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Kenneth Ray Kingrea

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only, but also to all who have loved His appearing." — II Timothy 4:7-8

Bishop Kenneth Ray Kingrea, of Christiansburg, Virginia, was welcomed into Heaven by his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ during the early morning hours of Monday, December 14, 2020, while surrounded by his family.

Born December 1, 1941, in Floyd, VA, he was the son of the late Hosea Hungate and Nina H. Franklin. Skilled in many areas, he succeeded in business; however, at the age of 36, he acknowledged a call into the ministry – a decision that would create a spiritual legacy of ministry within his own family, as well as impact the eternity of countless individuals.

In 1977, Bishop Kingrea was licensed and ordained as a minister in the International Pentecostal Holiness Church (IPHC) and was an active minister in the Appalachian Conference of the IPHC for over 40 years. Beginning his ministerial service at Mountain View and Blacksburg Pentecostal Holiness Church, he was led to plant the Pilot Pentecostal Holiness Church (now Abundant Life Fellowship), along with his brother, the evangelist Rev. Richard Kingrea. He pastored there before moving to Salem, VA, to lead the congregation of Salem Pentecostal Holiness Church (now Christian Life International). He then served the IPHC as Appalachian Conference Evangelism Director and Assistant Superintendent, before being appointed to the Office of Superintendent. After completing 16 years of service to the denomination, Bishop Kingrea still could not refuse his desire to minister and continued pastoring at Oak Grove Church in Christiansburg, VA, until 2019.

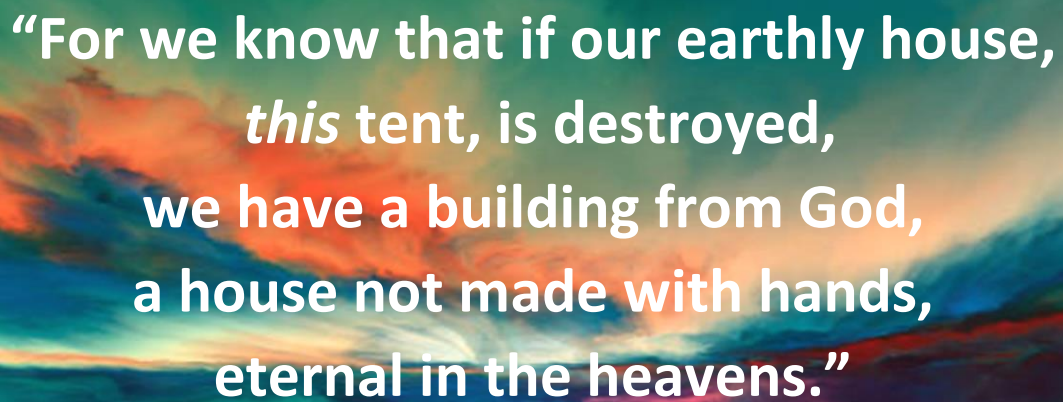
An avid student of the Word, Bishop Kingrea loved to learn and earned multiple degrees, including a bachelor's degree from Trinity College of the Bible, a master's degree from Southwestern Christian University, and an honorary doctorate from Maranatha College of the Bible. Bishop Kingrea shared this knowledge with people all over the world, traveling to numerous countries to teach and preach the Gospel of Christ. He also served as a member of the IPHC General Evangelism USA (EVUSA) Division Council and sat on the Emmanuel College Board of Trustees.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 56 years, Juanita Marcella Kingrea; and his twin brother, Samuel Jay Kingrea.

Left to cherish his memory are his three children; Towana Kingrea-Kitts of Christiansburg, VA, Rev. Ray Kingrea and wife Sandy of Lynchburg, VA, and Rev. Brian Kingrea and wife Kay of Gaithersburg, MD; one sister, Shirley Cox and husband Richard of Catawba, VA; one brother, Rev. Richard Kingrea and wife Renee of Christiansburg, VA. He was the beloved grandfather to eight grandchildren, Bethany Creger, Hannah Venable (husband Michael), Andrew Kingrea (wife Sydnah), Jessica Barbir (husband Timothy), Dakota

Kingrea, Zachary Kingrea (wife Candice), Cheyenne Kingrea, and Tacoma Kingrea (wife Chrissy) and great-grandfather to 10 great-grandchildren, Gabriel, Ezra, Willow, Anderson, Kennedy, Ruth, Cash, Carter, Laurel, and Aaron. He is also survived by his loving wife of three years, Nita Martin Kingrea, numerous nieces and nephews who he loved as his own, as well as many other relatives and close friends.

For those of you who knew, or were impacted directly by Bishop Kingrea's ministry, his family would ask that you honor his memory by reflecting on the time shared on this earth – most importantly, the messages he preached about salvation and the importance of being prepared to meet God. His heartfelt desire was that all would come to know Christ as Savior and could share in the joy of hearing Jesus say, as he certainly did, *"Well done, good and faithful servant!"*



**"For we know that if our earthly house,
this tent, is destroyed,
we have a building from God,
a house not made with hands,
eternal in the heavens."**

2 Corinthians 5:1

KENNETH KINGREA

ENCOURAGER AND FRIEND

Kenneth Ray Kingrea, a young man raised primarily by his mother, started working at a young age at a furniture store, graduated college, and went on to become an important businessman, father, pastor, bishop, and most importantly to me, a wonderful boss and an encouraging friend. Ken was a remarkable person with great qualities - a catalyst for the kingdom of God.

He often saw those qualities in the lives of others. He once told me, when dealing with difficult people that if he could be the one to help make a positive change in others' lives, that is what he wanted to do. He also told my youngest daughter, "Honey, you're a smart kid. Always remember, work smarter, not harder."

Ken's call to ministry was so important in his life. He always wanted to encourage people no matter who they were or what type of background they came from. He would always ask about my family and how they were doing, calling each one by name. He prayed for me and always gave me an encouraging word. Many times he would call me his daughter.

Ken truly reflected the life of Christ. His kind personality and deep knowledge of God's word made him an ambassador for the kingdom. Ken told me how he had helped thousands of people throughout his life. I can't imagine the magnitude of heaven's gain if all those people gave their hearts to the Lord.

Ken always tried to be positive, another character trait that mimicked Christ. Ken tried to choose his words well, never wanting to offend anyone. In the midst of his meekness and kindness, there was a mighty lion roaring -- not the one that is out to destroy the world, but the reflection of the one who sits on the throne. That was Ken's life story, to be like Christ, to have compassion and show love to the lost and Christ's sheep. I believe, without a doubt, he is now where his heart has been longing to be, in the presence of the Lord. I will truly miss our conversations and hearing my cheerful friend on the other end of the phone line telling me how important I am to God's kingdom. I know when God was mapping out my life, setting my path in ministry, Ken Kingrea was factored in the equation.

We worked together for twelve years at the Appalachian Conference, but our friendship is for eternity. I pray that the prayers that you prayed for me and my family are bottled up and one day poured out before the throne as a sweet offering before God in remembrance of your faithfulness to love and serve God's people. I only hope I'll be able to show kindness and love the way you so freely gave it to others. Until we meet again, my friend, I will forever cherish your words of encouragement and your message of hope.

A sermon Ken once preached was: God's love for us is as big as His grace, as far as the east is from the west. Because you can't have love without grace and can't have grace without love.

--Rhonda W. Smith
Business Administrator

MINISTERS' SUMMIT

FEBRUARY 18 - 20



Guest speaker: Rev. Mark Williams

Reverend Mark L. Williams serves as Lead Pastor for North Cleveland Church of God. Williams previously served as General Overseer for the Church God, the highest leadership role in the denomination, from 2012-2016. Williams also previously served as second assistant general overseer from 2008-2012. Prior to leading the Church of God on the International Executive Committee, Williams was state overseer for California-Nevada, and was a member of the International Executive Council. Williams began his ministerial career as an evangelist. In 1995 he accepted his first pastorate, leading the South Cleveland Church of God in Cleveland, Tennessee for four years, followed by a five-year tenure at the Riverhills Church in Tampa, Florida. Reverend Williams holds a bachelor's degree and the Doctor of Divinity Degree from Lee University, M.Div. from the Pentecostal Theological Seminary. He is married to Sandra Kay, and they have two sons, Austin, and Ryan.

THE RAMSEY HOTEL & CONVENTION CENTER PIGEON FORGE, TN

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TAKE TIME OUT FOR THIS SPIRITUAL REFRESHING!



World Missions & Evangelism

Larry Meadors



A beautiful car without an engine is pretty worthless unless it is just to set in a museum. So are our plans and goals for ministry powerless without the Holy Spirit's anointing.

Arise 2033 is a great vision that is to move us to reach people and plant churches for Christ all across our conference region. Recently, Bishop Garry Bryant, the executive director of

EVUSA, revealed that the power behind this vision must be prayer. Arise in Prayer is a call to all of us in the IPHC to return to prayer as a vital source of our communion with God, and in turn make our churches houses of prayer for the nations. This fulfills the design Jesus Christ has for His church.

Prayer consultant Doug Small is passionately helping to lead this effort. This call is being focused by webinars and prayer summits. The question Small asks is, "What does Jesus want His church to be?" The answer is a house of prayer for all nations.

Douglas Small is an ordained bishop with the Church of God and the founder of Alive Ministries. He has developed a training curriculum for pastors entitled: Prayer The Heart of it All. It is designed to impact families by returning prayer to the home.

EVUSA will be releasing more information and details about how to obtain these materials and sign up for a prayer summit.

HGM Training Update

What does a red, yellow, green light have to do with church volunteers? Pastor Bill Rose and our conference coaches taught on this interesting and practical topic in the first on-site session of the Healthy, Growing, Multiplying (HGM) Churches in January.

Bill Rose pastors the First Pentecostal Holiness Church in Goldsboro, NC. This historic church, founded in 1898, is a thriving congregation of 1,000. He has served First Church for 29 years and he is a Holmes Bible College graduate. Pastor Rose will be our on-site teacher throughout the rest of 2021. He brings a wealth of experience and has a great knack for storytelling. Pastors, you will enjoy his ministry! The first session was recorded, so you can still register for this church revitalization and fellowship training for the year.

In February, our coaches, Wes Galford, and Todd and Tammy Porter, will have their first peer learning group meetings. If you would like to have more information about HGM, please contact the conference office. You can still be part of this ministry, life-altering, changing training.

Great Commission Meals

On the next page, you will find the locations of the GCM's for March. What it does not give you is the exciting news that six missionaries will be sharing with you their exciting vision to take God's love to the world! Whitney Browning, Chris and Alicia Dunlap, Elizabeth Hagee and Mauricio and Lulu Salazar will be in attendance.

Pastors, missions directors and their spouses are invited to the meals that are sponsored by World Missions Ministries. This year, however, all are invited to attend online! Look for details on how you can be part of this special event.

Appalachian Conference GREAT COMMISSION MEALS March 20 – 26, 2021



East Tennessee District – Saturday, March 20 – 11:30 am

Mama's House Buffet, 2608 N. John B. Dennis Hwy, Kingsport, TN

Bluefield/McDowell Districts – Saturday, March 20 – 5 pm

Voice of Praise PHC (N.R. Taylor, Pastor), 9952 New Hope Road, Bluefield, VA

Please **RSVP by March 5, 2021** to sherrylynnrichards5847@gmail.com

Roanoke/Central Virginia Dists. – Monday, March 22 – 12 noon

Olde Liberty Station, 515 Bedford Avenue, Bedford, VA

Shenandoah Valley District – Monday, March 22 – 6 pm

Ray of Hope PHC (Bill Marion, Pastor), 1450 Reservoir Street, Harrisonburg, VA

Please **RSVP by March 8, 2021** to sherrylynnrichards5847@gmail.com

Greenbrier District – Tuesday, March 23 – 12 noon

Cucci Pizzeria, 562 E. Madison Street, Covington, VA

Central West Virginia District – Tuesday, March 23 – 6 pm

The Dream Center, 224 Pinewood Drive, Beckley, WV

New River Valley District – Thursday, March 25 – 6 pm

Conference Training Center, Dublin, VA

Please **RSVP by March 11, 2021** to sherrylynnrichards5847@gmail.com

Southwest Virginia District – Friday, March 26 – 6 pm

St. Paul PHC (J.C. McPeak, Pastor), 796 Ivanhoe Road, Max Meadows, VA

Please **RSVP by March 12, 2021** to sherrylynnrichards5847@gmail.com



Discipleship Ministries

Ron Fredericks

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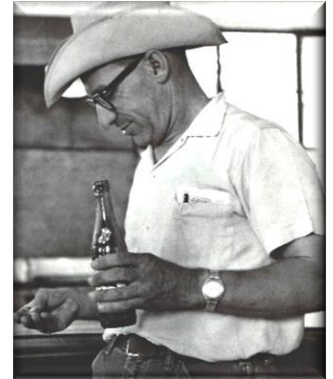


CAMP MARANATHA 1946 – 2021

**Celebrating 75 Years of Ministry
Looking Ahead...Remembering the Past**

Rev. Cline L. Atkinson, taken during summer camp many years ago at the Camp Canteen. Unsure of the exact date, but they moved to the area in the late '70s. Rev. Atkinson used to bring his horses to camp. The horses were kept and

rode in the back field, which is now the laser tag and zip line area. He was a member of the Appalachian Conference and pastored several churches throughout Virginia, as well as West Virginia. He retired from Cornerstone P.H. Church in Narrows in 1984..



Camp Maranatha Impact

I think one of the most inspiring aspects of Camp Maranatha for me is that I get to be a part of such a long tradition of lives that have been transformed by the love and power of Jesus. I personally did not have the opportunity to attend the camp as a child, but my wife Sonja and I have had the privilege of serving at the go cart track for the past few years. I have been able to hear the testimonies of children who have encountered the presence of God during the nightly services. I have heard testimonies from my own children of how God moved in their lives and in the lives of their peers.

I have witnessed teenagers burst into tears on the last day of camp as they leave the godly atmosphere and strong bonds created through the experience of Camp Maranatha. I witness adults who were once campers at Maranatha return as disciples of Christ to serve, love, and mentor children for the kingdom. I have heard the testimonies of many adults who were forever changed by their experience at Camp Maranatha. What a beautiful example of lives transformed by the love and power of Jesus.

I thank God for the opportunity to be a part of such a great blessing to our children. I thank God for His presence that has transformed the lives of so many around us today. Many thanks to all the staff and volunteers who make Camp Maranatha such a special place!

With heartfelt love and appreciation,

Pastor Craig Reed
Harbor of Hope - Christiansburg, VA

**Submit your Camp Maranatha Memory and Pictures to:
rfredericks58@aol.com**

For more information
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Discipleship Ministries
Director.

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Appalachian Conference
Discipleship Ministries

Fine Arts Festival

May 1, 2021

9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Appalachian Conference



A one-day event to show case your youth and
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Don't hang your harps on the willow...Praise the Lord with
song and instrument! PSALM 137:20



embrace Let your heart fully embrace
what I have to say.
Proverbs 4:4

2021 Girls' Ministries Conference
August 6 – 8

~Save the Date~

Please reserve space at your church for Aug 7 in case we go virtual.

For more information
contact Elaine Wood,
Conference Girls'
Ministries Director:

girlz4jc@gmail.com

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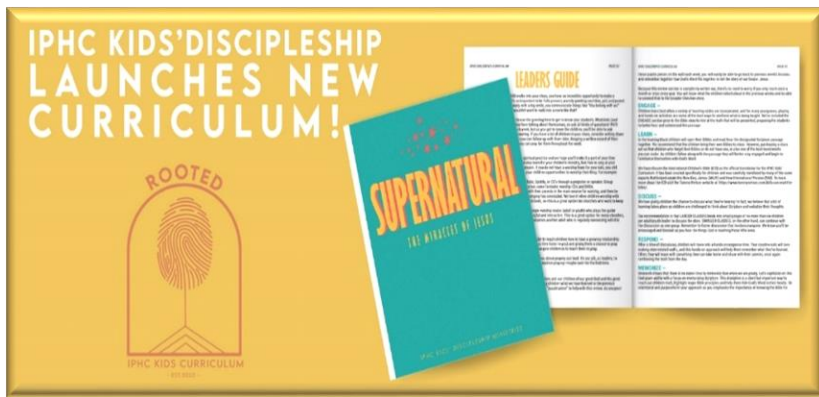
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"Let the little children come to me, and do not forbid them for such is the Kingdom of God."

Luke 18:16



Vigilant

IPHC Child and Youth Safety

<https://iphc.org/discipleship/2020/09/24/iphc-discipleship-ministries-announces-vigilant-iphc-child-and-youth-safety-resource/>



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Men's Ministries

Steve Winesett

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It's time to gear up for Men's Ministries Day!

There is no better time to launch your men's group than Father's Day, June 20, 2021. Build your momentum through the summer – hitting the growth of fall with tremendous strength. IPHC and Appalachian Conference Men's Ministries can help you disciple your men. We'll equip you, show you how to start, help you keep momentum and rejoice with you in the victory.

We are your ally in building strong men, strong families and strong churches.

Contact Appalachian Conference Men's Ministries Director, Steve Winesett.

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[Please Register by April 15, 2021](#)

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Women's Ministries

Tammy Porter



IPHC Appalachian Conference Women's Ministries Presents

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I SOUGHT FOR A MAN

Have you pondered about God seeking for a man or woman to stand in the gap, and make up the breach? Yes, God is looking for a few good men!

"And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before Me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none" (Ezekiel 22:30).

THE SCENE

Sin creates a gap between God and man. God wants to fill the BREACH, known as a gap. Many examples are found in the Scriptures to confirm this desire. Consider the prophet Amos! The Lord showed him a picture, maybe a vision. Grasshoppers were soon to come upon the nation and devour all the grass and crops.

A BREACH occurs because of sin. Yet, God gives man a chance to pray for the hedge to be restored. A BREACH can allow judgment to come upon the land. However, the Prayer of a True Man of God can invite God's mercy. (Amos 7:1-3)

SINS THAT CAUSED THE BREACH

In reference to the Scripture where, "God sought for a man," take a moment to review the sins. Certain sins of the nation caused a BREACH. Again, the Lord would show mercy if the hedge could be restored.

There were 5 groups of people that sinned in such a manner that broke the hedge and allowed a breach. (Ezekiel 22:23-31)

- *The Prophets: They took treasure and precious things. They made many widows in the midst.
- *The Priests - Religious Leaders: They violated God's law. They profaned His holy things. They hid their eyes from God's sabbaths.
- *The Princes - Leaders in the Government: They shed blood. They practiced dishonest gain.
- *The False Prophets: They spoke lies.
- *The People of the Land: They mistreated the poor and the needy.

EXAMPLES OF SOME WHO STOOD IN THE GAP

- *Job: Interceded for his children. (Job 1:4,5)
- *Moses: Interceded for the people. (Psalm 106:23)
- *Queen Esther: Approached the king for her people. (Esther 4)
- *Aaron and Hur: Held up the arms of Moses. (Exodus 17: 8-16)
- *Jesus: Ever intercedes for us. (Hebrews 7:25)

GIVE ME A MAN

Give me a man of God, one man,
A mighty prophet of the Lord
And I will give you peace on earth
Bought with a prayer and not a sword.

Give me a man of God, one man,
True to the vision that he sees
And I will build upon your broken shrines
And bring the nations to their knees.

Give me a man of God, one man,
Whose faith is master of his mind,
And I will right ten thousand wrongs
And bless the name of all mankind.

Give me a man of God, one man,
Whose tongue is touched with heaven's fire,
And I will flame the darkest hearts
With high resolve and clear desire.

By George Liddell

STUDY QUESTION: What prophet prayed for King Saul? _____



MARCH CALENDAR

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