

THE COORDINATOR APRIL 2024

APRIL IS OUT OF THIS WORLD!



APRIL 8--SOLAR ECLIPSE WATCH PARTY

Camp Kum-Ba-Ya and the Paducah First Christian Church (415 Audubon Drive) will host a Solar Eclipse Watch Party. Camping will be available at Camp Kum-Ba-Ya for those who would like to stay overnight in western Kentucky. We will then be caravanning to Paducah to watch the eclipse in the totality zone in the church parking lot from 12–3:30 pm. Eclipse information, light snacks and music will be set up in tents in the lower church parking lot. Overnight camping is available the nights of **April 7 and 8**. Breakfast and lunch are also available. Registration link for the Solar Eclipse Watch Party (with optional lodging and meals).

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APRIL 20--SPRING WORK DAY

Let's show our campground some love! Saturday, April 20, is Spring Work Day at Camp Kum-Ba-Ya. It's an annual event that brings together folks from across the West Area and beyond for a day of service to care for our buildings and grounds, and to prepare the camp for the upcoming summer season. Tasks will include painting, cleaning, power washing, repairing, and setting up facilities to ensure everything is ready for our summer campers. Please bring tools, painting clothes, and sturdy shoes. Work begins at 8 a.m. Lunch is provided.





APRIL 27--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 **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 13:6-7. The registration fee is \$30.00 per person.

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

CAMP NEWS: REGISTRATION TIME!



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)

INVITE OTHERS TO CAMP

Invite someone to summer camp using our promotional postcard, graphics, flier, bulletin inserts, and video!

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



www.campkumbaya.org

4943 Barge Island Rd. Benton, Kentucky





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/



SAILING CAMP IS ONE-OF-A-KIND!

"We, in the mercy and in the true love of God, breathe the wind of God and are filled with the breath of God: God's Ruah. Therefore, we are children of God. We have come this week to play in the wind and water, to work with boat and crew. We have come this week to deepen our souls in God."

These words have begun the closing worship at Camp Kum-Ba-Ya's Sailing Camp for more than 20 years. It may be right and fair to say that Camp Kum-Ba-Ya's Sailing Camp is one of a kind. The small group of campers that take part in these weeks of camp get to experience a project-based style of learning, discipleship, and leadership development like no other. It not only teaches them the skills and cooperative leadership necessary to confidently sail a vessel; it also draws each one closer to God and creation as they experience wind, water, and Word like never before.

Our directors offer a special three-year curriculum rotation designed to provide a new experience each year for repeat campers:

- Year 1, Paul's Shipwreck (Acts 27)
- Year 2, Jesus on the Water
- Year 3, Ruah: The Wind and the Spirit

For some of our summer campers, Camp Kum-Ba-Ya's Sailing Camp is a complement or in-depth, next-level experience in their discipleship. For others, the smaller size of the camp community and the hands-on learning are a perfect fit. Register for this special adventure with God, June 24-28.

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







APPLY TO BE A COUNSELOR



We are so thankful for our over 40 directors, counselors, and counselors-in-training who volunteered to make summer camp 2023 possible. You can be a part of our 2024 team. Apply today to be an adult counselor or counselor-in-training.

http://www.campkumbaya.org/register-forcamps/

DATES FROM OUR SISTER CAMP



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Thank you to the West Area Leadership Development Team, our workshop leaders, our exhibitors, and all of the volunteers from Cadiz Christian Church for making the 2024 West Area Workshops such a special day for our 130 participants.

EQUIPPING DISCIPLES: CCK WEBINARS FOR THRIVING!

APRIL 13

"THRIVING CONGREGATIONS" WITH DR. ERIN CASH

Thriving Congregations have at least 10 things in common. In this 90- minute Zoom workshop, Dr. Erin Cash of Lexington Theological Seminary will lead you through exercises in discovering the traits you already have and discovering those you want to develop. The workshop is designed to be attended by teams from congregations – each pastor should bring at least two lay leaders from their congregation.

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





MAY 18

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

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. Registration for this Zoom webinar will be available soon.

CLERGY NEWS



APRIL 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, April 23, 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, April 9, 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, April 18, at 10:30 a.m. Central on Zoom. (Check your email for connection information.)

BI-VOCATIONAL/PART-TIME

Thursday, April 11, 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, April 4, 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

PEMBROKE SEEKING MUSICIAN



Pembroke Christian Church is in need of a musician on a weekly basis for the worship service at 10:15--11:30 a.m. We are open to a pianist or a guitarist. This will be a paid position. We are looking to hire as soon as possible. Please call Rev Cecilia Tucker 727-458-2612 if you are interested in the position or know of someone else that might be interested.

INTRODUCING BOUNDARIES 201

Your excellent team of Boundaries trainers are pleased to announce that there will be new content for 2024. They will hold a pilot training session on **Saturday**, **April 13**, **8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Central** (on Zoom), as a runthrough. For this session only, the cutoff number will be 12 participants. All four trainers will be participants in this session.

After this first runthrough, the CCK will announce dates for the remainder of the year. They will offer an additional Saturday, two two-day afternoon sessions, and two evening sessions. In addition, we will offer another session of the original Boundaries training for those of you who have yet to take that. Be watching for those dates to be announced. In the meantime, if you need Boundaries training for 2024, be one of the first 12 to sign up for the pilot presentation. It will be great.

https://www.ccinky.net/boundaries-training/

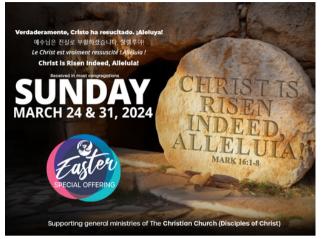


2024 DIRECTORY AVAILABLE

Ministers and churches, The updated 2024 West Area Directory is now posted on the webpage. Please check your email for details. Thank you for sending in your updates!



EASTER OFFERING 2024



https://disciplesmissionfund.org/specialofferings/easter/





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TREASURER'S REPORT

FINANCIAL INFO. FOR THE MONTH ENDING FEBRUARY 29, 2024

CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN KENTUCKY--WEST AREA

Total Receipts	\$9,949.24
Total Expenses	\$9,868.59
Posative Cash Flow for February	\$80.65
Total Operations Balance as of 2/29/24	\$101,563.55
Total Restricted Fund Balance as of 2/29/24	\$8,195.04
Total Operations and Restricted Fund Balance as of 2/29/24	\$109,758.59

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Total Receipts	\$518.44
Total Expenses	\$10,124.64
Negative Cash Flow for February	-\$9,606.20
Total Operations Balance as of 2/29/24	\$25,093.36
Total Restricted Fund Balance as of 2/29/24	\$100,211.75
Total Operations and Restricted Fund Balance as of 2/29/24	\$125,305.11

NOTES

There was a water leak that was discovered on Jan 30 that	
has been repaired, but this caused the water bill to be	
higher than normal. We are checking to see if an	
adjustment could possibly be made to the water bill for a	
portion of this.	

Respectfully submitted, Kellie Jo Fredrick 2024 Treasurer

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

WWW.WESTAREADISCIPLES.ORG

