

# *The Virginia Christian*



*March 1, 2024*

## Prayer Concerns and News

### Rev. Vernie Bolden

Prayer and support for Rev. Vernie Bolden in the death of his mother. Mrs. Margie Bolden passed away on Monday, January 22. Rev. Bolden is a member of the Anti-Racism/Pro- Reconciliation team and also serves on the staff of the Presbytery of the Peaks and Pastor at Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Christian Church. Please send him a note of care at Vernie Bolden - vernlee3@hotmail.com.

Rev. Trudy Betts - Reverend Betts was formally installed at Rappahannock Christian Church on Sunday, February 25 as their next settled minister. You can send a note to Rev. Betts at trudy@rappahannockchristianchurch.org.

Rev. Catina Green Martin - As of Sunday, Feb. 25, Rev. Catina Green Martin is officially the settled pastor of Belmont Christian Church. Rev. Martin has faithfully been serving Belmont since last August. Her selection was unanimously approved by the board and congregation. You can send a note to Rev. Martin at catinagm@yahoo.com.

Rev. Robin Moscoti - Rev. Moscoti has been called as Settled Pastor at Grafton Christian Church and her installed was Sunday, February 4. You can send a note to Rev. Moscotti at rjmoscati@gmail.com.

Rev. Karen Fritts - Rev. Fritts has completed her studies in the Commission Ministry program and will be commissioned at the church she serves, Macedonia Christian Church. The commission service will take place on March 17th during morning worship at 11:00 am. You can send Rev. Fritts a note at karen.fritts6785@gmail.com.



Seminaries offer Courses for all to consider: These courses are for ministry students or just someone who wants to learn more.....

**Phillips Theological Seminary:** (Intro to New Testament; Christian Ethics; Worship; Overview of the Bible; and Disciples History and Policy)  
Seminary: <https://ptstulsa.edu/?s=center+for+ministry+and+lay+training&submit=>

**Lexington Theological Seminary:** Audit Classes for \$30.00 on Faith-Rooted Anti-Racism, or Stewardship as a Vision and Practice. Follow this link - <https://lextheo.edu/prospective-students/request-information/> - to begin the auditing process or send an email to smoon@lextheo.edu for more information. *Waive application fee with code **LTS1865**.*

**JOIN US!**  
**MAY 3-5, 2024**  
**CRAIG SPRINGS CAMP**  
*WORK WEEKEND*



Registration: <https://www.ccinva.org/ministries>

**IF YOUR CHURCH WOULD LIKE TO  
COME ANY OTHER WEEKEND, PLEASE  
CONTACT RON SCHWARZ AT  
ADMIN@CRAIGSPRINGS.ORG  
540-864-5768**

# Camp Registrations are now Open

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## VIRGINIA CAMPING MINISTRY



### Craig Springs Summer Camps - 2024

- June 17 - 22 2nd Annual Regional Multi-Generational Mission Camp - Charleston, SC.
- June 23 - 27 New Covenant Camp is catered for our younger campers. Open to those who have completed 1st through 5th grade.
- June 24 - 28 Nature Camp (counselors report on June 23). A camp experience for young campers who otherwise may not be able to attend camp. Adults serve as mentors to our high school campers. (By invitation only)
- June 30 - July 5 Special Camp is dedicated to campers with physical and intellectual disabilities.
- July 1 - 6 CAMPDD (Culinary, Art, Music, Photography, Dance, Drama), pronounced "Camped," is open to campers who have completed 3rd through 12th grade.
- July 7 - 12 Triple 1 Camp offers the traditional church camp experience. Open to campers who have completed 3rd through 12th grade.
- July 14 - 19 Triple 2 Camp offers the traditional church camp experience. Open to campers who have completed 3rd through 12th grade.
- July 19 - 21 Family Camp is a weekend getaway open to all ages.

Grand Camp 2024  
University of Lynchburg  
Date: July 5 - 6, 2024

A weekend retreat for grandparents and their younger grandkids from 4 years old to those who have completed 3rd grade.

### TREC Camp - July 13 - 20, 2024

TREC Camp is an interesting Church Camp program based out of Lynchburg, VA. This week will offer you plenty of new challenges and fun. TREC Camp will involve campers ages 13 to 18 in high adventure activities each day of the week. In the past, our activities have included: hiking, tubing, canoeing, horseback riding, mountain boarding, repelling and climbing, zip line and caving. This is a camp for youth who enjoy new challenges and the fellowship of a small camp. Must be able to swim.

Cost: \$420.00

Contact for Registration Info and Medical Forms: Pastor Dan Netting: 540-556-8455/ dannetting@msn.com

### 2ND ANNUAL MULTI-GENERATIONAL MISSION TRIP TO CHARLESTON, SC JUNE 17 - 22, 2024

Everyone 11 years of age and above is welcome (11 - 17 yr olds must have a parent or chaperone). Accommodations will be at James Island Presbyterian Church, Charleston, SC. We will be building and repairing homes, working in food banks and homeless shelters. (We will have an inside option for those who are bothered by the heat.) We will have devotionals each day and have free time to experience historic Charleston and the beach.

Cost: \$225/person or \$175.00 if you provide your own transportation.

Contact: Rev. Dr. Jonathan Webster - 434-774-8494 jonathanwebsterbcc@gmail.com

Register: <https://ccinva.org/virginiacampingministry>

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<https://www.ccinva.org/virginiacampingministry>



[WWW.CCINVA.ORG](http://WWW.CCINVA.ORG)

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# SAVE THE DATE!

## *175th Regional Assembly for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Virginia* 🍷

*We Are Stronger ....*



*Acts 2: 46-47*

*Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people.*

*May 31 - June 1, 2024*

*Friday Pre-Assembly*

*Saturday 10 - 3*

*The University of Lynchburg*

*Total Cost \$15 and includes box lunch*

*We are a MOVEMENT for WHOLENESS in a FRAGMENTED World*



## Virginia Disciples Women's Ministry

The Virginia Region of DWM cabinet met at the DOC Regional office in Lynchburg on February 10, 2024. The meeting was called to order by President Margretha Kellam, from Mt. Olive East CC in Martinsville. Margretha opened with a devotion and prayer. There were 13 women in attendance. The minutes from the September 9, 2023 meeting were approved as presented. Kay Ainsworth gave her updated treasurer's report. Maryanne Farley was welcomed to the Cabinet. She is a member of Virginia Beach Christian Church.

Rev. Donna Webster is working to update and maintain the VDWM website. This website is easier for people to navigate than going to the region website. Deborah Clark and Flo Parcell will work together to communicate the DWM happenings and information.

Kathy Witt did the brochure for our Spring Projects 2024. Our Global project is Week of Compassion and our Local is Craig Springs. All Disciples Women are encouraged to support our Spring Projects.

There **will not be a W2WW trip in 2024**. This year there will be a Women-Action-Web Trip which will be to a southern state and Mexico, April 28-May 3, 2024. This trip is to learn about underprivileged women and what we can do for them. The deadline for registration has passed.

Deborah Clark, president of the Disciples Women's Leadership Council gave a report from the meeting held January 18-21<sup>st</sup> in Indianapolis. The theme was Diverse and United, Disciples Women joined by the spirit.

**Our 2024 Virginia Disciples Women's Retreat will be held October 11, 12, & 13 at the 4-H Educational Conference Center at Smith Mountain Lake! The theme is Sowing Seeds of Faith. Hosea 10:12 I said, "Plant the good seeds of righteousness, and you will harvest a crop of love." (Mark your calendars now and plan to attend!). This year's retreat promises to be even more exciting!**

The Seminary Scholarship was discussed. This is available to any woman in Virginia who attends seminary that meets the criteria. The form is on the regional and DWM websites and is due by August 15, 2024.

A date was discussed for a SPA (Study, Prayer, and Action) Day across the region. It was agreed that we did not have enough time to adequately plan this for 2024 and should plan a SPA Day for Districts in 2025. This is typically when the new Just Women study is presented.

Regional Assembly is scheduled for a one-day event, June 1, 2024 at the University of Lynchburg. The National Convocation will be held in Greensboro, NC on July 11-14, 2024. Everyone is encouraged to attend and support at the convocation, especially since it is so close to Virginia.

Our next Virginia Disciples Ministry meeting will be held on Saturday, May 18, 2024 at the Regional Office in Lynchburg. Disciples Women are invited to attend. The meeting starts at 10 am.

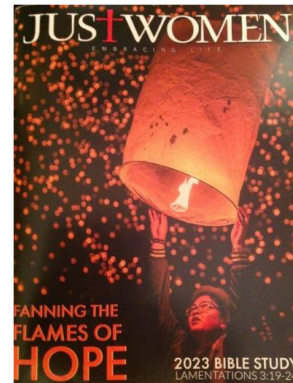
Respectfully submitted,

Flo Parcell, District IV Representative



## Virginia Disciples Women

DID YOU KNOW?



We have several past issues of Just Women Bible Study available at the Regional Office. If your Disciple Women's Group is in need of study materials, you are welcome to use these resources. The Just Women Bible Study is intended to be adapted to your group. Studies can be used in any order. I encourage women to use this resource.

Respectfully Submitted,

Madelyn Logan, VDWM Study Chair



**HELM Applications** are now open for graduating high school students to apply for the Leadership Fellows Program and for theology and pastoral students seeking financial support through academic scholarships. Follow the links for more information and to start your application today. Deadline for all applications is March 31, 2024

<https://helmdisciples.org/scholarships/>

**2024 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!**

**APPLY TODAY!**

- LEADERSHIP FELLOWS PROGRAM
- UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS
- SEMINARY STUDENTS
- PH.D STUDENTS
- D.MIN. STUDENTS

[HELMDISCIPLES.ORG/SCHOLARSHIPS](https://helmdisciples.org/scholarships/)

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Join DHM for the launch of “Young Adult Kinections” hosted by Rev. Alexis Tardy, an intergenerational space where young adults will lead conversations on spirituality, faith, and issues that are important to them. This first session will be a follow-up session and focus on young adults and Palestine. All ages are welcome; young adults will be leading. You can find the Zoom link here:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85700606348>



YOUNG ADULT  
**kinections**

**MARCH SESSION:  
A CALL TO ACTION - YOUNG ADULTS & PALESTINE**

Join us for the launch of 'Kinections' - an intergenerational space for young adults to lead discussions on their daily lives, faith and spirituality, and current events.



REV. ALEXIS TARDY  
COORDINATOR FOR MINISTRY  
WITH YOUTH AND YOUNG  
ADULTS



**MAR 19**  
START AT 7 PM EST

**VIA ZOOM**

- CONNECTION
- FELLOWSHIP
- FAITH
- MOVEMENT



For questions or concerns, contact Rev. Tardy at [atardy@dhm.disciples.org](mailto:atardy@dhm.disciples.org).





## The Past, Present, and Future of New Church: A Conversation with Rev. Dr. Dick Hamm

As New Church Ministry begins to unpack all that is DisciplesNEXT, we first look at where it all began: the 2020 Vision. In this webinar with former General Minister and President and author of 2020 Vision of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Rev. Dr. Dick Hamm, he and Rev. Dr. Jose Martinez, Minister of New Church Strategies, will examine what has led to where we are now and what is next for the New Church movement in our tradition.

Sign up here: [https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_E9B88Wu5RbSBAQF3-5ltsg#/registration](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_E9B88Wu5RbSBAQF3-5ltsg#/registration)



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