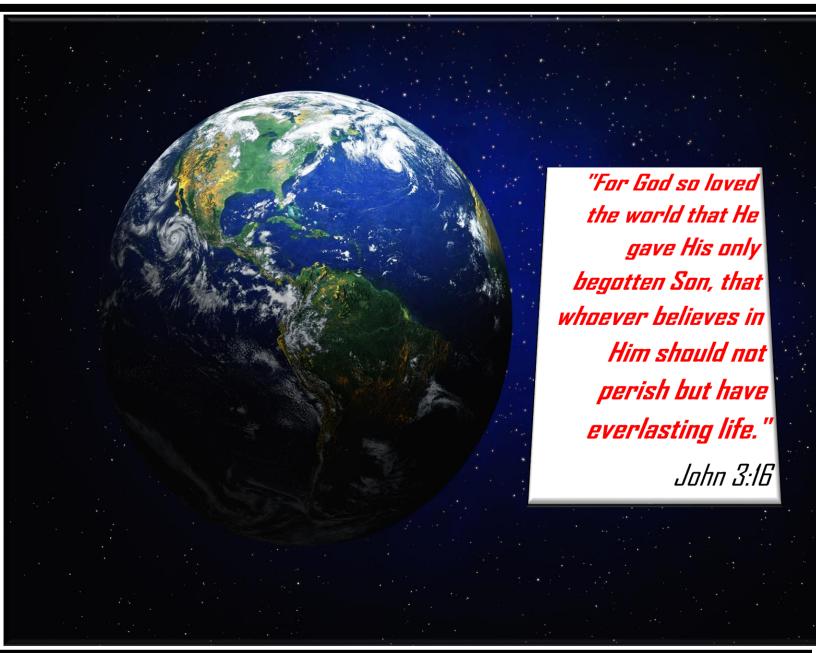
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APRIL RETIRED MINISTERS' BIRTHDAYS



April 1

Rev. Henry Ayers 767 Lots Gap Road Max Meadows, VA 24360

April 15

Rev. David Bain 521 Linden Avenue Buena Vista, VA 24416

April 19

Rev. Larry Snider 619 East Augusta Avenue Vinton, VA 24179





REV. MS. ALEEN AKER - FAITHFUL TO THE END

On February 24, Rev. Ms. Aleen Aker, 94, of Max Meadows, VA, passed from this life to her eternal reward. She was licensed with the Appalachian Conference in 1963 and pastored Gravley Memorial P.H. Church for 48 years. She was preceded in death by her husband Elmo Aker who faithfully served beside her. Funeral services were held on February 28 at the St. Paul P.H. Church, with the burial service the following day. Many lives were affected by the godliness and kindness of this saint of God.



REV. MS. GERALEEN FREEMAN TALMAGE

The memorial service for Geraleen "Gerry"
Talmage will be held on Saturday, May 7, 2022, at the Family Worship Center, Pulaski, at 10:45. Rev. Ms. Talmage, 90, died on December 19, 2021, with pending arrangements. She was ordained in 1952 with the IPHC and was a missionary to Africa for 41 years, alongside her husband Rev. John Talmage. She was an inspiration and blessing to the kingdom of God.

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The Bishop's Page



Preston Mathena

I was reading this on Travis Lowe's blog regarding what a young family is actually looking for in a church. I thought it may be relevant to you pastors, as new families move to your area and look for a church. Bishop Mathena



A FEW OBSERVATIONS ABOUT PICKING A CHURCH

We have been looking for a church for the first time in many years. I thought some folks might like to see how we are discerning where to connect.

My children are teenagers, and it is very important for Jess and I that Dayne and Graci enjoy the church. They are good kids who love Jesus and we want them to love the church we go to. I want it to be a church they

would choose to go to once they leave our home. I'm not sure exactly what this means, except that they feel comfortable and welcome. I think it is important that there are people their age involved in the church, that they feel the pastor's messages are relatable, and they feel challenged to respond personally.

Lately, I have realized how important it is to me that the church believe in and use women in all areas of ministry. Because I firmly believe this is the Biblical position, it is not an option to me to attend a church that sees my wife and/or daughter as ineligible for ministry roles.

I am also actively drawn to leaders full of humility and gentleness instead of bluster and arrogance. God describes Himself as being gentle and lowly in heart, and I want a church that resembles the heart of God. I also want a church where the power of God is evident and active. This may seem contradictory to the last point, but I think God works most powerfully through the humble and gentle. When we are weak, He is strong.

I am also not looking for superstars in preaching or worship. I want a place my kids see ministry as not being out of reach. Where they see ordinary people being used by a supernatural God and maybe they will long to be used as well.

I also want a church that looks like the community that it serves. This means diversity of age, race, sociology-economic levels, etc. I know, from experience, this only happens when the church is intentional about it. Diversity is costly, especially in today's polarized world.

I want pastors and teachers who love the Word of God. The kinds of folks, women and men, who smile when they open their Bibles. The kinds of people who won't avoid difficult subjects, but when they preach on sin, brokenness, judgment, and injustice, they always have tears of compassion in their eyes. People who know it, live it, breathe it and embody it.

These are just a few thoughts that have stood out in our process of looking. What do you look for?

This letter was sent to Bishop Talmadge Gardner from Ukraine.

Dear Bishop Gardner and our IPHC Family:

Greetings to you from Bishop Valery at Christian Hope Church Kiev, Ukraine.

It has been four days since the Russian Army invaded our country on three fronts from Crimea in the South, Russia in the East, and Belarus in the North. Our God did not leave us unprepared or unaware of the imminent military aggression. He put a desire in the hearts of people like Bob Cave, our faithful friends and church leaders, businesspeople, and the PH churches to send support for us, that we would be prepared for such time as this.

I thank them all for doing their part and for their obedience to the Lord, under your leadership, to make our churches across Ukraine into storehouses of food, medicine, warm clothing, blankets, fuel, electric heaters, and water. We did not think we would need it, but we are grateful for it. Two weeks before the military operation in Donbas started, we had received \$60,000 USD from World Mission's Ministries/IPHC. We were very excited about that. It was a very generous amount. It came as a Ukraine Relief Fund. We distributed it among thirty-eight churches in all regions of Ukraine. Our Pastors came to our head office in Kiev, and I explained to them what this fund is for and what they needed to do to be prepared in case of war.

They were very grateful and purchased food and other items on the list. After all the churches stockpiled food and other supplies, the war broke out. We are prepared to serve, minister, and meet people's needs. Our church in Kiev City, from Day one, has been taking families with children and pregnant women, providing them with room, food, water, heat, and spiritual, psychological, and physical support.

Many people are afraid and cannot cope on their own. The guest rooms at the mother church, the drug rehab facility, and offices are occupied with people who choose Christian Hope Church as the safest place in the midst of war. They are receiving help and being saved thanks to our God and your help. Praise the Lord!

Some of the pastors in our IPHC Network Ukrainian Missionary Church have joined Territorial Defense Forces to protect their communities. Some have joined the Army as chaplains to provide spiritual assistance as needed. This is the time for the Church in Ukraine to do great exploits for the Kingdom and the glory of God. We feel your prayers and support in the Spirit. The nation is united in one attempt to fight for freedom and independence. All our churches remain open and provide prayer support, shelter, humanitarian aid, food, and serve as Places of Hope.

Our churches in the East of Ukraine report that they are under heavy shelling. People are staying in bomb shelters. It is not safe to get out or travel. The fighting has intensified. It is a very similar situation in all major cities.

On Monday, reps from both sides will meet. Many people have left our cities and fled to the West. In many communities, there is a shortage of food supplies; stores are closed; there is no ATM service, no transit service, and no fuel.

Our hearts grieve with those who have lost their loved ones. We pray for this madness to stop and lives to be saved. Our IPHC churches in Bulgaria have aided those in need of refuge. Our hope is in Christ, and we remain committed to serving our people.

Thank you, our brothers, for supporting our hands and hearts and for fighting with us against principalities, the powers of this dark world, and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms (Eph 6:12).

Pray and fast with us for spiritual freedom to remain and doors for the gospel to remain open in our country. Please pray for the war to end and the peace of God to reign.

Amen!

Andrei Shander	

Thank you for giving generously to WMM's Ukrainian Emergency Relief Fund. As you read - \$60,000 USD was sent to Ukraine prior to the start of the invasion of Ukraine by Russia.

Bob Cave will coordinate the details of moving additional relief monies to Ukraine in consultation with Bishop Reshetinsky and his leadership team.

Please designate your contribution as follows: "UKRAINE EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND #41502P."

Or you may give online at: https://give.iphc.org/project/ukraine-emergency-relief

Bishop Talmadge Gardner Executive Director World Missions Ministries



World Missions & Evangelism Larry Meadors



MISSION - BELIZE

Our trip to Belize almost never was. Our original plan was to help build a church in Panama, but God had other plans. From unexpected Covid results to new travel restrictions, God directed us to Belize, and we knew that only God could get us there, and He did.

The travel to Belize required two airplanes, a bus, and a

ferry. I recall, as we were exiting the bus and preparing to get on the ferry, a little boy followed us, begging for money. We were told not to engage, that this kid worked for people in the area to take tourists' money. As we drew closer to the ferry, others approached us wanting to sell items and offer souvenirs. Again, we were told not to engage. Once on the ferry that took us to the island of San Pedro, I was awed by God's creation. The sun was setting over the water and we had the best view.

Our mission in Belize was to help put a roof on their church and to do children's ministry. We were told the church had been waiting years for completion of the roof. Gene Hancock, the missionary in this area, explained that Sister Martha was the preacher of this church. She would do food plate sales to help fund the construction of the building, one brick at a time. Unfortunately, she passed away, never to see it completed. The church is now pastored by Brother Samuel. I had dreamed about Martha the night before, unbeknownst to me who she was. I knew at that moment that God had divine purposes for this time in Belize.

The days were hot, but our team was eager to get started. Upon arriving at the church and looking up at the nonexistent roof, we knew that we needed another hand if this would be accomplished, and the only hand that is able was God's. With much work to be done, but grateful to get started, we did just that.

The children in Belize were in school most of the day, so the children's ministry team prayed on what



Team members, bottom row L-R: Hope Ellison, Sheila Melki, Karla Powell, Blaze Powell, Thomas Drumheller Top row – Harley Powell (Not pictured, Joshua Shephard)

to do and felt that God had called us there to encourage the pastor's wife. We spent most of our days on our knees interceding for the church, the people of Belize and for the pastor's family. The pastor's wife cried with us, shared her

dreams with us and shared the difficult season they had been in. In Belize, there is heavy

reliance on false gods and witch doctors. Many attacks have come against this family and the church. They were feeling the weariness of constant battle. Hearing the stories and sharing prayers and verses together, you could see the fire in the pastor's wife growing.

In the afternoon 30-40 children came to hear stories from the Bible, such as David and Moses. Their singing and joy rang out on the streets of San Pedro, and you could tell that they had long missed these gatherings that have been restricted due to Covid-19.

As our time there came to an end, we knew God had done what He intended to through this team. The roof was almost completed. A native welder who helped our construction team, but who didn't attend church, came to church for the first time with his family and promised he would return. The pastor's wife led the Sunday service with hope and the power of the Holy Spirit. With excitement she told us, "I have never prayed and spoke so boldly before!" The pastor's son, who is 15 years old, promised to start a youth prayer meeting every week and to be a fire starter among people his age. The pastor is committed to staying in the race, with a church building that can hold many more than before and a mission to bring more to Jesus. Lastly, we are a team that was forever changed by the love of a family that gave it all up to follow Jesus.

Karla Powell, Team Member

The Foundry

Ministers are invited to The Foundry, a ministry promoting training and establishing community for us as a conference of ministers. Our goal in meeting is to help each other in carrying out the call and encourage one another in this journey (Proverbs 27:17). We will meet March 14 at 9:30 AM in the Training Center in Dublin.

There will be prayer and ministry time, as well teaching. The topics will include "Overcoming the Barriers to Finishing Well," "The Key to Finishing Well" and "Learning the Who, What, Where and How of Delegation." Don't forget to register for lunch (\$5) or you can bring your own. It will be a great time of fellowship. You can register on the website or app, email vanessascruggs5847@gmail.com or call 540-674-4131, ext. 207

Great Commission Meals



I hope to see all our pastors and mission directors this month at the Great Commission Meals! If you haven't added them to your calendar, you can find the schedule on the conference app or website. We are welcoming Bishop Talmadge Gardner, Executive Director of World Missions, as our speaker. In addition, there will be several missionaries sharing their vision to fulfill the Great Commission. Please note recent changes to some locations and pre-register where indicated.



Discipleship Ministries



Ron Fredericks

www.appconf.org

DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES BOARD WELCOMES NEW MEMBER



The Discipleship Ministries Board welcomes its newest member, Rev. C. J. Cole, who will be filling the vacancy left by Rev. Josh Kestner.

Pastor Josh tendered his resignation to the Discipleship Ministries Board in August of 2021 in order to spend more time with his growing family, bringing greater balance to home life and ministry. Josh is married to Megan May Kestner and they have three children. Josh serves as the Youth Pastor for Christian Life International in Salem, Virginia, a board member for the I.P.H.C. Student Ministries Advisory Team (serving the Appalachian



Conference and IPHC) and assistant football coach. Josh had served by appointment

since June 2018. We honor Josh for his strong work ethic, integrity and great insight. He will continue to serve and advise as needed. Josh will be missed tremendously, but we are excited to welcome Pastor C.J. to the team.

Pastor C.J. Cole was born and raised in Greenbrier County, WV, and is now a resident of Monroe County where he resides with his wife Laura and daughter Anna. C.J. is a graduate of Greenbrier East High School and the Carolina School of Broadcasting in Charlotte, NC, where he received a degree in broadcast communications.

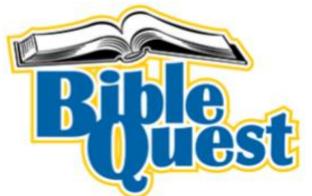
In 2017, C.J., along with his wife Laura, answered the call into ministry and is currently serving as the Student Ministry Pastor at Bethel Pentecostal Holiness Church in Organ Cave, WV. In 2019, C.J. felt the call to leave his secular job and pursue ministry full time. Not knowing exactly what God had in store for him, he put his faith and trust in the Lord and has watched God open doors of ministry. C.J. has a desire to see everyone come into relationship with Jesus Christ, a passion for revival in this generation of young people and for the Lord to pour out His spirit on them.

He has been praying that God would open a door for him to be able to minister in and through schools for the last two years. Recently that prayer was answered with a position offer through Fellowship of Christian Athletes. FCA gives a platform to minister to this generation of youth through on-campus ministry. The vision and ministry of FCA is "To lead every coach and athlete into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ and His church" and "To see the world transformed by Jesus Christ through the influence of coaches and athletes." Their vision and mission are what led C.J. to join the ministry of FCA.

We welcome C.J. to the Conference Discipleship Ministries Board.

BIBLE QUIZ TEAMS ARE FORMING...COME BE A PART OF THIS TREMENDOUS MINISTRY!!!

BIBLE QUIZ



TEENS: MATTHEW

JUNIOR: MATTHEW 1-14

2022 GUIDELINES:

https://storage.snappages.site/2Q5D77/assets/files/2022-National-Bible-Quest-Guidelines-FIN-9.pdf

2 Timothy 2:15 "Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

Psalm 119:11 "Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You."

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
THE CONFERENCE OFFICE AT 540-674-4131 EXT. 201
ONCE TEAMS ARE REGISTERED, SCRIMMAGES AND
CONFERENCE DATES WILL BE DETERMINED.

APPALACHIAN CONFERENCE FINE ARTS FESTIVAL



APRIL 22 – 23, 2022

CHECK OUT THE NEW GUIDELINES AT:

https://storage.snappages.site/2Q5D77/assets/files/2022-National-Fine-Arts-Guidelines-FINAL-9.pdf

DOWNLOAD REGISTRATION FORMS: https://appconf.org/junior-teen-fine-arts

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES
OFFICE AT 540-674-4131 EXT. 201!



Reimagine: A Weekend for IPHC Boys' and Girls' Leaders

IPHC Boys' Ministries and IPHC Girls' Ministries would like to invite you to our brand new event, REIMAGINE. We know that the last few years have brought changes to traditional Boys' and Girls' Ministries, but that doesn't mean we have to stop. Our teams have been working together to REIMAGINE ministry to boys and girls, and we want to invite YOU to come dream with us! This will be a weekend packed with encouragement, training, relationship building, and, of course, fun! We hope to see you there!

Registration Link: https://iphc.brushfire.com/events/527841

Stand Firm: 2021-2022 Boys' & Girls' Ministries Theme



For more information:

https://iphc.org/discipleship/stand-firm-2021-2022-boys-girls-ministries-theme/

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20° 22° DUBLIN VA

JUNE 20-24

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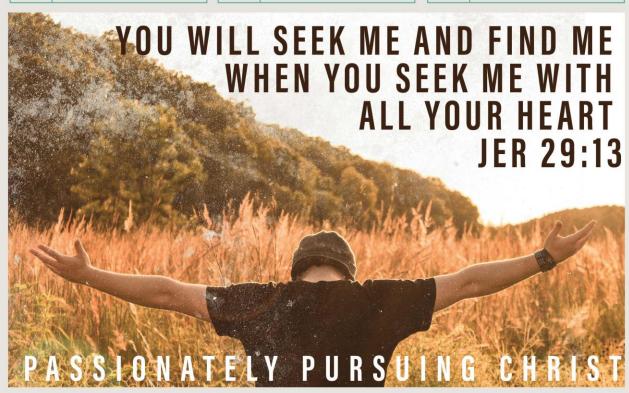
Extreme Teen | 14 - 17 yrs Camp Pastor: Josh Lafferty Worship leader: Emmanuel College JUNE 27 July 1

\$189

Destiny - 11- 13 yrs Camp Pastor: Tim Bennett Worship Leader: Abigail Eversole JULY 5-8

\$179

Adventure Quest - 7 - 10 yrs Camp Pastor: Kristie Cain Worship Leader: CLI Team



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FOR REGISTRATION FORM GO TO APPCONF.ORG

EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MAY 6

\$10 DISCOUNT.



Colt Barker Memorial Derby

Hello All!

We are very excited to invite you to the Colt Barker Memorial Derby Day. Hosted by Boys' Ministries, this event will be held on **April 9, 2022,** at the Appalachian Conference Campgrounds, Dublin, VA. Everyone is welcome! The Pinewood Derby is an exciting time for kids and adults of all ages and you will enjoy exploring one of Boys' Ministries' favorite events.

Check-In, Pit time and Weigh-In will be from 8:00-9:30 am. Racing will begin at 10:00 a.m.

Registration fee for the first car is \$10.00 for each participant. There will be a fee of \$2.00 for each additional car.

Please download and print the registration form before you arrive. This will expedite registration!

We will race five divisions for boys (new car only):

Pre-K, K-2nd grade, 3rd-5th grade, 6th-8th grade, 9th-12th grade

There will also be a division for:

Girls, Adults (new cars only) and an **Open** Division (Open Division will include male and female, any age and can be an additional car, new or old).

We are happy to be able to include the **Modified Division** (open to all racers: male and female, any age). Refer to the accompanying documents for guidelines regarding requirements/rules for the cars.

As always there will be a Best-of-Show award.

Supplies can be ordered through:

Life Spring Resources 1-800-541-1376 Item Number 4710040 Healthy Church online store: http://royalrangers.com/gear/rangerderby/kits/

(For this year's race, kits may be purchased from Hobby Lobby, Lowes, Michaels Craft Store or anywhere kits are sold.)

Each racer will receive a patch.

Food and refreshments will be available for sale. All proceeds will go to Boys' Ministries. An important part of our Pinewood Derby Day is our fundraiser for missions. This is done through an offering. Jesus gave us The Great Commission, so we need to do our part! In 2021, the offering went to help send a missionary to Ecuador.

Please come join us for this fun-filled day! If there are any questions, please call us!

Sincerely,

Freddie Sweet

Appalachian Conference Commander IPHC Boys' Ministries/Royal Rangers (276) 233-8983

(270) 233 0303

applaconfbmrr@gmail.com





General Rules and Car Specifications

The following are guidelines and specifications for the **Colt Barker Memorial Derby**

- 1. A contestant may enter only one car per racing class except for Open, which is unlimited.
- 2. In order to be eligible for competition (either racing or workmanship), a car must fit on and roll down the track without interfering with any other car.
- 3. Cars must meet the following specifications. Note: Check the kit block before you start. Some variation may exceed the maximums right out of the box.
 - a. Maximum Length (including all attachments) 7 1/2"
 - b. Maximum Width 2 3/4"
 - c. Maximum Height 3"
 - d. Maximum Weight 5 1/2 oz. (156 grams)
 - e. Maximum Under-Car Clearance 3/8"
- 4. Pinewood Derby cars will be made from kits sold by Life Springs Resources, item no. 4710040 or Healthy Church, item no. 187540. The contestant must use the parts provided in the kit for their intended use. **Because of a recent change in car kits at these providers, we will allow any car kit to participate as long as they meet the rest of the requirements listed. **







- 5. The contestant may add weights to the car in order to bring the car to the maximum allowed weight. Weights must be an integral part of the car. They may be placed inside the block, mounted as an ornament, or be otherwise permanently attached. Weights may not be taped or set on a car. If weights or any other part of a car comes off during a heat, the heat will be rerun. If the same car or parts leave the track again, the car is disqualified from racing. No heat/race will be delayed while repairs are made.
- 6. Dry graphite lubricants only.
- 7. Wheels may not be altered in shape or thickness. No metal-to-metal contact is allowed. No washers allowed.
- 8. If a car needs to be lubricated or worked on before it is registered, there will be a designated place set up for that purpose. No work or lubrication can be done after the car has been registered.
- 9. Cars raced at events/races other than local church for practice before this race can only race in open class.

Modified Division Rules



- 1. The modified car can be powered by gravity, electric, air or mechanical means. Car must be free of wire connection once gate is open. Radio controls may be used.
- 2. Car must have a similar axle design and width of kit sold by Life Springs or Healthy Church. No lubricants that remain wet on race day and can drip onto track are allowed. Wheel washers are not allowed.
- 3. Car must fit within the size limit to fit on track.
 - a. Maximum Length (including all attachments) 7 3/4"
 - b. Maximum Width 3 ½"
 - c. Maximum Height 4"
 - d. Maximum Weight 11 oz. (312 grams)
 - e. Maximum Under-Car Clearance 3/8"
- 4. Race will consist of three cars or less at a time, as to allow an empty lane to provide room for oversized cars. The number of times each car will race will be determined on race day based on number of participants in class. You may want to make sure your car can race more than one time.
- Cars cannot be worked on other than changing or charging battery, changing CO2, turning on or off motors. If damage occurs, a review by race officials and limited repair may be allowed. No lubrication or unapproved work will be allowed once car is checked in.

Here are a few examples, find more online.









***No use of incendiary device (fireworks, bottle rockets, flares, etc.). No use of liquid propellants or chemical reactions. No use of firearm ammunition. ***

Please fill out before	coming to Registi	ration table	Car # (Assigned):	
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Group (circle one):				
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Men's Ministries

Steve Winesett



WIRTUAL EVENT

MEN OF GOD ARISE TOGETHER

SATURDAY, MARCH 26TH
8AM CT/9AM ET/16:00 CAT

SCHEDULE

WELCOME & INSTRUCTIONS – Host Dr. MPai or designee
GREETINGS & INVOCATION – W. A. Mills, Men's Ministries Director
Moment of Silence for Those Promoted from COVID
PRAYER & PERSONAL REMARKS – Bishop Tommy McGhee

SESSIONS

- o Men of God Arise Together In Witness W. A. Mills, Men's Ministries Director
- o Men of God Arise Together In Word Ronnie Barnes
- o Men of God Arise Together In Worship Mario Ayala
- o Men of God Arise Together In Warfare Matthew Brown
- o Men of God Arise Together In Work Jake Bunn
- o Men of God Arise Together In Walk TBD

RECAP OF 2021 – W. A. Mills, Men's Ministries Director

TESTIMONY FROM USA – Jimmy Bennett, Heartland Conference MM

TESTIMONY FROM AFRICA – Moses Masese, Africa MM

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR 2022 – W. A. Mills, Men's Ministries Director

MEN'S MINISTRIES CONVENTION – W. A. Mills, Men's Ministries Director

IPHC BOYS' MINISTRIES – Commander David Moore, Boys' Ministries Director

CLOSING REMARKS & PRAYER – Bishop Joel Dibetsoe, AAIFE



All Participants will enjoy:

18 holes of golf

(Shotgun start at 9:30 AM)

- **I** Green fees and riding carts
- **Snacks and Drinks provided**
- **Lunch and Awards at the Close of Tournament**

The following prizes will be awarded:

 $\mathbf{1}$ Trophy for each $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$, $\mathbf{2}^{\text{nd}}$ & $\mathbf{3}^{\text{rd}}$ place players.

1 Longest drive on a designated hole.

Prize for closest to hole on all par 3 holes.

Putt-off contest winner.



REGISTRATION FEE: \$70 per person or SPONSOR a TEAM for \$280.00

SPONSOR a HOLE for \$100.00

(Hole sponsorship helps to send deserving kids to Camp Maranatha)

For questions and inquiries, you may contact:

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Appalachian Conference
IPHC Office
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Women's Ministries







WOMEN'S MINISTRIES DAY

We will celebrate Women's Ministries Day on March

13, 2022. Women's Ministries exists to advance Christ's mission in our churches. We partner with our local church leaders to inspire, equip, and support women on their journey to become more like Jesus. This special day is an opportune time to remember the rich history of Women's Ministries in our church. If your congregation is unable to celebrate on this day, work with your pastor and choose another time to recognize this special day. The General Women's Ministries department provides a program or resource that can be used that day.

We also encourage churches to take up an offering on this day to help support the local and conference Women's Ministries. Forward half of the offering to your conference office. The local church Women's Ministries will keep the other half to help with their ministry expenses. Any leader may contact me at pastortammy511@yahoo.com for any questions or assistance with organizing Women's Ministries Day.



Thank you for your service to the Kingdom. We understand that not only are you a helpmate, you are the key to unlocking the call of God within your husband. God has called him to minister, but He has called you to undergird him, support him, encourage him and hold him up. He gets the podium, but without you interceding for him, he wouldn't have the strength to stand behind it. He gets the accolades, but you keep him grounded. He gets discouraged, but you remind him that the battle is worth the fight. Behind every great minister stands a woman of God who is confident in who she is and whose she is. She is not in competition for a position or praise from others. She gladly stands in the shadows and allows God to use her for His purpose and His plan.

You may be the wife of a minister and a minister, as well, but your role is still the same. Your support for your husband is important to him spiritually, mentally and emotionally. You are a team! He needs you and you need him to fulfill the Great Commission.

No matter what your role is, we honor you and thank you for your service to the Kingdom of God. You are important! You are valued! You are honored!



Natural Bridge Christian Fellowship

March 25th, 2022 at 7pm

Speaker: Appalachian Conference WM Director, Pastor Tammy Porter

\$15 Registration at the door

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WHEN THE SON OF MAN COMES, WILL HE FIND FAITH ON THE EARTH?

Luke 18:1-8

The parable of the widow and the unjust judge demonstrates the POWER OF PERSISTENT PRAYERS! When the judge would not even consider her request, she would not give up! She came continually before the judge. Finally, the judge decided to grant her request, because he was weary of her appearance!

On the other hand, our heavenly Father is kind and shows compassion. He will speedily avenge those who cry out to him day and night!

PARABLE ENDS WITH A QUESTION

"I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of Man comes, shall he find faith on the earth" (Luke 18:8)?

The fact that Jesus will seek for faith, places great value on faith! The scriptures define faith as: "NOW faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen" (Hebrews 11:1).

WITHOUT FAITH

"Without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that comes to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him" (Hebrews 11:6). How can prayers be effective if they are not ignited by faith?

A GRAIN OF MUSTARD SEED

Jesus tells his disciples that faith is so valuable, that faith as a grain of a mustard seed can remove mountains. Nothing is impossible if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed. (Matthew 17:20)

A PERIOD OF TIME WHEN FAITH WAS RARE

During the days of Noah, faith was rare! Research suggests that approximately 4 billion people may have lived during this period. One main reason for such a large number is due to the long lifespans prior to the flood. However, only eight people, those of Noah's own family, entered the ark!

WHEN THE SON OF MAN COMES

Will he find faith in your heart? Will he find faith in your prayers? Will he find faith in your family? Will he find faith in your church?

STUDY QUESTION

Which disciple had enough faith to find money in the mouth of a fish to pay both his taxes and the taxes for Jesus? (Matthew 17)

HILLSVILLE P.H. OFFERS NEW MINISTRY AT THRIFT STORE



The Hillsville Pentecostal Holiness Church Thrift Store is now open for business. Much of the work to ready the building for the ministry was accomplished through volunteers from the church family. The shop takes donations. Those interested may drop donations off at the church in the building behind the church or bring them to the thrift store during open hours.

The Hillsville Pentecostal Holiness Church (HPHC) Thrift Store is the latest ministry offered to Carroll residents by the local congregation. Pastors Jeff and Tammy Pickett and the church family indicated they are excited the Hillsville P.H. Thrift Store is doing so well following its opening in late January. The store is located at 1347 Floyd Pike in Hillsville.

"Changing lives one heart at a time is exactly what we strive to do," said Jeff Pickett. "God has elevated us to a new level to grow His Kingdom and all of us are so honored to be a small part of His plans at HPHC. We are so excited for the opportunity God has given us to minister to not only our amazing community but the surrounding communities as well!"

The hours for the thrift store are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. and from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m on Saturday. The store has new and used items for affordable prices.

The shop accepts donations. Those interested may drop donations off at the church in the building behind the church or bring them to the thrift store during open hours. Persons with a large amount who need someone to pick the donations up can contact Pickett at 276-233-6971, Tammy Pickett at 276233-8769 or Doug Goad at 276-733-6666. Donations of furniture, working appliances, household items, clothing, jewelry, shoes (and various other items) are accepted.

According to Pickett, improvements to the property were mostly done "in-house" from the skills of volunteers who stepped up to help with the project and fill a need in the community with the departure of the area's other such shops.

"I've been wanting to do this for 14 years. It's been laid on my heart. This opportunity came open about six months ago and the rest is history. We made a bid on it, signed a contract Thanksgiving week, and started working on it then," Pickett said. "Of course, we have to pay for this building. People say what do you do with the money? The money goes into our ministry and is dispersed as needed for what we do and what we can do to help others. We are a helping church when we can. I don't want to be a crutch for anyone. I want to be a light for people. We help a lot of people."

Pickett said the ministry seemed a natural extension of the church's existing ministry which helps those who have lost their home to fires. He looks back over a decade of service and 22 building projects and praised God for putting great people around him with men, women and children ready to work.

"We've been doing (benefit) yard sales for years and they have grown so big we could have a yard sale and it would fill our gym in March and then after we'd give almost everything left away and the next month it would be full again. I mean...fill the whole gym up," Pickett said. "We haven't really advertised we're taking donations. If people need a tax write-off we'll give them a letter on what they donate if they want that....it's takes a lot for that to count. This is all non-profit. Everybody you see work here gives their time. They are serving for the Lord."

The church has proved itself as "doers" helping with three church "plants" and a rehabilitation center in the Ukraine and looks to help with a church to be established in Vietnam.

"The more you give and do like that the more God blesses you. We have a wonderful community and some great pastors. We are open to having a community revival with these guys...we are all striving for the same thing," said Pickett. "I want the walls to come down....this denomination...that denomination. Hey, we all serve the Lord and be the hands of Jesus here and allow him to use us. When you work together, at the end of the day you achieve more for the Kingdom. It's not about me or the Hillsville P.H. It's about Jesus. God is working on all of us...if you let him."

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	APRIL CALENDAR
2	Spring Prayer Festival
4- 7	Encore Ministries Trip
9	Pinewood Derby
15	Good Friday (Office Closed)
17	Easter
22 - 23	Fine Arts Festival
25	Call to prayer 8 pm
27	Administrative Professionals Day