

# Rainbow Connection



## Cursillo

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Your Secretariat in action! There is always room for a few more at our bi monthly meetings. So much fun they should be banned!

Thanks to the Eatons for their preliminary report to Secretariat on Mens & Womens 32. At our meeting on Saturday we were able to make many decisions regarding M33 & W33 based on the suggestions and recommendations they made and have implements some ways in which hiccups can be eased.

Some of the palanca we made to take to Hong Kong, Clergy stoles, Palanca bags, badges, necklaces, Proctors bell, Chalice veil etc.



Mens & Womens 32 on their overnight training working industriously at play!

More on 2018 Cursillo and Hong Kong in next edition

'Christ in Me'

The three Cursillo weekends I have experienced have each been very different, with diverse personalities in the teams and candidates, and wide-ranging perspectives in the talks. Yet, although the themes may have varied, the love, desire to serve, share, and most of all the dedicated focus on God have all be the same.

I was delighted to say yes, when our quiet Lay Coordinator, Heather Eaton, asked if I would be interested in being a part of the W32 team. My delight did not wane during the months of training, which was unusual as we trained alongside the M32 team. Unusual, as it is not usually done that way, but awesome, as we were able to get to know some of the men on the team. I particularly loved singing praises together with them.

There were not many in the W32 team that I knew to begin with, but it became obvious that God had chosen each of us for our different strengths and over the year graciously bound us together into a strong family. I found a very definite sense of peace and grace surrounding this group of women as we fellowshiped, laughed, prayed, and got to know one another.

This year we had thirteen beautiful candidates to share our weekend. Knowing a number of them personally was a real treat, as although I did not share a table, I was able to see them blossom over the course of the four days. It was a joy to see every candidate, however nervously, reluctantly, or eagerly they had originally approached Cursillo, relax into the peaceful, love-filled atmosphere, until it seemed that truly we were all team. By the Sunday afternoon, each person appeared to be enthusiastically taking part in the discussions and creativity after the talks. The Holy Spirit was definitely moving as we prayed, wept, laughed, and shared our hearts in our Table groups. The finale of the Saturday night was a huge release of joy, strengthened by the very strong sense of Christian Community which had developed.



There are many things I will take away from the Women's 32, but one of the strongest is the glow of joy that almost literally shone in the eyes of so many of the women during, and after, the weekend. I look forward to seeing the effect of this camp continue encouraging, inspiring, and enthusing all the attendees to follow Christ more closely, and disciple more deliberately.

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Table of Joanna W32

