



# Cursillos in Christianity National Newsletter

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## Freedom

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

The revised translation of the 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 2nd topic, Freedom. There are 10 topics in the book, 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.

- Only when the person enjoys freedom can they show their capacity and quality as a true person.
- To love is to make possible and facilitate freedom for others.
- Happiness is to be yourself – to act authentically and genuinely.
- Those who follow advice hardly ever get acceptance from those who accomplish the precepts but who have no desire to know the reason for these precepts.
- To have freedom is to have the possibility or right to say at all times what one thinks and believes.
- If someone tries to motivate a person by giving them advice, he does nothing more than depersonalize them.
- If someone manages to help the person discover their true motivation, he is helping them to become a person and to feel happy because they can see for themselves that they are becoming a better person, yearning to exercise with their qualities with intensity, always in a constant development toward fulfillment.
- Many people are not willing to meet the demands of the truth because they think these demands of the truth go against their inner need and desire for happiness.
- When people become aware that “God loves them”, they feel prompted from within to face the events and circumstances of their daily life and react to them with their most radical originality and dynamic creativeness with an overflowing sense of fulfillment.

## 2018 National Encounter

Preliminary plans are in progress to sign a contract with the Seattle University to hold the 2018 National Encounter on August 16-19, 2018. More information about the encounter will be provided at a later date when the contract is finalized.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.feba.info>

## Bookstore

The National Cursillo Center has added the following new publications from FEBA (Foundation of Eduardo Bonnín Aguiló) to the [catalog](#):

- ✓ *Manifesto* (English and Spanish)
- ✓ *Reflections II* (English)
- ✓ *Revised 1<sup>st</sup> Conversation of Carla Figuera* (USA English edition)

If you haven't bought any of the 60<sup>th</sup> Cursillo Anniversary gifts at the 27<sup>th</sup> National Encounter, this is the last chance to get them now at the [NCC bookstore](#) while supplies last!

## \$3/YR Campaign Update

As of September 30, 2017, the National Cursillo Center (NCC) has received a total donation of \$156,626. This amount is up 2% from July 2017. The \$3/YR Campaign was introduced in June 2013. The NCC has advanced approximately \$150,000 to support establishing movements, book discounts, National Encounter registration fee reduction and vouchers to Diocesan Lay Directors. Please continue promoting the Campaign through your Friendship Group Reunion, Ultreya, School of Leaders, Regional Encounters, workshops, personal contact, group e-mail, etc. For more information about the \$3/YR Campaign, visit <https://www.natl-cursillo.org/donate-to-cursillo>. Thank you so much for your continuous support and generosity.

## Amazon Smile Foundation and Cursillo

The National Cursillo Movement has been successfully registered with the Amazon Smile Program as a non-profit organization eligible to receive donations through the Foundation. Amazon Smile is a website operated by Amazon that allows you to enjoy the same wide selection of products and convenient shopping features as on Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on Amazon Smile ([www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com)), the Amazon Smile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to the eligible non-profit organization of your choice.

### Easy steps to support National Cursillo Movement through Amazon Smile:

- ✓ Click on the link below to register National Cursillo Movement as your charitable organization: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/46-0563788>
- ✓ Always shops at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) to support National Cursillo Movement.

As of August 2017, the National Cursillo Center (NCC) has received \$644.59 from Amazon Smile Foundation thanks to your online shopping at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com).

If we can get 100,000 Cursillistas enrolled in this program, the National Cursillo Center will receive an annual donation of \$200K to \$400K from Amazon Smile.

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