

Fountain of Hope

Official Newsletter of the Fountain of Hope Christian Church

MISSION: Encourage spiritual growth and nurture God’s children to take care of self, community, and the world through Christian Education, Radical Hospitality, Authentic Praise and Worship, and Service.



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What You Put In Your Body Matters

Daniel 1:8-16

8But Daniel resolved not to defile himself with the royal food and wine, and he asked the chief official for permission not to defile himself this way. 9Now God had caused the official to show favor and compassion to Daniel, 10but the official told Daniel, “I am afraid of my lord the king, who has



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assigned your food and drink. Why should he see you looking worse than the other young men your age? The king would then have my head because of you.” 11Daniel then said to the guard whom the chief official had appointed over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah, 12“Please test your servants for ten days: Give us nothing but vegetables to eat and water to drink. 13Then compare our appearance with that of the young men who eat the royal food, and treat your servants in accordance with what you see.” 14So he agreed to this and tested them for ten days. 15At the end of the ten days they looked healthier and better nourished than any of the young men who ate the royal food. 16So the guard took away their choice food and the wine they were to

Drink and gave the vegetables instead.

This month in Bible Study, we saw what the bible taught about consumption of the mind, body, and spirit. It matters what and how much we consume for the body, the things that we hear and see for mind, and our time with God to renew our spirit.

Daniel and Hebrew young men chose to discern and manage what they consumed. Just because it exists does not mean it is all for you to consume. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20, *“19Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; 20you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.”*

MAY GOD BE WITH YOU!

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Preparing for the 172nd Regional Assembly of the Christian Church in Georgia

On April 23-25, the Christian Church in Georgia will gather at the Ray of Hope Christian Church, Decatur, GA. This year’s theme is **“Walking in COMMUNITY-Arise, Awake, and Activate!!!”** based on Isaiah 43:18-19 which says *“Forget the former things. Do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?”*

There will be worship, fellowship, training, business of the region, and great presentations from leaders:

- Rev. Terri Hord Owens, Disciples General Minister and President
- Rev. Dr. Adam Harmon, Georgia’s Regional Minister
- Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Hale, Senior Pastor of Ray of Hope Christian Church

Rev. Kinsie M. Tate, LPCC, Self Care Training for Clergy

Many other events.

Contact Information:

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[Register](#)



Christian Education

There are opportunities to grow: Virtual Bible Study (Each Wednesday at 7pm) and On Demand Classes



<https://www.transformingthechurch.org>



<http://www.thedisciplescollege.org>



<https://www.biblicaltraining.org>



<https://www.thirdmill.org>



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JUST LET US KNOW -

- If you need pastoral care
- If you need prayer
- If you need someone to talk to
- If you wish to be married
- If you have loved ones experiencing death
- If you are faced with any life situation

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. Our members are located all over the world. You can be a part of this transforming ministry by simply letting one of our leaders know that you desire to be a part. We can make the necessary arrangements with you in necessary.

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



News from the Disciples of Christ

Bible Study each week on Wednesday at 7:00 pm. Send request for URL link to Fountainofhopeatl@gmail.com

WALKING IN COMMUNITY

172nd Regional Assembly of the

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Georgia

April 23-25, 2026

Ray of Hope Christian Church, Decatur, GA



BLACK MINISTERS RETREAT
Virginia Beach, VA

March 10 - 12, 2026

RESILIENCE!

Remembering, Reclaiming, & Recommitting to Hebrews 12:1-3



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| Dr. Carlos W. Perkins Retreat Trainer <small>Asst. Research Scientist & Associate Director of Engagement Lake Institute of Faith and Giving</small> | Bishop Valerie J. Melvin Retreat Preacher <small>Regional Minister and CEO of the Christian Church in North Carolina</small> | Dr. Rickey McCray Retreat Musician & Psalmist <small>Pastor The Way Church, Indianapolis, IN</small> | Rev. Joselyn Spence "Yoga On The Beach" Instructor <small>Dir. of Mental Health and Wellness National Benevolent Association</small> |
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Eco Story Circles: Exploring Gratitude and Grief in these times. online gathering

Learn more and register at Greenchalice.org



7- Wednesdays,
February 11- March 25, 2026,
12:15-1:30 pm ET

Online Guides: Connie Burns
Sydne Stone, Martha Frame
Scott Hardin-Nieri, Nicole Vickey

Save the Date!

The National Convocation
of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
29th Biennial Session
June 11-14, 2026
Dallas, TX

Event Registration and Hotel Reservation
Details Coming Soon

www.nationalconvocation.org



Mission of Hope

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:

College Tours • African Heritage Tours • Leadership Development Experiences • Career Development

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



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

Virtual Bible Study - Join US

Request the Bible Study URL from

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| 2/4/26 | Baptism and the Lord's Supper | John 1:29-34 | Acts 2:38, 41; Romans 6:1-14; 1 Corinthians 11:23-29 |
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| Date | Lesson | Devotional | Background |
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| 2/11/26 | The Lord's Day | Psalms 118:19-24 | Genesis 2:2-3; Matthew 12:1-14; 28:1-10, Exodus 20:8-11, Romans 14:4-6; Revelation 1:10 |
| 2/18/26 | Stewardship and Mission | Zechariah 8:18-23 | Deuteronomy 8:17-18; Acts 26:12-20; Acts 1:6-8; 2 Corinthians 8:3-9 |
| 2/25/26 | Loving God, Loving Others | Proverbs 28:18-22 | Romans 15:1-7; Philippians 2:1-8; Colossians 3:12; 4:1 |
| 3/4/26 | Watching Our Consumption | Titus 1:5-9 | Daniel 1:8-20; 1 Corinthians 9:19-27; 1 Timothy 4:7-12 |
| 3/11/26 | Giving to the Community | Exodus 20:12-17 | Deuteronomy 15:1-11; Matthew 25:31-46; Luke 10:25-37; James 1:27; 2:14-17 |
| 3/18/26 | Welcoming Others in Christ | Colossians 3:1-11 | Ruth 1:1-18; John 4:5-10; Acts 10:1-11; 18 |
| 3/25/26 | Waiting for God's Peace | Revelation 5:8-14 | Isaiah 11:6-10; John 18:28-38; Ephesians 4:4-6, 13-19 |
| 4/1/26 | Resurrection: The Future Hope | Luke 24:1-12 | Luke 24:1-12; 1 Corinthians 15:3-20, 50-58; Revelations 22:1-5 |
| 4/8/26 | Authority: Belonging to God | Proverbs 31:4-9 | Mark 12:17; Romans 13:1, 6-8 |
| 4/15/26 | Children: Gift and Model | Psalms 8 | Matthew 18:1-6; Mark 9:36-37, 42; 10:13-16; Luke 2:1-20 |
| 4/22/26 | Family: Distinct and Obedient | 2 Samuel 7:25-29 | Matthew 19:3-9; Ephesians 6:1-4; 2 Timothy 1:3-5 |
| 4/29/26 | Christian Expectation of Grace | Revelation 5:1-5 | Jonah 1-4; Galatians 3:1-13 |
| 5/6/26 | Work as Christian Duty | Ecclesiastes 9:4-10 | Genesis 2:15-25; 2 Thessalonians 3:6-12 |
| 5/13/26 | Christian Manner of Justice | Luke 3:7-14 | Exodus 1:8-14; Amos 5:6-15; Zechariah 8:16-17; 1 Timothy 6:17-19 |
| 5/20/26 | Christian Rhythms of Life | Ecclesiastes 2:20-25 | Jeremiah 31:12-13; Mark 2:18-28; 6:30-32; John 2:1-11 |
| 5/27/26 | Living in Christian Community | Hebrews 1:1-6 | Nehemiah 8:1-12; Psalm 122:1-9; Hebrews 10:19-25 |
| 6/3/26 | Deborah, the Dutiful Judge | Matthew 20:20-28 | Judges 4-5 |

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