

Commitment as Companion . . .

- Fill out the Application Form with the pilgrim and have the Vicar sign it. **Send the completed form to the Secretariat Registrar.** A priest's application is endorsed by the Bishop.
- Invite the pilgrim to attend your own Group Reunion or another appropriate one.
- Ensure the pilgrim will not be travelling alone to the Three-Day Cursillo. Enquire about possible needs within the family while the pilgrim is attending the Cursillo.
- Attend the Mañanita and Clausura, or arrange for another Cursillista who knows the pilgrim to fulfil this role.
- Pray for the pilgrim and send Palanca.
- Following the Cursillo, encourage the pilgrim in their 4th Day, especially in any follow-up programme e.g. A Day of Deeper Understanding, and attendance at Mañanitas and Ultreyas.

To sum up . . .

Speak to the Vicar of the person you wish to support.

Pray for the pilgrim.

Openly discuss Cursillo, the purpose and goals with them,

Note any questions or concerns they have about Cursillo.

Outline the on-going commitment required in the 4th Day.

Respect their response to your invitation to attend a Cursillo.

Send the completed registration form to the Registrar.

Involve other members of your Group Reunion in prayer and practical assistance.

Nurture and support the new pilgrim in their 4th Day.

Assist the new Cursillista to join a Group Reunion and attend a Day of Deeper Understanding, and Ultreyas.



New Zealand
Anglican Cursillo

Companioning (Kaitautoko)

A Pilgrim through Cursillo

*kaitautoko: to actively support, give backing, stand
alongside*

Acting as Companion(Kaitautoko) is a loving, prayerful responsibility. It should never be undertaken lightly. It should be sensitively carried out as it is the key to a strong and active 4th Day, which in turn makes for a healthy Cursillo Movement.

Because of the commitment involved it is suggested that you undertake this responsibility for only one pilgrim (or married couple) each year. A Group Reunion however, may kaitautoko more than one.

Companion(Kaitautoko) need to . . .

- have been a Cursillista for at least six months
- be a member of a Group Reunion
- be active in 4th Day activities
- understand the purpose and goal of the Cursillo movement
- be aware of any needs or limitations which may affect the pilgrim's full participation at the Cursillo.

It is desirable for the pilgrim to be . . .

- at least 20 years of age and baptised
- a member of an Anglican parish
- a Christian, active in their parish
- free of crises at the time of application
- a person likely to encourage others in the Christian faith
- a person suited for the mission of Cursillo – not simply someone who will enjoy a weekend 'holiday'
- know about, and be in a position to attend 4th Day activities

Note: *Where the Anglican Church is one of the partners in a Co-operating parish, a non-Anglican member of that parish, with the consent of the Bishop, is eligible to attend a Cursillo.*

Where a non-Anglican Christian worships regularly in an Anglican Church s/he may attend a Cursillo at the discretion of the Vicar (or equivalent).

Cursillo is not intended to be a conversion experience. It is for those who already have a Christian commitment and desire to renew and grow in that commitment.

Companioning(Kaitautoko) process . . .

- Pray about the step you are about to undertake and talk it through with your Group Reunion members. They will help you decide if the person/s would benefit from attending a Cursillo.
- Talk to the Vicar/priest-in-charge of the pilgrim's parish before approaching the pilgrim.
- Talk with the pilgrim about the purpose and goal of the Cursillo movement, what to expect during the Three Days, and the place of Group Reunion and 4th Day activities following the Cursillo.
- Assure the pilgrim that they may ask and be told anything they wish to know about a Cursillo.
- Talk over with the pilgrim what costs will be involved before filling in the Application Form. If there are any apparent difficulties, discuss this with members of the Group Reunion or the Vicar/priest-in-charge. No-one should be prevented from going to a Cursillo because of the cost.
- Where a pilgrim is married, recommend that both husband and wife make a Cursillo, either together, or as soon as possible after each other.

Definition of Cursillo

Cursillo is a movement of the Anglican Church under the oversight of each Diocesan Bishop. The goal of Cursillo is to help the Church in its mission to bring all the world and the whole of life under the Lordship of Christ. Its method is to empower Christians through participation in a three-day course which provides the vision and offers an on-going process for achieving this goal. Cursillo equips Christians to live out their baptismal calling to serve Christ in the world.