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Special points of interest:

- Hope-Casts to listen to encourage you
- Stewardship
- Georgia Black Leadership Project to connect the church, public, and nonprofit to help the people
- LIT Initiative providing opportunities

Give Thanks In All Things

“In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.” - 1Thessalonians 5:18

Being thankful for the good and bad that happens in your life is much easier than said. No matter how difficult or unreal it may seem, God's will for us is based on the love that God has for us. The promise that God has for us for our Good.

GOD will do all for us that God has promised. I Chronicles 6:10 says “The Lord therefore hath performed his word that he hath spoken.” Therefore, we have to learn to trust God in good and bad situations.

If you don't get the job that you

interview, give thanks. If the person you thought was your friend leaves you, give thanks. If you get a report from the doctor about some health issue, give thanks. These things may sound difficult or unreasonable, but we forget about time.

Time is all in the hands of God. Job that you don't get may not be for you. In time, you will find the job that is meant for you. In time, new people will come into your life. In time, you will either heal or learn to live with your illness until God calls you home. In time, you will find out that after death, God has promised life so there is still hope.

Knowing God and believing on

God's promises, gives us assuredness and a great sense of confidence that helps us realize the joy of the faith in Jesus Christ. Proverbs 3:26 says “For the Lord shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken.”

I'm thankful when I win, but I'm thankful when I lose. Losing helps me understand that I need to continue to work hard to win in the future. Losing helps us get ready for winning. Crying helps us appreciate laughing. God gives us a multitude of emotions to handle all situations. Use them all and remember to give thanks in everything.

God Bless You Always!

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Theologians Speak: Louis-Marie Chauvet

French Catholic theologian. He was ordained priest in 1966. Professor at the Catholic Institute of Paris, he is currently pastor in the diocese of Pontoise in Deuil-la-Barre. His first work published in the United States, *Symbol and Sacrament: A Sacramental Reinterpretation of Christian Existence*, caught the eye of many sacramental theologians.

According to Chauvet, the princi-

ple of sacramentality teaches us that each of these bodies potentially mediates God's presence in the world, but not without a certain kind of absence. For this reason, he insists that the Word of God is always at the mercy of the body. This means first of all that God's presence is at the mercy of the body because we are bodily creatures.





Creation Care



The United Nations Association of the United States of America in Atlanta (UNA-Atlanta) celebrated its 74th anniversary. Attendees learned how #climatechange is impacting various industries and what solutions are being implemented. There was opportunities to learn about the UN's Sustainable Development Goals from various perspectives, including private companies, nonprofits, universities, and K-12 students.

Keynote Speakers:

- John Lanier, Executive Director of Ray C. Anderson Foundation
- Beril Toktay, Director of Ray C. Anderson Center for Sustainable Business and Professor of Operations Management, Brady Family Chairholder and ADVANCE Professor in Scheller College of Business at Georgia Tech
- Anna Westerstahl Stenport, Chair and Professor, School of Modern Languages, Founding Co-Director, The Atlanta Global Studies Center at Georgia Tech
- Panelists:
- Peluchi Flores, Director of STEAM, Atlanta International School
- Na'taki Osborne Jelks, Co-founder/Board Chairperson, West Atlanta Watershed Alliance
- Venkatesh Kini, Co-founder & COO, Ubuntu
- Alyson Laura, Faculty Member, U.S. Green Building Council
- Ande Noktes, Head of School, Midtown International School
- Leonard Robinson, Co-founder, Sustainable Smyrna
- Sandra Switzer, Director of Sustainability, The Lovett School
- Shane Totten, Director of Education and Research, The Southface Institute





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*“What you do each day is
 how you live your life. What
 are you doing today that you
 can thank yourself
 tomorrow”*

Become a Member

Becoming a member is easy. All you need to do is take the step of faith and become a part of this fellowship.

You may join by one of three (3) ways: Baptism, Letter, or Watch Care.

Baptism—If you never have been baptized

Letter — If you are moving membership from another church.

Watch Care—Keep your current membership, but affiliate under care while you are in fellowship with Fountain of Hope.

Now it’s up to you. Make the step. We have members who are affiliated with this fellowship throughout the United States. You may be the next member wherever you reside.

Let us know if you have questions.

News from the Disciples of Christ

Regional Assembly

First Christian Church Macon

April 24-25, 2020

Disciples Men’s Fall Rally

Liberty Christian Church

October 5, 2019 at 10:00 am



Denominations Unite In One Church: UMC, Presbyterian, & DOC

In 1845, when the Presbyterian Church of Jamaica attempted to send missionaries to Nigeria in Africa, the ship was blown off course, westward, onto the reefs of the Cayman Islands. Discovering that there was no organized church on the islands, Rev. Hope Waddell appealed to the Presbyterian authorities in Jamaica for help. One year later, Rev. James Elmslie, a Scotsman working in Jamaica answered the call.

Traveling all over the island of Grand Cayman on horseback, by boat and on foot, he planted nine churches. For years he labored in the face of opposition from many, including island authorities, but enough were interested in Christi-

anity to encourage him. Still, the demands of the work and climate took its toll and he was forced by the ill health to return to Scotland in 1863 where he died a year later at 68. Many other dedicated ministers have followed him in leading this church.

In 1965, The Presbyterian Church of Jamaica and Grand Cayman united with the Congregational Church in Jamaica to form the United Church of Jamaica and Grand Caymen. Then in 1992, The Disciples of Christ in Jamaica joined as well to form The United Church in Jamaica and the Cayman Islands (Congregation, Disciples of Christ, Presbyterian.)



BEHIND THE
FILTER

Regional Youth Assembly

FEBRUARY 21-23, 2020

Epworth by the Sea

Medicare Program - General Information

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Medicare is a health insurance program for:

- People age 65 or older.
- People under age 65 with certain disabilities.
- People of all ages with End-Stage Renal Disease (permanent kidney failure requiring dialysis or a kidney transplant).

Medicare has different parts that help cover specific services:

Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance) - Part A helps cover inpatient care in hospitals, including critical access hospitals, and skilled nursing facilities (not custodial or long-term care). It also helps cover hospice care and some home health care. Beneficiaries must meet certain conditions to get these benefits. Most people don't pay a premium for Part A because they or a spouse already paid for it through their payroll taxes while working.

Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance) - Part B helps cover doctors' services and outpatient care. It also covers some other medical services that Part A doesn't cover, such as some of the services of physical and occupational therapists, and some home health care. Part B helps pay for these covered services and supplies when they are medically necessary. Most people pay a monthly premium for Part B.

Medicare Part D (Prescription Drug Coverage) - Medicare prescription drug coverage is available to everyone with Medicare. To get Medicare prescription drug coverage, people must join a plan approved by Medicare that offers Medicare drug coverage. Most people pay a monthly premium for Part D.

If you're a person with Medicare or help a person with Medicare, visit [Medicare.gov](https://www.medicare.gov) to find more information about Medicare.

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-General-Information/MedicareGenInfo/index.html>

The Georgia law requiring moving registrants who have had “no contact” with election officials to “inactive” status if they fail to return the confirmation card was challenged in court in 2016, but the lawsuit was dismissed. The U.S. Supreme Court upheld a similar Ohio law in 2018.

A bipartisan state law enacted in 2019 added an additional notification to people whose registrations are subject to cancellation in addition to the initial notice. That new notification will be mailed out next week. Raffensperger is initiating an additional feature beyond the notice required by the 2019 law. As a convenience to those on the list, the notice they get in the mail will include a postage-paid postcard that they can simply sign and drop into any mailbox, no stamps required. He also decided to post the list online.

Anyone can search the list of registrations that are subject to cancellation. Only information that is public pursuant to state law is included. If your name is on the list and you are still an eligible Georgia voter, you can simply update your registration at <https://registertovote.sos.ga.gov> or contact your county elections office. You may also respond to the confirmation card that will be included with the notice, but keep in mind that the notice is mailed to your last known address of your voter registration, which may not be accurate if you have moved and not updated your registration. Any registered voter can check their registration information to confirm it is accurate and up-to-date at <https://www.mvp.sos.ga.gov>.

The list contains 313,243 records, or about 4 percent of Georgia's total number of registered voters, which is in line with the number of records cancelled by other states according to the 2018 Election Administration and Voting Survey conducted by the U.S. Election Assistance Commission. The number is less than the census estimates of people moving out of Georgia during the two-year period since the state last conducted this routine list maintenance process.



Georgia Disciples of Christ Black Leadership

The 2018 Georgia Regional Assembly adopted a resolution to support the Poor People's Campaign. The Poor People's Campaign has a focus "uniting tens of thousands of people across the country to challenge the evils of systemic racism, poverty, the war economy, ecological devastation and the nation's distorted morality. This project will address three objectives associated with this initiative:

1. Create a platform to give African American DOC churches historical context for African Americans in the Disciple of Christ movement and improve connection with identity within the Disciples of Christ (The Christian Church).
2. Raise awareness of systemic issues of racism, poverty, the war economy, ecological devastation, and health disparities in Georgia
3. Provide opportunities to connect with grassroots organizations in the communities of the churches in the Georgia Region to improve conditions.



Mission of Hope

We are enhancing and creating partnerships to improve the delivery of youth ministry in the Metro Atlanta Area. In this new program, we would like to bring together the best and most hopeful young people across the Metro Atlanta region to provide meaningful opportunities to each of them. Does this mean that we are seeking students with the highest GPA's? Absolutely not! We are seeking students who have a desire to improve their condition and to be all that God has created them to be. In this program, we would like to help assist youth leaders, teachers, mentors, and other in providing programs such as the following:

1. College Tours
2. African Heritage Tours
3. Leadership Development Experiences
4. Career Development and Exposure to Opportunities
5. Interface with Philanthropic Organizations that serve our community

OBJECTIVE: *Provide hope enriching opportunities for the development of youth as future citizens, leaders, and support the development of meaningful personal goals.*

Hope-Cast

Audio and Video Inspiring Messages

Our ministry will attempt to reach you where you are. There will be drops of hope in messages to give you that encouragement of what you need when you need it.

Faith	Hope	Love	Finances	Relationships	
Work	Dreams	Government Home-life	Salvation		
Sin	Heaven	Hell	Jesus	God	
Holy Spirit	Joy	Children	Enemies	Friends	More.....

Bible Study

Join us in person or via conference call each Wednesday to journey with us through pages of the bible to hear God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, and the many people and animals who lived and walked on this earth and some who didn't. Go and grow with us we listen to what God speaks into our spirit as we move through the many stories in the bible. Just let us know if you are interested.



LEARN ■ INTERACT ■ TRAIN

- Students will have the opportunity to hear and speak with persons in various careers who will share paths to these careers.
- Students will have opportunity to speak to vocational and technical school admission professionals.
- Students and parents will have the opportunity to speak with professionals who can help finance their education.
- Opportunity for Students to earn while learning and leave with a career
- Students will have the opportunity to sign for college

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A Godly place where you matter.

Founded in 2008 in the basement of a flower shop, Fountain of Hope Christian Church has actively done ministry around the world. Along with worship, bible study, our missions and ministry includes providing shoes for thousands of people around the world, clothing the homeless, nurture for battered women's shelters, pastoral care to nursing homes and incarcerated youth, environmental justice, advocacy, and much more. It is possible by the Grace of God who encourages people around the world to sow seeds into this ministry.



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