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Mission Statement: May the unity of the Spirit mold us by the Word of God unto the perfect body attracting all men that they may be saved honoring our Lord.

2014 EAST DISTRICT Christmas Banquet
Open to all Pastors, Youth Leaders, East District Ministry Workers & Spouses

**SATURDAY
DECEMBER 6th
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM**

**NATURAL BRIDGE
STATE PARK LODGE**
*Buffet cost is \$15 per person
(includes drink)*

MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND THIS WONDERFUL AFTERNOON!
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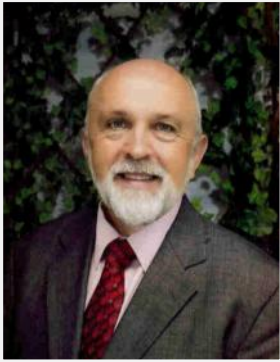
EAST DISTRICT CHRISTMAS BANQUET

Dear Fellow Pastors, Ministers, Youth Leaders and East District Leadership Team Members, You are invited and encouraged to attend our Annual East District Christmas Banquet which will be held on Saturday, December 6, 2014 from 4pm to 6pm at Natural Bridge State Park Lodge. We will gather in the Lodge's banquet room for a time of fellowship and prayer. The cost of the dinner is approximately \$15 per person. The folks at the Lodge always do a great job. The dinner is buffet style. If possible please contact Jeff Justice if you plan to attend by Monday, December 1 so Jeff can give an approximate number of diners to the Lodge staff so adequate preparations can be made. You may contact Jeff at 606-424-0695 or email him at eastdistrict40@yahoo.com. I do hope you will make a special effort to attend. This is always a great time of fellowship.

Your Fellow Servant,
Rob Jordan, Secretary

**From the Desk of the
East District COG
Vice Chairman**

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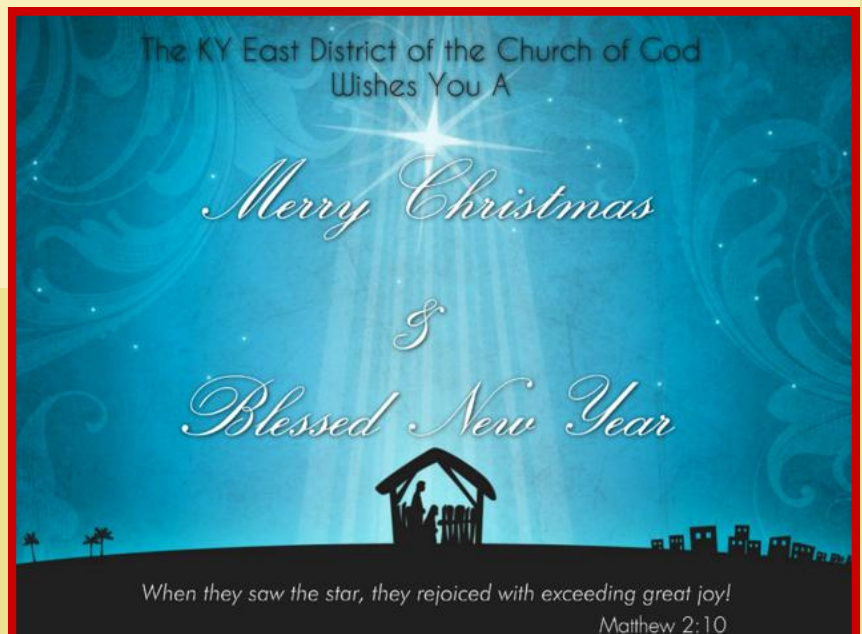


Dear Brothers and Sisters in the East District,

As I write this article, I am in a nostalgic and reflective mood. Having recently conducted along with Rev. Johnny Hatfield and Rev. Allan Hutchinson the funeral service for Sister Essie Lovely, a lot of memories have crossed my mind. Bro. Bernie and Sister Essie touched the lives of so many of us in the Church of God and their absence is keenly felt by those who knew them. Their youthfulness in their older years, their love for the Church of God and their participation in the life of the Church blessed all of us. They will be missed more than this feeble use of words can ever express. When you were around them, you could feel their love for you and it was so easy to love them in return. This Thanksgiving my mind travels around the East District and I remember with gratitude and thankfulness so many wonderful colleagues and mentors in ministry that have blessed my life and inspired my ministry. Brother Moses Kitchen worked in the coal mines of eastern Kentucky and preached the Word of God up and down the Big Sandy area where he established churches and won many people to the Lord. I remember him helping with the baptismal service for my dad at Dewey Lake. Brother Walter Strong had a wonderful evangelistic and television ministry and established many congregations throughout the area and he had a burden for souls until the day he died. Brother Scotty Griffith had a wonderful pastoral ministry and his love for people radiated from him and his influence still lives today and I have always tried to treat people with the kind of love that he had for them. He was my first pastor in Paintsville when I was born. Brother Nando Mullins had a love for the mountain churches in Pike County and his ministry was respected by people far and near. Bro. Virgil J. Harmon was a pastor and evangelist with a wonderful testimony of God's saving grace and only in Heaven will we know the full impact of his ministry. These men and many more besides them have left a legacy that made a difference to us and for eternity. Time has a way of moving on and the older I get the more quickly it goes and if the Lord tarries His coming, there will come a day when my life will be a legacy as will yours. May God help us to leave the kind of legacy that will reflect the faith, the values and the hope that will inspire those who will follow us. There will be many changes in the methodology of the Church in years to come as we adjust to the changing environment around us but the message of the Church never changes. Our Savior is the only one who can forgive sin and guarantee us a heavenly home. I pray that all of us will be true to the message for as long as we live as these men of God who have gone before us exemplified. In making the transition from the Thanksgiving season to the Christmas season, I will hold the special memories of special people like those I have mentioned in this brief article in my mind and with the blessed assurance that some day we will meet again. Until then it is onward and upward as I press toward the goal that they have already attained. I am grateful for them and they were some of God's most precious gifts to me.

How blessed we are!

In God's Love, Lowell C. Rice,
Vice-Chairman
East District of the Church of God in Kentucky



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Bluebank Church of God Christmas Bazaar

December 13th ~ 10:00 - 3:00

Bluebank Church of God Fellowship Hall

3200 Bluebank Rd., Morehead, KY (Rowan Co.)

606.776.4083 - 606.776.5533 For more information.

Door Prizes give away every 1/2 hr.

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2014

AT 7 O'CLOCK PM

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2014
CWC/WCG Luncheon
Marion, Virginia



Thirsty?

Come To The Water!



Martha Williams and
Virginia State CWC President,
Rachael Baez

MARTHA IS THE WIFE OF BOWEN FCOG PASTOR, STEVE WILLIAMS



Jackson
First Church
of God

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR!

Saturday
Nov 22nd
9am-3pm



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Hosted by: Johns Creek First Church of God
Speaker : Scottie Adkins, Pastor



**Pike County Church of God
Unity Service**



**BOWEN FIRST CHURCH OF GOD
THANKSGIVING DINNER**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2014



Enter into his gates with
THANKSGIVING
and into his courts with
PRaise
be thankful to him and bless his name
For the LORD is **GOOD** EVERLASTING
and his **LOVE** endureth to all generations. Psalm 100:4-5



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Ole Stump Kickers in concert at Clay City FCOG



2014
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First Church of God

Glennis Sizemore
Evangelist

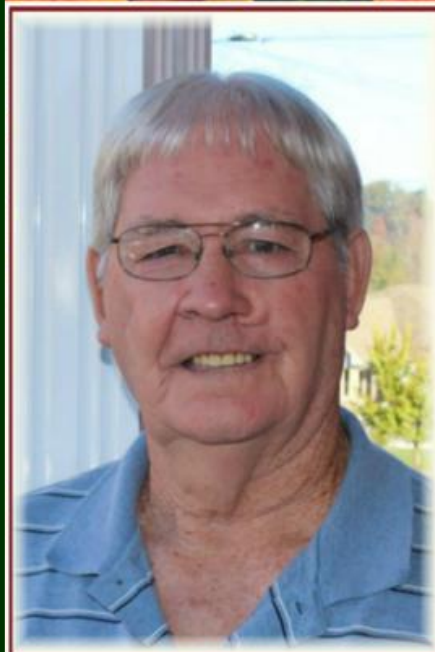
Stanley Hutchinson
Pastor


**Peace
on
Earth**

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Congratulations!

Ed Spencer, a member of the Campton First Church of God, was nominated and awarded Nursing Home Volunteer for 8 Eastern Kentucky Counties. His name was then submitted to the state level where he was recognized and awarded the highest honor of "Kentucky State Nursing Home Volunteer of the Year."

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Owingsville FCOG "Pulse Student Ministries"

Hey everyone my name is Aaron Conn and I am the youth pastor at the Owingsville First Church of God. Since I started back in February of this year, we have had some exciting things go on! One of the coolest things is getting to see God work. When I took over, we had roughly 4 youth members. Today, we have 20+ and are continuing to grow with new people coming every couple of weeks! I say this as a testament so you will see that God keeps his promises when we are faithful!

Furthermore, the youth recently chose to call our ministry "Pulse Ministries." In addition to that we selected Proverbs 3:5-6 as our Bible verse. It states, "Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. Pulse ministries is designed so that students' will come to understand what it means to be saved and what it means to fully follow Jesus. Some of the upcoming events that we have planned are Kentucky State Youth Convention (KSYC), Youth giving (Thanksgiving dinner w/ the youth), Perfect North (Ski Trip), Winter Jam (Concert), Lock in, Paintball, Go-Karts and much more! Also, in the near future we are looking to make renovations to expand the size of our youth room and to add some new things for the students! As we continue to grow, we will adapt and overcome any obstacles before us! As the youth pastor at Owingsville First Church of God, I believe it is essential to be creative in teaching the message of Jesus. Though the mediums in which I present the content may change (video, power point etc.), the content itself will never change! Here we couple fun with the Word and make learning interactive and challenging! In a world that competes daily for our youth, we must be creative in our approach to helping students' find Jesus!

In addition, we have some awesome young adults and adults who help make up our Youth Council. This is simply a team of individuals that get together to plan events and discuss ways to reach other youth. Special thanks to them as they are the driving force behind the youth program! Also, we have some amazing volunteers who run our children's program, "Saviors Soldiers." They work tirelessly and truly make a difference in the lives of students in grades K-5. Their work is so critical to the future success of Pulse Ministries as well. As the children graduate from 5th grade, they then join us. A big thanks to all of those who work hard in this ministry! We have an awesome church who is super supportive in all that we do! Part of having a successful and exciting youth and children's program directly correlates with the support of your congregation. I am thankful for our congregations support as we continue to reach others! Lastly, if you are currently looking for a youth group or church and living in the area, come and check us out!

Sunday Morning Service: 10:45 a.m.

Pulse Ministries (6th-12th Grade): *Sunday Evening- 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m -*

Wednesday Evening- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Saviors Soldiers (K-5th Grade): *Wednesday Evening- 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.*

**MERRY
CHRISTMAS**

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The East District would like
to welcome Bro. Stanley
Hutchinson as Pastor of
Irvine First Church of God



Welcome



Bro Stanley & Sis Alma
Hutchinson

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Bluebank COG Thanksgiving Dinner



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2014 Lick Creek First Church of God CWC Christmas Bazaar



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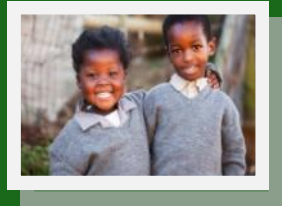
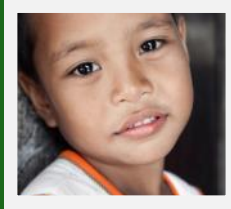
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the vision.



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Have you ever wonder what's going on in the East District but didn't know were to turn? Find out by visiting our Facebook page! See pictures of all the rallies and stay up on current events. We are working very hard keeping everyone informed and posting relevant information.

It's really simple, visit Facebook and search for "East District of the KY Church of God". Once on our page, "Like" us to have information posted to your Facebook page anytime an event is updated!

Hope to see you at an upcoming rally!

Rev. Daniel Castle

Social Media Coordinator

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Congregations: Blue Bank, Clearfield Tabernacle, Cranston, East Fork, Flemingsburg, Frenchburg, Johnson (Fleming County), Johnson (Rowan County), Midland, Morehead, Mud Lick, Oakla, Ore Mines, Owingsville, Pleasant Valley, Polksville, Preston, Salt Lick, Siloam, Tunnell Hill, Youngs Valley

Region 2

Counties: Boyd, Greenup, Lawrence

Congregations: Grandview, Lowmansville, Meade Station, Martha, Shawnee, South Portsmouth, South Shore, Wildwood

Region 3

Counties: Floyd, Johnson, Pike

Congregations: Big Mud Lick, Elkhorn City, Feds Creek, Johns Creek, Lick Creek, Little Mud Lick, Little Paint, Millard, Paintsville, Prestonsburg

Region 4

Counties: Breathitt, Magoffin, Morgan, Wolfe

Congregations: Broadway, Campton, Caney, Ezel, Jackson, Salyersville, Torrent, Trent, Wells Chapel, Mariba

Region 5

Counties: Clay, Harlan, Jackson, Laurel, Letcher, Owsley, Perry

Congregations: Booneville, Chavies, Clay County, Kirby Knob, Neon, Park Place, Sunny Acres

Region 6

Counties: Estill, Lee, Powell

Congregations: Beattyville, Bowen, Clay City, Goff Corner, Irvine, Middle Fork, Millers Creek, Morris Creek, Pine Crest, Stanton, Vaughns Mill, West Bend, White Oak, Zoe

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WKCA 97.7 FM Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Pastor Dan Heaberlin
WSIP 98.9 FM Sunday 12:30pm

Pastor Alan Hutchinson
WIVY 96.3 FM Sunday 10:00am

Pastor Bobby Hollon
WJSN 97.3 FM Sunday 8:00am
T.V. WLJC Sunday 7:30am
Sunday 9:00am

Pastor Raymond Tipton
WBFC 1470 AM Saturday 11:00 a.m.

Bowen Bible Story
Monday - Friday, 7:30 A.M.
MBFC 1470 AM

Pastor Steven V. Williams
Reformation for Today
WBFC 1470 AM
8:00 A.M.—8:30 A.M.



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***Caney First Church of God - Clay City FCOG -
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