

CCIW News - September 11, 2007

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## **1. SUMMIT 2007**

Yes! Yes! Yes! Summit 2007 is on it's way. Brand new Registration and Housing forms can be found on our website at <http://www.cciwdisciples.org>. Please discard all the old ones. Event registration fee is now \$150 per person.

## **2. Miracle Day Excitement**

We have the volunteers! WOW! Thank you to everyone who signed up to be a volunteer for Miracle Day 2007. We have far exceeded our goal of 200 volunteers - as of today we have 370!! Thanks to all the local volunteer coordinators for your work in recruiting volunteers. Work assignments will be made soon and volunteers will be advised in advance of Miracle Day of their work assignments.

Now that we have the manpower, we need to meet our fund-raising goal of \$50,000 so that all of the necessary materials and supplies can be purchased. To date, over \$30,000 has been raised. Please continue to solicit contributions for Miracle Day through September and send in amounts collected each week. We hope to be able to have the funds to complete all of the work projects that have been planned. We are well on our way to making miracles on Saturday, September 29th.

If you need forms, go to: <http://www.cciwdisciples.org/md/mdhome.htm>

## **3. Christian Women's Fellowship Information**

ATTENTION - Disciples Women and CWF Groups!! Christian Board of Publication offers discounts for "New Day" Materials on early purchases of the magazine and other materials. New Day is a window into the lives and experiences of women.

People who order and prepay for the magazine before November 15, 2007 will receive the pre-publication special price of \$10.99. New Day is used as a tool by women of faith and others to deepen their spirituality and grow their faith. For ordering information, see:

[http://www.cbp21.com/ProductFiles/ORDERFO\\_RM-2008-2009NewDaymaterials\\_545\\_1.pdf](http://www.cbp21.com/ProductFiles/ORDERFO_RM-2008-2009NewDaymaterials_545_1.pdf)

## **4. Grace Institute Dates for 08**

Grace Institute of Aurora has set new training dates for 2008. They are:

- Saturday, January 19 - Preaching and Teaching for Change (for pastors and church leaders)
- Friday, April 11 - Money and the Church (for pastors and church leaders)
- Saturday, June 21 - Church Transitions (for pastors and church leaders)
- Saturday, September 13 - Sprint Through the Bible (for pastors, leaders and community members)
- Monday, October 27 - Taking the Next Step (for pastors and church leaders)

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All events (except October) will be held at Grace Institute, 2770 Montgomery Road, Aurora, IL 60504. The October event will be held in Allisonville, Indiana. For more information, call Michelle Jenks, Director Grace Institute, at 630-898-7999 or log onto Grace Institute's website at: <http://www.grace-institute.com>

## **5. Does Your Church Need an Organ Transplant?**

An anonymous donor has a Kimball Swinger 800, an electronic organ, to give to a church in need of such an instrument. Interested? To be connected with this "organ donor", please email Scott Woolridge at [scott@cciwdisciples.org](mailto:scott@cciwdisciples.org).

## **6. Disciples Hurricane Recovery Initiative Needs Your Help**

The Initiative has seen great success since it was implemented in September of 2006. Since that time, over 500 groups of Disciples volunteers have been sent to the Gulf to help rebuild that devastated region. The goal is to send 750 groups by August 31, 2008. Excellent work has been done by groups thus far.

However, the need is still great and more volunteer groups are needed for Fall 2007 and into 2008. For information on how your church can help, go to <http://www.discipleshomemissions.org> or call 317-713- 2666.

## **7. Regional Prayer Concerns**

Elder Bernadine Morris, wife of Dr. Ed Morris, pastor at Parkway Garden Christian Church, Chicago, is now home and doing well with her out-patient therapy following a stroke while attending General Assembly. Cards of encouragement can be sent to her at: 1074 Amherst Lane, University Park, IL 60466.

Terry Foland, Co-Interim pastor at First Christian Church Moline, had quadruple bypass surgery recently. He is at home and progressing. Get well wishes and cards of encouragement can be sent to Terry at PO Box 618, Astoria, IL 61501.

Mary Jo Low, wife of retired pastor Bob Low, Decatur, is presently in Decatur Memorial Hospital. Cards of encouragement can be sent to her at 860 Sarah Drive, Decatur, IL 62526.