April 2025

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SCRATCHINGS



Western Kentucky Ecumenical Cursillo

Dear Family,

Our weekends are less than a month away, with the Men's weekend starting May 1. There is much to do, and these weekends only happen because of your faithful sacrifices. Before I get to the list of needs, I want to reflect briefly on the Cursillo and the power of individual sacrifice. I won't take much of your time, but I do want to say this: It is biblical and true—God is moved by the sacrifices of His people. In the Old Testament, sacrifices were described as having a *pleasing aroma* to God. And He responded. Here are a few scriptures to encourage you in this season of sacrifice:

God Honors Those Who Honor Him

• 1 Samuel 2:30 – "For those who honor Me I will honor, and those who despise Me shall be lightly esteemed."

• When we dedicate our time, talents, and resources to honor God, He acknowledges and responds to that devotion.

Sacrifices that Please God

• *Hebrews 13:15-16* – "Through Him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge His name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God."

God Will Not Despise Sacrifices From the Heart

• *Psalm 51:16-17* – "For You will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it; You will not be pleased with a burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, You will not despise."

Jesus as Our Model of Sacrifice

• *Philippians 2:5-8* – Jesus humbled Himself and sacrificed everything for us.

• Our willingness to lay down our lives for God's purposes reflects Christ's heart and brings joy to the Father.

Many before us have sacrificed for this ministry of spiritual renewal. Thank you for your commitment and dedication.

Weekend info:

The first two formations went wonderfully. We have 7 Men and 7 Ladies (the list will be updated soon). Candidate applications are a most urgent need. Please ask those on you're heart. Click on the online link and send it to your potential candidates. Online Application

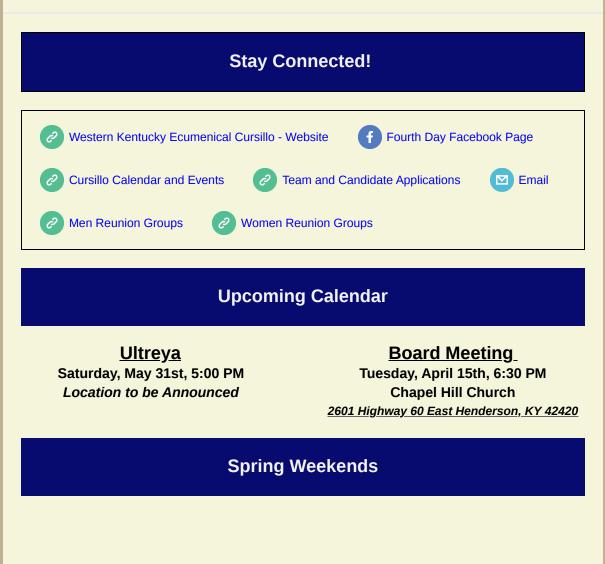
Signup for Prayer Charts and Serving Charts

<u>Men's Prayer Chart</u> <u>Men's Serving Chart</u> <u>Women's Prayer Chart</u> <u>Women's Serving Chart</u>

<u>Men's Team/Talk List</u> <u>Women's Team/Talk List</u> <u>Candidate List</u>

We will post our immediate needs on our <u>Facebook Page</u>. Please follow us there.

De Colores! Lay Director Kenny Quinton





Men's 95th Cursillo May 1st - 4th, 2025 Jason Cox, Rector Phone: 602.486.1967 jason_cox4130@yahoo.com 1202 North Adams St. Sturgis, KY 42459 Men's Team Application



Women's 94th Cursillo May 15th - 18th, 2025 Melissa Willett, Rectora Phone: 270.860.7264 mwillett75@yahoo.com 717 Richardson Ave. Henderson, KY 42420 Women's Team Application

Secretariat

Minutes Secretariat Board Meeting February 27, 2025 **Board & Chairs**

Spiritual Director

Members present: Stacy Baker, Jason Buckman, Keith Buckman, Holly Hedrick Palanca, Jason Hedrick, Donna Jewell, Blair Lamb, Jim Lyon, Clay Norman, Megan Randolph, Kenny Quinton, Mark Thomas, Barbara Thomas, Randy Trent, Joey Willett Guests: Melissa Willett

Opening Prayer: Blair Lamb

Meditation: Jason gave each member present a list of scriptures titled Let Us..... He stated that God reminds us that we are to do many things in unity with one another. He also reminds us in this that we have a personal walk, but also a responsibility to be in one accord on some things. He asked each person to think about which of the scriptures spoke to us as we took communion, passing the elements around the room.

Minutes: Minutes of the January meeting were read and approved after a motion by Keith Buckman and seconded by Joey Willett.

Treasurer Report: Barbara Thomas presented the financial report.

Pre Cursillo-Report: Jason Hedrick stated he was donating a griddle to be kept at Camp Clark for use on the weekends.

Post Cursillo Report: March Ultreya will be held at Morganfield Baptist Church on the 15th The date change is due to another event being held at the church on March 8th. Information will be posted in all the Cursillo publications.

Palanca Report: Holly Hedrick explained the process used to receive and send letters to other organizations having similar weekends as Cursillo.

Spiritual Director Report: Jason Buckman stated recruiting pastors for the weekends was going well.

Old Business: Kenny gave an overview of the technology platforms supporting Cursillo. These included Facebook, Google Drive and Gmail, Mail Chimp for the Scratchings, JotForm for team application and a demonstration of the new website. He stated that it could be completed and launched in the next 2 weeks. He stated members would be notified when it was launched in the Scratchings and on Facebook.

Melissa Willett stated everything was going well and letters to team members were set to be mailed Saturday.

New Business: Donna Jewell stated several 4th Day members had asked to have a Cursillo Cookbook with favorite recipes from the weekends and weekend cooks. Currently this is in the planning stages, getting costs, etc. The board will be informed when more information is available.

Joey Willett presented information about current printing costs for the weekend. Last year 2700 black and white pages and 1000 color pages were printed at a cost of 0.16 per page for black and white and 0.4 for color. This included replacing job description Bro. Jason Buckman 270.748.0236 10564 Mullins Lane Robards KY, 42452

Lay Director

Kenny Quinton 812.499.4292 2912 Waller Omer Road Sturgis KY 42459

Members

Keith Buckman Donna Jewell Megan Randolph Mark Thomas Jason Hedrick Barbara Thomas Randy Trent Joey Willett Blair Lamb Jim Lyon Clay Norman Stacy Baker

Treasurer Barbara Thomas

Secretary Donna Jewell

Pre-Cursillo Coordinator Jason Hedrick

Post-Cursillo Coordinator Chris Trainer

Registrar Frank Cates

Palanca Chair Holly Hedrick

Reunion Group Chair Megan Randolph

Communications Chair Stacy Baker

Website and DB Admin

Librarian / Archivist Joey Willett

Storage Building Mgr. Chris Willett books, music books, talk books, pilgrims guide that were missing after the weekends as well as pages needed for the rectors/rectoras for the teams. The savings of local printing, rather than outside printing have been approximately \$1000 per year. They also maintain a database of talks, templates for the books, forms etc. needed for the weekends. This ensures that everything needed is consistent from weekend to weekend.

A discussion about the weekend songs being placed in the song books was held. The books are not updated after each weekend. A review of the song books was done about 5years ago by a group of weekend musicians and some songs were deleted that had not been used in years and some new songs were added. Not the weekend songs since then are currently in the books. Keith Buckman will lead a group to review the books and make recommendations to the Secretariat. Joey pointed out adding new songs to the books would require all the books to be available and would also require changes to the table of contents in the books as it is in alphabetical order.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned after a motion by Keith Buckman and second by Jim Lyon

Respectively submitted,

Donna Jewell Secretary.



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