



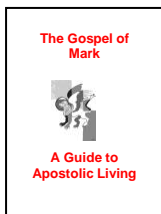
National Episcopal Cursillo® Conference 2010 Myrtle Beach SC October 28-31, 2010

**We are pleased to announce our Keynote Speaker for this year will be
The Rev. Frank E. Wismer III**

The Rev. Frank Wismer made his Cursillo weekend in the Diocese of Vermont in 1980 while serving at St. Mary's in Northfield. Following his Cursillo weekend, Frank served as a Spiritual Advisor for men's, women's, and coed weekends in the Dioceses of Vermont, Bethlehem, and Delaware. In 1995, Frank was selected to serve as the Northeastern Clergy representative to the National Episcopal Cursillo Committee (NECC). He served as vice-president of the NECC in 1997. During his tenure on the NECC, Frank served on the Publications Sub-Committee and in coordination with Mr. Gordon West developed a meditation guide for the Episcopal Cursillo community. He and Gordon West produced a second meditation guide for the Episcopal Cursillo Movement in 2002.



The Rev. Frank Wismer has served the church as an ordained person for thirty-seven years. Frank has also served as an Episcopal Chaplain in the United States Army for twenty-five years retiring in 2008. He has been mobilized for contingency operations in Saudi Arabia, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, The Republic of Haiti, Bosnia, Iraq, and Kuwait. While in Iraq, CH (COL) Wismer served as Chaplain for the Coalition Provisional Authority and is the author of: *War in the Garden of Eden: A Military Chaplain's Memoir from Baghdad*. It was during his deployments to Iraq and Kuwait that Frank rediscovered the spiritual joy in grouping weekly. Frank is presently serving a congregation in the Diocese of Connecticut and is in a reunion group. His group's plan: Renew Cursillo in the diocese.



**Both Books will be available for sale
at the Conference.**



What is the National Episcopal Cursillo Conference?

***Community...Fellowship...Networking...Small Groups...Old Friends...New Friends
Business Sessions...Workshops...Worship...Music...Breaking Bread Together***

Take advantage of what we learn from one another through the gifts each of us brings when we gather. Then go home re-energized, refreshed, renewed to do the work of growing Christ-centered leaders and changing our environments for Christ.

***Come early or stay longer – there is much to see and do in Myrtle Beach
Details inside (Page 4)***



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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ to the Diocese of South Carolina and to Myrtle Beach and the Grand Strand!

We in the Diocese of South Carolina, along with the Upper Diocese of South Carolina, are delighted to co-host this year's National Episcopal Cursillo Convention. Cursillo has been a remarkable force for renewal and discipleship in this diocese, supplying many of our strongest lay leaders for both our congregations and for diocese. It has also helped produce more than a few of our ordained deacons and priests. A list of the parishes and missions which have been strengthened or revitalized through its member's participation in Cursillo would be equivalent to a Who's Who in the Diocese of South Carolina.

As a parish priest for over 25 years I saw many lay persons reluctantly go off to a make their Cursillo; hesitantly giving up what felt the same as a long weekend: Most of the time they returned to the parish aglow with the Holy Spirit, and with a renewed commitment, not merely to the Church (which would be wonderful in itself) but, more importantly, to the daily following of Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. Now as a diocesan bishop I have an even greater respect for what Cursillo has nurtured for Christ's mission in the life of the diocese. I am persuaded that as important as it has been for discipling lay leaders for our congregations, it has been even more vital for nurturing lay leaders on a diocesan level.

St. Paul in his *Second Letter to the Corinthians* spoke of the early believers in Corinth as his Letter of Recommendation: "You yourselves are all the endorsement we need. Your very lives are a letter that anyone can read by just looking at you. Christ himself wrote it--not with ink, but with God's living Spirit; not chiseled into stone, but carved into human lives--and we published it." (*The Message*, 2 Corinthians 3: 2-3) What the Church in Corinth was in witnessing to St. Paul's apostolic ministry, the lives of so many touched by Cursillo is all the letter of endorsement that has been needed here.

May our Lord continue to enrich your ministry as it grows from strength and strength and as this movement is used by the Holy Spirit to reveal God's glory, transforming many in our Church "...from one degree of glory to another." (2 Corinthians 3:14)

Yours in Christ,

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THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF UPPER SOUTH CAROLINA

April 7, 2010

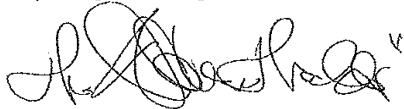
Blessed in Christ:

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the 2010 National Episcopal Cursillo Conference in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, October 28-31. As co-hosts of the event, in partnership with the Diocese of South Carolina, the clergy and people of the Diocese of Upper South Carolina pray that your work for spiritual renewal in the lives of countless people and for the building of the Body of Christ will be nurtured and strengthened during your time here.

I have a particular delight in welcoming you, both as the new bishop of the Diocese of Upper South Carolina, and especially in light of my own eager anticipation of making my own Cursillo during the first year of my episcopate. The depth and breadth of the Cursillo movement's impact on the lives of many thousands of individuals continues to bear the fruit of new life throughout the Church—in leadership, service, prayer and witness to the saving grace of God in Christ Jesus.

So I give thanks to God for you and will hold you in prayer now and throughout your time together, that filled with the Holy Spirit, we might all continue to bear fruit and grow in the knowledge and love of God.

May the grace and peace of Christ be always with you.



The Rev. W. Andrew Waldo, Bishop-elect
The Diocese of Upper South Carolina

While making your plans to attend the NEC Annual Conference, why not think about coming early or staying on a while after the conference. Myrtle Beach is a great place to have fun.

Myrtle Beach South Carolina is one of the premier family vacation destinations in the United States. Myrtle Beach is known for its 60 miles of beautiful coastline, outstanding restaurants, over 90 golf courses, not to mention countless top name attractions.

What can you expect from Myrtle Beach?

- The weather will be fantastic in October boasting temperatures in the mid 70's.
- The resort is right on the beach with a great fishing pier.
- You can expect to enjoy delicious cuisine from a wide variety of coastal restaurants, from mouth watering fresh seafood to great steaks, pastries and coffee. After an afternoon at the beach, enjoy a light lunch at a local deli while you relax and enjoy the awesome beauty of the coast. In the evening, sophisticated palates will take pleasure in our gourmet restaurants, while casual diners can visit a steak house or buffet.
- You will see that Myrtle Beach Theaters are a perfect complement to your conference/beach vacations. Since 1986 when Calvin Gilmore opened the first live entertainment theater, Myrtle Beach has emerged as one of the hot spots for live family entertainment offering the best in shows, music, dance, comedy, dinner theater, celebrity concerts and movies.
- For golf aficionados, Myrtle Beach is known as the golf capital of the world. It is here you can find some of the highest quality golf courses in the nation. Golf Magazine recently named 10 of the Beach's courses to the "Top 100 Public Courses in America" List for 2007-2008 seasons. It also boasts that 36 of the areas golf courses hold a rank of 4.5 STARS or higher. (Any of you golfers out there interested in putting together a little tournament before or after the conference – maybe even raise some funds for NEC. We can connect you with a local Golf Course.

Here are some recent accolades on Myrtle Beach, South Carolina-

AOL.COM - "#2 SEARCHED DOMESTIC DESTINATION" (2008)

Throughout 2008, Myrtle Beach was the second largest searched domestic travel destination on the AOL Search Engine. Boasting sixty miles of beautiful coastline and countless attractions, it's no wonder the destination has piqued the interest of travelers looking for affordable fun.

THE WEATHER CHANNEL - "TOP 10 FAMILY-FRIENDLY DESTINATIONS" (2008)

ASK.COM - "TOP FAMILY DESTINATIONS" (2008)

**SOUTHERN LIVING - "FAVORITE BEACH" (2009) "FAVORITE FAMILY DESTINATION" (2009)
"FAVORITE WEEKEND GETAWAY" (2009)**

YAHOO! - "TOP 10 PLACES FOR FAMILIES TO VISIT IN THE U.S." (2008)

General information –

**www.myrtlebeachareachamber.com
www.cityofmyrtlebeach.com/visitors**

From the 60 miles of beautiful beaches to the huge selection of golf courses, to the awesome dining choices, to the live family entertainment Myrtle Beach, South Carolina is your perfect setting for the NEC 2010 Conference. So come early or stay afterwards to enjoy all that Myrtle Beach has to offer! See you soon in Myrtle Beach for a wonderful, informative Cursillo Conference with a lot of fun and great fellowship.

NEC Conference 2010 PROPOSED Schedule

Thursday Oct 28

7:30 - 8:30 AM Registration for ECLW
7:00 - 8:30 AM ECLW participants breakfast on own.
8:30 - 5:30PM ECLW (Lunch included)
3:00 - 6:00 PM Registration & Credentials Table
4:00 - 6:00 PM District Servant Community Coordinators Meeting
6:00 - 7:00 PM Welcome Social
7:00 PM Dinner on your own

Friday October 29

7:00 - 9:00 AM Buffet Breakfast (included in Conference registration fee)
7:30 - 9:00 AM Registration & Credentials Table
8:30 - 9:00 AM Informational session on NEC Conference
9:15 - 10:30 AM Opening Eucharist
10:30 - 10:45 AM Break
10:45 - Noon District Meetings
12:15 - 1:15 PM Buffet Lunch (included in Conference registration fee)
1:30 - 3:00 General Council Meeting
3:15 - 4:45 Workshop Session I
Can a Base Hit Really be a Grand Slam
The Gift that Keeps on Giving
Do I Have to do Skits?
Music for the Heart and Soul
3:15 - 5:00 ECLW
5:00 - 6:00 ECLW District Coordinators Meeting
5:00 - 6:00 PM Free Time
6:00 - 7:15 PM Dinner (included in Conference registration fee)
7:30 - 8:30 PM Keynoter
8:40 - 9:00 PM Compline

Saturday October 30

7:00 - 8:00 AM Buffet Breakfast (included in Conference registration fee)
8:00 - 9:30 AM Eucharist
10:00 - 11:15 AM Workshop Session II
Team Building - We've Always Done it That Way/We've Never Done it That Way
The Gift that Keeps on Giving
Do I Have to do Skits?
Music for the Heart and Soul
Informal Dialogue with the Keynoter
11:30 - 12:30 PM Buffet Lunch (included in Conference registration fee)
12:45 - 1:45 PM District Meetings
2:15 - 3:30 PM Workshop Session III
Team Building - We've Always Done it That Way/We've Never Done it That Way
The Gift that Keeps on Giving
Do I Have to do Skits?
Music for the Heart and Soul
Informal Dialogue with the Keynoter
4:00 - 5:00 PM General Council Meeting
5:30 - 6:30 PM Fellowship Time
6:30 - 8:30 PM Dinner and Entertainment (included in Conference registration fee)
8:30 - 8:45 PM Compline followed by Local Community Music

Sunday October 31

7:00 - 9:00 AM Breakfast on your own
9:15 - 10:30 AM Closing Eucharist

**An opportunity to save money by attending
two events at the same time.**

**Come to NEC CONFERENCE 2010 a day early and attend an ECLW
(Episcopal Cursillo Leaders Workshop)**

The ECLW begins on Thursday morning and continues on Friday.

On your registration form, check off ECLW and you can still select 2 additional workshops.

ECLW Schedule

Thursday, October 28

7:30 - 8:30 AM ECLW Registration

7:00 - 8:30 AM Breakfast on own.

8:30 – 5:30PM ECLW (Lunch included)

Friday, October 29

7:00 – 9:00 AM Buffet Breakfast (included in
Conference registration fee)

3:15 – 5:00 PM ECLW

The ECLW will be led by Nina-Jo Moore, National ECLW Coordinator.



Nina-Jo Moore attended Cursillo in 1977 in the Diocese of Central Florida, and attended ECLW in 1980 in Kansas City when the Roman Catholic movement put on the first “CLW” for the Episcopal movement. She has served on numerous ECLW teams in the last 27 years, and presently serves as the National ECLW Coordinator for the National Episcopal Cursillo Movement. She has been active in her local movement, Diocese of Western North Carolina, for the last 20 years as well as within her local parish and other diocesan activities. Nina-Jo is a Professor of Communication and Associate Dean of the College of Fine & Applied Arts at Appalachian State University in Boone, NC, where she has been for the last 21 years.

Why attend an ECLW?

- To clarify the purpose and method of the Cursillo Movement.
- To provide a background on the intent of the founders of the Cursillo Movement.
- To give people involved in the Movement a clearer understanding of their roles.
- To learn about the tools available to make the Cursillo movement an effective instrument in the work of the church.
- To help the various Diocesan Cursillo Movements find ways to make their respective Movements more effective.
- To help people deepen their commitment to Christ.

✓ Help us Help You! ✓

We want to maintain communication with your dioceses. To do that, we need good contact information.

Please bring with you a **Current Roster** of your **Secretariat Leadership**. Please include, name, address, phone numbers, email addresses and positions for each. Also include your website address.

We especially need: Bishop, Lay Director, Spiritual Director(s), Newsletter Editor, Palanca Coordinator, Treasurer, Servant Community Chair and Web Master.

NEC CONFERENCE 2010 WORKSHOPS

If you are also attending the ECLW,
you will be able to select 2 additional Workshops
from the Saturday options.

- 1. Can a Base Hit really be a Grand Slam? Giving Made Easy.** (Not available to ECLW Attendees)
“How can I turn my small giving into making a real difference?” That’s a question all of us ask. It’s answered easier than you might think. It doesn’t matter how old you are, what your income is, whether you are in good health or not. “How can I increase my retirement income-guaranteed and at the same time gift part or all of it at my death?” Here again it is an easier answer than many might think. If you want to make a lasting difference for Cursillo, a legacy come true, come to this session and learn how.
Tom Welch attended Cursillo #64 in the Diocese of Mississippi back in 1991. Since then he has served on nearly twenty weekend staffs in both Methodist and Episcopal settings, enjoyed presenting countless workshops, loves what this Movement can do for the local parish and wants to share with you how to build a lasting gift. Tom’s career has been in the financial services community and has special insight to how we can completely endow National Cursillo and at the same time give back to the local level. Come to this session and “HANDLE WITH ENTHUSIASM!”
- 2. Team Building - We’ve Always Done It That Way...We’ve Never Done It This Way.**
(Workshop Sessions II & III only)
Overcome the difficulty of getting team members to commit to a full schedule! Teach new members, in an effective environment, all of their duties. Learn the advantage of how the "ice breaker" can hasten bonding.
Jim Barnette has been active in Cursillo since attending EMC#24 in Southeast, Florida in 1981. He has been in a consistent reunion group since that time and has served on the Secretariat, been Lay Director, weekend rector two times and has served in almost every function as a team member. His current Cursillo ministry has been creating a new team building process and implementing it in Southeast Florida, as well as Western North Carolina
- 3. The Gift That Keeps on Giving!**
(All three Workshop Sessions)
In I Corinthians, chapter 12, St. Paul explains that each and every one of us has been given certain and carefully chosen gifts that we are to use in our ministry for the benefit of others. These gifts are bestowed on us by God to do His work in the world. Find out how you can effectively use your God given gifts in the ministry of your church, your Cursillo Community and the world beyond.
The Reverend Deacon Nancy Behm is a life-long member of Trinity Church in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. She laughingly says her claim to fame is that she was baptized, confirmed, married, ordained and assigned to the same church. Nancy and her husband, John, have three daughters and nine wonderful grandchildren. Nancy made her Cursillo in the Diocese of Fond du Lac in November 1982. She has served on many Cursillo weekends and was an ex-officio member of the secretariat as the diocesan Cursillo treasurer for 20 years. She also served on the National Episcopal Cursillo Committee from 1995 to 2000.
- 4. Do I Have to Do Skits?: Cursillo for Introverts.**
(All three Workshop Sessions)
Have you ever witnessed the look of dismay on the faces of some candidates when asked to present posters or artwork, or participate in skits? “Do I Have to Do Skits?: Cursillo for Introverts” will explore the differences between introverts and extroverts, and will challenge team members to design weekend activities that will allow the introvert time to reflect and process the message of the Weekend.
Betsy Neal made her weekend in May, 1996, in the Diocese of Upper South Carolina. Betsy has participated on staff, on over ten Cursillo weekends, in many capacities including Lay Rector, Head Music Cha, Cha Cha, and Music Cha. Betsy presently is serving in the diocese in the Servant Community on the Group Reunion committee. A Spiritual Director and a Board Certified Music Therapist at Palmetto Health Baptist in Columbia, S.C., Betsy is married to Thom Neal, and they have two beautiful daughters, Rebecca and Frannie.

5. Music for the Heart and Soul.

(All three Workshop Sessions)

We will share recent songs and formats which, with the help of the Holy Spirit, are currently blessing worship; offering guidance and direction to some great resources for contemporary Christian music. Techniques for blending different styles of worship will be discussed, demonstrated and, by God's infinite Grace, experienced. Please come and be prepared to both absorb and share information about which songs and presentation formats are now being used with success at Cursillo weekends.

Arthur H. Wilder Jr. is a Cursillista from South Carolina Cursillo #41 (June 1985), and Rector of SC Cursillo #58. He has been head music cha at a number of Cursillo, Walk to Emmaus, Kairos, and Epiphany weekends (totaling in excess of 80), and has also served on a number of Faith Alive teams in SC, NC and Georgia. He has been a worship coordinator for a few Parish retreat weekends at Kanuga and for over 10 years was the State Music Coordinator for the Kairos Prison Ministry for South Carolina. He has helped many congregations organize and print collections of renewal music and songbooks, while recently exploring newer multimedia presentations of both renewal and traditional music in PowerPoint format. Pianist, keyboardist, guitarist, Christian and Juris Doctor, he is from Holy Comforter Church in Sumter, SC where he is a past Sr. Warden and currently serves on the vestry.

5. Informal Dialogue with the Keynoter – The Rev Frank Wismer III

(Workshop Session II & III Saturday only)

**Elections for
NECC District Representatives**

will be held at the second District Meeting, Saturday, 12:45 – 1:45 pm

Positions up for election:

Northcentral District:	One Layman (1 year term)
Northcentral District:	One Laywoman
Northeast District:	One Laywoman
Southcentral District:	One Clergy
Southeast District:	One Clergy
Western District:	One Layman

To be nominated please submit: a Letter of Recommendation from your Secretariat, a Letter of Recommendation from your Diocesan Bishop, and a Resume of your Cursillo and Church involvement to the NEC Office by September 10.

NEC Bookstore

Plan to update your Libraries in the NEC Bookstore while at the Conference and save yourself the cost of shipping. If you need larger orders for your community, let me know by October 1 and we will have them prepackaged and ready for pick-up.

New or revised in 2010:

What is Cursillo

Music and Cursillo

A Statement on Interdenominational Cursillo

Publishing a Songbook

NEC Library on CD for purchase - Bring your old CD and get an updated version for \$10.00
Items with the new NEC logo - denim shirts, polo shirts, canvas bags, luggage tags (so bring a business card if you want one) & other great items will be available.

The Bookstore hours will be in your packets.

NEC Conference 2010 REGISTRATION INFORMATION

October 28-31, 2010

Hosted by the Dioceses of South Carolina and Upper South Carolina

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Early Bird Registration, by August 1 - \$199.00

Registration after August 1 - \$230.00

Send Registration and payment to:

NEC CONFERENCE 2010
c/o NEC Office
2683 Highway 701 N #4
Conway SC 29526-3882
(Pay by Check or Credit Card)

Or FAX to: 843-488-2693
(Pay by Credit Card)

Or EMAIL to: necoffice@episcopalcurisillo.org
(Pay by Credit Card)

Cancellation Policy:

Prior to August 1 full registration
minus the administrative fee of \$25.00

After September 15th 75% of registration
minus the administrative fee of \$25.00

After October 1st no refunds

SPECIAL NEEDS

Dietary: If you have **special dietary needs for medical reasons**, arrangements can be made for special meals. Although alternative selections are available, personal choice diets cannot be specifically accommodated. Special attention has been given for providing balanced meals, including a vegetarian option at each meal throughout the Conference. Be sure to provide that information in the appropriate space on your registration form. If you do not make prior arrangements we will be unable to accommodate your needs.

Roommate: If you need help finding a roommate, please include that information on the registration form in the appropriate space or contact the NEC Office. We will do our best to provide contact information for you. The earlier you register for the Conference, the better chance we have in matching you with a roommate.

Wheelchair Accessible Rooms are available. **Please notify the hotel when making room reservation and check the appropriate box on the registration form under special needs.**

Transportation/Parking

For those driving or renting cars, parking at the Resort is free.

For those flying, you will have options for transportation between the Airport and Resort. The Resort does not have a shuttle, however, the local community is working on providing shuttle service. To insure such service you will need to provide us with your flight information NO LATER THAN October 1st. Alternative transportation will cost between \$10-\$40 round trip.

Details will be in your Registration Confirmation letter.

HOTEL Registration

**Springmaid Beach Resort
3200 South Ocean Blvd.
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577**



The hotel rates we have arranged are the best in the area and offer excellent accommodations including a full size refrigerator, coffee maker, microwave and free WiFi in each room. In addition to the beautiful beach, there is a wonderful fishing pier and a Miniature Golf Course on the property.

**Hotel Reservations are made separate
from Conference Registration.**

Prior to September 20th

Single, Double, Triple or Quad \$64.00
Conference rate is per night + tax

After September 20th

contact Hotel for Room rate
(subject to room availability)

Make your Hotel Reservations directly by calling:

**Springmaid Beach Resort
Phone: 800-700-6895 – use reference #8266
and indicate you are attending the National Episcopal Cursillo Conference**

**Hotel cancellations are subject to a \$25.00 fee.
Cancellations within 15 days of arrival forfeit the deposit.**

Important notice

In order to receive our meeting rooms without additional costs, it is important that you register to stay at the Resort and through the Resort, indicating you are attending the National Episcopal Cursillo Conference. If we do not have sufficient room nights we will have to pay \$20,000 to \$40,000 to cover our meeting space. This would be a loss we do not have the funds to cover.

NEC CONFERENCE 2010 Conference Registration

October 28-31, 2010 – Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

PLEASE PRINT and complete both pages

Name _____ M _____ F

(as you would like it to appear on your name tag)

Address _____ Diocese _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Please check all applicable:

- Designated Voting Delegate (**one per diocese, designated by Secretariat**)
- This is my First Conference Presenter Clergy Laity
- Member of the NECC (National Episcopal Cursillo Committee)
- Former NEC Committee Member (served previously on the NECC)

Special Needs:

- I have Special **Medical** related Dietary Concerns (specify) _____
- Roommate assistance requested (Contacts for roommates will be provided upon request)
- I need a handicap accessible room with a roll in shower.

Meal Options:

Breakfast and Lunch on Friday and Saturday will be the open Buffet in the Café with lots of selections (included in Conference registration fee)

Please indicate your preferences for the dinner menu (no selection will default to the first item listed):

Friday Dinner: (included in Conference registration fee)

- Stuffed Cornish Hen:** Premium hens stuffed with country sausage and herb infused wild rice, roasted to perfection in our state of the art ovens and glazed with a lite Julius served with house salad and chef's choice of dessert, freshly brewed iced tea and coffee
- Vegetarian Lasagna** served with house salad and chef's choice of dessert, freshly brewed iced tea and coffee

Saturday Dinner: (included in Conference registration fee)

- Roast Jamaican Jerk Pork Loin:** Served with onion Julius, coated in island spice, roasted and drizzled in goodness. served with chef's choice of starch and vegetable with house salad and chef's choice of dessert, freshly brewed iced tea and coffee
- Ratatouille with risotto** served with house salad and chef's choice of dessert, freshly brewed iced tea and coffee

Transportation information: If you are driving, please indicate you arrival and departure dates. If you are flying, we must have your itinerary by October 1, 2010 to guarantee transportation to and from the airport.

Driving Map needed Arrival: Date _____ Departure: Date _____

I am Flying:

Arrival: Date _____ Time _____ Airline & Flight Number _____

Departure: Date _____ Time _____ Airline & Flight Number _____

- I am renting a car I will take a Taxi I would like Shuttle Service

