

Growing holy hearts for a whole community

The Covington District Newsletter



SPREADING THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS CHRIST -
AND THE GREAT THINGS THAT HE IS DOING IN AND AROUND THE
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Thoughts from the District Superintendent

40 Days of Resurrection- Email Devotionals

A few years ago I wanted to do something to stay in the Easter mode and not quickly move onto something else. I developed email devotionals for my congregation that were sent each day from Easter Sunday to the day of Jesus' ascension into heaven. I called these devotionals:

40 Days of Resurrection.

The scripture basis for these devotionals is Philippians 3:10. Here Paul writes:

“I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection...”

I believe it is this Resurrection power that brings new life to hopeless situations. I believe it is this Resurrection power that brings new life to churches who are struggling. I believe it is this Resurrection power that is at work inside of us as we strive to be the people that God wants us to be.

Each daily devotional will have inspiring scripture, a YouTube video of a powerful song, and a meditation thought from some of the best authors on the subject of the resurrection. So, be looking in your email box starting on Easter Sunday, April 20th, for the “40 Days of Resurrection”. Feel free to pass on the devotionals to your family and friends. Most of all, be praying that we all experience the Resurrection Power of the Risen Lord! I, like Paul, want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection! How about you?

Blessings, Owen Dolin, DS

Prayer Concerns to Remember

- Ida Spence Mission director Gina Cornelius
- Goshorns missionaries in Peru
- Our Bishop and Cabinet during the appointment process
- Our DS, Owen Dolin
- David Johnston, NKU campus minister and the NKU students
- Pastors and Churches in the Covington District



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- IDA SPENCE
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- DISTRICT CONFERENCE
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Ida Spence

As Summer approaches, consider bringing your adults and/or youth to the Mission to host a Parking Lot Party before or after one of our evening meals being served from 6-7pm Sunday through Friday each week during the summer months. The long hot days of summer often leave our little ones looking for something FUN to do.

This is an awesome opportunity to share the love of Christ with these little ones. Sidewalk chalk, bubbles, water games, popsicles....anything that sounds like FUN! This is a great opportunity to introduce members of your congregation to the amazing ministry taking place daily on the "Hill."

Contact Director Gina Cornelius at 859-907-6925 or via email @ ginac.idaspence@gmail.com to schedule your group.

Thousandsticks UMC

Hello friends in Covington. I was wondering if you could get the word out that we are taking applications for work-teams for this summer here at Thousandsticks if any churches would be interested in doing such. If anyone has any questions, they can either contact me by phone (606-672-2581), email (ramundsen08@gmail.com), or on Facebook. Hope everyone is doing well. God Bless.

-Robert Amundsen

Women of Worship

Saturday, April 12th

9am-12pm (Registration begins at 8:30am with lunch served after.)

Everything is free!

The event will be held at New Beginnings Church on Old Main Street in historic Washington, KY. (Located between Mayslick and Maysville.)

For more information, please call April at 606-267-4224

Meal Ministry for the Wesley Foundation @ NKU

Spring 2014

Each Wednesday during the spring semester, students gather for Vine & Branches, which is a worship service with a dinner beforehand. Providing tasty meals for students is a way for you to get involved with our ministry to students! Think about it, the meals you provide will have something campus food does not: the love of God. So consider getting your UMW, UMM, Sunday School class, or whoever together to help put on a meal. Here are some details on what it'll involve:

- Food for 15 students.
- Dinner begins at 7pm, so the food should be dropped off any time before then. Call David at 859-462-6224 to arrange drop off time (afternoon is preferred.)

To sign up go to <http://ow.ly/nGMHT> This will bring you to Meal Train where you can see what dates are available and what meals we've already had (so we don't have spaghetti for a month). If you do not have internet access or have any questions contact David Johnston at david@nkuwf.org or 859-462-6224

WANTED!

Highland UMC is looking for a part time Contemporary Worship Leader. Contact the pastor, Rev. John Bowling at 859-445-5341.

Volunteers are needed at the water station, course guides, and finish line for the 5K Run on Sunday, June 8th before Annual Conference. If you are interested in helping, please contact the District Office at 859-442-5444 or Celeste Doll, cdoll@kyumc.org

Volunteers are also needed for loading and unloading the truck from/back to the Conference Office, ushers, and greeters.

Contact Carole DeLong (606) 584-3651 caroledelong@gmail.com



District Clergy Family Picnic

Mark your calendars now!

The district picnic will be:
***Saturday, August 23rd at
AJ Jolly Park***

St. Elizabeth Health Care will be holding a learning program:

“Helping Adolescents Cope with Loss”
at the Boone County Public Library in Burlington on May 8th. Lunch provided from 12:30pm—1pm. From 1-4pm will be a webinar. This is presented by Hospice Foundation of America.

For more information email instituteoflearning@stelizabeth.com or call 859-301-4600. CE availability.

Edelmaier Fund/United Methodist Men

Money in this fund is available to churches as a loan of \$2,000 interest free. The funds are to be used for church repairs and improvements. The loan is to be paid back after 1 year or special arrangements are available. The fund is controlled by the District Lay Leader, District Superintendent, United Methodist Men’s President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Applications are available from Gene Maegly at 859-441-1644.

LACE 2014

Each month we will have a keynote session in the mornings from 9am to 11:30am. After lunch we break into various workshops. The dates and topics are listed below.

April 12th

Keynote:

9am-11:30am UM Polity, Officers, and Social Principles

Workshops:

12:00pm-1:45pm “Spiritual Gifts” or “Stewardship”

2:00pm-3:45pm “Spiritual Gifts” or “Discipleship”

May 17th

Keynote:

9am-11:30am Pastoral Care

Workshops:

12:00pm-1:45pm “Leadership” or “Telling Your Story”

2:00pm-3:45pm “Community Assessment” or “Styles of Worship”

June—TBD

Keynote:

9am-11:30am Missional Service

Workshops:

12:00pm-1:45pm “Teaching the Word” or “Service”

2:00pm-3:45pm “Conflict Management”

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Reach the World

JUNE 9 - 11, 2014

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Equipping Servant Leaders

Annual Conference will soon be here. If you are the delegate for your local church, remember to get on line and register.

Every year each district is asked to bring an article for the “health kits” that are assembled for UMCOR. This year the goal is 3000 kits. Covington District is asked to bring hand towels (not dish towels). Please start collecting these and bring them with you to Annual Conference or drop them off beforehand (by June 5) to the District Office. Our District will need to furnish approximately 500 plus.

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Thom Slaughter:

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Debbie Slaughter:

Cancer and 9/11 Survivor

**Ministering Through
Song & Testimony
Sunday, May 4th at 6:30PM**

Gethsemane United
Methodist Church
2776 Burlington Pike
Burlington, KY 41005

Covington District's District Conference

Sunday, May 18th

2:30pm

Alexandria UMC

More info will be included in next month's newsletter.

Northern Kentucky Wesley Foundation works with homeless during Spring Break

Wednesday – March 26, 2014

HIGHLAND HEIGHTS, Ky. - Seven Northern Kentucky University students and their campus pastor travelled to Biloxi, Miss., over spring break to work with the homeless.

The students are members of the Northern Kentucky Wesley Foundation, a campus ministry serving NKU. The trip was made possible in part by an NKU Legacy grant. The team worked primarily with Seashore Mission, a United Methodist mission church comprised of persons experiencing homelessness. Staffed by Rev. Judy Longo, who directs the mission, and volunteers from the homeless community, Seashore Mission opens as a day shelter three times a week to worship; serve food; and offer activities, showers, laundry service, pastoral care, and other social services.

The students cooked and served meals, cleaned, helped prepare the mission's new facility, sorted clothing donations, shared music and laughter, and most importantly built new relationships with the people of Seashore Mission. Through these relationships, students learned about homelessness and heard personal stories and struggles about the experience of homelessness.

“The people of Seashore Mission were impressed and thankful that the NKU students decided to spend their spring break working with them as they strive to get back on their feet and make it through each day,” said David Johnston, campus pastor.

The team also spent a free day in the French Quarter of New Orleans. There they visited such sights as Jackson Square, St. Louis Cathedral, and Café du Monde while enjoying the city's unique food and culture.

For more information about the Northern Kentucky Wesley Foundation, contact David Johnston at david@nkwf.org, visit <http://www.nkwf.org>, or follow [@nkwf on Twitter](https://twitter.com/nkwf).

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District Calendar and Birthdays

IMPORTANT DATES April, 2014

1 Local AC Committee
2 DLT at District Office
5 DCOM at Asbury UMC
6 Speaking Melbourne; Hud-
dles
8-9 Appointment Cabinet
12 L.A.C.E.
21 AC Meeting
27 DS Vacation

April Clergy Birthdays

Apr 11 Brian Davis
Apr 13 Don Fryman
Apr 28 Barry Robinson

Health Ministries

- Parish Nursing:
Contact **Linda Howarth**
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- Flu Shots/Blood Drive Van:
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