



THE COORDINATOR

APRIL 2021



CREATION SPEAKS AT KUM-BA-YA

FROM THE VIRTUAL DESK

In February my family had the chance to walk the woods once again, at Camp Kum-Ba-Ya. The trees were still bare in their wintertime dormancy. You could see the cabins from the road, and the lake was clearly visible from the lodge. In my busyness, I didn't notice how beautiful the landscape looked until my daughter pointed it out. It was stunning.

Noticing the sounds of the waves at the lakeside and the crunch of the leaves along the trails, I slowed down, breathed deeply, and took it all in. I was reminded that God's creation can teach me so much about the divine, if I only keep my eyes and ears open to observe it.

This summer our children, youth and

adults at Camp Kum-Ba-Ya will be reminded of the interdependence of all of God's creatures and our call from the scriptures to be caretakers of creation. They, too, will have the opportunity to be restored once again by nature.



Then again, you don't have to wait until summertime. Join us on the grounds at Camp Kum-Ba-Ya near Benton for our physically-distant work day on April 24. Gate opens at 7:30 a.m., and work will begin at 8:00 a.m. Bring a picnic lunch and take in the views. If you have work gloves, a weed eater, leaf blower, pressure washer, ladder, edtool box, a truck, a mask, and/or friends and family who would love to join you in this fun and meaningful work, bring them with you.

And while you are there, take a significant moment to sit on the dock, walk in the woods, or pray at the vespers area and see what God speaks to you as you are surrounded by God's majestic creation.

Rachel

Rev. Rachel Nance Woehler
Transitional West Area Regional Minister

CLERGY NEWS

MAY VIRTUAL MEETINGS

Our virtual gatherings have kept us connected across the miles throughout this pandemic. Email Rachel at WestAreaMinister@twc.com for more details or to learn how to connect with us.

DISTRICT 1

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

DISTRICT 2

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

DISTRICT 3

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

BI-VOCATIONAL/PART-TIME

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

MINISTRY CELEBRATIONS



On Palm Sunday, March 28, Liberty Christian Church celebrated the installation of their co-pastors, the Revs. Paul and Rachel Ganther (pictured on either side of Rachel).

(Photo credit: Johnny Campbell)



**Seeing the Face of God
in Each Other**

Regional conversations on race, racism,
and reconciliation

Meets the anti-racism training requirement for minister standing in Kentucky

[Click to register, \\$30](#)

REGIONAL CONVERSATIONS ON RACISM AND RECONCILIATION

Seeing the Face of God in Each Other is an online conversation about race, racism, and reconciliation. We look forward to the day we can hold these conversations in person, but until then we are delighted to offer this online. This fulfills the Committee on Ministry requirement for clergy pro-reconciliation, anti-racism training. The conversations take place over the course of two days, meeting each day from 9 a.m. until noon Eastern (8 a.m. until 11:00 Central). Seating for each conversation is limited to 22, so choose your date and use the link to register and pay online. The next online conversation will be May 18-19. The cost is \$30.

<http://www.ccinky.net/seeing-face-god-each-other/>

2021 PENTECOST OFFERING
BE THE NEW CHURCH
SUNDAYS MAY 16 AND MAY 23



NEW CHURCH MINISTRY

PENTECOST OFFERING

How is the Pentecost offering used? To help our new church movement continue to take root! Each year, half of this special offering stays in the Kentucky region to start and uphold new churches. The other half is used all across the United States and Canada by New Church Ministry to support the recruiting, assessing, training and coaching of our new church leaders.

Our church planters remain committed to answering God's call ... to serve their neighbors, spread the gospel, and make more Disciples. But they need the nurturing and generous support of people like you. Please help our new church movement continue to take root, bear fruit, and grow more Disciples every day. Join in the special offering on May 16 and 23.

<https://disciplesmissionfund.org/special-offerings/pentecost/>

REGISTER FOR KUM-BA-YA

DEADLINE IS MAY 1



DISCOVERY CAMP
(GRADES 1-2) JULY 16-18
YOUNG DISCIPLES CAMP
(GRADE 3) JULY 12-14
JUNIOR CAMP
(GRADES 4-5) JUNE 7-11
CHI RHO CAMP
(GRADES 6-8) JULY 5-10
SAILING CAMP
(GRADES 6-12) JUNE 21-25
CYF CAMP
(GRADES 9-12) JUNE 13-19
ADULT SAILING WEEKEND
SEPT. 10-12



First, see our Parent Guardian and Camper Info pages as well as our Covid-19 Risk Reduction Strategies. Second, register with our Camper Form by May 1, 2021. Third, invite someone to attend camp with you, using our promotional graphics and invitations. Or share our camp video and show why you love Camp Kum-Ba-Ya.

<http://www.campkumbaya.org/camp-kum-ba-ya-is-fun/>

INVITE A CAMPER

BROCHURES, VIDEO AND MORE



Will you be an ambassador for Camp Kum-Ba-Ya? Invite a child, youth or adult that you know to attend summer camp this year by using the resources we have prepared, from bulletin inserts to Zoom backgrounds. Or invite someone personally by sharing our graphics on your social media or sending someone one of our print invitations. Your invitation might just change a life this summer!

<http://www.campkumbaya.org/promote-the-camping-program/>

A LIST OF WISHES

Help make one of Camp Kum-Ba-Ya's wishes come true and help us prepare for another season by donating from our AmazonSmile Charity wishlist. Our list includes pandemic staples like hand sanitizer and disinfectant wipes, fun sports equipment that campers wish to have on site, and ongoing needed supplies, such as trash bags, paper towels, and snacks. Your donations help keep our fees low and turn dreams into ministry.

https://smile.amazon.com/hz/charitylist/l/L2R7P4EVQ334/ref=smi_ext_lnk_lcl_cl



CAMP WAKON' DA-HO

Summer camp dates from our sister camp:
www.ccinky.net/ministries/camp/wakonda-ho/

- Mini Camp – June 4-6
- CYF 1 – June 8-12
- Eighters' Camp – June 13-19
- Junior 1 – June 22-25
- Camp 101A – June 26
- CYF 2 – June 29-July 3
- Chi Rho 1 – July 6-10
- Chi Rho 2 – July 13-17
- Junior 2 – July 20-23
- Camp 101 B – July 24
- Young Adult Retreat-July 29-31
- Y'All Camp – September 3-5



TREASURER'S REPORT

MARCH HIGHLIGHTS

West Area:

The West Area had income in excess of expenses by \$6,798 in March. This was due mainly to receipt of \$3,750 from Disciples Mission Fund support. Also there was no office manager expense and very little other expense.

The operational account balance increased to \$77,235 while the restricted account remained unchanged at \$2,202.

Camp Kum Ba Ya:

KBY had operational income in excess of expenses in the amount of \$16,475 due mainly to a receipt of \$16,098 from the annual CCK Camp Endowment Fund draw. Congregational gifts were \$3,168. The largest expense was utilities in the amount of \$2,311.

Endowment Fund:

The Field & Main account value increased in the first quarter by \$5,205 to a new balance of \$252,087. We have yet to take a budgeted draw of \$11,844 for 2021.

Charlie Ramsey
Treasurer, West Area Board

WEST AREA VISION TEAM

LAYING THE GROUNDWORK

The West Area Vision Team will meet again **Monday, May 17, at 3:30 p.m.** Central to continue their work together with chair Leah Eubanks. Team, please check your email for the recurring Zoom link information.



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PIANIST/ORGANIST NEEDED

First Christian Church of Dawson Springs
is seeking to hire a full or part-time pianist or organist.
For more information, contact
Rev. Mike Moschenrose at pastormike.fccds@gmail.com.

MAKE A SUSTAINING GIFT TO THE WEST AREA OR CAMP KUM-BA-YA

Make your check payable to:

CCK-West Area or Camp KBY
P O Box 1332
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Or, give digitally to the West Area or Camp Kum-Ba-Ya through the Givelify or Paypal links on our "Give" tab.

www.westareadisciples.org/give/





An Invitation to Join Together in Prayer

What if each week we dedicated moments to praying for one of our sister churches or ministries in the West Area? What if we covenant to the practice of praying for one another? We might list each one on our prayer lists, or in our newsletters and bulletins. We might raise up their names in our prayer groups, at our devotional times, or in our prayer moments at staff meetings. We might invite our elders, deacons, and other intercessors to speak the names of our sister churches and ministries in their own daily prayers. What impact would such a practice of prayer together have on our ministries, and how might God weave us together in a stronger bond of ministry? Let's find out.

Let's join in praying each Sunday and the following week for each one of our churches and ministries in the West Area. Our chain of prayer will take us through the year to the first Sunday of Advent 2021.

January 3-9	Bardwell Christian Church, Bardwell
January 10-16	Morris Valley Christian Church, Bardwell
January 17-23	Baskett Christian Church, Baskett
January 24-30	Beech Grove Christian Church, Beech Grove
January 31-Feb. 6	Camp Kum-Ba-Ya
February 7-13	First Christian Church, Benton
February 14-20	First Christian Church, Bowling Green
February 21-27	First Christian Church, Cadiz
Feb. 28-Mar. 6	Sinking Fork Christian Church, Cerulean
March 7-13	Crofton Christian Church, Crofton
March 14-20	First Christian Church, Dawson Springs
March 21-27	Ilsley Christian Church, Dawson Springs
March 28-Apr. 3	First Christian Church, Earlington
April 4-10	The Christian Church of Elkton, Elkton
April 11-17	First Christian Church, Fulton
April 18-24	First Christian Church, Glasgow
April 25-May 1	First Christian Church, Greenville

May 2-8	First Christian Church, Henderson
May 9-15	Roaring Springs Christian Church, Herndon
May 16-22	First Christian Church, Hopkinsville
May 23-29	Liberty Christian Church, Hopkinsville
May 30-June 5	Christian Care Communities of Bowling Green
June 6-12	Millbrooke Christian Church, Hopkinsville
June 13-19	Bethel Christian Church, Kevil
June 20-26	First Christian Church, Madisonville
June 27-July 3	Christian Care Communities of Hopkinsville
July 4-10	Potluck Church, Madisonville
July 11-17	First Christian Church, Mayfield
July 18-24	Second Christian Church, Mayfield
July 25-31	First Christian Church, Murray
August 1-7	First Christian Church, Nortonville
August 8-14	Century Christian Church, Owensboro
August 15-21	First Christian Church, Owensboro
August 22-28	First Christian Church, Paducah
Aug. 29-Sept. 4	Christian Care Communities of Owensboro
September 5-11	Pembroke Christian Church, Pembroke
September 12-18	First Christian Church, Princeton
September 19-25	First Christian Church, Providence
Sept. 26-Oct. 2	Berea Christian Church, Russellville
October 3-9	First Christian Church, Russellville
October 10-16	First Christian Church, Sebree
October 17-23	First Christian Church, Smiths Grove
October 24-30	Maxon Christian Church, West Paducah
Oct. 31-Nov. 6	Whitesville Christian Church, Whitesville
November 7-13	Wickliffe Christian Church, Wickliffe
November 14-20	The leadership & staff of the Christian Church in Ky
November 21-27	The leadership & staff of the West Area

"I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ." (Philippians 1:3-6, NRSV)