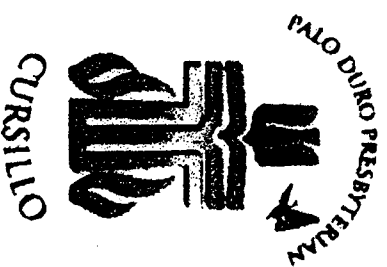
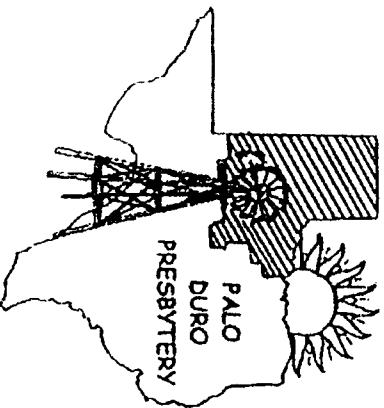




PALO DURO PRESBYTERIAN
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WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME . . .
WHY ATTEND?

- A mini-vacation with no television, telephones, mail, kids, shopping, work, parents . . . a theme cruise without the water or seasickness.
- Full-time pampering.
- Good food and treats.
- Lots of fun and laughter.
- Social interaction . . . leading to deep friendships and support systems.
- Inspirational stories of real people (15 of them, mostly lay people . . . only 15 minutes maximum) which illustrate central Christian beliefs.
- A deeper and more "living" faith.
- Your own, individual needs . . . met.



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WHAT IS PRESBYTERIAN *CURSILLO*?

Cursillo is a *Short Course in Christianity*. It is a three-day weekend that is intended to impact the life of the participant in a specific, identifiable way. This retreat is organized around a series of talks given by both clergy and lay people who serve as staff for the weekend. In addition to these talks, and the responses to these talks, there are opportunities for worship, celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, devotional moments, small group participation, and community building.

***CURSILLO* IS FOCUSED ON LIBERATION.** The concept of liberation means being set free to live a new kind of life in Christ. It seeks to unmask both moral and psychological

obstacles to living a life of grace. *Cursillo* seeks to be a particular time of heightened awareness of God's call and command.

***CURSILLO* IS FOCUSED ON CHRIST.** *Cursillo* seeks to lead the participant to experience the coming to life of the truth of Christianity, which is Christ. The message of *Cursillo* is to encounter Christ, the Living Lord.

***CURSILLO* IS FOCUSED ON THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.** *Cursillo* offers, not a methodology for living, but a backbone for life. *Cursillo* seeks to give shape, strength, and resilience to Christian persons, who then are challenged to shape their world after the Kingdom of Christ.

***CURSILLO* IS FOCUSED ON PERSEVERANCE** -- the rest of life. *Cursillo* encourages participants to form themselves into small groups in which they reaffirm and reinforce all of the focuses of *Cursillo*, so that the impact of the *Cursillo* weekend will be continued throughout life as they faithfully seek to transform their world for Christ.

***CURSILLO* offers itself as part of the life pilgrimage of the participant.** It is neither the beginning nor the end of one's faith journey. It is neither essential to, nor exclusive of, the other parts of one's faith journey. It is one way of growing in faith. It is offered as one way that the Church can equip, encourage, and empower its members to live in all of their life environments as personal agents of Christ.