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2022 NETWORK COUNCIL | APRIL 25-27, 2022 | HIGHPOINT CHURCH | AURORA, COLORADO

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# GETTING THE MOST OUT OF NETWORK COUNCIL



GENE RONCONE Superintendent/Network Pastor <u>gene@rmdc.org</u>

Planning does not make God more powerful; it makes us more available. Quarterbacks and wide receivers know this all too well. A quarterback does not throw the ball to where the receiver is, he throws it to where the receiver WILL BE. That's why the scriptures encourage us to plan well and live with purposeful intention. By planning now, to attend Network Council you are making sure you are under the ball when God throws it. Here are six things you can decide now to receive the biggest blessing from Network Council.

1. Register now for life changing moments. If God is going to bless you at Network Council, you will need to make sure you plan well. Take thirty minutes to register, make hotel reservations and plan to be where God is going to throw the ball. We have created a one-stop webpage to get all the registration and participation information you will need at <u>https://www.rmdc.org/council/</u>

2. Relax and get some muchneeded rest. You serve others 24/7 and are always on the clock. That is why we have created more margin in the schedule for you to enjoy the moment, interact with friends, and relish a few days at a slower pace. Show up ready to be real and get some rest.

3. Expect great things from God. We have brought in some outstanding and Spiritdriven speakers to minister to you. We've engaged a wonderful worship team and have planned for times around the altar to recalibrate your spiritual compass, hear from God and be refilled and energized by His Spirit. So, let's give the Holy Spirit margin to minister to us in the evening services. Be in all the services and engage in altar times.

4. Celebrate the diversity of God's Kingdom. Unlike the local setting, district events give us needed exposure to a variety of people, ministries, models and methods. They remind us that God's Kingdom is like a giant mansion with lots of rooms. As we wander outside our favorite places, we discover new floors we never knew existed, different decorative schemes and rooms designed for unique purposes. Network Council reminds us that we are a part of



something much grander than we could have ever imagined. Decide now you want to honor that.

5. Reconnect with ministry peers. As ministers we are part of the greatest fraternity on this side of heaven. So, take time to reconnect in the shadow of COVID's isolation and social distancing. Let's be sure to reach out to people you do not know, meet new friends, expand your circle of inclusion, reconnect with old friends and enjoy our wonderful community of colleagues.

6. Leave with a new vision to reach our communities. You and your church are God's prophetic prescription to reach your community. We are all praying that this Network Council will be a place where God gives you new vision and fresh anointing to reach your city. Decide now that you are ready and willing to receive it.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

Gene & Rhonda Roncone and the Network Team

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# NETWORK COUNCIL SCHEDULE



#### 2022 Network Council Schedule April 25-27, 2022 Highpoint Church, Aurora, Colorado

#### Monday, April 25, 2022 – "Spirit-Driven Power"

3:00pm - 6:30pm - Registration open (Atrium)

6:30pm - 8:00pm - General Service #1 – guest Peter Reeves, "Spirit-Driven Power" (auditorium)

#### Tuesday, April 26, 2022 – "Spirit-Driven Relevance"

- 9:00am 10:00am Registration open (Atrium)
- 10:00am 12:00pm Business session #1 (Alpine Auditorium)

12:00pm – 2:00pm - Lunch break

- 2:00pm 4:00pm Plenary session Glenn Lutjens on "5 Ways to Guard Your Emotional Well-Being in Ministry"
- 4:00pm 7:00pm Dinner break
- 7:00pm 9:00pm General Service #2 Network Pastor Gene Roncone, *"Spirit-Driven Relevance"* (Alpine Auditorium)
- **9:00pm 10:30pm** "The Tradition" after service event for youth & children's pastors (CMD sponsoring) Location TBD

#### Wednesday, April 27, 2022 - "Spirit-Driven Calling"

- 10:00am 11:00am Memorial Service and Communion (Alpine Auditorium)
- **11:00am 11:30am** Break
- 11:30am 1:00pm Missions Luncheon (Atrium)
- 1:30pm 1:45pm Break
- 1:45pm 2:45pm Power sessions
  - 1. Power Break-Out with Peter Reeves for Next Gen (Outpost)
  - 2. Power Break-Out with Cindy Gilliland for minister's wives (Aspen Theater)
  - 3. Power Break-Out with Choco De Jesus (Alpine Auditorium)
  - 4. Power Break-Out with Glenn Lutjens (from Focus on the Family) (Vista room)
- 2:45pm 3:00pm Break
- 3:00pm 4:30pm Business session #2 (auditorium) only if needed
- 4:30pm 7:00pm Dinner break

**7:00pm – 9:00pm** - Ordination service and closing – guest Choco De Jesus, *"Spirit-Driven Calling"* (Alpine Auditorium)

9:00pm - 10:00pm - Ordination reception (Atrium)

\*Babysitting will be provided during all service times and events (except for meal breaks and evening after-service events).

# SUPERINTENDENT'S "WE" REPORT



#### SUPERINTENDENT'S "WE" REPORT - - ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT



As a leader I welcome the question, "What has the Network done for me or my church?" I understand the importance of a superintendent giving an annual report outlining the progress from the last year.

Because I believe healthy ministers build healthy churches, I also understand the prime directive of a district office to be of service to ministers first and churches second. To me, the purpose of the RMMN is to bring eternal hope to Colorado and Utah by

embracing the following four strategic initiatives:

- **Empower ministers:** Credential, equip, and resource ministers.
- Resource churches: Resource, train, and network churches.
- Build community: Connecting, including, and collaborating.
- **Facilitate the future:** Creating opportunities for the Assemblies of God in Colorado and Utah by establishing long-term vision, new and innovative income streams, and church multiplication.

Three years ago, I started updating a report of my office's quarterly progress in each of the areas listed above. Last year that report was expanded to include the significant progress of all our ministries and departments. It's entitled the "We Report". That full report is updated quarterly with the most recent additions being in red font. Because the report is usually over pages long, it is available online with a table of contents, as well as past reports at www.generoncone.org/we.

Every time I read through that report, I find myself expressing thankfulness to God for the many people who empower our Network office to serve. I would like to also thank my two executive assistants, Susan Cassell and Rhonda Roncone for helping me better serve our minsters and churches. I am also indebted to the Network staff that follows through with assignments and leans into vision; the Presbytery that finances their leader and gives of their support, resources, and time to support vision; a budget provided by ministers who generously tithe; colleagues who work hard to carry vision downstream; cooperative churches; and even deacons I have never met who approve budgets that enable their pastors, departments, and staff to support this wonderful Network. Not to mention previous Superintendents who have generously replied to my request for advice and feedback throughout the year.

I honestly love getting out of bed each morning and serving our ministers, lightening their load and collaborating together to build God's Kingdom in Colorado and Utah. Thank you for that honor!

Contending for community,

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Gene Roncone Rocky Mountain Ministry Network District Superintendent/Network Pastor (aka "helper")

# MEET OUR SPEAKERS

#### **MEET OUR SPEAKERS**

This year's Network Council has an exciting line-up of speakers.



Peter Reeves: Peter is a dynamic youth speaker who speaks to over 20,000 people a year and has a passion to see people experience and operate in the power of God. In addition to traveling, he is currently the Next Generation Pastor at Mount Hope Church in Lansing, Michigan, where he lives with his wife, Joanna, and three beautiful babies. Peter will be speaking Monday night on the relationship between supernatural power and local ministry.



Gene Roncone: Gene has served as the RMMN Network Pastor for nearly three years. He has a passion for serving ministers and churches through networking, training, collaboration, and resourcing. He also leads the Network's efforts to support nearly 170 churches, 600 ministers and 44,000 constituents in Colorado and Utah. Gene will be speaking Tuesday night on the need for Spirit-driven relevance.



Glenn Lutjens: Glenn is a licensed marriage and family therapist who leads his own private practice, as well as serves as a counselor with Focus on the Family. Glenn has been a favorite speaker and coach for many RMMN ministers due to his dense content, powerful relevance, and practical application. Glenn will be speaking two times. Once on 5 Ways to Guard Your Emotional Well-Being in Ministry, and a second time on How to Build a Legacy of Marriage in Your Church.



John Bryant: John has served as the Secretary/Treasurer for the RMMN since January of 2021. He has a passion to help people reach their full potential in Christ, and to support and resource the Church. John will be leading and speaking in Wednesday morning's memorial and communion service.



Choco De Jesus: Wilfredo "Choco" De Jesús has served as the General Treasurer of the Assemblies of God since 2019. He is a member of the Executive Leadership Team and oversees the Division of Treasury. In 2013, he was named one of Time magazine's 100 most influential people in the world and recognized for his leadership and influence within the evangelical and Latino communities. De Jesús is the author of Amazing Faith, In the Gap, Stay the Course, Move into More, and Love Them Anyway. Choco will be speaking Wednesday evening in our ordination service.



Cindy Gilliland: Cindy is a woman who is full of passion for people to discover who they are in Christ. Having served as a pastor's wife for decades, she is a sought-after speaker for minister's wives and is known for her depth of Bible teaching, down to earth personality, and ability to be real and raw. Cindy will be speaking in Wednesday's afternoon session for minister's wives.

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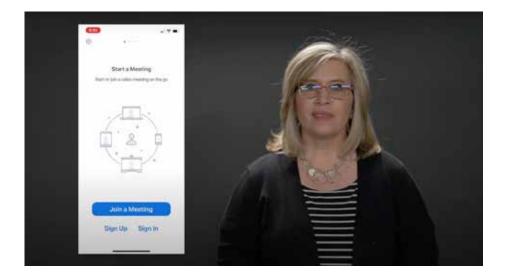
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We are excited to announce that we will be using the Zoom Mobile App to conduct electronic voting this year at Network Council! Electronic voting will only be available for those who attend Network Council. This article will walk you through four easy steps to downloading the app and joining the meeting as well as two different types of voting. You may watch the tutorial video on our website, www.rmdc.org, under Network Council.

1. Access your phones app store. If you have not already done so, download the Zoom Cloud Meetings App onto your smart phone or tablet. If you are using an iPhone, you will want to locate the App Store. It looks like a capital A and will say App Store under-neath. If you are using an Android, you will want to locate the Google Play App. It looks like a multicolor triangle on its side or a multicolored arrow. Touch the icon and your app store will open.

2. Download the Zoom app. You will then need to use the search bar at the top for Zoom Cloud Meetings. Once you find it, click download and wait for the app to download. When it is finished, click open.

3. Type meeting ID. Once you have opened the Zoom App, select Join Meeting and input the Meeting ID Number. This number will be provided for you before business starts. Type your Meeting ID Number into the appropriate



space and click Join, making sure your name is listed underneath the Meeting ID Number. This will allow us to keep the integrity of the vote pure.

4. Join Meeting. Press JOIN but DO NOT press CONNECT TO AUDIO.

5. Press "OK". Click OK if a new window pops up and you are ready to vote.

During the business session, your screen will display this year's Network Council Artwork. There is no need to do anything but wait for the ballot to appear on your screen.

1. When the ballot options appear, make your selection and tap Submit.

2. If a ballot requires multiple selections, the chair will inform you that this is the case, and you may select all the choices you wish. By selecting a name, you are voting Yes. If you choose to vote No, simply leave the selection unchecked.

When the voting is complete, click Leave; and the meeting will be over. If for some reason you accidently leave a meeting too early, just follow the steps above and join again.

Following are four things to keep in mind during voting:

1. To maintain the integrity of the vote, the moderators will remove you from the meeting if you are not ordained, licensed, or an approved church delegate.

 If your name appears twice in the list of attendees, one of those names will also be removed from the meeting. Married couples must be logged in with their own logins.
Once you have voted and clicked submit, you cannot change your vote so be certain you have selected correctly before hitting submit.

4. Please try to vote in a timely fashion. The chair will give ample time for everyone to vote; but once the ballot has closed, it cannot be reopened.

If you have any questions or need help getting your Zoom Mobile app set up, visit the Solutions Desk at Network Council. We are happy to help.

\* You can also watch a video tutorial on YouTube at this link: <u>https://</u> <u>youtu.be/8YQtbjRwYRg</u>

# JOIN THE MISSIONS LUNCHEON



#### Join us this year for the Missions Luncheon, Wednesday, April 27, 11:30 am during Network Council.

#### There will be FOOD, FELLOWSHIP, INTERACTIVE FUN, RECOGNIZING NEW MISSIONARIES AND A SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER!!

#### Register online when you register for Network Council at <u>https://www.rmdc.org/council/</u>



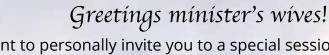




## MINISTER'S WIVES



#### POWER BREAK-OUT WITH CINDY GILLILAND FOR MINISTER'S WIVES WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 1:45 PM



I want to personally invite you to a special session at Network Council just for you. I knew ministry these past two years has taken more out of us than we ever imagined. So let's all get together and encourage one another while we celebrate what we all have in common. See you there! Rhonda Roncone



# Special Speaker



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## SECRETARY/TREASURER NEWS AND INFO



#### 2022 RMMN CAMPING TRIP

Dawn and I would like to invite you to join us for the **all-new 2022 RMMN Annual Camping trip!** This year's camp trip

includes new scenery and location, providing opportunities for recreation and adventure that you won't want to miss!

LOCATION: Printer Boy Campground is a gorgeous tree-covered group camp site making a great option for high-altitude group camping. Located within a short walk from the eastern shore of Turquoise Lake at 9,900 feet, Printer Boy is located just 15 minutes outside of Leadville, CO.

DATES: Sunday, June 26 through Friday, July 1, 2022 (this is a **5-night trip** – but individuals can arrive later than June 26 or leave earlier than July 1, as desired, with an **RSVP** before June 3rd, 2022).

**ACCOMODATIONS:** Printer Boy equips group sites with picnic tables, a campfire circle, and grill. Also, a centrally located **cooking shelter** is available; first-come first-serve. Unlike previous RMMN dispersed camping trips, vault toilets, drinking water, and trash collection are **provided**.

A **dump station** for those pulling a tow trailer or RV is accessible just outside the campground. Every camper is responsible for their own campsite accommodations, gear, tents, supplies, and **highaltitude** packing/preparations. This group campsite can receive both **trailer**, **RV**, and tents. Size and vehicle restrictions are enforced, so **RSVP early** to **save your spot!** 

The campground is situated within **walking distance** of the lake shore of **Turquoise Lake**. This **high elevation** campsite **requires cold weather preparations** as temperature during the last week of June reach a comfortable average high of 70, with lows in the upper-30's throughout the night. Pack for snow, rain and coldweather conditions.

**CAMPSITES:** With RSVP, there is enough room for individuals to spread out and establish camp among the tree-covered group campsite. Each group campsite holds up to 35 people. Per park policy, **no generators** are permitted to be used **after 10:00 p.m.** (even if a camper requires sleeping with a CPAP medical device). Plan accordingly!

**RECREATION:** Printer Boy Campground offers plenty of recreational opportunities. This includes boating, fishing, horseshoes, volleyball, and hiking. It allows easy access to nearby Leadville, CO for a day of shopping, dining, and sight-seeing.



JOHN BRYANT Secretary/Treasurer jbryant@rmdc.org







The nearby town of Leadville, a historic gold and silver mining town, is worth visiting for its



# SECRETARY/TREASURER NEWS AND INFO CONTINUED

#### RMMN CAMPING TRIP (continued)

small-town charm. Some may want to reserve a day scenic train excursion https://leadville-train.com/ on the scenic Leadville Colorado and Southern Railroad.

On the lake, boating, sailing, canoeing, and fishing are favorite activities. **Anglers** fish for stocked cutthroat, rainbow, brown and lake trout. A boat ramp is located nearby. The campground offers a playground, ball fields, horseshoe pits and a volleyball court. Campers **must bring their own sports equipment** and **fishing license** to participate.

#### **Hikers** will enjoy the 1.2-mile **Turquoise Lake Nature**

**Trail**. This gentle path flows through the forest and down to the shoreline of Turquoise Lake where it connects with the 6.4-mile Turquoise Lake Trail. Trail guides are available at the Turquoise Lake Trail trailhead, located at the entrance to Molly Brown Campground.

**MEALS:** Everyone is on their own for food/cooking/supplies/ etc. Firewood will be provided for an evening group bonfire, pending fire restrictions.

**RSVP:** Highly recommended. To RSVP, email JBryant@rmdc.org by June 3rd, 2022, however, space is limited



and RSVP's are received on a first-come-first serve basis! When you RSVP, please give the following details: intended dates of participation, arrival time/ day, length of stay, best contact cell number, number of people in the reservation, names of people attending, and detail a brief description of any gear/ equipment/RV and tow trailer specifications intended to be utilized for camp. There is **no** charge to register and attend this event! This trip reservation is covered by RMMN, to bless our ministers and **encourage** fellowship and refreshment!

**DIRECTIONS:** Take County Road 4 from Leadville, following signs for Turquoise Lake Recreation Area. Printer Boy is one of eight camping areas at the 780-acre lake. The main access road is reasonably accessible and easy to travel.





Printer Boy Campground County Road 4 Leadville, Colorado 80461 USA (719) 486-0749

GPS Info. (Latitude, Longitude): 39.26944, -106.34667 39°16'10"N, 106°20'48"W

# SECRETARY/TREASURER NEWS AND INFO CONTINUED



#### **TRINITY ORDINATION SCHOLARSHIP**

50% Discount on Graduate Education for all Ordained Ministers

To recognize and honor the sacrifice, commitment, and ministry accomplishments of those who have achieved the highest level of credential, the Rocky Mountain Ministry offers exclusive benefits to those who are ordained. Among these benefits is a 50% discount on all graduate level tuition in the Masters and PhD programs of Trinity Bible College and Seminary. As one of our primary educational partners, Trinity assists us by investing in leaders already serving in our Network, as well as increasing our ability to recruit new ministers to serve as lead pastors and staff in our RMMN churches.

Visit <u>https://www.rmdc.org/tos/</u> for more information and how to apply.



#### **PATHWAY**

Pathway (Online Interactive Learning). Pathway is the newest innovation in online ministerial training and credential advancement. The Rocky Mountain Ministry Network has established a formal partnership with them that we believe has tremendous potential. Pathway was created as just that...a pathway to get both formal Bible education and an Assemblies of God credential at the same time. They are a "Church-Based Bible Institute" that has been approved by the General Council of the Assemblies of God. The Bible training they provide will give you a great education, while also fulfilling the educational requirements needed to apply for all three levels of credentialing with the Assemblies of God (certified, licensed and ordained).

We currently have 58 people enrolled and seeking their education through Pathway. A few ministers have completed all their courses and are ready to upgrade their credential or apply for a new credential. If you want to enroll or learn more visit Pathway at https://pathway.training.





# CHURCH MINISTRIES



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#### THE CHURCH MINISTRIES TEAM IS WORKING FOR YOU!

#### **REGIONAL MEN'S EVENTS**

For more information go to: <u>https://www.rmdc.org/mens-ministry/</u>





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# CHURCH MINISTRIES



#### **FINE ARTS AND YOUTHCON22**

Fine Arts and YouthCon22 March 25-27, 2022 The Embassy Suites, Loveland, CO

https://www.rmdc.org/fineartsyouthcon/



#### **NEW RESOURCE**

Ministry of the A/V Team; A Training Guide

https://www.rmdc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/Church-Media-Team-Resource.pdf

#### **ONGOING RESOURCES**



#### **Church University -**

The Rocky Mountain Ministry Network has partnered with Church University to provide excellent training resources for our church leaders. These resources come free to the local church with courses including Preaching, Church Board, Church Audio Track and Kids Ministry. To get your church signed up go to Church University located under Church Ministries at our Network website. https://www.rmdc.org/church-university/

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# CHURCH MINISTRIES

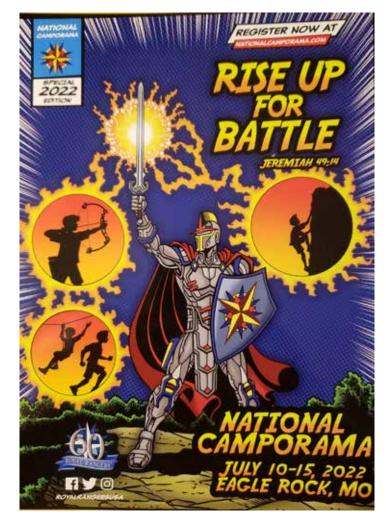


JACK MARSHAL Royal Rangers jack.marshall@live.com www.rmdrr.org

This year's Camporama is also a celebration of the 60th year of Royal Rangers. This event will be the best Camporama ever. You will not want to miss this opportunity.

National Camporama is an event conducted once every four years by the National Royal Rangers Ministry at the national Royal Rangers campground at Camp Eagle Rock, Missouri. Royal Rangers groups from across the country gather for a week of camping, fun activities, team competitions, and engaging evening services, all designed just for guys. Boys and leaders attend as a group with their outpost. Each outpost is responsible for bringing their own camping gear but all meals are provided.

Each day begins with an assembly where all outposts from a given region gather for a brief time of announcements, prayer, and a devotional message. Once concluded, the day's activities begin and



continue until the evening meal. Each day will conclude with an exciting evening rally with contemporary worship, familyfriendly comedy, and challenging messages by nationally-known guest speakers.

The camp will open at 1:00 PM on Sunday, July 10 and will officially conclude on Friday, July 15 with most outposts typically being gone by noon.

#### Get Ready for the BIG Event

With an expected attendance of over 5,000 campers, National Camporama is the BIG EVENT for Royal Rangers. Although the activities to be provided at this event are subject to change, typical events include:

- Archery Tag
- JB Jamborama
- High Ropes Challenge Course
- Rappelling Tower
- Archery & Rifle Shooting
- And much, much more!

National Camporama is an event you won't want to miss. Come join us and bring the whole group!

# CHI ALPHA - UTAH



#### MINISTRY GROWTH, LEADERSHIP TRAINING, AND THE INTERNSHIP!

Greetings from the University of Northern Colorado Chi Alpha with Duncan and Lori Chance.

We are grateful for the opportunity to begin our 8th semester on campus. It's hard to believe that the freshmen we met on campus when we started are now our seniors. This year, God has grown our ministry to become **the largest Christian organization at UNC**, and the work is just getting started.

We began our spring semester by hosting a missions team from Colorado State University XA. 6 students from Fort Collins joined us on our campus for a week of outreach, evangelism, and witnessing. We were able to meet many new students who had never connected with XA before, and many are now in our small groups.

This semester, for our Thursday night services on campus, we will be going through the Gospel of Mark. Each week, we will be going pretty deep into the life and teachings of Jesus, as well as covering the ultimate purpose for why He came - to die for our sins and rise from the dead! We are already 3 weeks in, and our students have been growing so much. Many have never read through the Gospels before. You can watch all of our messages on our YouTube channel, so please subscribe!



Our missions team from Colorado State U. Chi Apha!



Duncan preaching on Mark Chapter 2.



Duncan teaching the first session of our 2022 Leadership Traning Class!



national Campus Missionary in Training program, the XA internship.

With our spring semester comes our annual leadership training class. Each year, our student small group leaders ask members of their small group to consider taking up the honor of being trained as a small group leader, themselves. This year, we're excited to be training 12 students to become small group leaders. The course is 9 weeks, so please be praying for them!



NATE BANKE Chi Alpha - Colorado natebanke@gmail.com

#### If you didn't hear the news

- Our XA has been approved as a host site for our national XA Internship Program (CMIT). This program trains recent college graduates to become full time college missionaries with Chi Alpha. Of the 300 XA groups across the nation, only about 30 of them host internship programs. We are so honored to be able to have the CMIT program at UNC. We will begin to prepare to host 4 interns this fall, as our program will launch in August. Please keep us in prayer!

As always, we are so grateful for your continued partnership as we reconcile students to Christ at UNC. Please continue to pray for our fund-raising - We have \$2500 / month in support left to raise for our second term starting this summer. If you would like to join us, whether for the first time, or if you would like to increase your giving, please go to

https://giving.ag.org/donate/700001-277770.

# CAMP CEDAREDGE





GLENN JONES Camp Cedaredge campcedaredge@gmail.com

#### **HELLO RMMN!**

Camp Cedaredge is going all in on volunteers this year, and we're off to a great start! We are working diligently to complete our new volunteer RV site with 5 new oversized RV spaces specifically for camp volunteers to park their RVs in. We also have 2 great volunteer events on the calendar (Camp Prep Week, and Camp Investment Week) that we have been planning. These are not your ordinary work weeks, there's some serious fun about to go on, and if you can get here you'll be glad you came!

Come on out for FREE for Camp Prep Week! April 4-8

Camp Prep Week is an opportunity for you to come hang out with the camp family and stay here for FREE for a few days coming right up early in April from the 4th through the 8th. This is the first ever CPW event, and we are going to be working together during the days focusing on a few key projects and chores to set us up for success for the rest of the year. We'll have several satellite projects going at once, but we want to see that new RV site and phase 1 of our new covered patio project DONE in April! (The included pictures are a rendering of the new camp patio concept, and our area RV Volunteer missionaries Dan and Libby Zitterkopf standing in our new RV area that they helped us to clear off.)

To join us for CPW all you need to do is:

Call in or email us ahead of time to talk through sleeping arrangements, then: Show up Eat great FREE food all week Enjoy some great fellowship Jump in on a project (we'll have several) Have fun with our planned activities for the evening, and/or hit the showers and relax

Sleep

Be ready for some contests and drawings throughout the event to take home some sweet prizes!

Jobs abound for every skill level, please don't count yourself out!

Here's our list of CPW projects so far:

- RV site prep
- Paint exterior of 2 buildings



- Deck site concrete prep
- Low ropes course new cable
- Archery Course prep
- Clear loop road brush

Please call or text my cell phone @ 970-216-2588 or email the camp office @ campcedaredge@gmail. com for more info or to make arrangements. Look forward to seeing you here!

Have a great springtime!

Glenn Jones Director, Camp Cedaredge



## MINISTRY ENRICHMENT



#### AWAKEN THE CHURCH TO PRAY FOR OUR NATION

100 years before, Jonah was sent to the city of Nineveh with a message from the Lord to repent of their evil or face destruction. From the king down, all of the people and the animals fasted and prayed in sackcloth and ashes. God rewarded their humility extending to them forgiveness, grace, and mercy.

Over the following years, the glorious truth of God's mercy had been forgotten as an entire nation progressively slipped back into the slimy pit of self-indulgence, greed, and oppression. So grievous were their sins that God sent a second prophet, Nahum with a proclamation of judgment and certain destruction.

"Behold, I am against you, declares the LORD of hosts, and I will burn your chariots in smoke, and the sword shall devour your young lions. I will cut off your prey from the earth, and the voice of your messengers shall no longer be heard." (Nahum 2:13 ESV)

But what of those good men and woman who have not bowed the knee to this societal norm? Thiers alone is the sure promise that they have not been forgotten. He knows them by name. God himself is their refuge and salvation!

"The LORD is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; he knows those who take refuge in him." (Nahum 1:7 ESV)

As I read through this small book, I could not help but think of America and the extraordinary grace that has been bestowed upon our nation. I also could not get away from the painful truth of our rebellious actions and the grievous sins of our current society! Have we grown so hard-hearted that we no longer fear this Holy and righteous God? Are we approaching the point of no return only to face His fierce judgment?

Father God, I thank you for your tender mercies that You have bestowed upon our nation in generations past. I thank you that in times of trouble You continue to be our strong and mighty Fortress.

Father God, please raise up your prophetic voice once again over our nation.



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Convince us of Your Love and kindness. Help us to shake off our lethargy, draw us by your Holy Spirit into the heartfelt prayer of repentance. Help us to humble ourselves before You, that we would receive Your forgiveness, unmerited favor, and blessing. Help us to escape the judgment that comes upon any nation that forsakes God! Raise up intercessors that will be faithful to pray for our people. Grant that I may be in their number!



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