



CAMP KUM-BA-YA NEWS

2017 Camp Dates

Kum-Ba-Ya

See page 2 for a description of each event.

The KBY application is available on our website:

www.campkumbaya.org

	grades	
Spring Work Retreat		April 21-22
Chi Rho Sailing (limit to 15)	6-8	June 4-9
CYF	9-12	June 11-17
CYF Sailing (limit to 10)	9-12	June 18-23
Young Disciples	3	June 23-25
Chi Rho	6-8	June 26-July 1
Junior	4-5	July 3-7
Discovery	1-2	July 7-9
All Y'all		Sept. 22-24

Directors at KBY this summer include:

Spirit Sailing: Jerry Johns and Ben Gritton

CYF: Kristi Stuckel and Cheryl Russell

Chi Rho: Billy Fulton and Kelsey Morris

Junior: Jeff Mandrell

Young Disciples: Kristi Stuckel

Discovery: Jan Wussow Dickinson

All Y'all: Rick Loader and Amanda Groves

Thank you all for giving a week(end) of your time to the Camp!!!

Wakon'Da-Ho

The WKDH application is available on the website: www.ccinky.net

Spring Work Retreat		March 24-26
Mini	3	June 2-4
CYF1	9-12	June 5-10
Eighter's	8	June 11-17
Junior1	4-5	June 19-23
Camp 101A	1-2	June 23-25
CYF2	9-12	June 26-July 1
Chi Rho1	6-8	July 3-8
Junior2 (50 ppl max)	4-5	July 10-14
Camp 101B	1-2	June 14-16
Chi Rho2	6-8	July 17-22
Y'all Camp		Sept. 1-3

Far West Men's Work Day

April 22 - begins at 8 am

Everyone is invited to help at Camp Kum-Ba-Ya on April 22 to get ready for an awesome summer. Men, women and youth are all encouraged to come to camp.



Some projects include: painting the kitchen and pantry; staff cabin updates; cabins readied for summer; staining of the lodge and cabins. There are a lot of things for all ages.

Come have fun - we will have breakfast and lunch. Email and let us know if you will be available. cckwaglo@bellsouth.net

Lodge Clean Up - Join us April 3-6



We will be cleaning the main lodge from top to bottom during Spring Break (April 3-6). Call Glori at the West Area Office for more information or to let us know which day you plan

to be there. 270-821-1332

Spring Youth Work Retreat

April 21-22

FREE EVENT - No Charge!!!

Youth will work with the Far West Men's group on several projects. Registration forms are on the website.

Employment Opportunities at Camp Kum-Ba-Ya

KBY is looking for two people to work this summer. Give us a call [270-821-1332] for additional info or check out the website for the application (www.campkumbaya.org)

Lifeguard, Assistant First Aid

Requirements: certified by the Red Cross in First Aid and CPR, Waterfront Safety, Life Guarding and if required, the Marshall County Food Handlers class

First Aid Safety Officer, Canteen & Recreation Equipment Supervisor

Requirements: certified by the Red Cross in First Aid and CPR and if required, the Marshall County Food Handlers class

Additional Requirement: Age 21 or older

KBY Events Include:

CYF Camp. For all youth who have completed 9th, 10th, 11th or 12th grade. In addition to learning and growing in our faith, we spend our evenings building community with the following events: scavenger hunt, Game Night, Adventure Night, Talent Night & Raise the Roof Worship, and our Senior Banquet & Dance.

Spirit Sailing. We learn how to be faith people. Yes, we talk about God, we talk about Jesus, we talk about God's Spirit. Yes, we use the water, wind and sailboats to learn of our faith. Sailing Camp is a hands-on experience at the tiller of a sailboat, as well as hands-on with faith. Learn how to talk like a sailor with faith language. Chi Rho Sailing is limited to 15 campers. CYF Sailing is limited to 10 campers.

Chi Rho. For all youth who have completed 6th, 7th or 8th grade. Come for a fun-filled week of learning and growing in our faith. We look forward to seeing you at Chi Rho camp

Junior. For all youth who have completed 4th to 5th grades. Invite a friend and come join in a fun week. We look forward lots of fun, swimming, crafts and more.

Young Disciples. For all youth who have completed 3rd grade. Director Kristi Stuckel plans a great weekend of learning, silly games, fishing, swimming, canoeing, crafts and lots more fun. You will make new friends.

Discovery. For all youth who have completed 1st or 2nd grade. Discover what it's like to spend a weekend at camp. Bring your Mom, Dad, grandparent or guardian. We will have a great weekend of fun, fishing, swimming, canoeing and crafts. You will make new friends. Come have a great weekend with us!

At Wakon' Da-Ho another offering is for those youth completing 8th grade.

"Created To Be Me"**June 11-17**

Eightier's Conference is a camp offered for youth in the summer following their eighth grade year. At this camp, youth learn about God's gift of sexuality while in a safe environment that enables youth and adults to openly discuss questions, misconceptions, fears, and the joys of sexuality and relationships. Youth will hear daily keynotes and workshops from Rev. Linda Goddard and Richard Goddard, who have led this camping experience for 17 years. Youth who attend this camp will experience all of the regular camp activities, such as games, hiking, a dance, skits, etc. Worship, spiritual development, and small group experiences are important aspects of this camp. Registration forms for this camp can be found at www.ccinky.net.

We Can Do It!! Replace the Dock at KBY

Raised to Date: \$6,096

Dear friends of Camp Kum-Ba-Ya,

When we think about the sacred space that is Camp Kum-Ba-Ya and imagine special memories and meaningful moments there, the dock is one of the first spaces that comes to mind. It's where boats set sail for sailing camps. It's where parents and grandparents show their children how to fish. It's where counselors teach campers about becoming fishers of people and it's where individuals gather for meaningful times of worship under the starry sky or morning-watch meditations at sunrise-or go alone to sit and contemplate life transitions. With its overhead sign that bears the Camp Kum-Ba-Ya name, the dock is an important symbol of the unique experience our special lakeside campground delivers.



And yet, as a piece of equipment, the current dock is in its last days of functionality. It is time to build anew. We need approximately \$4,000 additional funds for a new dock of the exact footprint of our current structure, and we are hoping that you will help us meet this need by March 31. If 86 individuals contribute \$45 each, we will raise the additional funds needed. Of course, we always welcome gifts of any size or form (including securities, vehicle donations, credit card payments, corporate matching gifts, tributes and memorials). And, if we have the wonderful problem of exceeding the \$9,000 goal, we will use the excess funds to seed a new "Camp Revamp" fund for more replacements and improvements to Camp Kum-Ba-Ya.

Would you please consider supporting a gift of \$45 or more for the new dock and help us preserve this meaningful space for our next generation of campers?

With much gratitude for all of your dedication and support to this ministry,

Rev. Dr. Beth Dobyns, West Area Minister

Rev. Rachel Nance Woehler, Chair, KBY Advisory Team

Gifts for the Dock and Camp Revamp \$6,096.00

Gifts \$1,000 and above
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Far West Men's Fellowship

Gifts \$100 to \$499
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THANK YOU
VERY MUCH

Solar Eclipse 2017 @ Camp Kum-Ba-Ya

4943 Barge Island Rd.
Benton KY 42025

1 minute, 57 seconds
August 21, 2017

Waterfront visibility! Bring your tent or stay in one of the 10 A-Frame cabins. Sit back and relax, enjoy fishing, swimming, canoeing, lots of fun things to do with family and friends. We are a short distance from Hopkinsville, Paducah Antiques and the National Quilt Museum.

We have several options available from tent space, camping cabins and a couple of cabins with air conditioning. Our packages include 8 meals and a pair of official Solar Eclipse Glasses for each person. Come have fun!

Estimated Times (Central Time)
Partial Eclipse 11:54 am
Total Eclipse 1:23 pm

For info contact the Camp Business Office 270-821-1332. Website is www.campkumbaya.org

"Great American Eclipse"

Kitchen Volunteers Needed During Solar Eclipse

During the Solar Eclipse we are going to need at least six adults to work in the kitchen and as servers. This is based on having 100 people in attendance. We are preparing 8 meals starting with breakfast on Saturday and ending with a sack lunch on Monday.

The menu is pretty much figured out, grocery lists made and have been saving plastic containers.

If you are interested in helping, call Glori at the West Area Office. 270-821-1332 or email her: cckwaglo@bellsouth.net.

Camp KBY is available for other groups besides Disciples. If you know of a Scout group, a soccer team, another denomination, a family reunion, a wedding party, etc. have them call the West Area to schedule an event. 270-821-1332.

Counselors Needed!!



Please contact the Camp Office [270-821-1332 or by email -

cckwaglo@bellsouth.net] to volunteer to counsel at KBY this summer. It is great fun!!

One Kentucky Chi Rho & CYF Event April 28-30 Camp Loucon

\$95 per youth; \$75 per adult sponsor. Registration Information available on the website. www.ccinky.net

CYF Seminar June 12-20, 2017

CYF Seminar is a mobile classroom travel experience for youth to Washington, D.C. and New York City. Together they experience different cultures, new adventures and learn more about their faith and the history of religious pluralism in our country. Participants will fly into Washington, D.C. where they will have the opportunity to meet with a Kentucky Representative, visit the Capitol Building, White House, the Holocaust Museum and Ford's Theatre. After our time in Washington, D.C. we will take a train into New York City where we will walk the historic Brooklyn Bridge, experience the 911 Museum, worship with the Jewish community at temple, visit a mosque and Buddhist Temple, and attend morning worship at the historic Riverside Church. And these are only a few of the things on our agenda! The deadline for the refundable registration deposit is March 13, 2017. If you have any questions contact Mike Gatton at 502-548-6311 or mgatton@hchristianchurch.com.

Children & Youth Camp Kum-Ba-Ya Rally

March 19, from 3 to 5 pm

Fun! Food! Games! Prizes! Camp Info!
New Friends and Old Friends!



Pick a location and call the West Area Office to Register
(270-821-1332)

First Christian Church
2515 South Main St.
Benton 42025

First Christian Church
1030 College Dr.
Madisonville 42431

Come to any or all – everyone welcome (1st to 12th graders)

Saturday, March 25, 2017

9 AM to 2 PM

Spring Spiritual Retreat at Camp Kum-Ba-Ya

4943 Barge Island Rd., Benton, KY 42025

Theme: "Forgiveness"

Retreat Leader: Rev. Ruth Ragovin, Ph.D.

Cost: \$15.00 (covers lunch, materials, and camp fees)

"To forgive is to set a prisoner free and discover the prisoner was you."

~ Corrie Ten Boom

The word that most often comes to mind when trying to summarize the life and teachings of Jesus is "forgiveness." Jesus was an object lesson for forgiveness his entire life. He modeled forgiveness as his final act while hanging on the cross. Forgiveness is a central part of the prayer he taught his disciples: "forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us." Jesus, sent by God to forgive our sins, asks us to pay that forgiveness forward to others as our primary task on earth. Indeed, in John's Gospel, Jesus' first post-Resurrection act upon appearing to his disciples was to breathe on them, saying "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained" (Jn 20:22-23). The mark of a mature Christian is precisely this open-hearted desire and ability to forgive. It also is the most difficult task we all are required to undertake as we struggle with those baser emotions that urge us to harbor bitterness and resentment and take revenge upon those we believe to have wronged us.

This retreat will explore the meaning and possibility of forgiveness within the broader context of the great perennial religious traditions, understanding Jesus to be the master practitioner and great wisdom teacher of forgiveness. Themes to be touched upon will include: what forgiveness is and is not; assessing one's attitude toward forgiveness; why forgiveness is essential; the consequences of an unforgiving heart; forgiving self, others, institutions, and God; the stages of forgiveness; the freedom we find in forgiveness; and, forgiveness as resurrection. There will be periods devoted to personal reflection, along with a sampling of forgiveness meditations and practices, and opportunities to experiment with the Contemplative Prayer of Forgiveness.

To register, please call the church office at 270-753-3824 or email fccmurray@gmail.com



WEST AREA NEWS

In the West

Forty-five churches make up the West Area of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) In Kentucky. Located, for the most part, west of I-65, these churches are geographically gathered into three clusters: Cluster 1—centered in Mayfield; Cluster 2—centered in Madisonville; and Cluster 3—centered in Hopkinsville.

Finding our way into new as well as traditional projects is the work in front of us this year. Ministry in the Area is carried out in many ways, defined by three Cs:

Congregations

Resourcing congregations in many areas of interest is the largest part of this ministry. Training leaders, expressing support for the work of the churches, accompanying search committees through the Search and Call process, being present for worship and sharing in unique events throughout the year are all part of the West Area.

Fellowship groups—including youth events, Disciple Women gatherings, and Disciples Men are among the ways in which Disciples share their faith. The “Far West” Disciples Men group has been together for more than 60 years, meeting monthly for dinner and conversation in support of West Area ministries and Camp Kum-Ba-Ya in particular.

All-Disciples Sing also has a long history in the Area with choirs from many of our churches providing music along with a large-group anthem. In 2017, the event will be in the fall at First Christian Church, Hopkinsville.

Clergy

One-on-one conversations are always welcome, and a great many of those take place every month. Coaching and support, conflict resolution/management, and pastoral care are primary in our work together. Each month clergy have the opportunity to meet with colleagues in their cluster, in fixed locations or on a rotating basis. This lessens the driving time. This spring, we will be experimenting with conference calls with clergy as well.

Camp

A favorite ministry in the West Area is Camp Kum-Ba-Ya, located near Benton, KY, on Kentucky Lake. The camp is home every summer to several weeks of camping for young persons through high school age, as well as a unique sailing camp. Staffed by excellent volunteers, both laity and clergy, these camps are wonderful opportunities for faith formation. The camp is also available off-season for rental by church groups as well as non-church clients. Glori Cope, our camp manager, can be contacted for rental information. This year, the solar eclipse in August is providing the possibility of a large-scale rental and fund-raising effort, since the camp is in the path of the eclipse, August 21. Rental and meal packages are available.

As always, I look forward to getting acquainted with congregations and West Area Disciples. There are wonderful, unique events happening throughout the year among us, and I hope you will invite me! It is an honor to be in ministry with you every day. My prayers for lively ministries and love for Jesus go with you!

Beth Dobyns

Beth Dobyns, Your West Area Minister



WEST AREA NEWS

Information for Kentucky Disciples Women

Woman-to-Woman Worldwide Information

The Woman-to-Woman Worldwide journey is an opportunity to build relationships with sister congregations and regions.

The Woman-to-Woman Worldwide journey (W-2-W) is sponsored by the International Disciples Women's Ministries and administered by the staff of Disciples Women in conjunction with Global Ministries.

Applications are now being accepted for the 2017 Woman-to-Woman Worldwide journey to India. Applications from Kentucky need to go to Linda Jones as Kentucky Disciples Women's Ministries will pay for 1/2 of the cost of this approximately \$5000 trip and related expenses, provided the applicant from Kentucky is chosen by the Office of Disciples Women to participate.

From applications sent to the regional office, Kentucky Disciples Women's Ministries Cabinet will choose one Disciples woman to make an application to the Office of Disciples Women for this travel experience. Applications should be sent to Linda Jones no later than March 25, 2017. You may submit your application by email, linda@ccinky.net, or by mail to the Christian Church In Kentucky, 1125 Red Mile Road, Lexington, KY. 40504

Kentucky Disciples Women's Ministries

2017 Spring Conference

April 22, 2017
Sinking Fork Christian Church, Cerulean



Rev. Sharon Fields – Preaching
Deborah Garr – Musician
Registration form is on the website www.ccinky.net

April 29, 2017
South Elkhorn Christian Church

Rev. Julie Richardson – Preaching
Andra Moran & Sarah Williams – Musicians

Bequests

The next time you update your will please consider adding Camp Kum-Ba-Ya or the West Area as a beneficiary. As a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, both are eligible to receive donations from bequests. Any size of gift makes a big difference in providing for our ministries and contributing to our long-term stability.

Men's Spiritual Life Retreat

July 28-30, 2017
St. Meinrad Archabbey

Retreat Leader: Rev. David Shirey
Senior Minister, Central Christian Church,
Lexington. Plan now to attend this awesome event! Watch for more info. www.ccinky.net

March 12th...

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Disciples' Virtual 5K & NEW 10K 2017

Anywhere, Any Age, Any Ability!
Individuals, Groups, Families!

Information and Registration:
docfamiliesandchildren.org/dhm-virtual-5k

Registration March 1 to April 1
Benefits Disciples Mission Fund

2017 General Assembly
July 8-12
Indianapolis
Registration is Open: www.ga.disciples.org

Save the Date

September 9
West Area Café
Madisonville FCC