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My dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Once again our thanks to all who offered their prayer support for those countries around the world suffering death and destruction from natural disasters.

Keep up the prayers, calling on the Lord for comfort and strength for those affected, and generosity and compassion from those of us who are more fortunate. You are all especially remembered in our celebrations of Eucharist.

I ask for your Palanca as we try to find a way forward in completing the revision of Fundamental Ideas. It is not only the financial aspect, but also finding a time which suits all the busy members of the Commission. We must call on the Spirit to help us in this work.

Again a reminder to keep up your Study of the Charism: In the OMCC bulletin of February 2008 we read of " *four essential elements and characteristics as evidence of a charism:*

- 1. a gratuitous gift from God*
- 2. granted to one or various persons*
- 3. for the good of the church community*
- 4. recognized by the hierarchy.*

These elements are found concretely in the Charism of the Cursillos of Christianity Movement as they are in any ecclesial Movement.

The charism of cursillo is to live filled with grace giving testimony to the movable square meter that surrounds us (our ambiente) by the best means which is friendship.

This is the Gift of God that gave origin to the Cursillos of Christianity Movement."

There is so much more for us to discover as we study the Charism.

One of the essential components of the Foundational thought of Cursillos is the concept of PERSON. I would like to share a few short reflections on this subject.

Person- (One who is being Authentic, living with integrity)

The human being as a rational and social animal, subject to rights and realities, is capable of loving and only in love will feel fulfilled and happy.

In the interior world of the human person is where God has placed what is most beautiful and wonderful in His creation.

Every person longs to discover who they really are: to identify the most private aspect of their reality as a person; the framework of his/her identity, which is in fact that most beautiful person - a wonder of God's creation and beloved of Him.

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What this means is that being a person who is fully alive is progressing from conforming to society's idea of who one should be, to choosing to allow God to make a new creation, the one He has had in mind since before one was formed in his/her mother's womb.

A person is then one who knows that he/she is capable of loving and worthy of being loved. Respecting the person means we ought never invade the sanctity of his/her inner most being.

Each one discovers his/her personal vocation. The realities of a Christian life are brought to life in the uniqueness, the originality and the creativity of each person. A person is always in the process of becoming. One is not born a Christian, one becomes one. The Cursillo does not aim at getting the best people to become Christians, but that Christians are Christian.

Our conscience, or sense of good and evil comes from our perspective as a person. The source of freedom and joy lies within oneself. The kingdom of God is within, It is written on our hearts.

As Christians,(the best we can be), as Cursillistas, each of us is called to recognise that every human being within our square metre is created as an individual of deep worth, capable of unique possibilities, and worthy of respect. Our Cursillos in Christianity want the Spirit of the Lord in Christ to meet with the freedom of the human person, and this person, discovering they are loved by God personally and unconditionally, can become "the best they can be."

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Your Sister in Christ

Yvonne

Mrs Yvonne Carrigan – OMCC President

From the pen of the Spiritual Advisor

If someone asked me who I am, I would tell them my name. In making that simple response I have proclaimed that I am a human being, an individual person. I am someone, not something. I am Adrian, son of Frank and Edith, brother of Joan and Les. I am someone in a network of relationships. I am known not just by my family, but by friends, and colleagues, and further afield again, as I have a public role that brings me into contact with a host of people.

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Over and above all that I am known by God, not just as one in the crowd, but personally. God will never forget me or cease loving me. As a human person I reflect the image of the Trinity.

Even if I was born with profound disabilities as a friend of mine was – unable to see, speak or hear – I remain a person loved by God. My friend's world, as best we can determine, is made up of what she receives by touch and smell. She still has a name, lives in loving relationships and brings joy to those who know by giving them the chance to love her without the expectation of a similar response

I am a person, she is a person. It is this foundation on which Cursillo rests.

Shalom,

Fr Adrian

OMCC Spiritual Advisor