

Dear Family,

Let me start by asking for your attention to both the **immediate** and the **important**.

The **immediate** is the opportunity to gather in fellowship at the February Ultreya **this Saturday, February 8**, at **Chapel Hill Church** in Henderson. You can find the details below or view the <u>FaceBook invite</u>.

The **important** item to consider is the **call for team members** to serve on the **Men's and Women's teams**. Men's Team Application Women's Team Application

Guidelines to Consider Before Applying for a Team

- If you are facing serious personal challenges—whether in your marriage, with alcohol or drugs, or in any other area of life—please do not accept the responsibility of being a team member at this time.
- Be prepared to attend **ALL** spiritual formation meetings. (If you miss two meetings, you will need to step down from the team.)
- A team member should be fully committed to the formation process and willing to give of themselves completely.

Now, a few thoughts on weekends in general, our role in them, and why they are consistently impactful... One of my favorite descriptions of the Cursillo was often said by our friend and longtime Spiritual Director of this movement, Gary Turner. He would describe the Cursillo to be "one part miracle and one part method." I love this description because it reminds us that while we faithfully follow the method, we ultimately rely on God for the miracle. I love the ways of the Cursillo, the dynamics of each day, and the inspired methods behind each element. I don't see the detailed schedule with its constant expectations and guidance as a burden but rather like a treasured family recipe anticipated and enjoyed every time it is meticulously prepared and served. The miracle, on the other hand, is the Holy Spirit sweeping across the weekend, transforming lives in ways we cannot control and may not predict but we have the privilege to witness the transformed lives.

John 3:8 The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.

Of course, our role is not to manufacture the miracle but to prepare the space where the Spirit of God can move freely.

Zechariah 4:6 – "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the Lord Almighty

This seems like a good time to ask, where are you going Kenny? I am simply trying to encourage each of us to trust this old Cursillo method and the ancient Spirit of God to be more than enough as we approach these weekends with Great Confidence. If you are a team member, attend all formations, and study your job description and weekend dynamics. If you are sponsoring a candidate prepare them well and understand your role in supporting them. If you are planning on signing up for the serving or prayer charts, do so with a glad heart knowing the candidates will benefit from your sacrifice. On and on, there are tangible ways guided by proven methods where we can support these weekends. But when we come to the end of what we know to do, we must wait for the miracle. Like the believers at Pentecost, who had done all they knew to do, we will prepare faithfully and then wait expectantly for God's movement. Acts 2:2-4 ² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

The formations will be here soon enough, followed by our spring weekends. What an exciting time for us to faithfully prepare ourselves in every way while accepting our great need for Jesus, *the author and finisher of our faith* Hebrews 12:1-2

De Colores! Lay Director Kenny Quinton

Stay Connected!



Upcoming Calendar

February Ultreya

Saturday, February 8th, 5:00 PM Chapel Hill Church

2601 Highway 60 East Henderson, KY 42420

Board Meeting

Thursday, February 20th, 6:30 PM Chapel Hill Church

2601 Highway 60 East Henderson, KY 42420

March Ultreya

Saturday, March 15th, 5:00 PM Morganfield First Baptist 200 North Morgan St, Morganfield, KY 42437

Spring Weekends



Men's 95th Cursillo
May 1st - 4th, 2025
Jason Cox, Rector
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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

Board Meeting Minutes November 19, 2024

Board & Chairs

Spiritual Director

Members present: Jason Buckman, Keith Buckman, Frank Cates, Jason Hedrick, Donna Jewell, Kenny Quintom, Megan Randolph, Barbara Thomas, Mark Thomas, Joey Willett

Members absent: Mary Beth Buckman, Andria Lyon, Randy Trent

Opening Prayer: Stephen Baker

Meditation: Jason Buckman asked if we had ever been in a job when management changed and how we handled the changes that came with that change. He read verses from Daniel 7 and Luke 6. When you became a Christian were you under new management? Could people see a difference in you? We were slaves to sin prior to being called to live a life in the Lord. He read from 1 Corinthians 6 and Philippians 2:9. Who is managing us now? Are we known by the fruits we bear?

Minutes: Minutes from the August 2024 meeting were read and approved after a motion by Frank Cates and second by Keith Buckman. The September meeting did not have a quorum, so no official business was conducted. Notes from the September meeting were read.

Treasurer Report: Kenny reported expenses from the fall weekends had been paid and are as follows: Camp Clark fees \$1600, Printing costs \$821 and spiritual director's fees \$750

Palanca Report: Kenny reporter there was an abundance of palanca for both weekends

Spiritual Director Report: Jason stated that all the talks went well on both weekends, and everyone stayed within the time limits.

Pre Cursillo Report: Jason Hedrick reported that the camp refrigerators worked well on both weekends.

Post Cursillo Report: Chris Trainer reported that the December Ultreya would be at Webb Community Church in Clay, December 7. This event will be potluck with Cursillo supplying the meat. The next Ultreya will be in February with the location to be announced. The need to encourage 4th day members to attend the ulrreyas was discussed. A suggestion was made to bring potential candidates for future weekends to an Ultreya to help them better understand what the weekend might be like.

Old Business: Kenny and Jason Buckman stated that they felt that all the speakers were very well prepared, and all the talks went well.

Kenny reported that the forms posted on Google Drive had worked well. He stated that a back-up system for the new website was in progress.

New Business: Jason Buckman asked for feedback on the current method for the instructional Eucharist that is done on Friday morning of the weekend including the input from a Catholic

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Lay Director

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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

priest or Deacon Mike. Everyone present felt that the current method is working well.

Button (name tag) Supply Steve Durban

Kenny asked about doing the Cursillo awareness section at the first formation. This includes the atmosphere at different points in the weekend and that all team members should be aware of the mood at different times of the weekend (dying moments, candle walk etc.). He will bring the current document to the next meeting

Suggestions made for future weekends included:

Organizing supplies in the trailer and closet in the conference room labeling shelves etc.)

Give the pilgrim guides to candidates at check in rather than during introductions in the conference room. Have team members bring their guides to the weekend.

Purchase a laptop and projector to be used on the weekend as needed

Work on safety issues with the Camp Clark director (steps, handrails, air conditioners etc.)

Have a microphone at the podium for the candidates to use- many time hard to hear them at the back of the room.

Kenny was asked to leave the room while the board discussed his election for another 3-year term as lay director. The board approved another term.

Ballots were submitted for new board members to begin January 2025 replacing Mary Beth Buckman, Frank Cates, Mikki Forker, and Andria Lyon

With no further business the meeting was adjourned after a motion by Keith Buckman and second by Frank Cates.

Closing prayer: Jason Buckman

Donna Jewell Secretary

SCRATCHINGS



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