Person, Character, and Personality

Source: Reflections II, In Search of Oneself by Eduardo Bonnín.

Eduardo Bonnín was known for using index cards for writing his thoughts. He used the information as an outline when he had to speak to an audience. Some of the index cards contain a single thought or idea, but others are actual outlines.

Since an important part of Eduardo’s thinking is documented on index cards, it was thought that they could be rewritten in a format accessible to everyone. This way his thinking could be published so everyone can enjoy.

The following statements are about the Person, Character and Personality written by Eduardo Bonnín. Cursillistas are encouraged to read the article in its entirety at the Cursillo Resource Center. This is a great resource for personal study and for study in the School of Leaders. The Reflections II, In Search of Oneself book can be purchased online at www.natl-cursillo.org.

- In Cursillo, the person is the focus of our concern.
- The person is the reflection, the expression and the brightness of God’s specific plan for the human being.
- You can never judge anybody from outside, because a person is exactly what their intention is.
- A person reveals themselves to a greater and deeper extent through their reactions than through their actions.
- Since creation, the person is substantially the same, they have not changed i.e. they flee from their fears and go towards their aspirations.
- People who are satisfied with the “how” — mere indicators of a possible way to personal fulfillment — can only obey rules. Whereas, those who are worried about the “why” of things, are able to embody criteria.
- The person affects the world through their conviction; they drive their impact on people through their decision and support it through their disposition.
- The person has four internal cornerstones: Truth: which gives meaning to life; Good: which fosters joy; Friendship: which fosters encouragement; and Art: which is the contemplation of life.
- In each of us there are three dimensions: our person, our personage and our personality, through which we gradually express, convey and make our style of life transparent.
Step by Step Rector’s Guide Introductory Workshop Update

The Regional Coordinators have begun to offer a one-day workshop based on the Step by Step Rector’s Guide during their respective Spring 2019 Regional Encounters. The Regional Coordinators have contacted the Diocesan Secretariats to share the details of the workshop. The presence of all Cursillistas involved in the Cursillo Movement is extremely important during this workshop. The Step by Step Rector’s Guide will eventually replace the current Cursillo [Weekend] Manual.

These are exciting times in the United States Cursillo Movement, because of the opportunity to continue living and sharing the ‘legacy’ of our Founder and the gift of the Foundational Charism of Cursillo.

“The recognition and acceptance of this legacy is not a question of principles, but of embracing a natural apostolate. The rightful heir of this legacy is the person who expresses their enthusiastic ‘yes’ to the invitation of the unique method that Cursillo proposes. Therefore, this legacy cannot be embraced by one person, but by a group of people who journey in the company of friends.”

( My Spiritual Testament)

2019 National Encounter

The 29th National Encounter will be held on July 18-21, 2019 at the University of Scranton, a beautiful Jesuit University, which is centrally located in the Northeast region of Pennsylvania. The University is located approximately 8 miles from the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport (AVP).

This Encounter will be special as the US Cursillo Movement joins Cursillistas from Mallorca in the joyful celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the First Cursillo which was held in August 1944. It is expected to be a fully packed encounter with special guests from Mallorca, hundreds of Cursillistas, clergy and laity, from the United States Cursillos’ various language groups consisting of English, Chinese, Filipino, Korean, Spanish, Portuguese, and Vietnamese. The registration for the 29th National Encounter is open! Register today! See you there – bring a friend!

Visit the National Cursillo website to register online or download the forms at:
https://www.natl-cursillo.org/ (English)
https://www.natl-cursillo.org/espanol/inicio/ (Spanish)
https://www.natl-cursillo.org/tieng-viet/trang-nha/ (Vietnamese)

$3/YR Campaign, Beatification Process & Amazon Smile

The National Cursillo Center (NCC) has received a total donation of $201,344 to the $3/YR Campaign from June 2013 to March 2019. The NCC has advanced $195,000 to support Dioceses that are establishing or re-establishing Cursillo in the US, financial support for the North America Caribbean Group (NACG), provide book discounts, reduced National Encounter registration fee and vouchers to Diocesan Lay Directors.

The Beatification process for Eduardo Bonnín Aguiló will cost about $45,000. Your prayers and financial support to further the Cause of Beatification is greatly appreciated. Contact the
National Cursillo Center if you would like to make a donation for this cause.

The National Cursillo Center has received $1,899 from the Smile Amazon Foundation thanks to the participation of many Cursillistas’ shopping at Amazon!

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.

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