

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
COVINGTON DISTRICT OF THE KENTUCKY ANNUAL CONFERENCE
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Thoughts from the District Superintendent

Preparation for Annual Conference is a Big Job!

Before I became the Covington District Superintendent, I just assumed that things just fell into place for Annual Conference. I admit that I took much for granted. Well, now that I have been tossed into the role of Host District Superintendent, I have had my eyes opened. I have seen the hard work and planning that goes into preparing for Annual Conference. There is much that is done behind the scene that makes Annual Conference possible. I, particularly, want to thank our local "Host Team" chaired by April Garner and Carole Delong. I, also, want to thank the multitude of volunteers who will be working to set-up, to greet, to register, to decorate, to usher, to give information, and those

who do the multiple of other tasks that need to be done. I have learned that preparation for Annual Conference is a big job!

I also want to thank the Northern Kentucky hospitality community for their work in preparing for Annual Conference. Yesterday, Joyce Maegly, Julie Love, Dawn Sparks and I attended a pre-conference meeting with representatives from the hospitality community. There were 30 people representing the Convention Center, all of the major hotels and the Northern Kentucky Convention and Visitors Bureau gathered around the tables. All of these people were there to plan our conference and to make sure that all of us feel welcome. One person said to me: "We love it when the Methodists come to town because there is a new energy in town!" They also shared that over 50 people from the hospitality communi-

ty will be participating in our Afternoon of Service who are not Methodist delegates but just people who to help. How awesome is that? All of this talk about preparation led me to think of the times in the New Testament when we see Jesus making preparations for key events. One such time is when Jesus had a plan to ride into Jerusalem and preparations had to be made. Jesus instructed two of his disciples saying: *"Go into the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, tell him that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away."* There's something to be said for proper preparation.

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United Methodist Women

United Methodist Men

MISSION U
(formerly of Christian
Mission)
July 17-21, 2013

The United Methodist
Men
Will meet on
August 8, 2013
6:30 pm

Come Join in the fellow-
ship
at the Pig Roast
Florence UMC

Luncheon

The History Seminar
will feature
Dr. Doug Boyd
Director of the Louie B. Nunn
Center for Oral History at
University of Kentucky
June 9th at 2pm
NKY Convention
Center

Clergy Spouse Luncheon
Monday, June 10, at Annual Conference
11:30 am at the Convention Center
Cost \$10.00
Call District Office 859 442—5444
for reservations

Future Events at Ida Spence

Come be a Part and Help!

Please note that mail, particularly checks, sent to Ida Spence should be mailed to the following PO Box address, not the physical address: PO Box 121319, Covington KY 41012-1319.

You can be a part of the Ida Spence United Methodist Mission. Become involved in some or all of the events listed.

Cleaning Supplies **Needed**

Bleach
Detergent—Pine Sol
Bathroom Tissue—Paper Towels
Dish Washing Liquid
Toiletries—Bar Soap –
Toothpaste
Diapers—feminine products
Contact Gina Cornelius at
gins.idaspence@gmail.com and
be a part of your UM Mission at
work.

LAST SATURDAY **MONTHLY MEAL**

Please pray about providing a last Saturday Ida Spence meal for the kids and adults at the Mission
Time 1—3 pm.
EMAIL GINA

Scholarships Needed!!

Scholarships are needed to help send kids to camp this summer. Please contact Gina if you would be interested in helping.

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Mountain Mission

NKU Wesley Foundation

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But do not miss this point: What if the two disciples did what Jesus said and then simply said, “My job is done- I can go my own way and they missed the point of their preparation”. What if they missed the wonderful event we call “The Triumphal Entry”. What if they got caught up in the preparation and did not enjoy the event. That is what we have to guard against in our preparation. What if we prepared for Annual Conference and we missed seeing how the Lord moves among us.

I hope to see you at Annual Conference and come expecting to sense to Lord moving among us!

Blessings Owen Dolin

United Methodist Mountain Mission truck will be in our District on June 17 and 18th. They are in desperate need of summer clothes and shoes for men, women and children. Their summer clothes are the lowest it has ever been.

First Day Pickup on 17th

Cynthiana Elmarch, First, Ebenezer and Curry Berry/Boyd Falmouth Butler Carthage Alexandria Asbury Highland New Hope Melbourne

2nd Day June 18

Erlanger Covington Trinity Pleasant Grove Staffordsburg Taylor Mill Immanuel Florence, Florence Christ Carters Chapel Williamstown

Thank you for all of your prayers and support over this great 2012-13 academic year t NKU! God has been good to us over this year with seeing our community grow and grow closer together. We give God thanks for all of your faithful giving to apportionments and the extra giving our district churches have done because it makes it possible for the Wesley Foundation to sharing Christ on campus.

Our new ministry space is slowly but surely coming to fruition. There were a few more doors in our ways than we initial thought, but God has been faithful in opening these doors as God has done with this project in the past. Once the plumbing is in place, we will be ready to roll with our volunteer groups. We still also have a number of needs for outfitting our ministry space with furniture and kitchen stuff and are accepting donations to go toward the purchase of these things.

While classes are out, the students and I are still going to be working and scheming to make sure the next academic year is as good if not better than this last one. We will be meeting together for study and plotting as well as taking some fieldtrips to cross-pollinate with other Christian communities. We might just show up on your church's doorstep!

As you may have heard, I have been appointed full time as the director for the Wesley Foundation at NKU for the coming appointment year. I give thanks to God for this opportunity to serve and work for the kingdom at NKU.

David

Safe Sanctuary Training

Gethsemane UMC, 2776 Burlington Pike, Burlington, KY

Saturday, June 1st from 9am-Noon.

There will be a light breakfast for those arriving early. This training is free and open to the entire Covington District. Please contact Pastor Ellaine Hussung if you need more information:

Email: gethsemaneburlington@yahoo.com

Cell: 859-640-4638

NEEDED !!!!!!! FOR ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Volunteers are still needed for Annual Conference, June 10 - 12. We need help for Clergy pictures. Shifts are 8 am - 6 pm Monday and Tuesday and 8 am - 2 pm on Wednesday. This is a sit-down job.

We still need a few ushers for all days. We need pick up trucks and their drivers on Friday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. We will work on times, if you're available.

Volunteers are still needed for the Potato Drop on Tuesday. Visit www.endhunger.org/potato to learn more about a Potato Drop. If you can help in any area, please contact us.

Carole DeLong [859-371-2765](tel:859-371-2765) or caroledelong@gmail.com OR

April Garner [859-363-9900](tel:859-363-9900) or 620-1241 or april.garner@century21.com

Annual Conference Schedule (highlights) June 9–12

Sunday	June 9	Registration begins 5–8 pm	Nets 5K
		Youth Rally	5:30 pm
Monday	June 10	Registration/ Opening Worship	
		Evening Ordination Service	7:30 pm
Tuesday	June 11	Retirement Service	
		Afternoon of Service	2:00pm
		Evening Mission Celebration	7:30 pm
		Mission Offering will go to help	<i>“Imagine No Malaria”</i>
Wednesday	June 12	Reading of Appointments	

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Happy June! Summer is here which means Annual Conference is right around the corner. I wanted to make sure you are aware of some of the New Church Development things that will be happening at Annual Conference. On **Monday, June 10th at 11:30am** there will be a luncheon at Annual Conference for New Church Development. This is a time to get information about what the conference is doing, how you can get involved, and where we are headed. There is a \$10 cost per person and you can register at www.kyumc.org.

There will also be several times throughout the conference when we will gather in the display room for meet & greets with several church planters from all over the state. I would encourage you to come and hear the stories of what is happening in all different settings across the state. Look for a schedule of these in your registration packets at Annual Conference. I will also be around that week, so please feel free to stop and chat with me anytime! Blessings, Grace

Annual Conference Information

- We will again be collecting canned goods and non-perishable food for the food pantries in our area. Our youth will be distributing the food. Please bring donations to Annual Conference.
- Mission Offering will go toward helping get rid of Malaria. Start saving!!

During the Afternoon of Service we will again be making health kits for UMCOR. The Covington District will need to provide 750 large sturdy combs for the kits. NO POCKET SIZE COMBS. Start collecting these and bring them to the Convention Center when you come or drop them off at the District Office.

NEEDED !!! NEEDED !!!!

Items needed for Annual Conference:

- 2-3 Sofas (In good shape) for use during the entire conference.
- Pick up Trucks and drivers on Friday 6/7 Tuesday 6/11 Wed 6/12
- Workers to help with the start of registration and end of the 5K Nets.

Contact the district office if can help or have any of the items that we can borrow.

Run for the Nets 5K

The first Run for the Nets 5K will be held Sunday, June 9 at 5:30 p.m. EDT.

The race will take place in Devou Park in Covington, Ky. This is a pre-conference event.

Entry Fees

Registration fee if registered by May 27, 2013 is \$30

Race Day fee is \$35

Registration fees are non-refundable and non-transferable - no exceptions

Entry fees are payable to the Kentucky Annual Conference - Net proceeds donated to Imagine No Malaria.

Online Registration

To register for Run for the Nets 5k visit www.kyumc.org/5krun You will be directed to our online registration site and must use a PayPal account to register. Online registration closes at midnight EDT on Monday, May 27, 2013. You will receive confirmation on-screen and via email immediately following registration.

Mail-In Registration

Mail in registrations are available. Contact the district office for more information.

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District Calendar and Birthdays

IMPORTANT DATES

- **June 2** Harrison Co Hud-
dle
- **June 3** Minerva
- **June 4** Wesley Founda-
tion Mtg.
- **June 9-12** Annual Confer-
ence

June Clergy Birthdays

June 1 Jim Fant
June 2 Charles Clos
June 5 Ken Jett
June 9 Larry Karow
June 10 Ron Berry
June 11 Jim Bishop
June 11 Yancy Adamson
June 11 Greg Williams
June 13 John Losey

Want to Get Involved?

Health Ministries

- Parish Nursing:
Contact **Linda Howarth**
(859) 572-9110
howlin@fuse.net
- Flu Shots/Blood Drive Van:
Contact **Marlene Faegan**
St. Elizabeth Health Minis-
tries (859) 292-4149
- Mobile Mammography
Van:
Contact **Madonna Vini-
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- **Ida Spence Mission**
Contact: Gina Cornelius
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tively**
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