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As the relief, refugee, and development mission fund of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), **Week of Compassion (February 16-23)** works with partners to alleviate suffering throughout the world.

We rely on your compassion, your gifts and your commitment to help change lives for the better. We do so in the name of Jesus Christ and on behalf of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Sharing Our Stories

Following a disaster, immediate needs are clear: food, water, shelter, emergency care. But many other needs emerge in the longer term, and one of the most critical is the need for children to return to school.

The school year had just begun when Hurricane Matthew struck Haiti in October of 2016. With newly purchased uniforms and books destroyed, and with schools severely damaged, many students dropped out of school and where sent to live with others. When this happens, it increases the risk of child domestic servitude. When children live with families other than their own, they may be exploited and used for household chores. In many cases, they are denied the right to education, get little rest, and may suffer from physical, verbal, or sexual abuse.

Working closely with our partner Church World Service, Week of Compassion approaches the reconstruction of schools not only as a response to disaster, but also as a way to prevent exploitation of children and to protect students and teachers against the impact of future disasters. Following Hurricane Matthew, CWS contacted the Ministry of Education to identify schools that needed repairs or reconstruction. One of the schools identified as a priority was the public school of Mentor, Grand Anse.

Initial rebuilding work began shortly after the storm in 2016. The school consisted of three classrooms, which CWS repaired early on. Then the mayor requested the construction of three additional classrooms as, according to Ministry of Education regulations, each school should have at least six classrooms. Thanks to additional funds --including support from Week of Compassion-CWS was able to honor this request, and construction on three new classrooms began in 2018.

To learn more about how your gift impacts the world go to

www.weekofcompassion.org/stories/safe-places



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Rev. Dr. Teresa Dulyea Parker

Regional Minister's Moment

Our mission; To connect and empower Disciples congregations for life-changing and life-giving ministries in our evolving world.

Dear Church,

Perspective is the theme of the Sabbatical journey I will be on from Feb. 16-May 10. The theme was inspired by a book "Perspective: Calm Within the Storm" by Robert J. Wicks, PhD.

This is a description of the book: "For generations, classic wisdom literature has taught that a healthy perspective can replenish our thirst for a meaningful and rewarding life. From its inception clinical psychology has followed suit, revealing that how we see ourselves and the world is more important than what we see or have---in essence, that a healthy perspective is tantamount to possessing the psychological "pearl of great price." ...

"Perspective teaches us to see ourselves more completely and will inspire us to become the calm within the storm, better able to enjoy our experiences, maintain balance in our professional and personal lives, and reach out to others without being pulled down in the process."

This sabbath time is a personal journey with a desire to look into ways to help our leaders find life-giving/life-changing perspective regarding the times in which we live. It can make all the difference to health, well-being, and a "meaningful and rewarding life."

I am already collecting stories to share with you. I will be writing and creating a few more videos---I hope you liked my first one for the New Year. Al and I will be traveling to Australia and New Zealand---to see the southern cross---the view from down under. We will bring your prayers for the healing of the earth, and the hearts of those who have been touched by loss and grief.

We are also hosting a brilliant Art Historian, Deborah Lewer who is a Senior Lecturer at the University of Glasgow. Deborah, Al and I are inviting you to a retreat on Perspective through the eyes of the artist, April 14-16. We will be staying at Cenacle Retreat Center in Chicago, sharing in community and learning, and going to the Chicago Art Institute. More information is in this edition of The Christian.

It makes a difference how we look at things. For example, when in a time of any great transition. One way to look at the change happening, is to see the end of a way of life---that which gave us meaning is being lost. We naturally grieve, and often in our sense of powerlessness can strike out in anger, blame or try to hold on to what no longer serves. Another way through is to choose to wonder about what new things may be emerging, to turn to faith that there is meaning even in this moment; to begin to look where the new light is peeking through anew. To see our southern cross, which has always been there---perspective.

We do this, because we want to be a radically welcoming Region of connected Disciples congregations, radiating the Creator's love, continuing Christ's mission, and following the Spirit's call. (Vision 2018)

Perspective Retreat

Debbie is Senior Lecturer (US equivalent Associate Professor) in History of Art at the University of Glasgow, Scotland. She is an established specialist in 20th-century German art and the European avant-garde and is interested more widely in the rich and complex relationship between visual art and theology. She is a Fellow of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation and a Visiting Scholar at Sarum College, Salisbury, England, where she teaches on the MA in Theology, Imagination and Culture. She has worked with ordinands on the Oxford Ministry Course at Ripon College, Cuddesdon, England, and is a contributor to the *Visual Commentary on Scripture* project (thevcs.org.) Outside academia, Debbie is a regular speaker in churches and at festivals and has led numerous themed retreats on art and faith in the UK: at Lee Abbey Devon, at Gladstone's Library in North Wales, for Holy Week 2018 on Iona and at the Cathedral of the Isles on Cumbrae, Scotland. She is also the most recent speaker for the Scottish Episcopal Church's clergy conference of her home diocese of Glasgow and Galloway and for the clergy conference of the diocese of Edinburgh.

Art and Faith: Perspective(s)

Art history at its best is about sharpening our vision, expanding the imagination and opening up new perspectives on life. The same might be said of theology. This retreat takes the theme of 'perspective' as an opportunity to explore how artists from the Middle Ages to our contemporary world have visualized the world and how a change in perspective can change everything else.

The retreat will include a session looking at art together at the Art Institute of Chicago.

Perspective

A retreat on the relationship between art and faith

Cenacle Retreat and Conference Center, Chicago

April 14– 16, 2020


1:00 pm and ends at 12:00 p.m.

Register at: cciwdisciples.org/shop/events/perspective

Guest Speaker: Dr. Debbie Lewer



2020 Regional Assembly



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

CCIW 2020 Regional Assembly
"Life-Giving & Life-Changing Stories"

Plan to join us for great fellowship, worship,
workshops and more!

→ **October 16 – 17, 2020** ←

Parke Regency Hotel & Conference Center
Bloomington, Illinois

2020 Camp Walter Scott Dates



Summer 2020 at **Camp Walter Scott**

May 22-25 Memorial Day Family Camp
See online registration for info and fee

Jun 07-13 Camp Acts
See online registration for info and fee

Jun 14-20 CYF
\$375* per camper
Completed 9th to 12th grades

Jun 21-24 Grandparents & Me
\$150 per child; \$180 per adult*
Completed K to 5th grades & Grandparents

Jun 24-27 Beginners
\$225* per camper
Completed K to 3rd grades**

Jul 12-18 Chi-Rho
\$375* per camper
Completed 6th to 8th grades

Jul 19-25 JYF
\$375* per camper
Completed 3rd to 5th grades**

TBD Post-High
\$135* per camper
Young Adults ages 19 to 30

Sep 04-07 Labor Day Family Camp
See online registration for info and fee

**An additional \$25 will be added to each registration after May 17, 2020*

***Children who have completed 3rd grade can attend either Beginners Camp or JYF Camp*

Registrations close 2 weeks before the beginning of each camp

Camp Walter Scott - (217) 739-2332
15290 E 300th Avenue Dieterich, IL 62424

Christian Church in IL & WI - (309) 828-6293
401 W Jefferson Street Bloomington, IL 61717

Register online: www.cciwdisciples.org/camp-program

Camp Walter Scott Update

2019 was a busy year at Camp Walter Scott! Several improvements have been made to the camp with the help of the matching grant campaign: a new roof for the dining hall; renovations to the south side shower house; and two new yurts with electricity! The Illinois Valley Cluster donated their time and funds to install a new playground and provide several new disc golf goals for the camp.

Kayaks were also purchased for the camp with funds from First Christian Church in Paris, IL and other camp supporters.

Thank you to all who have partnered with us--financially, physically, or through prayer- to make these improvements at Camp Walter Scott! We truly believe that these improvements will enhance the beauty and experiences had at Camp Walter Scott. We continue to work on our strategic plan and hope to be adding a splash pad and more yurts as finances become available. If you would like to donate to these specific projects, please mark your donation as "Matching Grant Campaign."

Camp Walter Scott
is a ministry of the
Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)



Spring 2020 Camp Walter Scott Work Projects

- Wash, wax, and transport paddle boats
- Hang tarps in hogans
- Turn on water to shower houses and clean shower houses
- Clean, inflate, and move paddle boards and kayaks
- Deep clean kitchen
- Deep clean cabins and Retreat House
- Clean playground area (add mulch and tighten bolts as needed)
- Cabins, #1 and #2 - insulation, weather stripping, sealing cracks, etc.
- Check/clear all trails - add wood chips to trails
- Trim tree branches
- Cut trees and split firewood – several trees are down that need to be cut for firewood
- Clean the beach
- Kill weeds around lagoons + duckweed
- Power wash all metal roofs
- Repair or discard trailers at shop
- Install metal roof - north side – small shelter
- Install metal roof on the shop

**2020 Work
Weekends at
Camp Walter Scott**

**April 17—19
May 15—17**

**Contact us at
217-739-2332
or email
camp@cciwdisciples.org
to volunteer**

Disciples Women in Illinois and Wisconsin 2020 Vision and Beyond

20 years ago at the dawn of the 21st century, Dick Hamm who was then the General Minister and President of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) announced the 2020 Vision for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). This vision statement asked for us to make a bold commitment and challenged us to start 1000 new congregations and revitalize a 1000 existing congregation by the year 2020. Hamm's call was for us to focus on congregational purpose, personal and corporate spiritual growth, mission to the community, and a commitment to personal and corporate transformation.

Throughout the history of the church, women have been at the heart of such bold initiatives. In the New Testament, we read of the leadership of Lydia as she led her house church, the faith of Timothy's mother and grandmother as they provided the foundation for Timothy to grow, and the compassion and mercy of Dorcas as she served her community. In our own tradition we hear the stories of Clara Celestia Hale Babcock, the first ordained woman who pastored congregations, led evangelistic meetings and baptized at least 1500 individuals, Caroline Neville Pearre who founded Christian Women's Board of Missions, now known as International Disciples Women's Ministries, Mattie Younkin and six women in her prayer group who founded National Benevolent Association for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Sarah Lue Bostick one of the first African American women to be ordained in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Wilhelmina "Minnie" Vautrin who provided shelter and aid for those seeking asylum during the Nanjing Massacre during World War II, and so many more. The leadership, compassion, and faith of these women is also what is at the heart of the diverse ministries that are a part of Disciples Women Ministries in Illinois and Wisconsin.

In 2019, Disciples Women across our Region have been the hands and feet of Jesus as they served funeral dinners, Thanksgiving dinners, and meals to the homeless in communities throughout Illinois and Wisconsin. They have made blankets, provided school supplies, health kits, and disaster relief kits to their communities and the global community. They have held the hands of the elderly providing companionship and presence and served as mentors for children in after school and summer vacation programs. They have made sure that children and families have had meals as they have packed weekend backpacks with nutritious snacks and made sure premature babies are warm and comfortable in knit hats and blankets. They have studied together, prayed together, laughed and cried together. They have welcomed their neighbours across town and across the globe seeking to learn each others' stories. They have come together at the Gathering and at Pray and Play days and have supported mission by sending funds for two wells to those in the Congo through Disciples4Water thus assuring that two communities will have access to potable water. These wells will free time so girls can attend school rather than walk miles to streams to carry water back for their families, will empower women to start businesses, and will help control the spread of diseases that are spread through contaminated water sources. These wells will improve the quality of life for men, women and children for generations.

Since the inception of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Illinois and Wisconsin have been a chamber of the beating heart of the gospel message in our Region. Our purpose is to empower women through and for:



Worship for spiritual growth and renewed discipleship;
 Bible study for greater knowledge, understanding, and service;
 Participation in mission, advocacy, and service;
 Networking and fellowship for building the faith community locally, regionally, and throughout the whole church;
 Leadership training for the service to God in Disciples Women, the church, and the community;
 Stewardship of time, talent, and resources for the mission of the church;
 Accountability and personal responsibility for the mission of Jesus the Christ through the church.

While meetings and activities may differ from congregation to congregation, all women who worship and serve in Disciples congregations across Illinois and Wisconsin share this purpose and are Disciples Women. The Disciples Women's Leadership Team want to learn more about how you are living out your identity as Disciples Women in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in IL and WI. We want to provide resources and fellowship that strengthen you and empower you to serve as Christ calls you in your particular location. Leaders of the Disciples Women Ministry Leadership Team include the following: President JoAnn Hull, Vice President Martha Shine, Secretary Ginger Harris, Worship Coordinator Dana Jumper, Service Coordinator Jane Cahill, Communication Directors; Cynthia Weber, Amanda Butterick, Sue Adams, Jaqueline Meyers, and Beth Graham. and Interim Minister of DW Beth Rupe. These individuals will serve until the Gathering which has been scheduled for May 2 at the Chiara Center in Springfield, when a new leadership team will be affirmed and installed.

Pray and Play Days

This afternoon of praying and playing is an act of worship. It is a time to of fun and remembrance, a time to rest in God's love and refresh our souls.

Pray - to communicate with God

Most of us think of prayer as talking with God. Yet effective communication allows us both to speak and to listen. Pray and Play is an invitation to come and learn how one can listen to God more deeply. Participants will have the opportunity to practice four different prayer practices that encourage one to breath deep and to listen for God. God desires to communicate with us. God is still talking as God desires to communicate with us. By listening to God, we come to learn more about what God loves and what God wants us to love. We draw nearer to the heart of God and we are transformed. And finally, by praying together we connect more deeply as a community of God's daughters.

Play - to engage in an activity for enjoyment and recreation

For most of us, life is hectic and busy. We focus on our commitments and move with the purpose of accomplishing the tasks before us. At the end of the day, we drop to our beds tired as our minds race with the thoughts of what we need to accomplish the next day. Yet, life as God intends is a rhythm of work and rest, of purposeful activity and of play. For most of us somewhere between childhood and adulthood we have stopped playing.

Pray and Play is an invitation to come and play. It is an invitation to be social in a creative way as you have fun with old and new friends and enjoy yourself. Why do this? Adult play has many benefits including; stress relief, improved functioning of your brain, boosting creativity and innovation, improving your connection with others in fresh ways as cooperative skills and communication is improved, boosting you energy and helping you to maintain an positive and optimistic outlook on life.

You are Invited

**Women's Fall Retreat
Camp Walter Scott**



**Sept. 25-27
More details to come**

Pray and Play Days

**June 13
Pontiac, First CC**

**August 15
Galesburg, First CC**

**Sept. 12
Chicago, Park Manor CC**

**All events:
1:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.**

**Registration will be
available on
www.cciwdisciples.org
soon or email
Beth Rupe at
bethr@cciwdisciples.org**

Disciples Women's Gathering 2020

"Come Journey With Me"

"Come, Journey With Me"
Saturday, May 2, 2020

Registration 9:30 AM
Program 10 AM - 3 PM

Chiara Center
4875 Laverna Road
Springfield, Illinois

Registration Deadline
APRIL 17, 2020
Cost of Retreat \$45.00

Accommodations for the evening of May 1, 2020 may be made by contacting the Chiara Center directly (217-523-0901).

Overnight accommodations are based on availability and **are not** included in registration cost.

*Then the prophet Miriam, Aaron's sister, took a tambourine in her hand. All the women followed her playing tambourines and dancing. Miriam sang the refrain back to them:
Sing to the Lord, for an overflowing victory!
Horse and rider he threw into the sea!"*

Exodus 15: 20-21

The Reverend Dr. Teresa Dulyea- Parker will be our morning keynote speaker. Teresa was raised up in First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Muskegon, MI. She was ordained by the congregation and the Christian Church Michigan Region, 12/19/1982. In over 37 years of ordained ministry she has served congregations in Indiana, Oregon, Michigan and Ohio. The last nine years as Regional Minister in Illinois and Wisconsin.

She earned her undergraduate degree in Economics from Western Michigan University, and her Master of Divinity degree from Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis. She also has a Doctor of Ministry degree from Ecumenical Theological Seminary in Detroit, with an emphasis on "Spirituality in Community." She currently serves as Chair of the Governance Committee of the General Board for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in the U.S and Canada. She is also ex-officio Trustee for the Disciples Divinity House of University of Chicago.

Teresa is chief "story-teller" for our region. She has a passion for congregational life. She believes "it is in the church as a graceful community that lifelong transformation occurs. We become caring communities: exhibiting hospitality, encouraging quests, reflecting on scripture, discerning gifts, struggling with trust, healing souls, and providing opportunities for service. Through these experiences we grow more deeply in our connection to God and to one another, so that we are prepared to confront the some-times brutal realities that plague our world. We are here to represent a different way of being in the world, and in this way fulfil God's healing/salvific purposes."

Afternoon Program will include:

The Journey of International Disciples Women's Ministry.

Stories of God's Call.

Bible Study and Worship including Installation of CCIW Disciples Women's Ministry Leadership Team.

We will be receiving the Blessing Box offering and a mission offering for Tornado Recovery in Taylorville, IL which will provide trees to replace those lost in the storm.

Transformation 2020 is Coming to CCIW

A new emphasis in transformation will visit our Regional church in 2020. There will be opportunities in these areas –

- Personal spiritual transformation
- Changes for the better in our faith community
- And our wider community/neighborhood

Personal Spiritual Transformation

Spiritual practices like prayer, scripture reading/study, meditation, sabbath, service Retreats, creating communities of spiritual friends, exploring our spiritual gifts
Spiritual leaders who learn more about their gifts and their calling – help them grow and serve

Making Disciples – emphasize each person's spiritual journey and spiritual mentors

Transforming leaders lead transforming congregations! When a leader has a sense of their gifts and their calling, they grow closer to God. With that inspired leadership the congregation can know its gifts and its calling so it can serve faithfully. Growing closer to God and to one another, the congregation becomes more of a beloved community. This is characterized by love, vision, obedience, faithfulness, growing, reaching out.

Transforming congregations become an integral part of the wider community – the neighborhood, the town/city.

It's all connected – spiritual growth in one area impacts the other areas. Growth in areas of service inspire growth in individual spiritual practices. Engaging in the community enlivens and renews a congregation.

It starts with what we already have. When Jesus asked the Disciples to feed the 5000, he asked them what they had. We all have assets for transformation – a starting place with abundance – assets that are spiritual, physical, economic. Something from the network of people we know, the experiences we've had.

Add to that a willingness to listen to God, to follow God and to let go of the old ways of doing things, of certainty, of control – and transformation happens!

Transformation in 2020 in CCIW will be rich and multi-faceted. A team is gathering to listen to God's leading and dream about the many offerings coming our way.



School for Ministry Convenes Second Annual Winter Retreat

Members of the 2019 and 2020 Cohorts of the School for Ministry gathered for a three-day convocation held on January 10-12 at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien, IL. "Answering the Call" was the theme of this year's winter retreat. Currently, the School enrolls 17 students who aspire to become commissioned and lay ministers.

Rev. Lorrie Reed opened the program on Friday evening with a welcome and invocation. Rev. John Huxtable set the tone each day with Centering Prayer in the mornings and Evening Prayer at night. Staff members Angee Byrd and Jeff Parker assisted with media for the event. Saturday activities included enrichment workshops and community building exercises. On Saturday, Rev. Beth Rupe led a workshop session on the "Basics of Spiritual Formation," which explored spirituality types and provided inventories to help participants identify their preferred style of discernment. Later that afternoon, Rev. Beth Rupe and Rev. Dave Bateman presented a session on "Introduction to Christian Worship." Participants explored various worship practices used in Disciples of Christ and United Church of Christ congregations and examined the contribution of these practices to the overall worship experience. Armed with newfound skills, participants were then charged with the task of preparing a service. On Sunday, participants led the whole group in worship.

Each evening, cohort members had an opportunity to meet with Cohort Leaders Rev. Melissa Ebken and Rev. April McClure Stewart to explore issues of concern and to reinforce the community's bond. Cohort Leaders represent a pivotal component of the School for Ministry program overall. The cohort structure facilitates leadership development, academic growth, and spiritual formation among the students. Not only are cohort leaders responsible for providing whatever support is needed to facilitate success among group members, they also ensure the cohesiveness of the learning community where all voices can be heard.

The 2020 Retreat marks the second year of the School for Ministry, which was founded as a joint venture between the Church of Christ in Illinois and Wisconsin (Disciples of Christ) and the Illinois Conference of the United Church of Christ (UCC). The mission of the School is to call and equip gifted laity for ministerial service. To that end, the school's curriculum and programming focus on helping candidates to become faithful, effective ministerial leaders and to discern their call in the context of a sacramental, supportive environment. Upon completion of the three-year program of study, students earn a Certificate of Pastoral Ministry.

Additionally, the School offers a summer intensive retreat, typically held the third week in June, which aims to serve the need for continuing education of ordained ministers and anyone desiring to enrich their skills as leaders in a range of ministerial categories. During the upcoming 2020 summer session at Eureka College, in Eureka, Illinois, the School will offer a "Boundaries" workshop for authorized ministers who need to satisfy this requirement to maintain their ministerial standing. This is an ecumenical gathering. All are welcomed. For more information, contact Rev. Lorrie Reed, lorrie@cciwdisciples.org.



2019 Cohort



2020 Cohort





April McClure Stewart **School for Ministry 2020 Cohort Leader**

April McClure Stewart is a homeschooling mother of six energetic children and the wife of an innovative engineer. She considers her ministry to her family to be her primary calling and is grateful for the opportunity to further serve the church as the 2020 Cohort Leader for the School for Ministry.

April was born and raised in Eureka, IL. She attended Eureka College where she received her BA in Vocal Performance. She then attended Lexington Theological Seminary where she received her M.Div. She is excited to begin working on her D.Min at Christian Theological Seminary in 2020. She served as Pastor at First Christian Church, Rock Falls, IL from 2000-2008. She currently serves as Pastor of Worship at Roanoke Mennonite Church (MCUSA) in Eureka, IL.

April is passionate about the intersection of the arts and faith. She loves to read and encountering new ideas is very exciting to her. Learning along with her children has been among the most joyous side effects of home educating. She thinks, writes, and wonders at agraciouswelcome.com.



Association of Interim Ministers AIM

The Association of Interim Ministers is open for any ministers who are serving in some interim capacity.

Meetings are held at the
Regional Office, 401 W Jefferson, Bloomington
10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Dates: Jan. 23, March 26, May 28, Aug. 27, Oct 7-8 (Starved Rock) December 3
Contact Rev. Terry Foland, terrfoland@aol.com
for more information or RSVP to the meeting

“Faithful, Hopeful, Loving” Resources for the Local Church

Rev. Bruce Barkhauer from the Center for Faith and Giving has made available to each of our 135 congregations a stewardship resource produced in partnership with the Ecumenical Stewardship Center for a discounted price---**paid for by your region**. If you would like the resource, which includes; logo, letterhead, envelope, electronic giving card, commitment card, commitment card for children, bulletin inserts, bulletin cover letter (both letter and legal), bookmark and the main document, with information for your congregation---please let us know.

It's entitled: **"Faithful, Hopeful and Loving"** and it provides yearlong resources and campaign materials.

Some of those contributing are: Rev. Lisa Davidson, Rev. Dr. Stephane Buchanan Crowder and Andra Moran.

To receive the link to download the resources you may contact any of the staff listed below:

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The Phillips University Legacy Foundation

The Phillips University Legacy Foundation is pleased to announce it is accepting new applications for its Undergraduate Scholarship and Leadership Development Program for the 2020-2021 academic year. The Legacy Foundation's Undergraduate Scholarship and Leadership Development Program makes annual awards of up to \$7,500 per year to full-time undergraduate students pursuing a liberal arts education at any of the 17 colleges or universities currently or historically related with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Recipients are chosen based on their academic achievements, their present and potential leadership in the church, their chosen vocation, and their community. *The program is available to incoming freshmen as well as college sophomores, juniors and seniors.*

The application can be submitted online through the Foundation's website at www.pulf.org. Completed application forms are **due March 16** and award notifications will be sent out no later than April 20th.



The following churches and individuals have contributed to the 2020 mission of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) through the Annual Fund, Undesignated Gifts to the Region, Gifts to the Camping Scholarship Fund, and to the Designated Camping Fund.

The Region gives thanks for the incredible support through prayers, hours of volunteering and the financial support that allows ministry for children and youth, leadership development, congregation consultation, ministerial search & call, and shared mission activities to occur. You do make a difference.

Individuals

Eron Dupree
Frank Helme
Joe Culpepper
Dan and Doris Carter
Rick and Melissa Williams
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Don and Margaret Merritt
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Herb and Duff Knudsen
Deborah Owen
Ken Granitz
Lois Whitaker
Michael Buckley
Gene and Sue Johnson

Designated and Capital Gifts to Camp

Jane Cahill
Canton First Christian Church
Arrowsmith Christian Church
Benton First Christian Church

Churches

Arrowsmith Christian Church	Niantic Christian Church
Villa Park Christian Church	Long Point Christian Church
Canton, First Christian Church	Winchester, First Christian Church
Lomax Christian Church	Hoopston, First Christian Church
Gibson City, First Christian Church	Blue Mound Christian Church
Illioopolis Christian Church	
Danville, Central Christian Church	
Lincolnshire, Community Christian	



Prayer Concerns

Prayer Concerns: Rev. Dennis Steckley; Vic Tuccy, husband of Rev. Cheri Tuccy; Rev. Maxine Rixman; Rev. Rob Rixman; Rev. Ray Culver; Rev. Dwight Bailey; Rev. Dee Ann Woods; Rev. Dr. Vitalino Similox; Sara Rodriguez, wife of Rene Gallegos, layperson from Iglesia Cristiana, Milwaukee

Deaths: Rev. Dorothy Riegel; Rev. Nathan Bahk's mother in law; Les Summers, father of Rev. Jim and Rev. Greg Summers; Sister in law of Rev. Cheri Tuccy; Rev. Leon Riley, Retired; Herb Bass, brother of Rev. Arvil Bass; Maureen Broeker, wife of Bob Broeker, friend of CWS; Gregory Rieves, friend of Rev. Angee Byrd; Jacquie Clingan, widow of Rev. Dr. Donald Clingan;

Pastoral Changes: Rev. Rebecca Nevius, Old State Road Christian Church, Charleston; Rev. Soniyah "Sonna" Blue-Key, Parkway Christian Church; Springfield; Long Point Christian Church, closed; Rev. James Turner, retired; Rev. Stacy Brohard, retired; Rev. James King, Jr, United Christian Church; Rev. Tom Yang, Korean Christian Church, Springfield; Rev. Colin Douglas, First Christian Church, Janesville; Rev. Jacqueline Morgan to Yankton, South Dakota, UCC.

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