# Canadian Anglican Cursillo

# LETTER OF AGREEMENT



This is a reproduction of the content of the letter of agreement under which the Anglican Cursillo Movement operates in Canada.

This agreement is entered into and dated as of the ninth day of. May 1989 by and between the National Secretariat of the United States Catholic Cursillo Movement, an unincorporated association, having a mailing address of P.O. Box 210226, Dallas, Texas, USA (hereinafter referred to as ""he National Secretariat"" and the Canadian Anglican Cursillo Movement, having a mailing address of 2516 Woburn Crescent, Oakville, Ontario, Canada L6L 5E9 (hereinafter referred to as "CAC").

- 1. The National Secretariat has engaged in religious and educational services, including conducting religious seminars, retreats and conferences and has engaged in the publication and distribution of pamphlets, brochures, books, pictures and audio-visual material relating to such religious and educational services.
- 2. The National Secretariat has utilized trademarks and service marks in conjunction with religious and educational services, in the printing and distribution of materials relating thereto, and such service marks and trademarks include, but are not limited to "Cursillo," "Cursillos in Christianity," "Cursillo Movement," and "Cursillos de Christiandad."
- 3. The aforementioned trademarks and service marks have been registered by the National Secretariat in the United States of America where the use of such trademarks and service marks originated, and are associated with the services and materials distributed by the National Secretariat.
- 4. CAC and its executive committee, Canadian Anglican Cursillo Secretariat, (hereinafter referred to as "CACS") is engaged in similar services to the National Secretariat, within the Anglican Church of Canada and uses the same trademarks and service marks as noted under paragraph 2 of this agreement.
- 5. The National Secretariat and CAC wish to work together in a spirit of co-operation to ensure that all Cursillo Movements operate within the meaning of Cursillo authentically as envisaged by the founders of Cursillo and as outlined in the publication entitled "The Fundamental Ideas of the Cursillo Movement." At least one annual meeting will be held between representative(s) of CAC and The National Secretariat to discuss our common interest in the implementation of authentic Cursillo through the programs, services and materials distributed by CAC.

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- 6. To assist Canadian Anglican Cursillo Diocesan Movements and their members in a better understanding of Cursillo, CAC desires to have available materials provided by The National Secretariat.
- 7. The National Secretariat and CAC acknowledge that it is not possible to have registration of trademarks and service marks in Canada comparable to United States registration because of the difference in Canadian law.
  - However, the use of such trademarks or service marks by CAC for monetary gain would inure to the benefit of The National Secretariat. Any Cursillo publications by CAC would require mutual agreement between the aforementioned parties, including the matter of royalties.
- 8. Any such use of programs, services or materials granted by The National Secretariat to CAC may not be assigned by, or conveyed to any party by CAC without the prior written consent of The National Secretariat.
- a. Notwithstanding the comments in paragraph 7 of the agreement and in order to meet the needs as outlined in paragraph 5 of this agreement, it is considered desirable by The National Secretariat and CAC to outline the method by which CAC operates within the Anglican Church of Canada thus providing the National Secretariat with comfort that the provision of materials and services to Canadian Anglican Cursillo Movements maintains the authenticity of Cursillo. In this context the following comments are applicable:
- A. CAC through its executive committee, CACS, will be the responsible body for the movement within the Anglican Church of Canada. It shall be charged with overseeing the movement in the Anglican-Church of Canada and ensuring that the terms of this agreement are adhered to.
- B. In order to have unity in the expression of mentality of the founders of the Cursillo Movement, and to provide a criterion as to what constitutes an authentic Diocesan Cursillo Movement, the following shall serve as the basic norm:
  - a. It must have the approval of the diocesan bishop of the Anglican Church of Canada and be affiliated with CAC. Such affiliation will imply the right to use the name "Cursillo" and receive Cursillo materials. Association implies a mutually supportive relationship among all diocesan movements in the Anglican Church of Canada.
  - b. It should have a small representative group, called a Secretariat, responsible to the bishop for overseeing the work of the movement in the diocese.
  - c. It must be faithful to the essence and purpose of the movement and operate in its three phases of Precursillo, 3 Day Cursillo and Postcursillo, following the guidance of "The Fundamental Ideas of the Cursillo Movement" and CAC.
  - d. It must have a community of leaders, both clergy and lay, responsible for

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implementing the method properly and with particular attention to the Postcursillo needs of the Cursillistas. This community of service should meet regularly to: 1. Accelerate the progressive conversion of its own members as individuals, in the leaders' community itself, and in the movement as a whole; and 2. Promote the evangelization of environments.

- e. It should apply the Cursillo weekend properly, according to general practice and using the approved talk guidelines, to candidates of the same denomination (i.e., Anglican) by an Anglican team of individuals who are exemplary in their own living experience of the Christian life and the Cursillo method.
- f. While recognizing the denominational character of the Cursillo Movement, which allows for each Church to be responsible for the renewal of its own membership, limited assistance may at any time be given for members of another major expression of the catholic Christian faith, which recognizes the sacramental aspects of Christianity taught in the Cursillos, to participate in Anglican Cursillos for the purpose of beginning the Cursillo Movement in that denomination, providing the following conditions apply:
  - 1. Their local church leader (bishop, moderator, etc.) agrees.
  - 2. They are properly prepared and sponsored.
  - 3. There is no Cursillo Movement actively operating in the person's denomination in that locale.
  - 4. There is prior approval of the Secretariat involved.
- g. Cursillos may be conducted in a language other than English provided that the guidelines in section e. are followed.
- h. Where diverging practices have developed in existing diocesan movements, CACS will be responsible for promoting conformity with authentic Cursillo patterns.
- 9. CAC agrees not to use the program to proselytize, or to export it beyond Canada, without the prior agreement of The National Secretariat. (This is to avoid conflict and/or honor existing agreements.)
- 10. Should any matters of dispute arise between CAC and The National Secretariat relative to what is considered authentic by "The Fundamental Ideas of the Cursillo Movement" and of the interpretation of this agreement, it is proposed that the matter be resolved through dialogue. It is recognized, however, that The National Secretariat is the English publisher of "The Fundamental Ideas of the Cursillo Movement" and, as such, has recognized authority for such right of interpretation, which should not be used arbitrarily.

Signed on behalf of The National Secretariat of the United States Catholic Cursillo Movement Signed on behalf of Canadian Anglican Cursillo Movement

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ORIGINAL SIGNED By G. Hughes Position: Executive Director May 15<sup>th</sup>, 1989 ORIGINAL SIGNED by G. Jackson Position: Chairman

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