

# THE COORDINATOR

NOVEMBER 2022

## LIFE-CHANGING WORK

### FROM THE VIRTUAL DESK

This week I received an encouraging text from a pastor sharing that their church was preparing to baptize several children who first began thinking about baptism while at Camp Kum-Ba-Ya! What a testimony to the ways God is using our camp to change lives! Thanks be to God.

The other day another church member confessed to me that he had not been to Camp Kum-Ba-Ya in over twenty years, and he wondered what had changed since then. It was such fun recounting all of the improvements and showing him photos of the work that is in progress. I talked to him about our dream for financial sustainability and our hope to grow the impact of the camp as we turn into a year-round ministry and facility used all four seasons of the year.

Here are some ways you can join Interim Camp Manager, Rev. Dee Moore Wells, and the KBY Advisory Team in the life-saving ministry that God undertakes at Camp Kum-Ba-Ya.

You are the key ingredient to spreading the impact of our church camp! We need you to:

- Invite children, youth and adults to attend our events. For example, have you encouraged others to attend the Fall Work Day or the All Y'all Retreat? (See Page 2.)
- Share our Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram social media posts on your social media.
- Brainstorm about groups you know that might be interested in using our campground and lodge--civic groups, family reunion groups, fellowship groups, weddings, home-school classes, trainings, gatherings of friends, and more. Then, pass on our new brochure to them.

- Encourage your church leadership to post information from this newsletter in your church bulletin, newsletter, and on social media.
- Put summer camp dates on your family's calendars. (See Page 2), and volunteer to serve as a counselor.
- And join us for Work Day on November 12 and the All Y'all Retreat November 18-20.

I'm so thankful that we have a powerful ministry that is changing lives every summer, and I am confident that we can grow this ministry's impact, by the grace of God. I can't wait to see what God can do year-round through this ministry!



Rev. Rachel Nance Woehler  
West Area Regional Minister

## SHARE KBY'S NEW BROCHURE



Wouldn't you love more time at Camp Kum-Ba-Ya? Know a group that would enjoy our beautiful space? Reserve our camp and retreat center for your next special event. Share our new brochure and reservation forms.

<http://www.campkumbya.org/reservations/>



# FALL WORK DAY



Help us at Fall Work Day--**Saturday, November 12** at Camp Kum-Ba-Ya (4943 Barge Island Road, Benton). Gate opens at 7:30 a.m., and work will begin at 8:00 a.m. If you have work gloves and shoes, a weed eater, leaf blower, a tool box, a truck, old clothes for painting, and/or friends and family who would love to join you in this fun and meaningful work, bring them with you. Stay for lunch, too!

Our work project list includes:

- Clean kitchen and stove
- Clear brush from trails
- Repair gutters
- Clean worship areas
- Clean windows
- Clean pavilion benches
- Repair shelter roof
- Begin putting a deck on the residence
- Paint Dining Hall wall
- Maintenance on the golf cart



<http://www.campkumbaya.org/previous-work-days/>

# CAMP DATES!



## KUM-BA-YA 2023 DATES

The 2023 Camp Kum-Ba-Ya Summer Camp dates are set! Save the dates and spread the word across the land (and lakes!).

- June 5-10 Chi Rho Camp (grades 6-8)
- June 11-17 CYF Camp (grades 9-12)
- June 19-23 Spirit Sailing Camp (grades 6-12)
- June 23-25 Discovery Camp (grades K-2 + adult)
- June 26-30 Junior Camp (grades 3-5)

## WAKON' DA-HO 2023 DATES

- Mini Camp – June 2-4
- CYF 1 – June 5-10
- Eighter's Camp – June 11-17
- Junior 1 – June 19-23
- Camp 101A – June 23-25
- CYF 2 – June 26 – July 1
- Chi Rho 1 – July 3-8
- Chi Rho 2 – July 10-15
- Junior 2 – July 17-21
- Camp 101 B – July 22
- Y'All Camp – September 1-3
- Fall Family Fest – October 6-8



# COME TO ALL Y'ALL

**November 18-20** come to Camp Kum-Ba-Ya for a relaxing weekend away for connection, fun and renewal for everyone--individuals and families in all ages and stages of life. Mark and Nancy Dycus will be directing this laid-back weekend. Register by **November 7**.

[www.campkumbaya.org](http://www.campkumbaya.org)



# CLERGY NEWS

## NOVEMBER MINISTERS MEETINGS

Do you need a supportive community of colleagues and friends? We have a place for you at the ministers meetings. Email Rachel at [WestAreaMinister@twc.com](mailto:WestAreaMinister@twc.com) for details.

### DISTRICT 1

Tuesday, November 22, at noon Central on Zoom. (Check your email for connection information.) Starting in January District 1 will meet in person at First Christian Paducah.

### DISTRICT 2

Tuesday, November 8, at noon Central on Zoom. (Check your email for connection information.)

### DISTRICT 3

Thursday, November 17, at 11:30 a.m. Central on Zoom. (Check your email for connection information.)

### BI-VOCATIONAL/PART-TIME

Thursday, November 10, at 7 p.m. Central on Zoom. (Check your email for a new Zoom link.)

## FOR CLERGY CAREGIVERS

Thursday, November 3  
10:30-11:30 a.m. Central  
Facilitated by Rev. Marie Weaver  
To receive the Zoom link, contact Marie at [craftywriter000@gmail.com](mailto:craftywriter000@gmail.com)



## RESOURCES FOR SPECIAL DAYS

Fall brings several opportunities for special observances in the life of our church:

### All Saints Sunday--November 6

<https://www.christianchurchfoundation.org/resources-congregations>



### Thanksgiving Special Offering

The Thanksgiving special offering received in most congregations November 13 & 20 benefits the ministry of Higher Education and Leadership Ministries. Your gift to the Thanksgiving Offering helps support Disciples leaders and the education of thousands of students at our fifteen colleges and universities, as well as our seven seminaries and divinity houses.

<https://disciplesmissionfund.org/special-offerings/thanksgiving/?fbclid=IwAR3cafqMqNs3Oz7WDWhK7-tuYkDVhqBIouWooOBQC3ZzLDPrl3dFSM0ItBE>

## VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2023

# KINDOM OF GOD WITHIN US AMONG US

GENESIS 11:1-9 • LUKE 17:20-21 • 2 PETER 1:3  
July 29 - August 1, 2023 - Louisville



Kentucky Disciples, we need your help! The 2023 Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) General Assembly will be right here in Kentucky. Want a discounted registration fee? Have skills you can offer? Join our planning committee! Volunteer to help serve on one of the teams by completing this Google Doc.

<https://forms.gle/EXroKLQURmPh7VV7>

## DEADLINE FOR CCK'S YOUTH LOCK-IN IS NOVEMBER 14

You are invited to join 6-12 grade youth from across the Region on Friday, November 18 at the Malibu Jack's in Lexington (2520 Nicholasville Rd.) for an overnight lock-in. We will play games, eat pizza, have time to bowl and have time to interact! We ask that you gather at Malibu Jack's, Lexington, at 11:00 p.m. Eastern. We will finish at 6:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 19. Cost is \$35 a person; we ask for a 1 to 7 adult-to-youth ratio for each church. Registration is due to Mike McColl ([mjmfcc@gmail.com](mailto:mjmfcc@gmail.com)) by November 14. Please make checks payable to "First Christian Church."

# TREASURER'S REPORT

Financial Information for September 2022:

**West Area:** We had total receipts of \$4,115. We had total expenses of \$8,710, giving us a negative cash flow of \$4,595. For the nine months ended September 30 we have a total negative cash flow of \$6,050. We ended the month with an operating cash balance of \$100,087. We have a restricted cash balance of \$15,826 which consists of \$13,205 in tornado relief contributions.

**Camp Kum-Ba-Ya:** The total year to date receipts for the nine months ended September 30 were \$48,414 with total expenses of \$64,489 giving us a negative cash flow of \$16,075. We ended the period with an operational cash balance of \$6,731. We had a restricted cash balance of \$24,575 which will be used mainly on Camp upgrades.

Charlie Ramsey

## REGIONAL ASSEMBLY 2022

The Regional Church of Kentucky will gather in Georgetown **November 3-5**. There will be lots of great workshops, meaningful worship experiences, and helpful after-sessions. Register today!

Registration and docket <http://www.ccinky.net/resources/2022-regional-assembly/>



Make Plans to Attend the Reunion  
Regional Assembly - November 3-5, 2022 - Georgetown KY

## WEST AREA ANNUAL MEETING

The West Area Annual Meeting will be Sunday, **November 13**, at **3:00 p.m.** Central on Zoom. We will email the Zoom links again two weeks prior to the gathering. Please share this Zoom link with your congregations in a secure way. Do not post it publicly. Those assembled will consider the 2023 budgets and nominations to the West Area Board.



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