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# The Covington District Newsletter



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## Get Acquainted Sessions to Meet Our New DS

Dear Covington District Clergy and Laity, My wife, Ann, and I are so excited about returning to the Covington District. Our first 18 years of ministry were in what is now the Covington District. So, it is like we are coming home. "Home" is one of the best words in the English language. Home is where you are accepted and loved. One person said that home is where your heart is. The saying is, "There is no place like home." So, it will be great to be back home in the Covington District.

While I know many people in the area, I want to meet as many new people as I can in my first few weeks as your District Superintendent. Rather than have one big reception where I am not able to remember half the people I meet, I have set up four "Get Acquainted Gatherings." Here are the times and dates for those gatherings:

- Sunday, July 8th will be at Washington UMC, 2-3pm
- Sunday, July 15th will be at Florence UMC, 2-3pm
- Sunday, July 22nd will be at Cynthiana First UMC 2-3pm
- Sunday, July 29th will be at Alexandria UMC, 2-3pm

All laypersons are welcome to come to one of the gatherings. I particularly invite the chairperson of the SPR/PRR committee of each church/charge and the Lay Leader of each church/charge. I look forward to seeing you at one of the gatherings. I also look forward to what God is going to do in the Covington District as we work together for His glory. May God richly bless the churches, the laity and the clergy of the Covington District. Blessings, Owen Dolin

## Prayer Concerns to Remember

- Ida Spence
- The Community
- Tim Goshorn—for healing
- Our Bishop and Cabinet
- Kevin Burney and his fami-

- ly as they transition to a new place and role
- Our new DS, Owen Dolin, and family as they settle in our district.
- Art Honican— recovering from surgery

- Pastors who are retiring
- Ken Easley-facing surgery



### Highlights in this issue:

- GET ACQUAINTED SESSIONS
- NEW APPOINTMENTS FOR OUR DISTRICT
- CHANGE AT WF@NKU
- IDA SPENCE: NEW MAILING ADDRESS
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## New Appointments for Our District

Please welcome and be in prayer for those transitioning into new pastoral appointments in our district as well as those who are transitioning out of ministry appointments.

- Benson/Curry will be served by Ray Snider retired pastor.
- Covington Epworth will be served by Jim Bishop. We wish Gene Penn, who served there many years, well and hope he will enjoy his retirement.
- Florence Christ will be served by Faron Owen. Chris Morgan will be moving to Franklin First in the Bowling Green District.
- Fort Thomas Highland will be

served by John Bowling. Jim Wofford will be moving to the Henderson First UMC in the Owensboro District.

- Germantown/Salem will be served by Ken Jett retired pastor. Homer Norman has retired.
- Maysville Scott/Havens Chapel will be served by James Turley who previously served the Strawberry/Lee Charge.
- Minerva will be served by Troy Hahn.
- Oakland will be served by John "Woody" Woodford, who previously served Benson and Curry. We wish David Ryan well in his

future endeavors.

- Pleasant Grove and Taylor Mill will now be a two-point charge with Kevin Messer serving.
- Shannon/Bethel Charge will be served by Mike Marshall. We wish Jim Finch well in his second retirement.
- Strawberry /Lee Charge will be served by Greg Williams.
- The Wesley Foundation at Northern Kentucky University will be served by David Johnston in addition to his service to the Butler/Concord Charge.

## New Campus Pastor for the Wesley Foundation at Northern Kentucky University

My name is David Johnston, and I am incredibly excited about serving the Wesley Foundation @ NKU for the coming year while still serving the Butler-Concord Charge. My faith was deeply formed by my time at the Wesley Foundation at LSU. It is where I heard God calling me into ordained ministry. I look forward to inviting students into new and deeper relationships

with Jesus Christ, forming them and disciples, and raising up a new generation of leaders, both lay and clergy, for the Church.

**If you know of any students who are currently attending NKU or will begin in the fall semester, I would love to get in touch with them!** Our plans for the coming school year involve developing a

student leadership team as well as going on a spring break mission trip.

You can reach me by phone at 859.462.6224 and by email at david@nkuwf.org

As before, you can follow what the Wesley Foundation is up to and be in prayer for our students and ministries through our website [www.nkuwf.org](http://www.nkuwf.org) and our twitter account: [twitter.com/nkuwf](https://twitter.com/nkuwf)

## Ida Spence—PO Box Address for donations

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.

### Calendar of Coming Happenings

**August**, Vacation Bible School, Supplies and Volunteers are needed!

**VBS: August 8—10 1—3 pm**

**August**, School Supplies are needed by the 18th to help get ready for school.

**January – December**, Cleaning Supplies are needed: Bleach, Detergent, Bathroom Tissue, Paper Towels, Pine Sol, Dish Washing Liquid; Toiletries -- deodorant, toothpaste, feminine products, bar soap, diapers, etc.

**January – December**, Meal of the month -- every last Friday of the month a meal is provided – check this out – maybe

your church could help out or go together with another church and provide a meal.

**November**, Fund Raiser at Immanuel UMC

**November – December**, Adopt a family for Christmas

**Contact Tiffany Hollums at [tiffanyhollums@gmail.com](mailto:tiffanyhollums@gmail.com) and be a part of your UM Mission at work. (859) 462-9730.**



## Celebrating Memorial Day at Carter's Chapel UM

Some time was spent in researching the records of graves in the yard around Carter's Chapel UMC. As a result, the members took time May 27, 2012 to mark the graves with American flags of those who were in some form of the military service over the last two centuries. Thirty two graves were marked. As members took their lists and went in

search of the graves, we were all once again reminded of the rich heritage of this little church in the local community and other nearby towns. Those who carried flags to mark graves ranged in age from 5 to over 80. We closed this time of remembrance with prayer and Taps, played by Adam Ketron.



## Auction Items Needed—KY UM Homes for Children and Youth

**ANNUAL DAY**  
**Saturday, Sept. 8, 2012**  
**2050 Lexington Rd.**  
**Versailles, KY**

**Gates open at 9:30 am,**  
**Lunch at 11:30 am**

We are asking for your help in obtaining auction items for our Annual Day Friends of the Children Auction. In addition to the live auction, we have a silent auction and a bake sale. Please send or bring your donations to the Versailles Campus, Administration Bldg., 2050 Lexington Road, Versailles, Ky. Also, be sure to recommend a value for your items. If you do intend to contribute, please call us to let us know what you are sending or bringing so we can

prepare adequate space for your items. Our toll-free number is 1-877-887-4481. In order for your item to be included in this year's Auction, we would need to receive it no later than 5:00 pm September 4 to allow time for the auctioneer to plan for the item.

Items needed for at the Silent and Live Auctions:

- Quality antique furniture, lamps, and other antique items.
- Art, such as paintings, sculpture, prints, etc.
- New and used items in excellent condition such as bicycles, TVs, furniture. etc.
- Weekend/holiday getaways

- Collections and collectors' items such as autographed game balls
  - Handmade quilts and afghans
  - Household items such as dishes, glassware, matching table linens, etc.
  - Gift certificates to local merchants such as oil changes, car washes, restaurants, etc.
  - Theme baskets catering to children's, women's or men's items (i.e. games, fishing, golf, spa, home decorating, baking, baby, UK or UL sports)
  - Hand crafted items such as wooden shelves, wreaths, large Christmas decorations, etc.
- Bake Sale Items Needed**
- Cakes • Muffins •

Brownies • Candy • Cookies • Dessert Bars • Breads • Pies

Be sure to wrap items individually (1 dozen cookies, 1 loaf of bread, etc.) and include a list of ingredients or the recipe with each item. This will help those with dietary restrictions to choose an item they can truly enjoy. Note: Health Department regulations prohibit cream-filled or home canned items. Please put prices on items.

Note: Auction items received may be used for future fundraisers, rather than this Annual Day. Some items given may be needed for direct use by the Children's Home. All items will be used to benefit the Children's Home, whether sold on the Annual Day or a later date.

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## District Calendar and Birthdays

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### Birthdays:

- July 2, Homer Norman
- July 6, Mark Dickinson
- July 7, Tom Pitts
- July 9, Elaine Hussung
- July 13, Matt Johnson
- July 25, Michael Rice
- July 27, David Johnston
- July 28, Ben Hahn and Kieth Daniel

## UM Men

The United Methodist Men will meet:

August 16,  
at Erlanger  
UMC  
at 6:30 pm.  
Come join the  
fellowship!

## UM Women

July 12 – 15, School of Christian Mission, Lindsey Wilson College

September 22, District Annual Meeting

October 13, District Mission Study