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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, 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

POSITION AVAILABLE

Applications are being accepted until February 15 for the Detroit Hope Church Planter position to be filled by May 1, 2011. To learn more or to apply, go to the following page at the World Church Website: <http://www.cofchrist.org/hr/jobs.asp>



MICHIGAN MISSION CENTER INFORMATION

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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

for the week of January 23–29, 2011

Newly added items are listed in *italics*. This information is also 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

BLUE WATER REUNION #2

On behalf of the Michigan Mission Center Blue Water Reunion 2 staff, I 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. In 2010 we had over 100 children registered. Day and evening classes are provided. It is our hope that we can continue to grow that area of our reunion. We strive to provide an experience that will last a lifetime and help bond our youth to the loving nature of the Lord.

In the past we have been especially blessed with wonderful guest ministers from the World Church. In recent years we enjoyed the ministry and fellowship of Rob and Barb Borkowski, Dale Luffman, John Wight, Deb Crowley and Presiding Bishop Steve Jones. 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. Come and get a preview of some new songs and some new ways of worshipping with familiar ones. The workshop will be held March 6 from 3 to 5 pm. You can help by registering in advance at www.cofchristmi.org or calling the mission center office 888-853-2339.

PRIESTHOOD CONVOCATION

The Michigan Mission Center will hold 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. Jane and Andrew Bolton are the editors of **The Sacraments: Symbol, Meaning and Discipleship** which is available from Herald House, www.heraldhouse.org. Reading this short book is highly recommended prior to attending the Convocation. In order to accommodate seating, lunches, and materials, please register on line, @ <http://www.cofchristmi.org>, or by calling the Mission Center office. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND.

WORKSHOP ON HUMAN SEXUALITY

Dave Premoe will lead workshops to prepare us for the USA Conference of 2012. All are encouraged to attend one of these educational opportunities as we seek God's ever speaking voice. We guarantee you will learn at least one new thing!

There will be one text available to purchase: **"A Time to Embrace"** cost is \$17.00. It presents broad spectrum information on LGBT issues and seven perspectives held by churches from ultra conservative to ultra liberal and viewpoints in between.

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://www.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: gking38@centurytel.net |

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 years 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 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 you may contact Kristi Bernhardt by phone or email: 517.256.6731 or Kristi.Bernhardt@douglasj.com

OUTREACH NEWS

FERRIS STUDENTS

Looking for Community of Christ students and friends attending Ferris State University in Big Rapids, MI. There's a wonderful congregation of folks there who would like to offer notes of support, goody bags for studying, and a place to come for encouragement and a listening ear. Please contact Diane McNeil, email: dmcneil@cofchrist.org or cell: 517.290.1646.]

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Did you know 7 out of 10 Americans live paycheck to paycheck? As witnesses of Christ's peace, we must respond! Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University class is one option. Capital Area Congregation (CAC), in Lansing, is launching a class that begins Tuesday, Feb. 1, 7-9pm. It's the most practical stuff out there and the most fun you'll ever have learning about money. Each weekly session starts with Dave Ramsey teaching on video and is followed by a powerful small group discussion. Those who choose to attend will DEFINITELY discover they are not alone if struggling in this area. And even if you're one of the few who isn't struggling, you'll still benefit from this powerful material. It teaches how to apply Biblical principles to the way to handle money and how to start truly managing all of the resources God has given us. This class breaks the process down into easy steps that will help no matter where you are. You've just got to take it! There is a FREE CLASS PREVIEW Sunday, Jan. 23 & 30 @ 10:20 a.m. at CAC. Don't miss it! For more information now, contact Diane McNeil at 517.290.1646 or dmcneil@cofchrist.org.

OUTREACH STORIES

Want an opportunity to share your congregational outreach story? We'd love to feature a congregation's outreach success in each newsletter. If you have a story to share, write it up! (photos too), and email to Diane McNeil, dmcneil@cofchrist.org.