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Congregational Leaders Mailing – May 2011

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Starting February 1, 2010 the traditional Minister's Mailing was transformed into the Congregational Leaders Mailing. This expanded the mailing beyond the Pastors, to the Elders, Board Chairs, Treasurers, Youth Leaders, Deacons, and many more. If there are other congregational leaders at your church who are not receiving this mailing, please forward this to them and tell them to get in touch with us about receiving their own copy.

Please print off and post any flyers/posters contained in this packet so that the congregation is informed of Regional events.

In an attempt to save your download time (if you are receiving this via email) I am moving to a link system. Each of the listed items below in blue is a direct link to the corresponding document online. All other documents will be included in order in the download.

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Please Note: The Open Church List will now be available to Ministers upon request. Email jstoddart@ccinoh.org or call 614-433-0343 (ext 120)

Prayer Concerns

If you have anything to put in the Prayer Concerns, please email them to ccio@ccinoh.org or call the Regional Church Office. Prayer Concerns are emailed out as needed and included in every Congregational Leaders Mailing.

Deaths

Don Graves, son of Rev. Clyde Graves, died April 26 after a long battle with Cancer. Don had been serving as the pastor at the First Christian Church in McArthur. A memorial service was held April 29 at the Church. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in memory of Donald Leroy Graves, to Adena Cancer Center, 4439 State Route 159, Suite 260, Chillicothe, Ohio 45601. Messages may be sent to Clyde & Virginia Graves, 121 Conren Dr, McArthur, OH 45651-1102. Clyde is a retired pastor in southern Ohio. For the full obituary, go to <http://obit.cardaras.com/obitdisplay.html?id=922453&listing=Current>

Rev. Dr. Arthur Sanders, Minister Emeritus at First Community Church, died April 9th. A memorial service was held at First Community Church April 23rd. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the First Community Church Foundation, Art Sanders Fund, 1320 Cambridge Blvd., Columbus, OH 43212 or Center Church Camp Asto Wamah, 42 W. Route 87, Columbia, Ct., 06237. To offer condolences to Art's family online, please visit www.schoedinger.com. The full obituary can be found at <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/dispatch/obituary.aspx?n=arthur-sanders&pid=150415229&fhid=8704>

Willie J. Smith, brother-in-law of Rev. Dr. William Edwards, died April 17th. Please keep Dr. Edwards and his family, especially his sister Corine Smith, in your prayers during this difficult time. Funeral Services were April 23rd at Garden of Prayer Church of God in Christ in Cleveland. Messages for Dr. Edwards may be sent to bedwards@ccinoh.org or to the Regional Church Office.

Harold Henderson, brother-in-law of Rev. Dr. LaTaunya Bynum, died suddenly this April 8th. Harold had just celebrated his 56th birthday a few weeks before. Please keep LaTaunya and her family, especially her Sister, in your prayers during this difficult time. Messages for Dr. Bynum may be sent to lbynum@ccinoh.org.

James Runyon died April 6th. Jim was the former Director of Church Relations and Major Gifts at the Cleveland Christian Home, and was very active with the Ohio Regional Church. He will be greatly missed. Please continue to keep Jim's wife Judy and all of his family and friends in your prayers. A memorial service was held April 9th at Paquelet Funeral Home starting at 3:00pm. Messages for Judy may be sent to 215 Harding Ave. SW, Massillon, Ohio 44646 or to judy.hoffner@yahoo.com.

Jeremy Tate, son of Rev. Terry and Pam Tate, died in a plane crash on March 29th. Please keep Terry, Pam, and the entire Tate family in your prayers during this very difficult time. Services were held April 1st at the Vineyard Church in Perrysburg. Messages for the family may be sent to 1816 Stewart Ave., Cambridge, OH 43725 or to tatat298@aol.com.

Joyce Irene Dulyea, mother of Rev. Dr. Teresa Dulyea Parker, died on March 20th. Her celebration was held March 24 at the First Christian Church in Muskegon, MI. Teresa had been a pastor here in Ohio for many years and is now serving as the Regional Minister and President for the Illinois and Wisconsin Region. Messages for Teresa and her entire family may be sent to teresa@cciwdisciples.org. To see the complete obituary, go to http://www.oceanaheraldjournal.com/news.php?story_id=40677

Redden "Larry" Smith, father of Rev. Brad Smith, died March 1st, at Flower Hospital in Sylvania. Brad is the Pastor at First Christian Church in Bucyrus. Those wishing to give memorials are asked to consider the charity of their choice. Online condolences may be offered to Redden's family at www.reebfuneralhome.com. Messages for Brad and his family may be sent to bsmit125@columbus.rr.com or to the church - First Christian Church, 301 Warren St E, Bucyrus, OH 44820-2447

Rev. Robert Reichard died on February 25th at the Lake West Hospital. Rev. Reichard is a retired pastor having served the Community Christian Church in Painesville, OH. Services were held at the First Christian Church of Willoughby on March 3rd. Condolences may be sent to his daughter Karen Lapidus at 6236 Diana Dr, Youngstown, OH 44514.

Peggy Lintern died February 20th after a long battle with cancer. Peggy's husband Rev. Paul Lintern is the pastor of the Southside Christian Church in Mansfield. Funeral services were February 24th at Crossroads Community Church. Messages for Paul may be sent to 606 Barnard Ave., Mansfield, OH 44903 or through email at SSCC@kosinet.com. Peggy's full obituary can be found at <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/mansfieldnewsjournal/obituary.aspx?n=peggy-jo-jolliff-lintern&pid=148785925>

Prayer Concerns

Rev. Dr. Carol Vaccariello was in a very serious car accident on Thursday April 21st. A Semi Truck hit directly into her driver's door. She was rushed to Trauma care at Akron General and has many fractures along the left side of her body. She has now been moved to Arbors at Fairlawn to do her physical therapy. Please lift up Carol in your prayers as she goes through this recovery. Carol is a Pastor currently serving in two United Church of Christ congregations and is also a Spiritual Coach. Messages for Carol may be sent to snowswan12@yahoo.com.

Rev. Dr. William Edwards had surgery in Indianapolis in April. Messages for Bill may be sent to bedwards@ccinoh.org. Bill will be responding to emails and phone calls during his recovery.

Rev. Jim Bane had leg surgery February 28th to remove an unidentified tumor. Please keep Jim in your prayers. Rev. Bane is the Pastor at the New Horizons Christian Church in Akron and a former Associate Regional Minister for the Christian Church in Ohio. Messages for Jim may be sent to 86 W Case Drive, Hudson, OH 44236 or jwbane@hotmail.com

Carol Cooper, sister of Glen Mers, has an aggressive form of cancer in both of her lungs. The chemo that she has been doing for the last month and a half has had no effect. They are looking to try a new form, but they need to make sure her heart is OK first. Also, one of her lungs collapsed on Tuesday February 22nd. Prayer is greatly needed and appreciated. Carol is the sister in law of Rev. Janet Mers, Pastor at Perry Christian Church.



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Dear Partners in Ministry,

I want to personally thank you for your prayers, support and leadership and thank the congregations of the Christian Church in Ohio for generously giving to support the ministry and mission of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) from the doorsteps of your church to the ends of the earth. Especially in a struggling economy, our ministry together as a “**covenant network of congregations in mission**” is so important.

Mission dollars in Ohio accomplished the following:

- Enabled ministry at Camp Christian to touch the lives of 1,105 campers in 2010 of which 18 young people and 2 counselors affirmed their call into the ministry.
- Sponsor an International Affairs Seminar, where 45 youth traveled to Washington, DC and New York, NY to learn what it means to be people of faith active in the American political process and global affairs.
- Support for **11 new congregations** in Ohio.
- Enabled **pastoral care of clergy and congregations** by Regional Staff and Regional Elders.
- Mission dollars have enabled regional ministries to **men, women and youth**.

Our plans and projections for 2011 include:

- A 5% increase in Camp attendance.
- Offer a series of leadership development webinars to equip pastors and congregational leaders in strengthening congregations in their ministry and evangelism.
- Develop a network of trained coaches to support pastors and congregational leaders in Congregation Transformation.

These are just a few of the ministry highlight of our ministry together as a “**covenant network of congregations in mission.**”

I look forward with great anticipation of what God will do through us as ministers of the Gospel and leaders in Christ’s church in the days ahead.

May God’s Blessings be with you,
Bill Edwards
Regional Pastor and President
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May

- 3 Congregational Transformation Conference Call @ 10:30am
- 4 RCO Staff Meeting
- 4 Vision Team conference Call @ 7:00pm
- 5 Regional Elders Meeting @ RCO
- 6 Interim Ministers working Group Meeting @ RCO 10:00am
- 7 Chi Rho Conference Call @ 9:00am
- 7 Finance Team Meeting @ RCO 10:00am
- 10 Personnel Committee Meeting @ RCO 10:00am – 2:00pm
- 10 Webinar on the New Order of Ministry Document @ 7:00pm
- 10-12 NIRF Annual Meeting @ Camp Christian
- 12 Retired Ministers Retreat @ Camp Christian – [REGISTER NOW](#)
- 13 New Church Meeting @ RCO 10:00am
- 13-14 Regional Church Council Retreat @ Camp Christian
- 14 Cleveland Christian Home Spring Workday
- 14 Counselor Training @ First Christian Church, Bowling Green
- 17 Commission on Ministry @ Northwest Christian Church, Columbus
- 19 Ohio Disciples Outreach Meeting @ RCO 10:00am – 3:00pm
- 19 Christian Education Commission Meeting @ RCO 5:00pm
- 20 – 21 Ohio Disciple Men’s Spring Retreat @ Camp Christian – [REGISTER NOW](#)
- 21 Counselor Training @ Central Christian Church, Kettering
- 21 Counselor Training @ First Christian Church, Kent
- 27 – 29 Disciples Fellowship Retreat @ Camp Christian
- 30 *Memorial Day, RCO Closed***
- 31 Camp Directors Meeting @ RCO 10:00am

June

- 1 Deadline for entries into The Buckeye Disciple**
- 1 RCO Staff Meeting
- *3 – 4 Grandparents Camp @ Camp Christian – [REGISTER NOW](#)
- *4 Youth Scholarship Golf Outing @ Scioto Reserve, Powell [REGISTER/DONATE NOW](#)
- *5 – 11 Adventure Camp in The Great Smoky Mountains – [REGISTER NOW](#)
- 7 Executive Committee Meeting @ RCO
- *12 – 18 Hocking Chi Rho Camp @ Camp Christian – [REGISTER NOW](#)
- *13 Cleveland Christian Home Golf Outing – Scramble for Kids [REGISTER NOW](#)
- 17 New Church Committee Meeting @ RCO 10:00am
- *19 – 25 Otter Junior Camp @ Camp Christian – [REGISTER NOW](#)
- 21 Commission on Ministry
- *26 – July 2 Hiram CYF Conference @ Camp Christian – [REGISTER NOW](#)
- 27 – July 1 Adult Conference @ Northwest Christian Church, Columbus

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July

- *3 – 9 Phyto CYF Conference @ Camp Christian – [REGISTER NOW](#)
- 4** ***Fourth of July, RCO Closed***
- *9 – 13 General Assembly in Nashville, TN – [REGISTER NOW](#)
- *10 – 16 Portahoga Chi Rho Camp @ Camp Christian – [REGISTER NOW](#)
- *17 – 23 Maumee Chi Rho Camp @ Camp Christian – [REGISTER NOW](#)
- 19 Commission on Ministry @ Northwest Christian Church, Columbus
- 21 RCO Staff Meeting @ Camp Christian
- *24 – 30 Lakeside CYF Conference @ Camp Christian – [REGISTER NOW](#)
- 26 Ohio Disciples Extension Corporation (ODEC) Meeting @ RCO 10:00am – 12:00pm
- *31 – Aug 6 Wilmington CYF Conference @ Camp Christian – [REGISTER NOW](#)

August

- *7 – 13 Miami Chi Rho Camp @ Camp Christian – [REGISTER NOW](#)
- *14 – 21 Advance Ministries Summer Conference – [REGISTER NOW](#)
- 24 RCO Staff Meeting

September

- 1** **Deadline for entries into The Buckeye Disciple**
- 2 – 4 Disciples Fellowship Retreat @ Camp Christian
- 5** ***Labor Day, RCO Closed***
- 9 – 11 Ohio Women's Ministries Fall Retreat @ Camp Christian
- 13 Personnel Committee @ RCO 10:00am
- 14 Regional Church Office Staff Meeting
- 16 – 18 Ohio Disciple Men's Fall Retreat @ Camp Christian
- 20 Commission on Ministry @ Northwest Christian Church, Columbus
- 24 CYF Commission @ Camp Christian
- 27 Regional Elders Meeting @ RCO 10:00am

October

- 4 Executive Committee Meeting @ RCO
- 5 – 6 DOC/UCC Partnership Standing Workshop @ Camp Christian
- 11 Personnel Committee Conference Call @ 10:00am
- 12 Regional Church Office Staff Meeting
- 18 Commission on Ministry @ Northwest Christian Church, Columbus
- 22 – 23 Regional Church Council Retreat
- 24 Interim Ministers Working Group Fall Workshop
- 25 Ohio Disciples Extension Corporation (ODEC) Meeting @ RCO 10:00am
- 26 Anti Racism Training for New Ministers @ Camp Christian
- 27 Boundaries Training for New Ministers @ Camp Christian
- 28 – 29 Regional Church Council Meeting at Camp Christian

RCO = Regional Church Office
*** Online Registration is now available**