



Cursillos in Christianity National Newsletter

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Conviction

Source: 1st Conversations of Cala Figuera, Foundation Eduardo Bonnín Aguiló (FEBA).¹

The revised translation of this book describes *Days of reflection on the Founding Charism of the Cursillo held in "The Porciúncula" in Palma de Mallorca on the 50th Anniversary of the First Cursillo Weekend held in Cala Figuera in Santanyi, on the Island of Mallorca, Spain in August 1944.*

The following outline is on the 5th topic, *Conviction*. There are 10 topics in the revised translation of 1st Conversations of Cala Figuera. Cursillistas are encouraged to read this topic in its entirety at the [Cursillo Resource Center](#). This is a great resource for study in the School of Leaders. You can purchase a copy of the revised translation at www.natl-cursillo.org.

- All are called to tasks that demand conviction and what everyone does is to compel people to make a decision perhaps without being convinced.
- Some do not believe in the Gospel and others do not believe it to be efficient. Who defrauds God more?
- The capacity for astonishment, together with the capacity for conviction and the capacity for decision, if truly utilized, express and manifest the dimension of the person.
- Human conviction is most powerful when it is centered, unified and interlaced by the most essential reality: "God loves me personally in a singular and unique way".
- Authentic conviction is for a person, a value that does not pass, does not weigh him down nor gets in his way.
- Among the ones that believe they know and the ones that are capable of believing, these last are the ones that advance towards the full and exact fullness of their being a person.
- Man yearns for what is fundamental, not to allow himself to be diluted in peripheral behaviors, but to maintain and to impel the goals of daily living from a firm conviction rooted in reality and truth.
- Conviction is the dorsal fin of knowledge that is controlled, articulated and aimed to reside in the reality, and to be carried out as a person.
- Ignorance is a clamorous invitation to become light.
- Truthfulness is what makes your motives more profound, clear and fully alive.

2018 National Encounter

The 28th National Encounter will be held on August 16- 19, 2018 at Seattle University which is located 15 minutes from the Seattle-Tacoma International airport (SEA) in Seattle, WA.

¹ <http://www.feba.info>

Visit the National Cursillo Website to register online for the encounter or download the forms at:
<https://www.natl-cursillo.org/> (English)
<https://www.natl-cursillo.org/espanol/inicio/> (Español)
<https://www.natl-cursillo.org/tieng-viet/trang-nha/> (Vietnamese)

The registration fee is \$360 per person. If a language group can register at least 150 Cursillistas by April 30, they will get the simultaneous translation during the event. There are only 700 seats available. It's expected to be a fully-packed National Encounter at Seattle University. See you there – bring a friend!

There will be workshops in English, Spanish and Vietnamese on Saturday, August 18. If a language group can register at least 50 Cursillistas by June 15, they can request their own workshop. The following Plenary and Break Out Sessions will be offered during this year's National Encounter. Refer to the Encounter [Agenda](#) for more details.

Friday, August 17 – Plenary Sessions - All Language Groups

Unity in Diversity – 1st Keynote

Theology, Psychology and Pedagogy of Cursillo – 2nd Keynote

Cursillo in Action – Information Session

Saturday, August 18 – Break Out Sessions Per Language Group

School of Leaders and Secretariat: Unity of Purpose and Understanding – 1st Workshop Session

Succession Planning – 2nd Workshop Session

\$3/YR Campaign & Amazon Smile Update

The National Cursillo Center (NCC) has received a total donation of \$167,412 to the \$3/YR Campaign from June 2013 to March 2018. The NCC has advanced approximately \$160,000 to support establishing movements, book discounts, National Encounter registration fee reduction and vouchers to Diocesan Lay Directors. The NCC has received \$951.94 from Smile Amazon Foundation thanks to the participation of many Cursillistas!

Continue promoting the \$3/YR Campaign and Amazon Smile through your Friendship Group Reunion, Ultreya, School of Leaders, Regional Encounters, workshops, personal contact, group email, etc. For more information about the \$3/YR Campaign and Amazon Smile, visit <https://www.natl-cursillo.org/donate-to-cursillo>. Thank you so much for your continuous support and generosity.

We are all sons and daughters of the Resurrection. Jesus Christ is risen and He is forever in our midst. We are the Body of Christ! Happy Easter!

De Colores!

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