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Whom should you sponsor?

- ☺ Those who are Christian
- ☺ Those who have a desire to grow as Christians and belong, or wish to belong, to a Christian congregation.
- ☺ Those who want to attend.

Who should not go?

- ☹ Those who are undergoing some emotional or psychological disturbance in their life, eg divorce, family bereavement. It is best to wait a year after such trauma before attending Cursillo.
- ☹ Those who may have other physical or psychological limitations which would make it difficult for them to fully participate in the Cursillo three days.

Before inviting somebody to apply for a Cursillo

- ☺ Pray for guidance.
- ☺ Speak to the candidate's rector before approaching a prospective participant.
- ☺ Familiarise yourself with the responsibilities of a sponsor
- ☺ Discuss the **financial commitment** with the prospective participant. Cursillo operates on the basis that no one should be excluded on account of costs. It is, however, self-funded so if money is a problem, consider ways in which this could be overcome (eg donation by other Cursillistas or the Parish).

The responsibilities of a sponsor

- ☺ Explain that Cursillo is not just a renewal program, but a means to continuing Christian living.
- ☺ Explain the registration and 'What is Cursillo' forms to the participant.
- ☺ Be open about the three day format.
- ☺ See that the participant has transport to and from Cursillo.
- ☺ Attend the Mananita and Clausura and write Palanca to the participant.
- ☺ After Cursillo, make contact within a day or two; a phone call will do.
- ☺ See that the participant is settled into a group reunion.

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