

CCIW News - April 19, 2007

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1. Minister's Institute - May 1-3

Registration Fee is now \$150 for all who attend this very important seminar. Please make your own hotel reservations. The event registration form can be found at: <http://www.cciwdisciples.org/2MI07brochure.pdf>

2. Pentecost Special Day Offering

By now, you have received the Special Day Offering Materials from CCIW. Included in the packet you found two posters, Moment for Mission, Children's Moment, a few bulletin inserts and an Order Form for more Bulletin Inserts.

Promotional dates are April 9 - May 27, with the offering to be taken May 20th and 27th. For more information, go to: <http://www.cciwdisciples.org>

3. We're taking it on the road!!!

Taking the Next Step is going on the road. You've worked and worked with your congregation to help them be more loving, both of God and others. They've embraced the Great Commandment. But is that enough? In addition to being loving, God has called us to make disciples - to share our faith. If you held your church accountable to that commandment, how would they feel?

Learn how to lead your church to become a Great Commission church. This one-day conference will address how to change the culture of your church to desire to share their faith and will also provide you with the tools for your congregation to become more evangelistic. The conference is open to all clergy and laity are strongly encouraged to attend.

- June 2 - First Christian Church, Peoria. Super Early Bird fee of \$89 per person is due May 7.
- September 8, 2007, First Christian Church, Sullivan. Super Early Bird fee of \$89 per person is due by September 9.

Fees include lunch and materials. Breakdown is:

- Early bird by May 21 for Peoria is \$119 per person; \$109 per person for groups of 2-3 and \$99 per person for groups of 4 or more.
- After May 21, fee is \$139 per person; \$129 per person for groups of 2-3; \$119 per person for groups of 4 or more.
- Early Bird by September 25 for Sullivan is \$119 per person; \$109 per person for groups of 2-3; \$99 per person for groups of 4 or more.
- After September 25, \$139 per person; \$129 per person for groups of 2-3; \$119 per person for groups of 4 or more.

4. Camp News - Genesis Camp

Genesis Camp is for youth who have finished 2nd & 3rd grades at the end of the 2006-2007 school year. It is a gentle introduction to the camping program and is ideal for those who have never been to camp, but are interested in going to camp. We highly recommend Genesis for all 2nd and 3rd graders who have never been to camp.

Youth arrive on Monday morning and go home on Wednesday afternoon. They sleep in cabins. We need at least 12 campers for this camp to proceed. Do you know some campers who would like to attend this camp?

Registrations need to be turned into the Regional Office by May 14. Forms can be found on the CCIW website at <http://www.cciwdisciples.org/dana/camp/07summercamps.htm> or at your church office.

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5. Disciples Seminary Foundation

The Disciples Seminary Foundation announces a seminary level on-line course in Disciples History & Polity. This course is designed to meet the needs of seminarians attending non-disciples seminaries or licensed and commissioned ministers who need to fulfill course requirements in this area. In addition, this course is open to lay leaders in the church who are seeking a comprehensive background. The course is a semester in length beginning September 4, 2007.

The course is offered by Dr. Rod Parrott, former Dean of the DSF and will be offered this fall in partnership with Claremont School of Theology. Students who wish to take this course for audit, must go to the CST's website (<http://www.cst.edu>), download and return the form with payment no later than September 15, 2007.

Students who wish to take this course for credit, must first apply to CST and be accepted as a "non-degree student." The deadline for requesting "non-degree status" is May 1, 2007. All forms for "non-degree" students are available on the CST website. Please direct further inquiries to info@dsf.edu or call the Disciples Seminary Foundation at 909-624-0712.

6. Volunteers Needed!

The Regional Office is calling for volunteers. We need willing people to spend time at the Office going through our archived information that will be sent to the Disciples Historical Society in Nashville. Persons coming will need to dress for comfort in clothes they don't mind getting dirty. For more information, please call Fay Bailiff at 309-828-6293.

7. Regional Prayer Concerns

Pray for the families who lost loved ones in the recent shooting at Virginia Tech.

Please keep Don and Ann Marie Coleman in your prayers. Don has now begun his incarceration for 60 days. Letters and cards of encouragement can be sent to Don in care of this address:

- Arthur D. Coleman #92949-020
- MCC Chicago
- Metropolitan Correctional Center
- 71 West Van Buren Street
- Chicago, IL 60605

For more information on the Coleman Trial, go to our website's CCIW News Archives and click on the February 14, 2007 issue. Article titled "Social Justice Issues-Coleman Trial".