaven environments with the Gospel;
7. it should create community;
8. it should bring about commitment on its own part and that of others.

B. As regards the three phases of the Movement:

Pre-Cursillo:

1. The candidates for Cursillos should be, at least potentially, capable of being evangelical leaven in their environments;
2. They should have sufficient maturity to grasp the Gospel message and commit themselves to it;
3. They should have the aptitude and attitude necessary to live in and for the community.

Cursillo:

1. It should be the kerygmatic proclamation of the message of Christ, with sights set on the living of the Paschal Mystery;
2. It should help those attending discover their personal calling (or vocation) in order to accomplish it in and for the community (both human and ecclesial);
3. The Leaders, both priests and laymen, should be authentic signs of the Church community.

Post-cursillo:

1. It should be an aid to keeping alive in the cursillista the spirit of continuing Christian conversion;
2. It should be oriented toward making the lives of the cursillistas a shared-living with their brothers and sisters in their own Church community and in the world where they ought to accomplish their specific mission as lay people;
3. It should foster in the cursillistas a consciousness of their obligation to be evangelical leaven in their environments;
4. It should help the cursillistas insert themselves into the Church community and achieve a lively, operative Christianity with a minimum of organization, since the Cursillo is not an association but a movement.

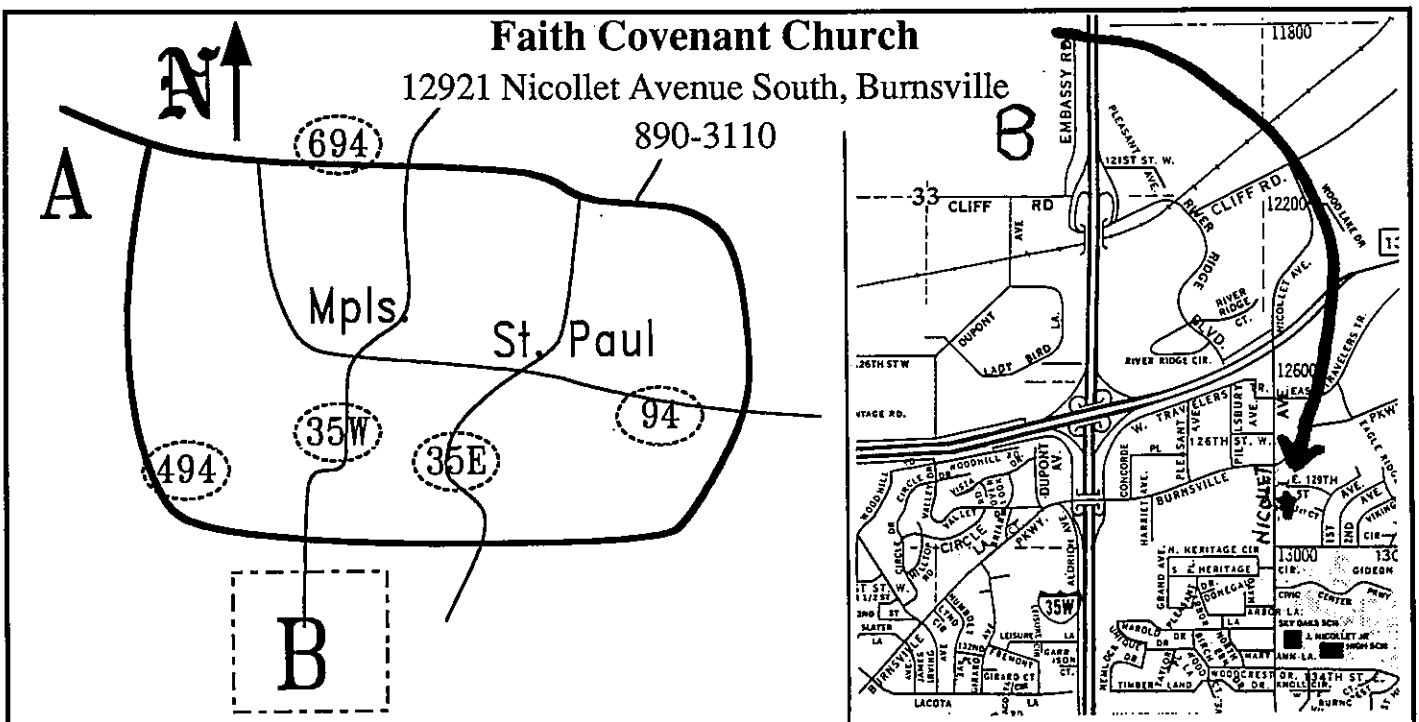
In His Service
Roy Baker

CURSILLO WEEKEND WATCH

Weekend: Date (1991): Location: Rector(a): Spiritual Dir: Asst. SD: Palanca SD: Application Dates	#73 (Men's) Apr 4-7 Faith Covenant Burnsville Bud Anderson Duane Sarazin John Hall Don McNair Jan 22 - Feb 19 (91)	#74 (Women's) Apr 11-14 Faith Covenant Burnsville Sue Esler Neil Bonkoski Dan Nordin Tony Deach Jan 22 - Feb 19 (91)	#75 (Men's) July 18-21 No. Mankato Covenant Don Sazama May 7 - June 4 (91)	#76 (Women's) July 25-28 No. Mankato Covenant Kathy Downing Audrey Benjamin Lyle Norris May 7 - June 4 (91)
Weekend: Date (1991): Location: Rector(a): Spiritual Dir: Asst. SD: Palanca SD: Application Dates	#77 (Men's) Sept. 19-22 First Presbyterian Stillwater Greg Iverson July 9 - Aug 6 (91)	#78 (Women's) Sept. 26-29 First Presbyterian Stillwater Rebecca Tollefson July 9 - Aug 6 (91)	#79 (Men's) Nov. 7-10 Aug. 27 - Sept. 24 (91)	#80 (Women's) Nov. 14-17 Aug. 27 - Sept. 24 (91)

Note To Clergy: The Spiritual Director and other clergy positions are the most difficult slots to fill on any Cursillo weekend. If one of these weekends can be worked into your schedule, and you would like to serve, please contact a member of the Minnesota United Council Leadership Development Committee -- Roy Baker, Chairperson (436-5439), Rev. Mary Marcoux (People's UCC - Bayport: H 430-1320), Rev. Brad McNaught (Wallestad Foundation: H 829-0403), or Rev. Jeff Utecht (First UMC - Lindstrom: H 257-5163).

Note To Church Liaisons: All applications for weekenders should be sent to Sharon Rhodes, 9301 Yukon Ave. S., Bloomington, MN 55438 (941-9579).



United Cursillo Team Request Form

If you are interested in *servicing* on a United Cursillo team or would like to *suggest* another 4th Dayer, please fill out this form and mail to:

Sue Silker
5905 Carter Lane
Minnetonka, MN 55343

Your name will be passed on to future rectors/rectoras. This form does not guarantee that you will be asked to serve -- it simply means that your name and information will be passed along to the appropriate team leaders.

Please Identify Request Type: Volunteer 4th Day Suggestion

Name _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home phone _____ Work phone _____

Team preference:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Table leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Rollo | <input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen team |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4th Day team | <input type="checkbox"/> Palanca team | <input type="checkbox"/> No preference |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Single's Weekend | <input type="checkbox"/> Standard Weekend (Men/Women) | |

Musical talent _____

Other comments _____

Previous team experience _____

Name/location of your church _____

Future Cursillo Weekend Preferences (Team #'s) _____

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