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CM in Africa

Let's all help!

Let's help the CM to spread in Africa!

If we all want we will get teams and means to perform more Cursillos in Africa and in others places in the World where the CM has not yet arrived.

Volunteers are required to form teams and money to organize and perform Cursillos in a continent eager to God.

Help with your prayer and sacrifice, but it is also very necessary to the monetary support.

We just ask that each one contribute with a monetary unit in your country (1 euro, 1 dollar, 1 pound, 1 ...).

Together we are millions!

Make your contribution using the bank account:

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Its' good to remember the most important moments of the CM.

A bit of history:

1902 – December 11– Was born in Madrid, Spain, Manuel Aparici Navarro.

1905 – November 30- Was born in Puzol, Valencia, Spain, Juan Hervás I Benet.

1913 – July 30– Was born in Felanitx, Mallorca, Spain, Sebastián Gayá Riera.

1917 – May 4–Was born in Palma de Mallorca, Spain, Eduardo Bonnín Aguiló.

1923 – May 20-Was born in Andratx, Mallorca, Spain, Juan Capó Bosch.

1936-1939 – Spanish Civil War.

1940 –February 6- Pope Pius XII gives a speech appealing to evangelization which inspired Eduardo Bonnín writing the text "Environmental Study".

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The National Council of JACE (Spanish Catholic Action Youth), then headed by Manuel Aparici, established an intense preparation with the ideal of a spiritual pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela that took place through the "*Cursillos for Advanced Pilgrims*", which were diocesan and led by members of the National Council of the JACE, and "*Cursillo for Leaders of Pilgrims*", held in parishes, led by members of the Diocesan Councils.

1941 – April – The first Cursillo of Adelantados of Pilgrims of Mallorca was held on the sanctuary of Lluc.

1943 – Eduardo Bonnín elaborates the text "Environmental Study", base of the future Cursillos of Christianity. During Holy week, Eduardo Bonnín attend to the second "Cursillo of Adelantados of Pilgrims", in Mallorca.

1944 – 19 to 22 August – Cala Figuera de Santanyí –Mallorca – Spain. Was held a *Cursillo* named "*Cursillo for Leaders of Pilgrims*", in which Edward presents his "Study of the environment". This *Cursillo*, whose duration was reduced from a week to three and a half days, was one of the first steps towards the establishment of the method of the CM. Eduardo Bonnín served as "rector", being Spiritual Director the Reverend Father Juan Juliá. The rest of the team was composed by Jaime Riutort and José Ferragut, with the participation of fourteen young boys.

1945 – Eduardo Bonnín is invited to participate as leader, in the third "*Cursillo of Adelantados of Pilgrims*" reading his "Study of the environment", which was attached to the method of that kind of *cursillos*.

1946 – September – Was held in the Sanctuary of S. Salvador, in Felanitx (Mallorca) one more *Cursillo* coordinate by Eduardo Bonnín, having participated in the closing ceremony the Diocesan Youth's Council Conciliarly, Mons. José Dameto.

1947 – D. Juan Hervás Benet was designate Auxiliary Bishop of Mallorca, entitled to succession. The School Leaders began to meet weekly, and D. Juan appointed to be the Diocesan Advisor to the Young the Reverend Father Sebastián Gayá.

1948 – Take place the pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela. Two more *cursillos* were held and, during these early years, the contents and the form of action suffer some adaptations coming to stabilize and adopt the definitive method in the early fifties. The Reverend Father Juan Capó returns to Mallorca from Rome where he completed his doctorate in theology. On the initiative of Guillermo Estarellas, for the first time in a *Cursillo*, it was sing the "*De Colores*" that thereafter became a chant and an expression almost Holy-and-password for all who lived through this same experience of a *Cursillo*.

1949 – 7 to 10 January – Saint Honorat Monastery – Mallorca – Spain. Begins the numbering of Cursillos and was held the "Cursillo number 1", in which were used the definitive *rollos* and meditations schemes. The Spiritual Director was the Reverende Father Guilormo Payeras, the "rector" was Eduardo Bonnín and the rest of the team was Bartolomé Riutort, Andrés Rullán, Guillermo Estarellas and Guillermo Font. Mons. Juan Capó presented the two meditations of the retreat (on the first night) with a style so young and with so much theological content, which was incorporate on the method proposed by Eduardo Bonnín. That same year there were over twenty other Cursillos.

1952 – D. Juan Hervás, on the Annual Youth Assembly, solemnly proclaimed that the movement should be called "*Cursillos de Cristandad*".

1953 – 15 to 19 August –Saint Miguel de Liria Monastery – Valencia – Spain. It was held the first Cursillo in a different catholic diocese than Mallorca. The Spiritual Directors were the Reverends Priests Juan and Pedro Capó Maury, the "rector" was Eduardo Bonnín and the rest of the team was Juan Moncadas, Cristóbal Almendro and Guillermo Font.

The first country to receive the CM was Colombia, through Catholic Action, where the first Cursillo outside Spain is held in October of the same. This was also where the first Cursillo for women.

In a few years, in various ways, it spread throughout other countries of South America, North America and all the continents.

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1955 – May 9– Monsignor Juan Hervás is transferred to Ciudad Real.

September 25 - Arrive in Mallorca Mons. Jesús Enciso.

1961 –The first National Secretariat was established in Mexico after the First National Conference in that country.

1962 – Venezuela, Spain, Portugal, Brazil formed their National Secretariats. In the same year more than twenty national Secretariats were formed.

1963 – Pope Paul VI declared Saint Paul as Heavenly Patron of the Cursillos of Christianity.

1964 – August 28 - Manuel Aparici Navarro dies.

1966 – The First World Ultreya, celebrated in Rome (Italy), with the presence of Pope Paul VI is considered the I World Encounter.

1970 – The II World Encounter was held in Tlaxcala, Mexico, when the Latin American Office of Cursillos in Christianity (OLCC) was established.

1972 – The III World Encounter was held in Mallorca (Spain), where it was agreed to produce the "Fundamental Ideas of the CM" and the European Working Group (GET) was created and held its first meeting in Mallorca later that year.

1973 – The countries in North America, Europe, Asia and Oceania raised the English Language Group (IELG).

1974 – It was published the book "Fundamental Ideas of the CM".

1980 – The then existing International Groups (OLCC, GET, IELG) meeting at the V Inter-American Encounter in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, decided to establish the World Body of the Cursillo (OMCC).

1982 – June 6–Mons. Juan Hervás dies.

1984 – March 7–Juan Capó dies.

1988 – The IV World Encounter was held in Caracas, Venezuela, where it was agreed to publish a second edition of Fundamental Ideas.

1989 – The OMCC sought the admission of the CM to the Conference of International Catholic Organizations.

1990 – It was published the second edition of the "Fundamental Ideas of CM", and the countries of Asia and Oceania formed the Asia-Pacific Group (APG).

1997 – The V World Encounter was held in Seoul, Korea. The English speaking countries of Europe joined GET, and the North America/Caribbean Group (NACG) was formed.

2000 – The II World Ultreya, celebrated in Rome (Italy), with the presence of Pope Saint John Paul II.

2004 - The Pontifical Council for the Laity decreed *ad experimentum* the canonical recognition of the OMCC.

2005 – The VI World Encounter was held in Sao Paulo, Brazil, in 2005, where was made the decision to publish a third edition of Fundamental Ideas.

2007 – December 23 – Sebastián Gayá dies.

2008 – February 06 –Eduardo Bonnín dies.

2009 – September 13 - The IV World Ultreya was held in Anaheim – United States of America.

2013 – The VII World Encounter was held in Brisbane, Australia, where the draft of the third edition of Fundamental Ideas was approved

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2014 – September 13– In an ordinary meeting of the OMCC held in Fátima (Portugal) it is definitely approved the text of the third edition of Fundamental Ideas.

December 12 - The Pontifical Council for the Laity decreed definitely the canonical recognition of the OMCC.

2015 –The third edition of the “Fundamental Ideas of the CM” is publish.

April 30 and May 1 – With the presence of the Pope Francis, was celebrated in Rome –Italy the III European Ultreya.

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