



PENDEL MINISTRY NETWORK

HEALTHY PASTORS. THRIVING CHURCHES.

Fall 2022

Dear School Faculty and Administration,

Warmest Christian greetings from the Assemblies of God churches in Pennsylvania and Delaware! It is my hope that you would consider the absence of _____ on Monday, October 10, 2022 as an excused absence for religious observation. We do realize that each student is responsible for any assignments that they miss. This student will be attending our annual Youth Convention, which is a long-standing faith tradition for Assemblies of God churches and students.

The Assemblies of God is a fellowship of Pentecostal churches. We are the seventh largest Protestant denomination in the United States, and the fourth largest Protestant body in the world. Integral to the practice of our faith is gathering together for worship (Hebrews 10:25, John 4:23, 1 Corinthians 12:13), hearing and reflecting together on the scriptures found in the Bible (Acts 2:42, 1 Timothy 4:13, 2 Timothy 3:16), and experiencing the interactive nature of the Holy Spirit through these cooperative disciplines (1 Corinthians 12-14, Acts 2, Acts 10:44-46).

To accomplish these disciplines of our faith and in accordance with the Biblical precedent (Mark 6:31, Acts 1:14), it is our tradition to meet together in a retreat format at an annual Youth Convention. For many students, this convention is a marker in their faith journey. It is a significant moment in their spiritual development and is considered vital for Pentecostal spiritual formation. This year's convention will take place October 8-10, 2022 in Pocono Manor, Pennsylvania. Thank you for considering this religious observance in granting an excused absence for this student.

Thank you, sincerely, for your service to the local community through education. Please do not hesitate to contact me (717) 795-5921 if there are any questions or concerns that I can help you with.

Sincerely,

Rev. Lee Rogers, D.Min.

Youth Director

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