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To: All Diocesan Secretariats, The Cursillo Movement in the USA

From: Omar Baez, National Executive Committee Chairperson

Subject: Power Point and other Media in the Cursillo Weekend.

De Colores! It was brought to the National Secretariat's (NS) attention that some of the Cursillo communities are using Power Point and other media (Video/Audio/Overhead Projectors) during the Cursillo Weekends to assist with presenting the Rollos and other aspects of the Weekend.

The NS determined that the use of Power Point and other media are not in line with the Foundational Charism of the Cursillo Movement given by the Holy Spirit to its Founder, Mr. Eduardo Bonnín. It is important for the candidates to focus their attention on the person giving the Rollo and their witness through personal contact, instead of looking at a screen or some other tool of technology. The NS is not against technology but agree in keeping it out of the Weekend.

Eduardo Bonnín said, "When the focus is towards the person, the personal relationship with Christ and with our brothers and sisters will become more important than just morals, rites, and structures. Those who discover this for themselves - will find happiness."

As stated by Mallorca, "The idea of 'Rollos' in Cursillos is not to transfer ideas or lessons, but life. The ideas are nothing but the backbone of leaders living in Christ. Leaders should take into account that if Precursillo is done properly, candidates have different culture bases, some purely basic, most average and some might even be highly qualified intellectuals so insisting in knowledge is not the proper way to take the decision of their life: but of becoming the Good News. We, in Mallorca, would never expose Rollos using Power Point or other type of presentation, only personal witnessing with no other support but our own voice and attitude."

It is not necessary to provide handouts of the Rollos or use visual aids to ensure the candidates capture every word the rollista is saying. The Rollos are only one element of the Weekend; therefore, it's not about knowledge gained. It is about trusting that God's grace is at work in each candidate and therefore, they will take home whatever God has in store for each individual.

Together, let us remain faithful to the Charism. Let us avoid any potential risk of losing personal witness and eye contact with the candidates, hesitancy to serve on teams due to lack of technical proficiency, or creation of competition with the use of Power Point or other media/technology.

Together, let us realize the gift of the Cursillo Movement by evangelizing the person through the charism of friendship and personal contact. For questions, contact the National Secretariat Chairperson. God bless, and Ultreya!

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