

### 3RD ROLLO - THE CURSILLO LIVED IN THE WORLD. TO LOVE GOD AND TO LOVE NEIGHBOR IN FRIENDSHIP. THROUGH GROUP REUNION AND ULTREYA.

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Write your name and the town you live in. if you are in a permanent group write down their names.

Does anyone not know what Ultreya and group reunion or permanent group are? Group reunion or Permanent group is a small group (2-6) Cursillistas who meet on a regular basis (once a week or every other week) to discuss your piety study and action. You follow the instructions on the group reunion cards. You help and support one another in your faith journey and you plan your future efforts.

Ultreya is a larger group of friends getting together for the same purpose. You start with group reunion in small groups. You match up with People that you do not normally group with. Then there is a witness talk followed by a discussion (echo) and a doctrinal. Then a social to form and bond our friendships. And of course there is prayer and singing through out the evening.

This talk is especially important to all who are not in a permanent group or do not attend Ultreya.

Those of you who are in permanent group and do attend Ultreya you can take a nap. No, I'm kidding. pay attention and hone your skills. I will ask for comments at the end to offer suggestions and share points that I did not cover.

All of us have a God given purpose in life. What is our main purpose in life? It is to get to heaven, and to bring as many people with us as we possibly can. Our time on earth is short, so our goal is to do God's will and try to please Him. One part of that is to love our neighbor as our selves. To care for them and their spiritual needs. We pray for our friends and relatives when they are sick, or in need of work or are struggling with a problem or addiction. We need to pray for their spiritual needs as well. We should pray for everyone that God puts in our path. Our one square meter.

1. WE FOLLOW CHRIST'S COMMANDMENT - "TO LOVE GOD AND TO LOVE OUR NEIGHBOR". WE DO THIS THROUGH FRIENDSHIP.

We are blessed to have lived a Cursillo weekend. Special friendships were forged there through our living the weekend experience together. The wonderful shared living quarters with those plush luxurious king beds. The walk-in showers and sauna. Well, the food was good, right. But out of our weekend we made friends for life. Look around the room. this is a friendly group. God bless Cursillo!

2. CURSILLO GIVES US A WAY TO make even more friends. THIS IN THE THIRD STAGE OF CURSILLO - GROUP REUNION AND ULTREYA.

You have heard the expression; iron sharpens iron. And. If you are not going forward you are going backwards. These are true. We all learned wonderful things on our weekends. The men and women who witnessed their personal beliefs and struggles and hardships and help from above that they experienced, inspired us greatly. But these will be lost if we don't sharpen them and hone them and continue to study and keep them fresh and growing in our minds.

3. TO KEEP ON TRACK - WE LOVE GOD THROUGH REMEMBERING OUR CLOSEST MOMENT TO CHRIST. THROUGH OUR SERVICE SHEET WE FILLED OUT ON OUR WEEKEND, WE REMEMBER THE WAYS WE FULFILL OUR PIETY  
WE HAVE A CONSTANT AWARENESS OF CHRIST THROUGH STUDY  
AND REMEMBER OUR CONCERN FOR OUR NEIGHBOR AND THOSE IN OUR PERSON TO PERSON EVERY DAY LIFE WITNESSING TO THEM THROUGH OUR LIFE. THIS IS OUR ACTION.

I have been a member of a permanent group since I made my weekend in march 2005. Listening to each ones "closest moments with Christ" I am now better able to recognize Christs presents in my life. This is one of the benefits of attending Ultryea and group reunion. It gives you an opportunity to say thank you to God.

Sometimes it is difficult in our secular world to publicly show our love of God. This too becomes easier when you group. Hearing one story after another about the experiences of your friends is both educational and inspirational. I learn from you and you learn from me. Together we grow in our mission to be God's hands and feet on earth

4. USING OUR SHARING IN OUR PERMANENT GROUP TO ENCOURAGE US, WE PLAN OUR ACTIONS FOR THE NEXT WEEK.  
When WE COME TOGETHER AGAIN WE SHARE OUR SUCESES AND FAILURES AND GAIN COURAGE TO PERSEVERE IN OUR CHRISTIAN LIFE. ALL OF THIS IS DONE IN FRIENDSHIP.

The guys in my permanent group truly know and understand me. They know my strengths and my weaknesses and I value their suggestions and recommendations. I know they have my best interest at heart and I can trust them completely. When I present a challenge that I'm facing, they offer incites that I may never think of. Two heads are better than one. We not only help each other but it is comforting to have such loyal friends. It didn't happen overnight but being together so long we have developed true life long friendships.

5. THE ULTREYA GIVES US THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE NEW FRIENDS AND TO SHARE WITH OTHERS AND FIND THOSE TO FORM A PERMANENT GROUP WITH.

I have the Ultraya dates and places listed on the web site BuffaloCursillo.com. I have a couple sheets here. I love attending Ultraya. As lay director I am trying to visit all the Ultrayas. Each one is different and unique. All of them good.

6. CHRIST WANTS US TO - "COME FOLLOW ME". AS WE JOURNEY WE WILL FIND OTHERS WHO WILL FOLLOW US BECAUSE THEY SEE OR EXPERIENCE SOMETHING THEY ALSO WANT TO HAVE. WE CAN BRING THEM ALONG TO FIND CHRIST.

Sponsors Think of all the Cursillistas that you have sponsored. Do they attend Ultraya? Are they part of a permanent group.? Go back and reach out to them. Maybe the day that your Ultraya meets is not available for them. Go on the website and see the list of ultrayas. Find a day that is good and take them there.

I can't urge you enough to form small permanent groups and attend Ultreya. If you are not in a permanent group and would like to join one, pray to the holy spirit to help you find one.

With your permission I would like to help you find a permanent group. If you have someone in mind that you would like to group with state that on the card and I will try to hook you up with them. If you are in a permanent group and you are willing to accept one or two new members, write yes on your paper. And hand them to me. I will see if we can match you up with someone. If I can't here, I will contact the closest Ultreya and ask them to help.

Would anyone like to share What are the important things that you get out of Ultreya and permanent group?