

The Covington District Newsletter

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Covington District of the Kentucky Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church*

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- Reflections -

Many people from around the Conference have complimented our host committee and all of its volunteers. I am proud of the Covington District! I especially want to thank Jere MacIntyre and Betty Minor, who once again did a superb job as our host committee co-chairs. They led the yellow-shirt army of volunteers.

As a new addition this year, Scott Stith coordinated over 600 clergy and lay members attending Annual Conference who performed approximately 28 service projects across the Covington area! What a great witness to the love of Christ for the world. We acted out our theme, "Called by Christ, Sent to Serve."

I'm asking all the churches of our district to observe "**Yellow Shirt Sunday**" on **July 11th**. Ask those who served as volunteers at Annual Conference to wear their yellow t-shirts that day and take time in your worship service to recognize them and thank them for living out our connection as United Methodists. This would also be a great opportunity to share some highlights of this year's Annual conference.

Celebrate how God has worked through our district and conference!

Grace & Peace,

Kevin



District News and Events

- ❖ Aldersgate Camp and Retreat Center is now taking registrations for their 2010 Summer Camp program. To register for one of the exciting summer camp opportunities available for all ages or for more information, go to www.aldersgatecamp.org.
- ❖ Clergy Family Picnic will be on Saturday, August 21, at Lincoln Ridge Park (same as last year). All clergy/spouses and family are invited to attend. More information in the next newsletter.

To make sure you receive all of the District's info, verify that we have your correct email address. We send many important updates by email. In the future we will be including the District Newsletter. We don't want you to miss it!!!



The District Office has *New Song* tickets for sale. Friday only wristbands are \$35.00. Saturday only wristbands are \$45.00 and the full-weekend is \$55.00. Tickets purchased at the gate will cost \$10.00 more. Call the District Office for your tickets at (859) 442-5444.

Prayer Concerns to remember:

- John Jefferson (pastor at Nepton)
- Art Honican – surgery
- New Church Starts in the Distric
- Ida Spence Mission
- Grace Ministry
- Our Bishop and Cabinet
- George Edwards (pastor at Maysville Scott)



Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School at Ida Spence

August 3-6 from noon to 3 pm

We need volunteers! To help please contact Tiffany at tiffanyhollums@gmail.com

We also need monetary donations for supplies. Any help is very much appreciated.

Please remember Ida Spence VBS in your prayers

A Special Thank You to:

-John Street and Erlanger UMC for serving the Covington District for many years by sending out the District Newsletter. We will miss John and Lorie.

-John Gillespie for serving as interim pastor at Cynthiana Elmarsh UMC.

-Musical Pearson for serving at Wesley UMC as interim pastor.

-Scott Stith for serving as Director of the Day of Service program at Annual Conference. Job well done. We will miss Scott.

-Betty Jo Sommerville for her service as Director of Ida Spence.



HELP A CHILD OR YOUTH FROM IDA SPENCE HAVE AN AMAZING WEEK AT AT ALDERSGATE.



ADOPT A CAMPER FOR \$100
GO TOGETHER AS A CHURCH, SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS, U.M. WOMEN, ETC.

PLEASE SEND DONATIONS TO IDA SPENCE OR TO THE DISTRICT OFFICE.

THE TREASURER AT IDA SPENCE IS
BETTY DODSON,
3921 TRAPPERS COURT,
FLORENCE, KY 41042.

THE DISTRICT OFFICE IS
36 JOHNS HILL ROAD,
HIGHLAND HEIGHTS, KY 41076

APPOINTMENT CHANGES

Asbury – Kevin Griffin, Associate Pastor, has been appointed to serve Buechel UMC in Louisville

Augusta Trinity – Chris Kimecko, from Red Bird Missionary Conference will be serving Augusta and Foster

Carthage – E.J. Saint from Western KY has been appointed

Concord/Neave – Tony Campbell has retired. This charge is still to be filled. E. Ray Throckmorton will be serving as Interim

Covington Trinity – Scott Stith will be leaving to serve at Bardstown UMC. Loletuth Kalz has been appointed to Trinity.

Cynthiana Elmarsh – Jason Hawk has been appointed

Erlanger UMC – John Street will be leaving to serve at Ashland First – Mark Shepherd, from Jeffersontown, will be serving Erlanger

Florence – Tiffany Hollums will no longer be at Florence. She will be serving as the Director of Ida Spence Mission. D.G. Hollum is on a leave of absence. Johathan Mann will be serving as the new Associate Pastor.

Gethsemane – Alan Jackson will be leaving and Ellaine Hussung will be serving Gethsemane

Immanuel – Steve Pescosolido has been appointed to serve at Columbia Trinity UMC

Wesley (Ludlow) – Lee Ann Williams is on a leave of absence. John Kalz will be serving Wesley.

SUMC 3rd Annual Music Fest
11815 Staffordsburg Road

STAFFORDSBURG UNITED METHODIST



Friday, July 30th- Passin' Thru Times- Starting @ 7 pm until dark

Saturday, July 31st- Open Mike of Christian and Rock and Roll Starting @ 7 pm until dark

Sunday, August 1st- with Daniel Hobbs @ 4 pm, followed by the Ball Family @ 6 pm.



PLEASE JOIN US!!

Newsletter Transition

In order to be better stewards, the Covington District Newsletter will transition to an e-mail format in August. Pastors who want other people to receive the newsletter should send their e-mail addresses to the District Office at covdistumc@fuse.net Anyone may receive the edition by e-mail -- just send us your e-mail address. We're asking pastors, and lay leaders to print copies of the newsletter for those who do not have an e-mail address. The newsletter is also posted every month on our website www.covingtondistrictumc.com

UNITED METHODIST
MEN EVENT

The next District Meeting of the United Methodist Men will be held at

Florence UMC on

Thursday, August 19

At 6:30 pm

RED BIRD
MISSIONARY
OFFERING



Praise the Lord!

Mission Offering Report

The offering for Red Bird Mission at Annual Conference was \$200,000 plus. Bishop Davis had set a goal of \$100,000 for the Conference. The Lord is good. District Superintendent Kevin Burney had set a goal for the Covington District of \$30,000. To date we have had the following offerings from churches in the Covington District for Red Bird:

Alexandria	741.00	Asbury	500.00
Butler	226.00	Carters Chapel	250.00
Concord	100.00	Covington Trinity	100.00
Drury	89.00	Ebenezer	217.00
Epworth	50.00	Erlanger	700.00
Faith Community	400.00	Falmouth	2000.00
Florence	2000.00	Highland	780.00
Immanuel	3500.00	Maysville Central	300.00
Maysville Seddon	126.00	Orangeburg	100.00
Shannon/Bethel	700.00	Staffordsburg	75.00
Washington	1131.00	Wesley (Ludlow)	155.00

Total to date of \$14,240.00!

UM Women School of Christian
Mission

JULY 15 - 18, 2010

LINDSEY WILSON COLLEGE

Save the date

The Kentucky Annual Conference/Red Bird School of Christian Mission (SOCM) will take place July 15-18, 2010 at Lindsey Wilson College.

Studies that will be offered are:
For the Love of God: John's Letter
Joy to the World: Mission in the Age of Global Christianity - Sudan

Pat Kees is the 2010 Dean.

Covington District Ministry Goals 2009-2012

- 🕒 **Creating new places for new people and revitalizing existing congregations.**
 - Start three new faith communities (at least one African-American) in our district by 2012.
 - Increase professions of faith and worship attendance by 5% each year
 - District staff to help revitalize the ministry of our small membership churches through self-assessment and ministry goal setting (Brian Wilson is our Small Membership Church Ministry Coordinator).

- 🕒 **Developing principled Christian leaders for the church and the world.**
 - Increase the number of lay and clergy leaders in our district under the age of forty by 20% by 2012.
 - Increase the practice of spiritual disciplines by our lay and clergy leaders (measured through self-report).
 - Strengthen lay and clergy leadership by providing leadership training opportunities annually.

- 🕒 **Engaging in ministry with the poor.**
 - Emphasize two days each year in which we engage in projects across our district that help provide safe housing for the poor (e.g., remodeling, repairing, or winterizing).
 - Designate two district food drive collection days each year in which local churches collect food for their local food pantries.

- 🕒 **Combating the diseases of poverty by improving health globally.**
 - Start three new Parish Nurse Ministries in the district by 2012.
 - Engage as a district in international partnerships that are working to improve the health of those living in East Africa (e.g., clean water in Darfur, “Nothing But Nets”).



Clergy Family Picnic

Saturday, August 21, 2010 from 4 - ??? Eat at 5:30 PM

Bring a favorite dish to share with others. Meat, drinks, paper products will be furnished by the District.
Lincoln Ridge Park on Independence Station Road – Kenton County

Directions: I-275 to Turkeyfoot Road Exit; south on Turkeyfoot Road; left on Independence Station; park is located on the left. Park is 3/1 miles from the entrance to the Kentucky County Golf Course.

We have reserved Shelter #3 – conveniently located restrooms.

Amenities: Playground – horseshoe pits – volleyball court – Frisbee golf – walking trails.
We will probably have our usual cornball games.

Call or email Joyce at the office if you and your family plan on attending. 442-5444 covdistumc@fuse.net

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DISTRICT CALENDAR AND BIRTHDAYS

July Birthdays: 3 Homer Norman 5 Jane Crabtree 6 Mark Dickinson 7 Tom Pitts
10 Ellaine Hussung 25 Michael Rice 27 Lisa May 28 Ben Hahn and Kieth Daniel

Superintendent's Calendar for July: July 6 – Ida Spence July 19-21 – Cabinet Retreat
July 29-31 – School of Congregational Development

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Check out our updated website at

www.covingtondistrictumc.com

It's a work-in-process, so all comments will be appreciated!

Have something you'd like to see there?

Changes/corrections/additions to your individual church
information? Let us know!

Contact us at covdistumc@fuse.net or call the district office at
859-442-5444

Debbie Maskey, District Website Coordinator, can help your
local church establish a website.

Contact her at 859-240-8799.