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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

DECEMBER
10   Committee on the Ministry (10:00 a.m.) - Regional Office, Helena
14   Honduras Partnership Task Group (10:00 a.m.) - Regional Office
15   Executive/Personnel Committee (10:00 a.m.) - Regional Office
18   Regional Staff Planning Meeting (10:00 a.m.) - Regional Office
16 - 23 Christmas Offering (for ministries of the Alabama-Northwest Florida Region)

JANUARY, 2013
5    Program Committee on Church Development (10:00 a.m.) - Regional Office, Helena
9    Senior Adult Cabinet (10:00 a.m.) - Regional Office, Helena
12   Anti-Racism Team (10:00 a.m.) - Regional Office, Helena
14 - 16 Ministers and Mates Retreat - Hilton Garden Inn, Orange Beach, AL
18 - 20 Young Adult Retreat - Camp Chandler
23   Commissioning and Ordination North (9:15 a.m.) - Regional Office, Helena
25 - 27 Youhtopia (youth grades 6-12) - Camp Chandler

FEBRUARY, 2013
2    CWF/Disciples Women’s Cabinet (10:00 a.m.) - Regional Office
5    Commissioning and Ordination South (9:15 a.m.) - United Christian, Montgomery
8 - 9 Congregational Transformation Event - First Christian Church, Birmingham
13   Ash Wednesday
16   Division of Administration and Stewardship (10:00 a.m.) - Regional Office
17 - 24 Week of Compassion Offering promotion
23   Regional Board (10:00 a.m.) - First Christian Church, Birmingham

“We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord’s Table as God has welcomed us.”
REGIONAL STAFF SPOTLIGHT
Dale C. Braxton, Associate Regional Minister

Dale Chester Braxton is the fifth child of Fannie Mae Braxton and the late Willie Davis McCall of Hayneville, Alabama. Dale is married to the former Mercedes Georvetta Hunter for 33 years and they are the proud parents of three children: Recennah, Millicent, and Dale (Lillian) and grandparents of Baile Gabrielle Braxton.

Dale received his education from Lowndes County Public Schools, Bachelor of Science from Athens State University, Athens, Alabama, and Master of Education from Auburn University at Montgomery and a Doctor of Education from California Coast University, San Ana, California. Dale was one of the first students to attend the Preacher Enrichment Preparation Program (PEPP) of the Christian Church in Alabama- Northwest Florida. He graduated in 1994, the year he was ordained.

Dale has been a member of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) all of his life. He is a fifth generation member of the Disciples of Christ. Dale received his call to ministry when he was in the eleventh grade but did not respond to the call until January 1983. Dale’s first sermon was preached at Snow Hill Christian Church April 3, 1983. Dale has been the senior pastor of Snow Hill Christian Church since that time. Dale concurrently served as pastor with Little Union Christian Church from 1984-1995.

Dale is a member of the following organizations: Alabama Retired Teachers Association, National Education Association and NAACP. He has served or is now serving on the following boards: Montgomery Area Mental Health, National Benevolent Association- Christian Services for Children in Alabama, Patron, Morning Glory Chapter Order of Eastern Stars #707, Immediate past president of the National Convocation of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Bancorp South Board of Directors, Black Disciples Endowment Fund Board of Directors, Lowndes County Children Policy Council Greenwood Cemetery Board of Directors, Nashville, TN, Director, Mount Willing Community Cemetery.

Dale received the 2012 Service Award from Disciples Church Extension Fund and Hope Partnership. In recent years Dale has represented the Region in traveling to the Congo and to Honduras, in partnership with Global Ministries.

Dale has been the Associate Regional Minister in Alabama–Northwest Florida since July, 2005. He believes that “with God, all things are possible” and he believes that in all our ways we must acknowledge God as the creator, sustainer and giver of life.
REGIONAL STAFF SPOTLIGHT
John P. Mobley, Regional Minister

John P. Mobley is the youngest of four children born to Law and Miriam Mobley. John’s father, who died in 1980, was a Southern Baptist pastor. John was born in Augusta, Georgia, and spent his growing up years in Georgia, Florida, South Carolina and North Carolina. His three siblings (two brothers and a sister) reside in the Carolinas and his mother lives in Laurens, SC. John graduated in 1978 from Furman University in Greenville, SC, and from Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, KY. He did post-graduate work toward his Ph.D. at Southern Seminary in 1981 and 1982.

John’s first position in ministry was as Youth and Activities Minister at Pendleton Street Baptist Church in Greenville, SC, where he was also ordained in 1978. John also served as Minister of Youth at Christ Church United Methodist in Louisville, KY, from 1979-1982. He served as Interim Minister at Stanford Baptist Church near Bloomington, IN, in 1984 and 1985. During that period he discovered the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and quickly and eagerly made a transition to the Disciples of Christ as his denominational family. During that time he also met Valya Wilson while he was on a vacation to Myrtle Beach, SC. The two of them fell in love, maintained a long distance romance, and began to envision a future together. They were married on June 1, 1985.

John’s first pastorate was with Simpsonville Christian Church in Simpsonville, KY, where he served from 1985 - 1991. While John and Valya were in Simpsonville, they became parents to a son, Jeffrey Tyler, in 1987, and to a daughter, Janessa Lynne, in 1990. They later received a call to serve First Christian Church in Shelbyville, TN, where John served from 1991 until February, 1996. The Mobley family made their way to Alabama in March, 1996, as John accepted the call to serve as Regional Minister in Alabama-Northwest Florida.

John and Valya’s son, Tyler, graduated in 2010 from the University of North Alabama, and he currently lives and works in Florence. Their daughter, Janessa, graduated in 2012 from the University of Montevallo. On September 1, 2012, she married Jordan Barrios and moved to the Orlando area where they are both now employed. Now that the “nest” is empty, Valya has successfully returned to the work-force. She is employed by PrintsWell, a Christian-based printing company located in Pelham. She works in customer service. In her free time, Valya is a dedicated hiker and enjoys outdoor water activities – kayaking, canoeing, tubing, etc. She is an active member at Grace Christian Church, Helena, and she also volunteers in a variety of different ministries in the Alabaster area, where John and Valya reside.

John has served in a number of capacities with the larger church. He has served on the Week of Compassion Committee, the Board of the Pension Fund (chairperson in 2013), the Committee for the Center for Faith and Giving (chaired in 2010 and 2011), the Mission Council (chaired in 2002 - 2005), the Mission Funding Task Group, and the Steering Committee for the Partnerships with the United Church of Christ and the Alliance of Baptists. He has been a member of the General Board and College of Regional Ministers since 1996. He currently chairs the Calling and Advisory Committee of the College which assists Regions that are in search processes for a new Regional Minister.

John is an avid runner and scrabble player. He plays guitar at a beginner level and also enjoys singing. He is a fan of country music but also enjoys a variety of musical genres. On a recent sabbatical, John wrote the book Humility, Gratitude, and Generosity: Reflections on Abundant Living, which was published by the Region.

John has expressed many times his deep gratitude for the privilege of serving in the position of Regional Minister in Alabama-Northwest Florida. He believes that the other staff who work with him are highly competent and dedicated to their ministries. He also believes that the clergy and other leaders in the Region are committed and supportive of the work God is calling us to do. He is encouraged as he thinks of the future ministry potential that exists in Alabama-Northwest Florida.
The 2013 Ministers and Mates Retreat will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn in Orange Beach, Alabama, on January 14 - 16, 2013. Dr. Charisse L. Gillett and Rev. Dr. Donald K. Gillett, II, will be the retreat leaders. Dr. Charisse Gillett is the president of Lexington Theological Seminary and Dr. Don Gillett is the senior pastor of East Second Street Christian Church, Lexington, KY, where he and the congregation received a Lilly Sabbatical grant in 2007.

The theme of the 2013 retreat is “Thriving in Ministry: Sustaining Pastors and Families in Ministry.” The joys and challenges of ministry can often deplete both clergy and their spouse. Drs. Charisse and Donald Gillett will discuss the life giving value of an annual sabbatical, the concept of clergy wellness and the implication for theological schools and congregations for sustaining pastors in ministry.

Dr. Charisse L. Gillett became the 17th president of Lexington Theological Seminary in September 2011. She has more than 20 years of successful administrative experience in higher education, including service at Transylvania University, Midway College, Robert Morris College and the University of Northern Iowa. She holds a doctorate in education from Northern Illinois University. A former moderator of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), she has been a commissioned minister of the Christian Church in Kentucky since August 2010 and is Associate Minister at East Second Street Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), where her husband, LTS D.Min. alumnus Dr. Donald K. Gillett, II, serves as Senior Pastor. Dr. Gillett served as Vice President of Administration and Special Projects at the Seminary prior to her appointment as president. She is also a former LTS trustee and officer of the Board of Trustees.

Dr. Gillett is deeply committed to the church and the work of the Seminary in shaping students for ministry. An energetic and dedicated leader, she works closely with a team of trustees, faculty, staff, students, and congregations to grow the Seminary’s new program, which is designed to serve the needs of the church while continuing the Seminary’s storied history of shaping people for ministry. Dr. Gillett’s appointment is an historic one in the 146-year history of the Seminary. She is the first woman and first African-American to lead the Seminary as president.

Reverend Dr. Donald K. Gillett, II, has been the Senior Pastor at East Second Street Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) since July 1999. Prior to his call to ESSCC, he served as Youth Minister and Associate Minister at Park Manor Christian Church in Chicago.

Reverend Dr. Gillett holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mathematics from Jarvis Christian College in Hawkins, TX; a Masters of Divinity from McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago, IL; a Masters of Business Degree from Indiana Wesleyan University, Marion, IN and an earned Doctorate of Ministry Degree from Lexington Theological Seminary, Lexington, KY.

Reverend Dr. Gillett is Chair of the Division of Overseas Ministries Board of Directors of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and Co-Chair of Global Ministries of the Christian Church Disciples of Christ and the United Church of Christ. He is the immediate past Moderator of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in KY and the immediate past President of the Kentucky Christian Missionary Convention. He serves on numerous boards including the Executive Board of the Kentucky Council of Churches.

Reverend Dr. Gillett has preached and conducted workshops in the US and other countries on the continent of Africa. He has traveled to historic places where Jesus and the Apostle Paul walked. He was the recipient of a Pastoral Renewal Grant from the Lilly Foundation. He has four children, Jeremy, Liyah, Tasia, and Donald, III (Trey) and one grandchild Jayda.
**NEWS OF THE CLERGY**

**Trudy Betts** concluded her ministry as Associate at First Christian Church, Montgomery, at the end of September.  **Edd and Mary Pat Spencer** have announced their retirement from active ministry at the end of January, 2013. They serve as co-pastors at First Christian Church, Birmingham.

**Carlos Martinez** was called to serve as pastor with Primera Iglesia Cristiana Hispana in Anniston in September. He began his service immediately.  **Laura Hutchinson** has been called to serve as pastor with First Christian Church, Anniston, beginning after December 16. She has resigned from her ministry as Associate Minister with First Christian Church, Florence, effective in December.

**CONGREGATIONS SEEKING A MINISTER**

Birmingham, First (beginning at the end of January, 2013)  
Camp Hill, Pleasant View  
Florence, First (Tim Murtaugh is Interim, beginning mid-September)  
Valley, First of River View

Special Honored Minister Pin presentations were made on October 14, 2012, to Rev. Jim Clifford and Rev. John Gregory as they have recently retired from full-time active ministry. Honored Minister Spouse Certificates were presented to their spouses. Special gifts had been made for both couples by Rev. Carl Flock. Pictured here (l to r) are:  Beth Gregory, Rev, Gary Edge (host pastor), Rev. John Gregory, John Mobley (Regional Minister), Jim Clifford, Janice Clifford, and Rev. Carl Flock (Regional Minister Emeritus).

Carlos Martinez was installed as Pastor with Primera Iglesia Cristiana (Discipulos de Cristo) in Anniston on October 28, 2012. Pictured here (l to r) are:  John Mobley, Regional Minister, Pastor Carlos Martinez, and Hilda De Jesus, Moderator.
The 2013 Young Adult Winter Retreat will be held at YMCA-Camp Chandler near Wetumpka, AL, on January 18-20. The theme of the retreat is “Discovering Your Spiritual Gifts.” Rev. Beth Thomason, Senior Minister at Madison Christian Church, will be the retreat leader. The retreat will provide an opportunity for fun, fellowship, food, outdoor activities, and spiritual discovery. All young adults are invited to be a part of this event.

Because of a generous subsidy from the Region, young adults may register for this retreat for only $50. Registration information was included in the November Leader’s Packet and may also be found on-line at <www.alnwldisciples.org>. Please contact John Mobley, Regional Minister, if you have questions about the retreat.

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YOUTHTOPIA - JANUARY 25-27, 2013
(Youth in grades 6 - 12)

All youth of the Region (grades 6-12) are encouraged to participate in the annual winter retreat called “Youthtopia” on January 25-27, 2013. The retreat will be held at YMCA-Camp Chandler, near Wetumpka, AL.

Dear Friend,

I hope that you will come to Youthtopia! It is a very fun event. It is a preview of camp. During Youthtopia and camp you have a chance to make new friends that will last a lifetime. At Youthtopia we study the Bible and how to apply God's word to our daily lives. We also have many fun activities like games, hiking, and a campfire. I started attending regional events like Youthtopia when I was in ninth grade. My only regret is that I did not start going earlier! Please consider attending Youthtopia! It is a wonderful event that I think you will really enjoy!

Sincerely,
Andrew Butler
Regional Youth Council Member

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The first annual Young Adult Beach Retreat was held on October 19-21, 2012, at the Romar Baptist Retreat Center in Orange Beach, Alabama. Pictured here are the retreat participants just prior to the closing worship that was held on the beach.
The Region’s Program Committee on Church Development has sponsored four congregational transformation events since 2008. Moving to an every-other-year schedule, the next event will be held on February 8-9, 2013, at First Christian Church, Birmingham. These weekend events have included prominent preachers and a variety of workshop leaders. These events have provided ideas and inspiration to help congregational leaders to be agents of transformation in their own congregations. Our Friday night preachers have included Dr. Fred Craddock, Dr. Sharon Watkins, Dr. Bill Lee, and Dr. Todd Adams, all of whom have brought us powerful messages.

In 2013 the Program Committee on Church Development is excited to sponsor a fifth Region-wide congregational transformation event. The theme is “Invited and Inviting.” The Friday evening worship service on February 8 will feature Dr. William Willimon, former Bishop of the North Alabama Conference of the United Methodist Church. Several years ago Dr. Willimon was listed by Newsweek magazine (along with Disciples preacher Fred Craddock) as one of the top 12 most effective preachers in the English-speaking world. Dr. Willimon is a prolific author, preacher, and workshop leader. You will not want to miss an opportunity to hear him preach on February 8, 2013.

The next day, February 9, there will be a variety of workshops to help equip participants to be agents of transformation in their own congregations. The day will begin with a plenary workshop led by Dr. Willimon. Following the plenary, there will be opportunity for persons to choose from a variety of workshops, listed below:

- “Meet, Greet, and Hit the Streets” (workshop leader, Mickey Johnson) - This workshop will give specific information to participants about how to promote the ministries of the congregation in the community. Information will also be shared about how such a ministry is now affordable to congregations in Alabama-Northwest Florida.

- “Gossiping the Gospel: Discipling and Inviting in a Noisy World” (led by Division of Mission members) Participants will learn what Disciples of Christ congregations are doing well in many places and also what does not seem to work as well. Participants will be cautioned against mimicking popular evangelizing techniques of some other denominations.

- “Extending the Invitation: Using Your Gifts” (workshop leaders, Fannie Ashley and Rickie Brunner) - Ever feel inadequate? Are you unsure about what you can do and where you can fit in to the church’s ministry? Are you reluctant to volunteer to do something? This is nothing unusual for members of a congregation. There are gifts and talents that everyone has that are activated by the Spirit for the common good of your community of faith. You can’t do everything, but you can do something. The trick is discovering what.

- Whose Church Is It?” (workshop leader, Carl Gebhardt) - This workshop will explore the ideas of church identity and personal ownership of its mission. There will be dialogue about the differences between our written definitions/mission statements and the realities in our congregations. It is assumed that all church people present will have something positive, hopeful, and challenging to contribute to our common wisdom.

[A couple of other workshops are anticipated, but not yet confirmed.]

The “Invited and Inviting” event will include lunch, fellowship, and worship in addition to the workshops. The event will end around 2:30 p.m.

The cost of registration for “Invited and Inviting” is $25 for an individual registration ($10 per child needing child care) or $250 for a congregational registration (which covers registration for as many as the congregation would like to bring). It is imperative, however, that congregational registrations include a listing of persons who will attend so that adequate preparations can be made for those who attend. The registration deadline is February 1, 2013.

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Drury Hotel, 3510 Grandview Pkwy (off Hwy. 280), at a rate of $84.99/night, plus tax, for rooms with one king bed, and $89.99/night, plus tax, for rooms with two double beds. An evening reception with hot food and a deluxe, hot breakfast are included. Also there is an indoor/outdoor pool with hot tub. The block of rooms will be held until January 8, 2013. Individual reservations may be made by calling 1-800-325-0720 and mentioning the group number 2161391 for the “Christian Church - Disciples of Christ.” Reservations may also be made on-line at <www.druryhotels.com> and entering the group number 2161391. The local hotel number is 205-967-2450. The fax is 866-249-0164.
2013 MEN’S RETREAT - MARCH 8-9  (optional arrival date, March 7)

The annual Men’s Retreat is planned for March 8-9, 2013, at YMCA-Hargis. For a nominal added cost, men have the option of arriving on Thursday, March 7, for fishing, hiking, and fellowship prior to the beginning of the retreat on Friday afternoon. However, no meals will be provided until Friday evening. The Disciples Men’s Cabinet has put together a great retreat filled with fun, fellowship, and challenge for all men in the Alabama-Northwest Florida Region. The theme for the 2013 Men’s Retreat is “When Men Pray....” The guest leader for the retreat will be Rev. Dr. Rick Lowery.

Richard H. Lowery, Ph.D. Yale, is adjunct professor of Hebrew Bible at Lexington Theological Seminary in Kentucky, where he served as dean, and Phillips Theological Seminary in Oklahoma, where he served 17 years as a tenured professor. He also teaches in the commissioned and licensed ministers program at Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis. He speaks at church gatherings throughout the US and Canada, and has written articles and lessons for scholarly and popular publications, including The Chalice Introduction to the Old Testament and journals of preaching and stewardship. He is the author of three books, including Sabbath and Jubilee, and wrote the Bible commentary for the Storyteller’s Companion: Daniel and Revelation. He’s currently working on a book, Genesis and Human Rights. Rick is a past president of the Society of Biblical Literature Southwest Region. He is married to the Rev. Dr. Sharon Watkins, General Minister and President of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). They are the parents of two grown children.

Each year at the Men’s Retreat there is an important offering collection which provides resources for the Disciples Men to support specific mission efforts in and beyond the Region. Men’s groups in congregations are urged to collect their money in advance of the retreat so that each congregation’s gifts may be included with the offering collected at the retreat. Registration forms and information on costs were included in the November Leader’s Packet. The early-bird deadline for registration is February 16. After that date there is an increase in the registration fee. Please contact the Regional office if more information is needed.

ABOUT THIS NEWSLETTER

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DEADLINE NEXT ISSUE:
JANUARY 1, 2013

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Congregations that have formally committed to expressing “true community” through intentional efforts to work against racism and toward reconciliation.

- First Christian Church, Anniston
- Primera Iglesia Cristiana Hispana, Anniston
- Village Christian Church, Auburn
- First Christian Church, Birmingham
- Valley Christian Church, Birmingham
- First Christian Church, Dothan
- Snow Hill Christian Church, Ft. Deposit
- First Christian Church, Ft. Walton Beach
- Primera Iglesia Cristiana Hispana, Fort Walton Beach
- First Christian Church, Huntsville
- Mt. Pleasant Christian Church, Mathews
- First Christian Church, Pensacola
- Mt. Calvary Missionary Christian Church, Tuskegee
- Union Christian Church, Tuskegee
- First Christian Church of River View, Valley

**STATEMENT AFFIRMING AN ANTI-RACIST IDENTITY**

Recognizing the division that exists within the human family due to the sin of racism, the Alabama-Northwest Florida Region confirms its commitment to the call of the gospel of Jesus Christ to be an ambassador of unity and reconciliation. The Alabama-Northwest Florida Region confesses its own participation in the sin of racism and is committed to the dismantling of racism wherever it exists in its own institutional life and in the life and witness of its congregations.

Therefore, the Regional Board, on February 23, 2002, affirms all current and future efforts within the Alabama-Northwest Region to become an Anti-Racist manifestation of the Body of Christ. This affirmation will be demonstrated through prayer, allocation of resources, and organized efforts to challenge racism wherever it exists within the Alabama-Northwest Florida Region.

**OUTREACH GIVING UPDATE**

The year-to-date giving in 2012 by congregations in Alabama-Northwest Florida to the Disciples Mission Fund and the four Special Day Offerings (Easter, Pentecost, Thanksgiving, and Christmas) has decreased by 7.27% from the amount given year-to-date in 2011. Churchwide gifts to Disciples Mission Fund and the four Special Day Offerings are showing a 3.96% decrease from the amount given through October, 2011. The 2012 Easter Offering in Alabama-Northwest Florida is showing a 9.24% increase over the amount given year-to-date in 2011. The 2012 Pentecost Offering in Alabama-Northwest Florida is showing a 29.89% decrease from the amount given year-to-date in 2011. Week of Compassion giving in Alabama-Northwest Florida is showing a 53.63% decrease from the amount given through October, 2011, and year-to-date giving to the Reconciliation Offering has increased 23.27% over 2011.

Disciples outreach ministries are carried out in partnership between general ministries, ministries of higher education, Regions, congregations, and other related ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). The financial support given by your congregation enables this partnership to be effective in carrying out the ministry of Jesus Christ. Your commitment to our shared ministries is greatly appreciated.
The eleventh annual Senior Adult Retreat was held November 1-2, 2012, at Rolling Hills Conference Center in Calera, Alabama. Rev. Dan Moseley was the retreat leader. The theme was "Living Abundantly in the Transitions of Life." Pictured to the left are the retreat participants. The photo to the right shows retreat participants during one of the sessions.

THE ALABAMA-NORTHWEST FLORIDA REGION EXPRESSES ITS SINCERE GRATITUDE TO ALL WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE 2012 ANNUAL FUND

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...an invitation for individuals to give additional financial support for the ministries of this Region. While the Region is supported through the Disciples Mission Fund and through the Christmas Offering, these dollars alone will not maintain current ministries and develop new ministries that are envisioned.

...an opportunity for individuals to make a difference in the lives of children, youth, young adults, men, women, pastors, and students. Gifts to the Annual Fund directly impact people right in your own congregation and in neighboring Disciples of Christ congregations.

...an opportunity to undergird this Region so that we can achieve excellence in everything we do. Nothing less is worthy of the Christ we serve.

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