

Disciple Development Fund - 2016 Applications

The Michigan Mission Center Disciple Development Fund is available to support members with financial need who would like to participate in World Church, USA Field, and Michigan Mission Center educational experiences and trainings.

A total of \$600 will be available in 2016 for each of the following congregations: Alaska, Allegan, Alma, Alpena, Ann Arbor, Battle Creek, Bay City, Bay Port, Beaverton, Bentley, Benton Harbor, Big Rapids, Blue Water, Boyne City, Brighton, Bristolwood, Burt.

A total of \$1,000 for at-large requests from members of other congregations is also available. The funds are to support adults active in Community of Christ with financial needs to help pay for training or education events.

Funding decisions will be based on the following priorities:

For Peace Colloquy, MEADS, Formational Retreats, and other World and USA experiences:

- 1) Priority shall be given to first-time attendees.
- 2) Priority shall be given to Registration fees up to 100%.
- 3) Travel expenses may be reimbursed up to \$100 with receipts after attending.

For Community of Christ Seminary:

- 1) Priority shall be given to first time attendees.
- 2) On a per class basis up to 10% of tuition fee balance after all other awards.

Temple School and other mission center programs shall be funded up to 50%:

- 1) Priority is given to registration and books.
- 2) Up to 50% of actual gas expense may be reimbursed with receipt after attending.

Please visit the Disciple Development Fund webpage for more information: cofchristmi.org/our-mission/develop-disciples-to-serve/disciple-development-fund/

Michigan Mission Center

MISSION CENTER ACTIVITIES

To schedule a mission center activity, contact Dianna Vanderkarr at dianna@cofchristmi.org

MISSION CENTER INFORMATION

For more detailed information regarding Mission Center news and activities, please go to the website: www.cofchristmi.org.

Due to space restrictions, we cannot include all necessary information in this bulletin.

Michigan Mission Center information

Website: www.cofchristmi.org * Toll-Free Phone: 888-853-2339
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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS for the week of August 12, 2016

*Newly added items are listed in **bold italics**. This information is emailed weekly to all pastors, congregation communication liaisons and anyone who chooses to subscribe. If you have questions, call the Mission Center office at 888-853-2339.*

MICHIGAN MISSION CENTER NEWS

World Church Ministers Retreat: "To Community and Beyond"

August 19-21, 2016

A Retreat for World Church Ministers (Bishop, Evangelist, High Priest, and Seventy) and Spouses

Guests:

- Molly Sweeney, Director of 482 Forward
- Larry Simmons, Pastor of Baber AME Brightmoor
- John Wight, Community of Christ Senior President of Seventy

Weekend Cost:

- Individual with housing – \$136 * Couple with housing – \$176 [Includes lodging for Friday night; breakfast, lunch, and lodging for Saturday; breakfast on Sunday; and meeting rooms]
- Individual commuting – \$40 * Couple commuting – \$80 [Includes breakfast and lunch for Saturday, breakfast on Sunday, and meeting rooms]

***Dinner on Saturday evening will be hosted at and provided by the Detroit Hope Congregation. Your generous contribution will be appreciated.

Registration can be found at: http://cofchristmi.org/?event=world-church-ministers-and-spouses-retreat&event_date=2016-08-19

Child Protection Core Training - Brighton

SATURDAY, September 10, 10:00 am at Brighton Community of Christ

The children and youth worker application form is part of the process Community of Christ uses to screen those who wish to work directly with children and young people. Anyone working with children/youth in church programs (youth leader, Sunday school teach-

er, camp counselor, etc.) must be a registered children and youth worker/children and youth worker assistant.

If you are going to be on staff at a camp next summer you must have this training!

Please contact Rachel Romanack at rromanack608@hotmail.com and let her know you will be attending this training!

Be a Youth Camp Director

The Michigan Mission Center sponsors summer youth camps for senior high, junior high, and junior age children at three campgrounds owned and operated by Community of Christ in Michigan. Please contact Winnie Johnston, Youth Camp Coordinator, at winnie@CofChristMI.org if you have any questions about the camping program or applying to serve as a youth camp director.

Click this link to apply: <http://cofchristmi.org/blog/2016/06/21/youth-camp-director-application/>

2017 Preliminary Mission Center Budget Proposal & Narrative

Mission Center Council members received packets with 2017 Preliminary Budget Information on Saturday, July 23. Pastors and CFOs received this information by e-mail on Monday, July 25. The preliminary budget proposal, budget narrative, and additional financial reports and information can be found on the Financial Reports page online.

Congregation commitments for support of 2017 budgets (mission center operating budget, campground operating budgets, Journey House Campus Ministry Center, and other funds) should be sent to Jack Tigner by September 15, 2016.

Budget Information: <http://cofchristmi.org/our-mission/mission-funding/financial-reports/>

Ministry of the High Priest - Bay City

The Temple School course "Ministry of the High Priest" (TS-MP307), will be held at the Bay City congregation on the following dates/times:

Mondays: Aug. 15 from 5:30 to 9:00pm, Aug. 22 from 5:30 to 9:00pm, Aug. 29 from 5:30 to 9:00pm

Please notify Gary Gordier at (glgordier@gmail.com) ASAP to enroll in the class.

Material costs are: \$29.95 plus shipping for the spiral bound book www.heraldhouse.org/cart/edit.asp or \$12.95 for the .PDF version

Introduction to Priesthood Ministry - Kalamazoo

The Temple School course "Introduction to Priesthood Ministry", will be held at the Kalamazoo congregation at the following dates/times.

Tuesdays in October: 18 and 25 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Tuesdays in November: 1, 8, and 15 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Please notify Ellie Heacock at (elehea@gmail.com) ASAP to enroll in the class.

Material costs are: \$29.95 plus shipping for the spiral bound book – or – \$12.95 for the .PDF version of the book, that individuals can order and download from Herald House at the following URL: www.heraldhouse.org/cart/edit.asp

It is not only one of the preparation courses for new priesthood, but is also a course for all disciples to take.

Ministry of the Elder - Kalamazoo

The Temple School course "Ministry of the Elder", will be held at the Kalamazoo congregation at the following dates/times.

Tuesdays in September: 13, 20, and 27 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Tuesdays in October: 4 and 11 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Please notify Ellie Heacock at (elehea@gmail.com) ASAP to enroll in the class.

Material costs are: \$29.95 plus shipping for the spiral bound book – or – \$12.95 for the .PDF version of the book, that individuals can order and download from Herald House at the following URL: www.heraldhouse.org/cart/edit.asp

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Introduction to Scripture Class - Saginaw

The Temple School course "Introduction to Scripture" (TS-SS400), will be held at the Saginaw (Center Road) congregation at the following dates/times.

9-07-2016 Wed 6:00-8:30 p.m * 9-08-2016 Thur 6:00-8:30 p.m.

9-14-2016 Wed 6:00-8:30 p.m * 9-15-2016 Thur 6:00-8:30 p.m.

9-19-2016 Mon 6:00-8:30 p.m.

Please notify Gary Gordier at (glgordier@gmail.com) ASAP to enroll in the class.

Material costs are: \$29.95 plus shipping for the spiral bound book – or – \$12.95 for the .PDF version of the book, that individuals can order and download from Herald House at the following URL:

www.heraldhouse.org/cart/edit.asp

The course will prepare disciples with the knowledge and practices to: use scripture to enrich their relationships with God, use scripture more responsibly; and let the witness of the scripture be a blessing. Some of the classes will use video segments with Tony and Charmaine Chvala-Smith as presenters. It is not only one of the preparation courses for new priesthood, but is also a course for all disciples to take.

Ministry of the Disciple - Galien

Ministry of the Disciple will be held at the Galien congregation on Oct 15 & 22, 2016, Times will be coming in the near future!

Please contact Sherry Jagger at sjagger@hotmail.com or 219-326-7894 by June 1st. to let her know if you're planning to attend she will pick up the books at World conference to save on shipping. Otherwise you'll be responsible for getting your own.
