

THE COORDINATOR

MAY 2024

THANKS FOR AN AMAZING SPRING WORK DAY!

We had an incredible Spring Work Day at Camp Kum-Ba-Ya with our skilled and enthusiastic volunteers on April 20. Here's a glimpse of what we accomplished:

- Cleaned and moved boats and equipment to the beach
- Reloaded and organized the games cabinet with new games
- Installed a new blackstone grill that was donated
- Stocked cabins with cleaning and first aid supplies
- Set the furniture in the new cabins
- Set up the basketball court netting
- Moved single beds to staff cabins
- Installed a new craft room door
- Painted the clock
- Mowed the lawn
- Washed mattress pads
- Installed outlet covers
- Painted the front of the tractor shed
- Cleaned the lodge windows
- Cleared leaves from cabin areas
- Cleaned out gutters
- Cleared fallen trees and leaves
- Gathered limbs
- Set up the new kitchen porch
- Painted the interior of the old girls bathhouse
- Spring cleaned the bathhouses and restrooms
- Reshaped the ground around cabins to improve drainage
- Installed blinds on windows in the dining hall and office
- Ate a delicious breakfast and lunch prepared by Becca

Each one of you is a precious gift to our camping ministry. Thank you for sharing your time and talents to make this camp so special for everyone connected with it.



REGISTER FOR CAMP BY MAY 1



www.campkumbaya.org

4943 Barge Island Rd.
Benton, Kentucky



- JUNE 3-8 CYF CAMP (GRADES 9-12)
- JUNE 10-14 JUNIOR CAMP (GRADES 3-5)
- JUNE 17-22 CHI RHO CAMP (GRADES 6-8)
- JUNE 24-28 SAILING CAMP (GRADES 6-12)
- JUNE 28-30 DISCOVERY CAMP (GRADES K-2 & ADULT)
- JULY 1-5 CAMP AGAPE (GRADES 6-8 IN FOSTER CARE)

WHAT AN ADVENTURE!

Camp Kum-Ba-Ya
4943 Barge Island Road, Benton

Register at Our Website
www.campkumbaya.org

If you're looking for an adventure this summer, sailing camp has it all: sunset supper on the lake, up-close experiences with water animals, hearing scripture in new ways, and the joy of being with a small group of new friends. Join the special community of Sailing Camp alumni!

INVITE EVERYONE TO CAMP

Invite someone to summer camp using our promotional postcard, graphics, flier, bulletin inserts, and video! Or just forward this newsletter on to them. It is so easy to share the good news and spread our faith through our camping ministry.

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



COMMISSION YOUR CAMPERS

This summer, plan to send your campers off with the prayers of your church. Ministries Across Generations offers a camper commissioning liturgy to use in worship as we prepare to send our campers to Kum-Ba-Ya.

<http://www.campkumbaya.org/register-for-camps/> (See bottom of the webpage.)

CAMP AGAPE FOR GRADES 6-8 IN FOSTER CARE!

Camp Kum-Ba-Ya and Benton First Christian are again partnering to host Camp Agape, a week of sleep-away camp for up to 25 middle-school youth (having completed grades 6, 7, or 8) who currently live in foster care.

Camp Agape, scheduled for **July 1-5**, combines Camp Kum-Ba-Ya's spiritual mission of sharing God's love, community, and belonging, with emotional support, mentoring, and instruction in practical, everyday skills. From the moment campers arrive, we aim for each one to feel the sense of belonging that comes from having a special place set aside just for them to sleep and be. When they leave at the end of the week, our aim is for each one to feel loved and valued as children of God, with skills to live and grow in relationships and in community.

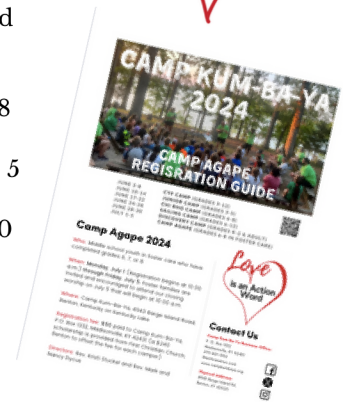
Who: Middle-school youth in foster care who have completed grades 6, 7, or 8

When: Monday, July 1 (registration begins at 10:00 a.m.) through Friday, July 5

Registration fee (discounted fee made possible by Benton First Christian): \$50 paid to Camp Kum-Ba-Ya, P.O. Box 1332, Madisonville, KY 42431

Directors: Rev. Kristi Stuckel and Rev. Mark and Nancy Dycus

<http://www.campkumbaya.org/register-for-camps/>



DATES FROM OUR SISTER CAMP

CAMP WAKON'DA-HO 2024 DATES

YOSEMITE, KY | REGISTER AT CCINKY.NET

SPRING WORK WEEKEND	APRIL 12-14
MINI CAMP (2-3)	MAY 31-JUNE 2
CYF 1 (9-12)	JUNE 3-8
EIGHTER'S CAMP (8)	JUNE 9-15
JUNIOR CAMP (4-5)	JUNE 17-21
CAMP 101A (K-2*)	JUNE 21-23
CYF 2 (9-12)	JUNE 24-29
CHI RHO 1 (6-8)	JULY 1-6
CHI RHO 2 (6-8)	JULY 8-13
CAMP 101B (K-2*)	JULY 20
Y'ALL CAMP (ALL AGES*)	AUGUST 30-SEPT 1
FALL FEST (ALL AGES*)	OCTOBER (DATES TBD)

*FIND DETAILS REGARDING AGE RESTRICTIONS, CHAPERONE REQUIREMENTS, AND PRICING AT CCINKY.NET/MINISTRIES/CAMP/WAKONDA-HO

STORYTELLER TRAINING

Is your church hoping to start a Children Worship & Wonder ministry?

This Children Worship & Wonder Storytelling Training will give your leaders the know-how and initial steps to get started in offering this special faith formation worship experience with children!

Dates: **June 14-15** (Training times are 6-9 p.m. on Friday, and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday)

Location: Crestwood Christian Church
1882 Bellefonte Drive, Lexington

Cost: \$120/person

Trainer: Rev. Petie McLean

<https://www.discipleshomemissions.org/connections/children-worship-and-wonder/>



WOMEN'S SPRING CONFERENCE

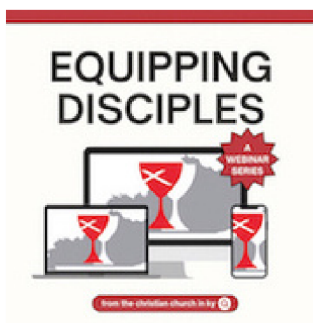


Come out and CELEBRATE 150 years of Disciples Women's Ministry!!! There will be two spring conferences held this year. The Central Kentucky spring conference will be held **April 13** at Danville First Christian Church. The message will be delivered by Rev. Sheila L. Edwards. The West Area spring conference will be held this weekend (**April 27**) at Owensboro First Christian Church. Rev. Rachel Nance Woehler will be our guest speaker. The theme for our conferences this year is "Through the Looking Glass: Seeing the World through the eyes of Faith" – Matthew 13:16-17 . The registration fee is \$30.00 per person.

<http://www.ccinky.net/ministries/disciples-women/>

CCK WEBINAR

"THE ART OF FLOURISHING IN MINISTRY" WITH DR. DENISE BELL ON MAY 18



Ministry is hard, but it does not have to be hard on you. It is possible to flourish in life and ministry without dismissing the challenges and struggles of pastoral and clergy leadership. Evidence-based research and clergy gatherings often acknowledge the stress, emotional exhaustion, and excessive demands of ministry. However, there is an increasing call for more refreshing conversations that engage in practices that cultivate a sense of flourishing, fullness and deeper moments. Flourishing is not the absence of struggle, instead it is in part the outcome of one's ability to draw from within and remain hopeful despite present-day struggles! Engage in this emerging conversation about our collective journey toward flourishing. Register now for this Zoom webinar that will be held **May 18**.

<http://www.ccinky.net/2024-congregational-webinar-offerings/>

NATIONAL CONVOCATION

The 28th Biennial Session of the National Convocation of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) will be held in Greensboro, North Carolina, **July 11-14, 2024**.

<https://www.nationalconvocation.org/biennialsession>



LODGING GROUP RATE FOR CCK ASSEMBLY

The 2024 Regional Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Kentucky will be held **August 1-3** in Mount Sterling. Our host churches are High Street Christian Church, Somerset Christian Church, and Mount Sterling, First Christian Church. Children and adult registration, lodging group rate information, voting forms, the schedule, workshop information, and the preview video are now available. Youth registration info and more coming soon.

<http://www.ccinky.net/resources/2024-regional-assembly/>

CLERGY NEWS

District Boundaries

(Approved by Regional Assembly, September 17-19, 1992.
Revised by Board Action, April 29-30, 1994.)



MAY MINISTERS MEETINGS

Workdays, evenings, or on Zoom--we have several options for you to gather with colleagues. To receive connection information, email Rachel at WestAreaMinister@twc.com.

DISTRICT 1

Tuesday, May 28, at 12:00 p.m. Central
We will meet in person at Paducah First Christian (415 Audubon Dr.) and on Zoom. (Check your email for connection information.)

DISTRICT 2

Tuesday, May 14, at 10:00 a.m. Central
We will meet in person at Madisonville First Christian (1030 College Dr.) and on Zoom. (Check your email for connection information.)

DISTRICT 3

Thursday, May 16, at 10:30 a.m. Central on Zoom. (Check your email for connection information.)

BI-VOCATIONAL/PART-TIME

Thursday, May 9, at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom. (Check your email for Zoom connection information.)

FOR CLERGY CAREGIVERS

Join the CCK's Clergy Caregiver Support Group for clergy sharing the joys and challenges of caregiving for aging parents, siblings, spouses, or adult children.

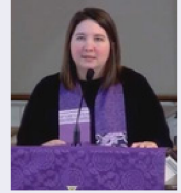
Thursday, May 2, 10-11 a.m. Central
Facilitated by Rev. Marie Weaver, who published the book, *Dementia, Caregiving, and Christian Discipleship: Managing Ministry for Dementia Patients and their Caregivers*.

To receive the Zoom link, contact Marie at craftywriter000@gmail.com



MINISTRY CELEBRATIONS

In February, Hopkinsville First Christian welcomed Rev. Catherine DeMoss as their Interim Minister. Thank you for serving in this time of transition, Catherine!



MAY IS MENTAL HEALTH MONTH



Presented by:



As we begin Mental Health Month, May is a great time to consider training for your congregation in Mental Health First Aid. Mental Health America of Kentucky offers both Adult Mental Health and Youth Mental Health First Aid--great for youth leaders, Sunday School teachers, Elders, and staff. This virtual training teaches you how to identify, understand, and respond to signs of mental illness and substance abuse disorders. It also gives you the skills you need to reach out and provide initial support to someone who may be developing a mental health or substance use problem and help connect them to the appropriate care.

<https://mhaky.org/events/>

2024 ASSOCIATION OF DISCIPLES MUSICIANS CONFERENCE



July 22-26 at Harvard Avenue Christian Church in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Clergy and lay musicians, connect with ADM through the [ADM Facebook Group Page](#)

<https://www.adm-doc.org>

PENTECOST OFFERING 2024



TREASURER'S REPORT

FINANCIAL INFO. FOR THE MONTH ENDING MARCH 31, 2024

CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN KENTUCKY--WEST AREA

Total Receipts	\$5,531.91
Total Expenses	\$10,014.65
Negative Cash Flow for March	-\$4,482.74
Total Operations Balance as of 3/31/24	\$97,080.81
Total Restricted Fund Balance as of 3/31/24	\$9,601.37
Total Operations and Restricted Fund Balance as of 3/31/24	\$106,682.18

CAMP KUM-BA-YA

Total Receipts	\$3,638.63
Total Expenses	\$9,015.83
Negative Cash Flow for March	-\$5,377.20
Total Operations Balance as of 3/31/24	\$19,716.16
Total Restricted Fund Balance as of 3/31/24	\$102,759.20
Total Operations and Restricted Fund Balance as of 3/31/24	\$122,475.36

Respectfully submitted,
Kellie Jo Fredrick
2024 Treasurer



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Share the good news!
Stick a mailing label here
to mail this to someone
who might join in our
ministries together.

