

“...Write the vision and make it plain on the tablet so that it might be read quickly.”
Habakkuk 2:2 (LEB)

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2016 Camp Meeting Edition - July 31 – August 6



Rev. Horace W. Sheppard, Jr
Preaching Evangelist

Anticipation continues to mount as the dates for Camp Meeting 2016 are rapidly approaching. The Ministry of Programming has been diligent to serve COGVA this year in their prayerful planning of this years' events.

Rev. Dr. Horace W. Sheppard, Jr is the senior pastor of Bethesda Christian Fellowship Church of God, (formerly West Oak Lane Church of God) in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He has been in pastoral ministry for twenty eight years. His previous pastorates include serving churches in East Palo Alto, California and Kansas City, Missouri. In addition to his pastorates he also spent a year as an

associate pastor and three years as a full time revivalist.

Pastor Sheppard has been used extensively as a revivalist, conference leader and convention speaker both nationally and abroad. He is a graduate of Mid America Nazarene University and is the recipient of an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from the Southern California School of Ministry. He has served on numerous ministry boards and committees and continues to serve the larger church as time and opportunity permit.

He and his wife, Linda have been married for thirty nine years and are the proud parents of three sons and one daughter



Rev. Mark Stayton
Worship Evangelist

and the delighted grandparents of ten grandchildren.

Rev. Mark Stayton comes to serve COGVA fresh off the heels of Indoor Camp Meeting in Chilhowie. He makes his home in Kingsport, TN, where he serves as the Worship and Associate Pastor of Kingsport Community Church of God. He has directed and sang at numerous revivals, youth conventions, camp meetings, state general assembly meetings, special events and programs, youth camps, choir retreats and clinics, and at the North American Convention of the Church of God in Anderson, Indiana.

I've Been Thinkin...



**Dr. Bob Neace,
COGVA State Minister**

My mind has been busy lately with all the news about various crisis we face in society. Concerns about violence in our streets, the general election in November, the rise of ISIS, and the slew of mass bombings/shootings worldwide and in our own country, are among worries too numerous to list. These things have certainly increased my prayer life. I remain in constant remembrance that God is still in control, and I take comfort in the knowledge of His concern, providence, and protection.

I am also encouraged that the Church of God Reformation Movement has been willing to talk

about some of these issues. I have had the opportunity to take part in two of the three CHOG Tables scheduled for this year. The first being in Vancouver, WA and the second in Anderson, IN. In both of these settings, General Director, Jim Lyon, passed along information that each CHOG Table was being video recorded and will be placed on a site for all presentations to be seen by people who were not able to attend. When these videos on Sexual Ethics and the Immigration and Refugee Crisis are available, I believe it would be a good exercise for COGVA to view and discuss them in smaller groups and in settings where time is not

as much of an issue as has been at the forums provided. In those settings, there has been much presented, and I believe a greater time of dialogue would have served each table better. Perhaps there might be greater opportunity at the CHOG Table in Philadelphia in September to have more discussion on Race Relations.

I have asked Rev. David Ansley, who was among those present at the Immigration and Refugee Crisis to place his thoughts and perspectives on paper and share with COGVA News readers. Please see his article below this byline.

Church of God Round Table II: Immigration and Refugee Care

The second CHOG Round Table took place in Anderson, Indiana, on June 23. Those gathered heard from several experts about, as well as engaged with one another in dialogue about, what the church is called to do to care for migrants and refugees. Presenters included: Dr. Jo Anne Lyon, former General Superintendent of the Wesleyan Church; Jorge Palacios, Church of God pastor from Philadelphia; Clint McBroom, Church of God pastor from Wichita; Frank Bonkowski, Church



of God pastor from Germany; Roxie De Santiago, an attorney from Albuquerque, New Mexico; and Noel Castellanos, CEO of an organization focusing on Christian community development. Twice during the day we gathered around tables in groups of about 8 to talk about immigration and refugee care.

Some interesting insights from the presenting experts included:

- From Dr. Jo Anne Lyon: there are currently 100

million refugees around the world; "hospitality" at its root means to welcome strangers, not host friends; Canada has opened its doors to refugees and immigrants and the Wesleyan Church there is experiencing thriving ministries amongst them; immigrants in the US paid \$12B in taxes last year; some immigrants get stuck in process and cannot go forward or back, helping undocumented immigrants can transform not only

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Dr. Mary Ann Hawkins to Serve as Teaching Evangelist

The Ministry of Programming, in conjunction with the Minister's Fellowship of COGVA is pleased to have Dr. Mary Ann Hawkins to serve as the teaching evangelist during the hours of 10:30-12:00 Monday through Friday of Camp Meeting.

MaryAnn Hawkins is the director of Doctor of Ministry Studies Program and professor of intercultural studies, and brings significant experience to her faculty role at the School of Theology because of the

years spent as academic dean for KIST in Kenya, East Africa. She and her husband Jim also served the Church of God (Anderson) in California before coming to the seminary. Hawkins is the national convener of Women in Ministry for the Church of God (Anderson) with the program Qara and is on the national board of the Wesleyan Holiness Clergy Women. In her capacity as dean of the chapel, Hawkins is responsible for the seminary's worship ministry. She is the editor and contributor to two

books, Thread of Hope and Called to Minister, Empowered to Serve.

Hawkins joined the School of Theology faculty in 2006.

Dr. Hawkins will be sharing about Christian leadership in varying cultures, women in ministry, and the importance of missions in the life and health of the church at large.



Dr. Mary Ann Hawkins

Matt Holman to Lead Youth at Camp Meeting

Matt Holman is currently serving as youth pastor for the Groseclose First Church of God in Rural Retreat. He has been serving there for almost a year. In addition to serving Groseclose, he is also serving as the Sunday School teacher for First Church of God/Chilhowie. He is studying Human Services with a goal of achieving a degree in counselling.

Matt loves to be on the campgrounds and refers to them as his "home

away from home for the last few summers." As a camper, he felt his call to ministry here, and as he has grown in to adulthood, has been about the business of giving back by serving. Last year, he led the campers as the morning conference leader in Jr./Sr. High Camp 2015, and was the director and speaker for the Fall 2015 youth retreat.

Matt is a product of COGVA's youth camp program, attends the

annual statewide youth convention, and is grateful to those who have poured into his life the love of Jesus, and is now doing the same for the next generation.

As the State Minister, Dr. Bob Neace is proud to see Matt responding to the call of leadership in COGVA, and counts him among many who have grown up in the youth ministries of COGVA and are now serving the church at large.



Matt Holman

CHOG Round Table (Continued from page 2)

their lives, but the life of an entire congregation and community.

- From Jorge Palacios: it took him 10-years to become a US citizen; some immigrants pay up to \$17,000 to come to the US for jobs, safety, better opportunities and other reasons; during the naturalization process many face discrimination and persecution, travel restrictions, and risk not being paid for work; each immigrant gets an ID # (not SSN) which is used to pay taxes, to buy insurance, etc...

- From Clint McBroom: he spoke of his personal and pastoral struggles dealing with the tension between the clear mandate of Scripture to love our enemies as well as our neighbors, to care for refugees; and the resistance to obey that mandate due to fear.

- From Frank Bonkowski: Germany has welcomed just over 1 million refugees from the Middle East, and his church is welcoming and supporting them; he has baptized over 300 former Muslims in the past 6 months.

- From Roxie De Santiago: unless you are a foreign diplomat, foreign student, or a Native American, then you are a refugee or immigrant, or

descendant of one; it is not illegal to be in US without permission, it is only illegal for a company to hire those here without permission; she reported that in her experience it is now taking 20 years for the US government to process Visa applications of individuals and families from Mexico; some Christians use the Romans 13 argument to support an anti-immigrant or refugee perspective, but in reality they use it as an excuse to ignore the admonitions of the prophets, as well as Jesus' teaching in Matthew 7:12 and Matthew 25 [Note: at the round table I attended it was noted that Lutherans during the 1930s and 1940s also used Romans 13 as justification for not opposing Hitler.]

- From Noel Castellanos: "God puts those at the margins of society at the center of His love."

Interesting insights from row/table dialogue

- First comment heard, from another pastor: "we've already had about a hundred Muslim refugees come to [his state], and they're all murderers and rapists."

- We must clearly differentiate we are talking about the CHURCH's response, and not the US

GOVERNMENT's response.

- There is NO wave of refugees coming from Middle East to US, way less than 1% of the total; most all migration into US comes from Mexico and Central America.

- The US Government vets and decides where to send approved refugees, through 9 designated refugee resettlement organizations; while individual states and local jurisdictions can decide whether, to what extent, and how to support refugees, they cannot refuse to allow refugees to be resettled in their states and communities.

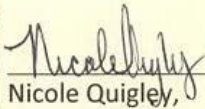
- Many in US are worried about how to handle Middle East refugees, but greater need is to come alongside and support CHOG congregations in Germany, and elsewhere in Europe, who are on "front lines" of a refugee and migrant crisis. Ben Shuler, from CHOG Ministries, explained that congregations in North America can donate to those churches in Europe through CHOG Disaster Relief; he added that if thinking of going there in person, e.g., taking a short-term mission trip to Germany, do so ONLY at the invitation of German congregations.

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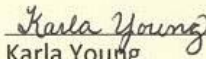
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Joynes Road Church of God
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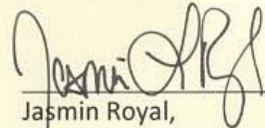
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Thank You!
May 17, 2016*



Nicole Quigley,
Aberdeen PTA President



Karla Young,
Principal



Jasmin Royal,
Family Engagement Specialist

Congratulations are also in order as Dr. Green has been elected Vice President on May 14th, 2016, of the Minister's Coalition Hampton & Vicinity.

Afternoon Conferences 3:00 pm Monday - Thursday

Monday - Homeless & Pregnancy Leaders Crisis Pregnancy Center, Lee Ann Arnold and



Roanoke Rescue Mission Stacy Boris 402 4th Street SE, Roanoke, VA 24013
 Mailing Address: P.O. Box 11525, Roanoke, VA 24022
 Phone: 540.343.7227
 E-mail: mission.info@rescuemission.net

Tuesday – Servant Solutions (Board of Pensions)



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 Anderson, IN 46012
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 FAX 765.642.3942

Wednesday – Open Mic with Roanoke City Police Officer Sgt. Gayle Combs



Officer Gayle Combs receives promotion to Sargent as his family stands in support.

Thursday – Computers and the Church Rev. Rick Morris will share how COGVA Congregations can benefit and be blessed by taking advantage of the technology most of us have sitting on our desks.



Rev. Rick Morris

Mark Your Calendar

July

16th Men's Ministry Training, Mountain View CHOG Lynchburg, VA (Lonnie Wickard Host Pastor) Bro. Perry Hargrove will be speaking about Moses

July 16, 2016 - 9 a.m. to Noon - Prayer Breakfast at Joynes Road CHOG, Guest Speaker: Dr. Monette Dutch, Retention Coach @ Thomas Nelson Community College. Donation per person is \$10.00

18th – 23rd Jr/Sr. High Youth Camp Grades 6-8 and 9-12. Registration forms can be found by clicking <http://www.cogva.com/#!/campgrounds/c1h1c>

29th S.H.A.P.E. Cluster Coach Training 10:00 – 4:30, Mountain View CHOG/Lynchburg

August

July 31st – August 6 State Camp Meeting, Rev. Horace Sheppard, Jr, Preaching Evangelist, Rev. Mark Stayton, Worship Evangelist

7th – 14th National Association of the Church of God Centennial Celebration

16th S.H.A.P.E. Cluster Coach Training 10:00 – 4:30, Mountain View CHOG/Lynchburg (Please note the change from the original date of the 19th)

September

23rd -24th at the Chesapeake Church of God, Host Pastor Rick Morris, Dr. James Lewis, Resource Leader

27th – 29th Church of God Regional Convention, Philadelphia, PA CHOG Table “Racial Unity”

SEPTEMBER 27, 2016

5:00 PM—7:00 PM: Check-in and registration

7:00 PM—9:00 PM: Session One with Milton Grannum

SEPTEMBER 28, 2016

9:00 AM—10:15 AM: Session Two with Ben Hardman

10:15 AM—10:45 AM: Break

10:45 AM—NOON: Session Three with Arnetta McNeese Bailey

NOON—2:00 PM: Lunch Break

2:00 PM—3:15 PM: Session Four with Steve Arterburn

3:15 PM—3:45 PM: Break

3:45 PM—5:00 PM: Session Five with Steve Arterburn

5:00 PM—7:00 PM: Dinner Break

7:00 PM—9:00 PM: Session Six with Reggie McNeal

SEPTEMBER 29, 2016

9:00 AM—12:15 PM: CHOG Table—TOPIC: Reconciliation

12:15 PM—1:45 PM: Lunch Break

1:45 PM—4:30 PM: CHOG Table—TOPIC: Racial Reconciliation



For registration, go to www.jesusisthesubject.org

COGVA Budget

August 1, 2015 - July 31st, 2016

Categories	Budget	Aug-Oct 1st Qtr	Nov-Jan 2nd Qtr	Feb-April 3rd Qtr	May-June 4th Qtr
1000 STATE OFFICE					
1100 Business Office	\$3,800.00	\$552.90 \$	\$1,095.77	\$ 550.72	\$245.45
1200 Insurance	\$14,800.00	-	\$6,714.50	\$3,302.00	\$512.75
1300 Office Manager	\$14,437.50	\$3,609.36	\$3,609.36	\$3,609.36	\$2,406.24
1400 Income Taxes and Social Security	\$3,320.00	\$880.07	\$791.70	\$620.69	\$578.05
SUBTOTAL	\$36,357.50	\$5,042.33	\$12,211.33	\$8,082.77	\$3,742.49
2000 STATE MINISTER					
2100 Salary Package (Salary, House, Etc.)	\$9,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$	\$
Pension Contribution	\$450.00	\$	\$	\$	\$
2200 Travel & Expenses	\$4,000.00	\$ 1,192.62	\$ 281.62	\$2,059.47	\$585.89
2300 Expenses for State and National Meetings	\$2,600.00	\$	\$840.71	\$1,307.25	\$637.32
SUBTOTAL	\$16,050.00	\$2,692.62	\$2,622.33	\$3,366.72	\$1,223.21
3000 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL/STANDING MINISTRIES					
3100 Executive Board	\$1,000.00	\$	\$	\$380.20	\$
3200 Ministry of Church Service/Credentials	\$300.00	\$18.28	\$2.60	\$	\$
3300 Ministry of Christian Education	\$75.00	\$36.75	\$	\$	\$
3400 Ministry of Evangelism	\$50.00	\$	\$	\$	\$
3600 Ministry of Program	\$2,000.00	\$	\$331.98	\$329.15	\$
3800 Ministerial Fellowship	\$100.00	\$	\$	\$312.48	\$
3900 Church Property Team	\$75.00	\$	\$	\$	\$
SUBTOTAL	\$3,600.00	\$55.03	\$334.58	\$1,021.83	\$
5000 PROPERTY AND MAINTENANCE					
5110 Camp Bedford					
5110 Caretaker	\$5,000.00	\$1,250.01	\$ 1,250.01	\$1,250.01	\$833.34
5111 Health Insurance	\$840.00	\$210.00	\$210.00	\$210.00	\$140.00
5120 Campground Expenses (Maintenance)	\$1,000.00	\$	\$	\$	\$
Capital Improvements	\$750.00	\$	\$	\$	\$
Vehicle Maintenance	\$300.00	\$	\$	\$	\$
Camp Bedford Mkt/Advertising	\$500.00	\$	\$	\$	\$
5140 Utilities	\$6,000.00	\$976.77	\$1,156.79	\$1,883.05	\$609.67
SUBTOTAL	\$14,390.00	\$2,436.78	\$2,616.80	\$3,343.06	\$1,583.01
5200 Camp Christi					
5210 Caretaker	\$26,565.12	\$6,641.28	\$6,641.28	\$6,641.28	\$4,427.52
5220 Health Insurance	\$7,000.00	\$1,788.00	\$1,788.00	\$1,788.00	\$1,192.00
5250 Utilities	\$14,000.00	\$5,929.42	\$3,131.21	\$2,284.80	\$1,897.24
5260 Maintenance	\$4,000.00	\$333.33	\$	\$333.33	\$333.33
Camp Christi Mkt/Advertising	\$500.00	\$	\$	\$	\$
5270 Capital Improvements	\$750.00	\$	\$	\$	\$
5280 Vehicle Maintenance	\$500.00	\$	\$	\$	\$

5300 Legal Fees	\$400.00	\$23.50	\$84.16	\$129.75	\$120.00
5400 Ministry Expenses	\$300.00	\$	\$	\$	\$
Christmas Bonus	\$1,300.00	\$	\$1,300.00	\$	\$
SUBTOTAL	\$55,315.12	\$14,715.53	\$12,944.65	\$11,177.16	\$7,970.09
TOTAL	\$125,712.62	\$24,942.29	\$30,729.69	\$26,991.54	\$14,518.80
Income		\$24,423.67	\$27,148.06	\$28,324.58	\$ 15,471.20
Difference		\$(518.62)	\$(3,581.63)	\$1,333.04	\$952.40

Lodging Information for Camp Meeting

Camp Meeting is July 31st through August 6th this year. We have an exciting time planned with many events scheduled during the week. We are asking for a deposit of \$25.00 to hold the room. If you make reservations and then discover you will not be using your room, you must give us a 30 day notice. The following are the current prices for 2016:
HOGANS
 Non-Family \$60.00 a week plus \$10.00 per person (max number of people (9) and max amount charged \$100.00) Family \$60.00 a week plus \$10.00 per person over 5 (max number of people (9) and max amount charged \$100.00) "MOTEL" \$125.00 per week

ABOVE DINING HALL
 \$125.00 per week
CAMPER SITES \$15.00 per night or \$90.00 per week
 Please send your request along with your deposit to the state office. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please don't hesitate to call the State Office at 540-258-2040. For those interested in accommodations not quite as rustic as Camp Christi, local hotel information around exit 118C off I-81 are as follows:

Days Inn \$42
 2635 Roanoke Street,
 540-382-0261

Econo Lodge \$51
 2430 Roanoke Street,
 855-873-6561

Super 8 \$49
 Roanoke Street
 855-799-6862

Holiday Inn \$120
 Roanoke Street
 855-799-6861

People who are interested in hotel accommodations should make them as quickly as possible, as they are filling fast due to the activities of Virginia Tech the same week.

COGVA In Need of Caretaker for Camp Bedford

The Ministry of Church Property has received the news of the retirement plans of Brother Henry Brown. Brother Brown has been the care taker for Camp Bedford for a number of years and COGVA will certainly feel the vacancy as he moves to Maryland. His retirement will leave a vacancy that will need to be filled. At a recent Executive Board meeting, it was determined that an ad be placed in COGVA News advertising the open care takers position at Camp Bedford. Those interested in details should contact Church Property Chair, Dr. Steve McMurray (mcmurrays@comcats.net or 540-605-6072) and he, along with his team, will be able to give greater details as to responsibilities and compensation package.

Churches Total Giving by Month August 2015/July 2016											
Churches	8/1/2015	9/1/2015	10/1/2015	11/1/2015	12/1/2015	1/1/2016	2/1/2016	3/1/2016	4/1/2016	5/1/2016	6/1/2016
Abingdon	\$314.76	\$413.00	\$407.36	\$316.59		\$683.70	\$382.40		\$ 644.13	\$337.13	\$ 373.18
Atkins				\$300.00		\$200.00	\$100.00	\$ 100.00		\$100.00	\$ 200.00
Big Stone Gap											
Birdsnest											
Blacksburg First	\$750.00			\$750.00				\$ 750.00			\$ 750.00
Blacksburg Slussers		\$83.33	\$83.33	\$83.33	\$83.33	\$83.33	\$83.33	\$ 83.33	\$ 83.33	\$83.33	\$ 83.33
Bluefield											
Boones Mill											
Boykins											
Bristol							\$300.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 175.00	\$150.00	\$ 200.00
Chesapeake											
Chilhowie	\$802.76	\$1,075.82	\$837.57	\$1,095.72	\$980.25		\$806.75	\$ 1,689.67	\$ 1,147.93		\$ 1,760.11
Christiansburg	\$399.28	\$513.44	\$377.88	\$789.41	\$769.69	\$1,291.73	\$627.89	\$ 451.89	\$ 376.35	\$660.04	\$ 516.05
Cloverdale											
Dublin	\$265.95	\$475.97	\$300.51	\$302.78	\$441.13	\$410.39	\$497.20	\$ 304.02	\$ 350.66	\$438.73	\$ 420.24
Emporia									\$ 200.00		
Fredericksburg											
Glade Spring											
Goodview										\$200.00	
Hampton Joynes Road	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00		\$200.00	\$200.00		\$ 200.00	\$200.00	\$ 300.00
Lynchburg Greenview		\$207.21	\$167.00	\$271.45	\$197.98	\$161.22	\$196.75	\$ 195.41	\$ 125.89	\$166.60	\$ 197.18
Lynchburg Mtn View					\$1,197.03				\$ 3,160.78		
Marion			\$375.00			\$650.00			\$ 650.00		
Martinsville											
Newport News Com											
Newport News First											
Norfolk Bellamy Ave	\$173.00	\$173.00	\$173.00	\$173.00	\$173.00	\$169.00	\$169.00	\$ 169.00	\$ 169.00	\$169.00	\$ 169.00
Norfolk First											
North Tazewell											
Norton	\$229.42	\$264.60	\$236.54	\$149.68	\$312.43	\$191.57	\$292.13	\$ 252.60	\$ 235.97	\$266.77	\$ 211.13
Reedville			\$1,580.50			\$1,606.50			\$ 1,380.00		
Rich Creek											
Richmond First			\$2,500.00			\$2,004.00			\$ 2,085.00		\$ 1,731.00
Richmond 21st											
Roanoke First		\$1,033.24		\$811.78		\$1,240.96			\$ 891.45	\$915.89	
Roanoke Staunton Ave		\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	\$50.00		\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$100.00	\$ 100.00
Rural Retreat	\$130.65	\$1,067.61	\$237.87	\$135.99	\$146.73	\$125.55	\$124.14	\$ 117.33	\$ 111.87	\$132.00	\$ 145.50
Salem											
Saltville Broadford			\$150.00					\$ 150.00			
Saltville Chatham Hill	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$50.00	\$ 100.00
Saltville Allison Gap	\$163.00	\$182.74	\$160.66	\$151.84		\$377.34	\$196.10	\$ 161.16	\$ 163.08	\$155.48	\$ 193.52
Saltville MntView											
Spotsylvania			\$1,000.00		\$500.00		\$1,000.00				
Staunton	\$341.56	\$391.69	\$328.31	\$338.42	\$453.16	\$424.95	\$604.25	\$ 410.19	\$ 322.65	\$422.77	\$ 416.67
Suffolk	\$144.11	\$108.00		\$140.00	\$106.00	\$210.10	\$166.50		\$ 383.45	\$153.53	\$ 303.02
Virginia beach	\$660.00	\$657.00	\$579.00	\$576.00	\$607.00	\$564.00	\$450.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00	\$450.00	\$450.00
Wise			\$2,500.00		\$3,650.00		\$940.00		\$ 1,997.00		\$ 1,700.00
Wytheville			\$75.00						\$ 75.00		
Ins Reimbursement		\$133.00									
Individual	\$100.00	\$125.00	\$ 125.00								
Totals	\$4,724.49	\$7,204.65	\$12,494.53	\$6,685.99	\$9,767.73	\$10,694.34	\$7,186.44	\$5,609.60	\$15,528.54	\$5,151.27	\$10,319.93

C.W.C./W.C.G. Activities for Camp Meeting

Basking in the Sun Conference Schedule

<p>MONDAY MORNING (9:00 AM) Step into the Water Leave your comfort zone Sharon Short</p>	<p>MONDAY AFTERNOON (1:00 PM) Basking in the Sun with a cool drink (woman at the well) Velma Green</p>	<p>MONDAY EVENING Refreshments in the cottage Following the evening service</p>
<p>TUESDAY MORNING (9:00 AM) Hope to Walk Philip Johnson (love offering will be taken)</p>	<p>TUESDAY AFTERNOON (1:00 PM) Wade a little deeper Are you willing to go deeper with God and stretch your spiritual life into deeper waters? Carolyn Ansley</p>	<p>TUESDAY EVENING Refreshments in the cottage Following the evening service</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY MORNING (9:00 AM) How do we reach our youth? Matthew Holman and Rachel Mass</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON (1:00 PM) Son Block / Life Preserver Protecting yourself from the snares of the world Crystal Deihl</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY EVENING Ordination Reception in the cottage following the evening service</p>
<p>THURSDAY MORNING (9:00 AM) Treading Water Battling burnout/keeping balance Rosa Elliot</p>	<p>THURSDAY NOON Qara Leading while Following Barbara Parker (no afternoon conference)</p>	<p>THURSDAY EVENING Refreshments in the cottage Following the evening service</p>
<p>FRIDAY MORNING (9:00 AM) Surfing the Waves of Life with Prayer Shirley Williams</p>	<p>FRIDAY AFTERNOON (3:00 PM) Sandcastles in the Sun Missionaries – Zack & Audrey Langford</p>	<p>FRIDAY EVENING Campfire Sing-a-long and Stories by Bro. Bob Following the evening service</p>
<p>SATURDAY MORNING (10:00 AM) Walking in the Sunlight Missionaries – Zack & Audrey Langford</p>	<p>PICNIC Following the morning service</p>	



Zachary & Audrey Langford
Missionaries-Elect to the United
Kingdom

The Langfords are catalytic partners with the Church of God in Birkenhead with particular emphasis on the youth program, research and creating new ministries to reach people. Zach and Audrey work with the Three Worlds Team laying a foundation for a major church planting effort in Europe. Audrey has also developed a Three Worlds Member Care program for the Missionary Kids and Third Culture Kids that incorporates and mobilizes supporting churches. Project# 42.10084

Church of God in Virginia

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HOPE TO WALK Founder – Phil Johnson

Hope to Walk brings freedom and hope to individuals and families by providing prosthetic legs to amputees who do not have access or cannot afford them. Millions worldwide depend on crutches and wheelchairs, or are even forced to crawl, because no affordable prosthetic exists. Wrestling with this

need, Phil Johnson, innovated a solution.

Utilizing thirty years of experience, Phil Johnson developed a prosthetic leg design that costs a fraction of the costs of standard designs. This is the realization of Hope to Walk's vision: to give freedom to those who have lost the most basic

necessity of life, movement.



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Overall, while most all of the persons I talked with support welcoming and caring for refugees and immigrants, not everyone does. As Jim Lyon, General Director of CHOG Ministries, put it at the beginning, the objective of the Round Table was not to come to a particular

point of view or decision about what the "official" Church of God position would be on immigration and refugees and how local congregations should respond. Rather, the objective was simply to provide a forum to facilitate dialogue,

information sharing and, perhaps, help clarify misinformation and correct falsehoods related to immigrants and refugees. This is a dialogue that should take place in all our congregations and communities.

About the Church of God in Virginia...

The Church of God in Virginia consists of 50 churches across the Commonwealth and according to current accounting serve over 2,500 constituents each

Sunday Morning. Our current State Leadership consists of Chair - Rev. Gertrude Goode, Vice-Chair – Rev. Steve Hency, Secretary – Rev. Sylvia

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