



# THE COORDINATOR

JULY 2020



At Camp Kum-Ba-Ya our primary mission is to respond to God's call to host spiritually enriching camps for children, youth and adults. The Billy Williams Lodge is central to that mission; it serves as our dining hall, air-conditioned gathering room, administrative office, craft room, staff showers, and winter season dormitory. Camp Kum-Ba-Ya is embarking on a capital campaign to reach our goal of raising \$50,000 to repair and renovate the Billy Williams Lodge.

With a generous \$4,000 gift from First Christian Church of Benton and a \$14,000 draw from the Permanent Funds held by the West Area, Camp Kum-Ba-Ya began a project this spring to replace the old siding on the Billy Williams Lodge. With our 2020 summer camp season being virtual, we felt it was an ideal time to undertake this essential upgrade to the lodge. Quickly our contractors discovered that we had significant black mold problems in the outside walls of the restrooms, which were built decades ago without mold-resistant drywall. To complete the siding project now requires remediating the mold and renovating both restrooms. This campaign will also afford us the opportunity to replace the aging HVAC system. Any funds raised in excess of our project goals will be put in our Camp Revamp fund for future infrastructure projects.

In short, this capital campaign will allow us to provide a healthy, safe, and welcoming environment for our staff and guests and preserve the Billy Williams Lodge for another generation of campers. Each year hundreds of guests experience the hospitality of the Billy Williams Lodge as we host retreats, family events, church gatherings, meetings, and team-building opportunities for organizations. We love our camp, and to take care of it means being good stewards of its buildings to carry out our mission of transforming lives through spiritual enrichment in service to God.

The Christian Church In Kentucky and the West Area are partnering in this regional campaign. The region is opening a line of credit with Disciples Church Extension Fund and will use Camp Endowment funds to match campaign funds raised up to the \$50,000 goal. This is a tremendous opportunity to double the effect of your gift. Please join us in preserving our lodge for future generations.

## RAISED FUNDS

- **REMEDiate** mold found in the outside walls of the shower rooms
- **RESTORE** women's and men's restrooms and shower rooms with new sheetrock and upgraded, ADA compliant fixtures
- **REPLACE** our HVAC system that has served us ten years beyond industry expectations

## TO GIVE

**BY CHECK** Checks may be written out to Camp Kum-Ba-Ya, P.O. Box 1332, Madisonville, KY 42431 with "Capital Campaign" in the memo line.

**ONLINE** Online donations may be received through Givelify or PayPal on our "You Can Help" tab at [www.campkumbaya.org](http://www.campkumbaya.org)

**WITH INVESTMENTS** Contact the West Area Office Manager, Glori Cope, at [WestArea@twc.com](mailto:WestArea@twc.com) or 270-821-1332 about contributing through stock investments.

**QUESTIONS?** Please contact Rachel Nance Woehler (Transitional West Area Minister) [WestAreaMinister@twc.com](mailto:WestAreaMinister@twc.com), or Dean Phelps (Transitional Regional Minister) [dean@ccinky.net](mailto:dean@ccinky.net)

## FROM THE VIRTUAL DESK

Time has had an odd rhythm this year, and yet the change of the calendar to July stirred in me a moment to reflect on what God has accomplished through our partnership in ministry. The Creator is still creating. The Divine mover is still moving us. The Great Healer is still healing and reconciling us. By God's grace, together we:

- hosted Anti-Racism/Pro-Reconciliation training
- launched new virtual clergy gathering for our bi-vocational and part-time clergy
- began monthly digital publication of *The West Area Coordinator*
- cast a vision for developing the facilities at camp
- developed year-round programming led by our West Area Youth Council
- called together the Leadership Development Team and planned the West Area Workshops event for 100 registrants
- updated our constitution
- facilitated resourcing conversations on planning through the pandemic
- began virtually attending weekly joint staff meetings with the CCK staff
- strengthened connections with the Association of Disciples Outdoor Ministries
- secured a Payroll Protection loan for all of our seasonal and year-round staff
- organized Camp Kum-Ba-Ya's virtual camping for this summer
- began major improvements to the Billy Williams Lodge, and
- supported four ministry candidates under care with the West Area's Committee on Ministry.

God's work through our partnership in ministry is making a difference in so many lives. To God be the glory. What a blessing and honor to be a part of it all!

The scripture for closing day of our 2020 camp curriculum drew from Philippians 1, which says:

*"I'm thankful for all of you every time I pray, and it's always a prayer full of joy. I'm glad because of the way you have been my partners in the ministry of the gospel from the time you first believed it until now."* (Phil. 1:4-5, CEB)

These words express my own feelings toward each of you and the work that we are doing together. In our partnership we see just a glimpse of God's strength, the depth of God's steadfast love, and the breadth of God's call.

With joy and gratitude,



Rev. Rachel Nance Woehler  
Transitional West Area Regional Minister

# CLERGY NEWS

## VIRTUAL MEETINGS FOR AUGUST

Ministers meetings are important for mutual support, encouragement, and resourcing our ministries. Even in this virtual space we laugh, pray together and share our ideas and challenges. God is doing great things among us. Clergy can connect with us by phone, tablet, or computer.

### DISTRICT 1

Tuesday, August 25 at noon. on Zoom  
Check your email for connection information.

### DISTRICT 2

Tuesday, August 11 at 10 a.m. on Zoom  
Check your email for connection information.

### DISTRICT 3

Thursday, August 20 at 11:30 a.m. on Zoom  
Check your email for connection information.

### BI-VOCATIONAL/PART-TIME

Thursday, August 20 at 7 p.m. on Zoom  
Check your email for connection information.

## GATHERING FOR LEADERS OF YOUTH & CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

What if we virtually gathered our children's ministry and youth ministry leader representatives from across the West Area churches for regular conversations? We could share ideas and resources, and we could support one another through the challenges that we face—especially during these changing times. How are you reaching out to children and youth in your community? What adaptations have you made this summer or will you need to make this fall? What might be possible if we workshop these together?

Let's meet on Zoom on **August 6 (Thursday) at 7pm**

Central and see what God can create among us. **Rev. Dr. Olivia Bryan Updegrove**, Minister for Ministries Across Generations with Disciples Home Missions (<https://www.docfamiliesandchildren.org>), plans to join us for our kick-off conversation.

Please share this information with the clergy and lay organizers of your church's ministries with children, youth, and families. For Zoom connection information, please email Rachel Nance Woehler at [WestAreaMinister@twc.com](mailto:WestAreaMinister@twc.com).



# CALENDAR UPDATES

## DMF DAY AUGUST 6, 2020

A day of online giving to support the Disciples Mission Fund-- [disciplesmissionfund.org/DMFday](http://disciplesmissionfund.org/DMFday)



## WEST AREA BOARD MEETING

Sunday, September 6, 3:00pm on Zoom  
Please watch your email for connection info.

## ALL Y'ALL CAMP CANCELLED

The All Y'all Camp scheduled for September 11-13 at Camp Kum-Ba-Ya has been cancelled due to the pandemic.

## ALL DISCIPLES SING CANCELLED

The All Disciples Sing originally scheduled for September 27 in Paducah has been cancelled due to the pandemic. Please watch for details on alternative plans for conducting our West Area Annual Meeting.

## FALL CAMP WORK DAY

October 24 at Camp Kum-Ba-Ya  
Join us as we prepare the campground for the winter season. More information will be available at [www.campkumbaya.org](http://www.campkumbaya.org)

# FIRST-EVER VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY

The CCK Assembly Planning Committee is putting all of its energies in planning for a virtual CCK Biennial Assembly.

The committee will be hosting a series of workshops and other virtual events the week leading up to worship and business sessions on prior to October 16, 2020. Stay tuned!



CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST) IN KENTUCKY

# NOW ACCEPTING YOUTH COUNCIL APPLICATIONS

## WAYC NEEDS YOU!!

A graphic with two columns of text and two photos. The left column says 'WE'RE LOOKING FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE Looking to Lead Willing to be Present Collaborative Active in their Church'. The right column says 'Must be entering/in High School. Willing to attend meetings either virtually or physically. APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE NOW! CONTACT REV. ZACH HARDY WITH QUESTIONS'. There are two photos: one of people at a table and one of people on a video call.

The West Area Youth Council needs you. We're seeking high school students who are looking to lead, willing to be present, collaborative, active in their churches, and willing to attend meetings (either virtually or in-person) to help plan ministries for this unique time. Applications are due by August 15 and may be found on the WAYC page at

<http://www.westareadisciples.org/youth-ministries-wayc/>. There you'll also find a poster for sharing this news with your youth group.

Questions? Contact WAYC Leader Zach Hardy at First Christian Church Madisonville--270-821-5335 or [zach@madisonvilledisciples.org](mailto:zach@madisonvilledisciples.org).

# GRANTS FOR MINISTRY

How might your church or ministry use grant funding to expand your mission's impact? What might be possible in your ministry with a bit more financial support? Check out these grant opportunities available right now.



National Benevolent Association

Mission and Ministry grant for projects serving older adults and educating disenfranchised youth and young adults. <https://www.nbcares.org/mission-and-ministry-grants>

COVID-19 NBA Response Grant - Cycle 2 to fund impactful responses to the Coronavirus pandemic. <https://www.nbcares.org/covid-19-grants>.

Week of Compassion's Congregational Solidarity Grants for Community Assistance to provide support for congregational ministries focused on addressing food security. (Contact [www.ccinky.net](http://www.ccinky.net) for an application).



# TREASURER'S REPORT

## JUNE UPDATE ON THE WEST AREA AND CAMP KBY FINANCES

The financial picture for the Christian Church In Kentucky-West Area was actually better than expected. Regular Congregation giving was up over budget by slightly over \$450. However, no additional receipts came in during June. Expenses were \$2,497 over income bringing our bank balance from operations to \$43,159.

We are still in the process of upgrading Camp Kum-Ba-Ya. Operational expenses exceeded income by \$2,376 leaving an operational bank balance of \$22,575.

Plans are in process of raising funds to complete necessary upgrades at KBY. Prospects seem very positive.

Charlie Ramsey  
Treasurer, West Area Board

### MAKE A SUSTAINING GIFT TO THE WEST AREA, CAMP KUM-BA-YA, OR CAMPAIGN KBY TODAY!

Make your check payable to:

CCK-West Area or Camp KBY  
P O Box 1332  
Madisonville, KY 42431



Or, give digitally to the West Area or Camp Kum-Ba-Ya through the Givelify or Paypal links on our "Give" tab at:



[www.westareadisciples.org/give/](http://www.westareadisciples.org/give/)



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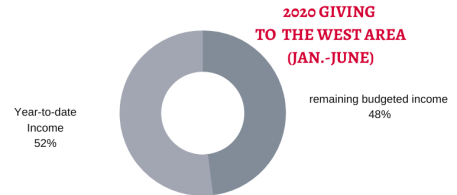
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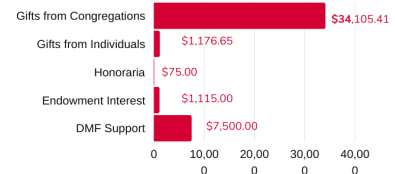
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### SECOND QUARTER 2020 FINANCIAL OVERVIEW



### YEAR-TO-DATE INCOME SOURCES



**\$7,037.83**

AVERAGE MONTHLY INCOME NEEDED FOR BUDGETED OPERATIONS

RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE ON JUNE 30, 2020

**\$6,488.15**

### OPERATING FUND BALANCE IN 2020

