

## UPCOMING TEMPLE SCHOOL CLASSES

For new ordinands and anyone else wanting to increase their knowledge. All three courses will be held at Bristolwood congregation on Fridays from 6–9 pm and Saturdays from 8:30–3:30 pm. Cost is \$15 per course. Housing is available on request. Contact Bobbie Ann Robinson at [brobinson@cofchrist.org](mailto:brobinson@cofchrist.org), or call (810) 513–1545.

February 4–5 Introduction to Understanding Scripture  
Instructor: Dean Robinson

March 18–19 Aaronic Ministries: Ministry of Presence  
Instructor: Ron Kuenzli



## MICHIGAN MISSION CENTER INFORMATION

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## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS for the week of January 30–February 5, 2011

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

### MISSION CENTER NEWS

#### PARK OF THE PINES MEN'S RETREAT

► February 18th–20th, starts on Friday at 6:30 p.m., ends on Sunday at 11:30 a.m.

*This is your invite to be part of the annual "Old Boys Deer Camp" shindig at the Park of The Pines. Once again we will be having a grand time with just the guys. We will learn a little and play a lot. Matt Kinsinger is going to teach us how to snap a picture...so bring your Kodak Brownie. Dr. Linn Field will talk about men's health issues. Dennis Ormsbee will try to teach us to play a few tunes with some of his instruments. We will have some worship and perhaps share a little on current church news. This is a free fishing weekend so bring your ice fishing equipment.(no license required).*

*On Friday afternoon, all who are downhill skiers will meet at Boyne Highlands at 4:00 p.m. in Harbor Springs for a few runs before going to "Deer Camp." Skiing is \$10.00 for a tow pass and \$10.00 to rent equipment. You need to be an experienced skier or be willing to receive ski instruction to participate in this activity.*

*Cost is \$40.00 each for the retreat...don't think about it, just write it down on your calendar, and be there! Register at [www.cofchristmi.org](http://www.cofchristmi.org) or contact Gregg McDonald [gmcDonald@cofchrist.org](mailto:gmcDonald@cofchrist.org), or call 231-360-7774*

#### PAY PAL

► PayPal is now an available option on our website. There are two options—a PayPal button for donations (if you'd like to donate to a specific ministry center area such as youth or camp scholarships, etc.) and a PayPal button when registering for events that have registration fees. PayPal accepts credit cards or will make direct withdrawals from your bank account—it's your choice.

*When registering for an event with a fee, you will be given several options. You can pay through PayPal, choose to pay on site (unless the event requires up-front payment), or mail in payment. We hope one of the options fits your needs and streamlines the registration process for everyone!*

### **TECHIES NEEDED!**

► *If you love technology and have skills to help a congregation assess audio/visual/computer needs for their ministries or can help with problems a congregation may experience with computer or AV systems, you are needed! We are compiling a list of "go to" persons that congregations can contact from time to time for technology needs. If you would like to be part of the team, please send your contact information to the Mission Center office: [mmcoffice@cofchrist.org](mailto:mmcoffice@cofchrist.org). Thank you!*

### **BLUE WATER REUNION #2**

Blue Water Reunion 2 staff would like to invite you to attend our reunion scheduled for the week of July 2nd–July 9th. The campground is located in Lexington Michigan, on the beautiful shores of Lake Huron.

Blue Water offers a full service trailer area, a lodge with a variety of room sizes, several refurbished cabins and camping area for those who enjoy staying in tents. We are especially proud of the new tabernacle, a beautiful fully climate controlled building, to host our worship services. We take special pride in our children's program. Day and evening classes are provided and we strive to provide an experience that will last a lifetime and help bond our youth to the loving nature of the Lord.

This year, we are blessed to have Barbara Walden, Diane McNeil and Stassi Cramm as our guest ministers.

We want to share the wonderful reunion experience with new friends as well as old. Our hope is that you all can join us as we experience reunion on the sunrise side of Michigan.

See you in July! Glenn Curtis, Reunion Director

### **CALLING ALL MUSICIANS**

Jane Gardner will be leading a workshop at the Charlotte congregation on the new Hymnal to be released in 2013. The workshop will be held March 6 from 3 to 5 pm. Please register in advance at [www.cofchristmi.org](http://www.cofchristmi.org) or call the mission center office 888-853-2339.

### **PRIESTHOOD CONVOCATION**

The Michigan Mission Center will hold a convocation for all priesthood in the Mission Center on March 5, hosted by the Gladwin Congregation. Jane Gardner, President of the High Priest Quorum will be discussing the sacraments of the church. For more information or to register online, go to: <http://www.cofchristmi.org>, or by call the Mission Center office.

### **WORKSHOP ON HUMAN SEXUALITY**

Dave Premoe will lead workshops to prepare us for the USA Conference of 2012. There will be one text available to purchase: "A Time to Embrace", cost is \$17.00. **Remaining workshop dates are as follows:** Feb 19: Bristolwood; Apr 2: West Branch; Apr 9: Gaylord.

Registration is available on the website: [cofchristmi.org](http://cofchristmi.org), or by calling the office at 888-853-2339. Please register by Thursday prior to the workshop so that lunch plans can be made.

### **MICHIGAN MISSION CENTER YOUTH EVENTS**

#### **MISSION YOUTH NEWS**

There are lots of cool things for the youth to be involved in this month!

#### **FEBRUARY**

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| 4th       | Friday Knights Valentine's/Random Acts of Kindness Party, Union Ave congregation  |
| 12th      | Saturday Knights Valentine Dinner/Dance Fundraiser, Troy Oaks congregation  |
| 18th–20th | Ventures, Kalamazoo congregation  |
| 25th–27th | Winter 2011 Senior High Retreat, Blue Water Campgrounds   |
| 25th–27th | Jr. High Retreat, Park of the Pines, contact Grace King for details: <a href="mailto:gking38@centurytel.net">gking38@centurytel.net</a> |

#### **JOURNEY HOUSE**

Journey House Campus Ministries cordially invites you to join us for our 8th Annual Valentine's Day Banquet, "Texan Journey." Celebrate with us as we revisit past mission trips and raise funds for this year's trip to Louisiana.

We will be enjoying entertainment provided by Austin Scott. Our students are also hard at work creating items to sell and collecting donations from local businesses for a raffle! Dress in your best western attire and join the party!

Please RSVP to Ben Crowley @ 517-206-0206 or [bencrowley@rocketmail.com](mailto:bencrowley@rocketmail.com) as space is limited!

#### **SENIOR HIGH RETREAT**

All MMC 9–12th grade youth are invited to attend Senior High Retreat at Blue Water Campground on February 25–27. Cost is \$55, including a \$25 deposit. To reserve a spot, contact Kristi Bernhardt by phone or email: 517.256.6731 or [Kristi.Bernhardt@douglasj.com](mailto:Kristi.Bernhardt@douglasj.com)