

THE CALL TO ACTION

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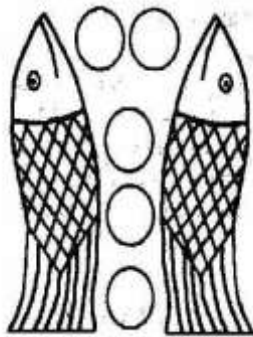
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RETURN ADDRESS REQUESTED

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR COLUMBUS KOINONIA

- Oct. 10 CK 120 Support Party – First Presbyterian Church in Lancaster @ 6:30 p.m. Bring a snack and a beverage to share.
- Oct. 16-18 CK 120 Weekend @ Geneva Hills
*** PLEASE SUPPORT THE WEEKEND BY ATTENDING THE SATURDAY EVENING SENERADE AT 6:30 P.M., AND THE SUNDAY BREAK-IN AT 2 P.M!!!!!! ***
- Nov. 5 CK Board Meeting @ 6:30 p.m. Please pray for the Board at this time!
- Nov. 14 CK Reunion – Square Dance – Trinity Family Life Center @ 6:30 p.m. (NOT 5:30 p.m. as we have done in the past) – this is a dinner, so please bring a main dish, side dish, and a beverage to share
- Dec. 12 CK Christmas party @ Gethsemane United Methodist
- Jan. 9 CK Reunion @ Brice United Methodist
- Feb. 13 CK Reunion @ Franklin United Brethren

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We currently publish a monthly newsletter via email, and mail out paper newsletters on a quarterly basis. Because the annual cost of our nonprofit bulk rate permit at the post office has increased, the Board has decided to try to reduce the number of paper newsletters we mail out, and just mail the paper newsletters using regular postage stamps. This will help eliminate the delays many have experienced in receiving their newsletter via the mail. If you still receive the paper version of our newsletter and have access to email, please send your email address to gmdunham@embarqmail.com. This will help us be better stewards of the money God has given us to use for this ministry. Also, after each paper mailing of this newsletter, we receive many newsletters back from the Post Office marked as undeliverable. We place these names on an unknown address list until we receive updates. If you have a Koinonian friend who has moved and is no longer receiving a newsletter, please have them email updates to gmdunham@embarqmail.com, so we can correct their address. If they do not have access to email, they can call Gena Porter at 614-833-1188 with updates.

It is not too early to think about sponsoring someone for CK-121, which is scheduled for the weekend of March 19-21, 2010. A copy of the application form is attached to the end of this newsletter.

CK-120 TEAM

It's Time! (Eccl 3:1) "Everything on earth has its own time and its own season."

Rector: Joseph Edghill
Asst. Rector: Kathy Bukey
Spiritual Director: Aggie Long
Asst. Spiritual Directors: Jim & Linda Litt

Disciples:

Lovell & Theresa Harper (heads)
Randy & Melanie Hall
Lynn Minturn
Paul Italiano
Wayne Johnson
Charlissa Schroeder
Shirley Riser
Bob LaRoche
Judy Foor
Charles Snyder

Kitchen:

Steve & Eva Sue Reed (heads)
Sandy Meddles
Susy Parks
Tim Allen
John Gonce
Heather Poff
Rick Allen
Matt McCaulla

Musicians:

Deborah Altman (head)
Jim Fitzharris
Deb Allen
Katrina LaRoche
Melinda Molton

Greeters:

Jerry & Sharon Pletcher
Paul & Gena Porter

Professors:

Ideals: Robin Juszli
Laymen: Deb Allen
Piety: Theresa Harper
Study: Esther Messerknecht
Action: Peg Antle

Wardens:

Karmel Yelle (head)
Vaughn Cook
Tom Marshall
Derek Pittenger
Frank Juszli
Gordon Walton
Tina Keller

Auxiliaries:

Dave Minturn (head)
Eric Keller
Lori Caliman
Larry Ernst
Chris Ellis
Sandra Cox
Teri Crookshank
Dave Crookshank

CK-120 PARTICIPANTS

Participant:

Doug & Rhonda Alff
Dennis & Linda Beaudry
Patricia Canini
Gary Eschelbach
Roger Gates
Pam Hammons
Susie Hershberger
Rob Kinney
Mary Kuhn
Shawn Ray
Elizabeth & Timothy Ridenour
Nancy Smith
Cynthia Spencer
Donna Taylor
Lyndon Watson
Heather Loveland
Mary Beth McNeal

Sponsors:

First Love
John Gonce
Bob & Katrina LaRoche
Randy & Melanie Hall
Randy & Melanie Hall
Linda Litt
Bob & Katrina LaRoche
First Love
Matthew McCaulla
Darwin Halvorsen & Matthew McCaulla
Charlissa Schroeder
Shirley Riser
Darwin Halvorsen & Matthew McCaulla
Randy & Melanie Hall
Randy & Melanie Hall
Rick & Deb Allen
Steve & Eva Sue Reed; Jason & Melissa Reed

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR CK-120 RECTOR

It is an honor to have been asked to serve as rector for CK-120 and I am blessed to be involved with such a great team. I would like to share my vision for what I hope and pray would be an exciting, life-changing weekend for all involved: participants, team members and the entire CK community.

I want to start by reiterating what a wonderful organization Koinonia is and how great is its potential to impact the Body of Christ in these last days. Or perhaps one can say Koinonia is the Body of Christ the way it was meant to be. When I first went through CK-109 I remember giving my testimony that I wanted above all to be part of a team. I saw from the behavior and example of the team members something that I had been wanting to see for a long time—a picture of what the Church could be, and I wanted in. I was struck by the way a diverse group of people from many churches could come together around a common goal to bless participants with the love of Christ. Gone were the denominational barriers to be replaced by genuine cooperation and love. In some ways I felt like Simeon must have felt when he first laid eyes on the baby Jesus. But CK is just a glimpse of the greater purpose of God; much more is to come.

I am not sure where my passion for the Church came from—I can't trace it to any one event or scripture—but I have always sensed the importance of the Church in the eyes of God. After all, we are His Body! It has broken my heart over the years to see churches split, pastors resign in disgrace, congregations grow dormant and ineffective, and above all the Church as a whole retreat into irrelevance. How can this be? How can we claim to have a message from the very throne of God the creator and still find it difficult to grab the attention of a dying world all around us? I have spent countless hours wrestling with this question but always come back to the same conclusion: we need a great revival! The early church was anything but irrelevant. There is no doubt today that “the harvest is plentiful but the laborers are few.” Interdenominational organizations like Koinonia can play a role in ushering in the last great revival.

Our theme for CK-120 is “*It's Time.*” After I agreed to serve as rector that theme came to me like a lightning bolt. It is general enough for every individual to fill in the blanks for himself. What is it time for in your life? In mine? No doubt God is wanting to make some kind of change in each of our lives. And what could happen if we all cooperated fully with Him in making those needed changes? But the theme is also specific enough because of its potential meaning for the Church. Specifically for CK-120 God has been saying that we must show forth our love and unity to the participants He has entrusted to us.

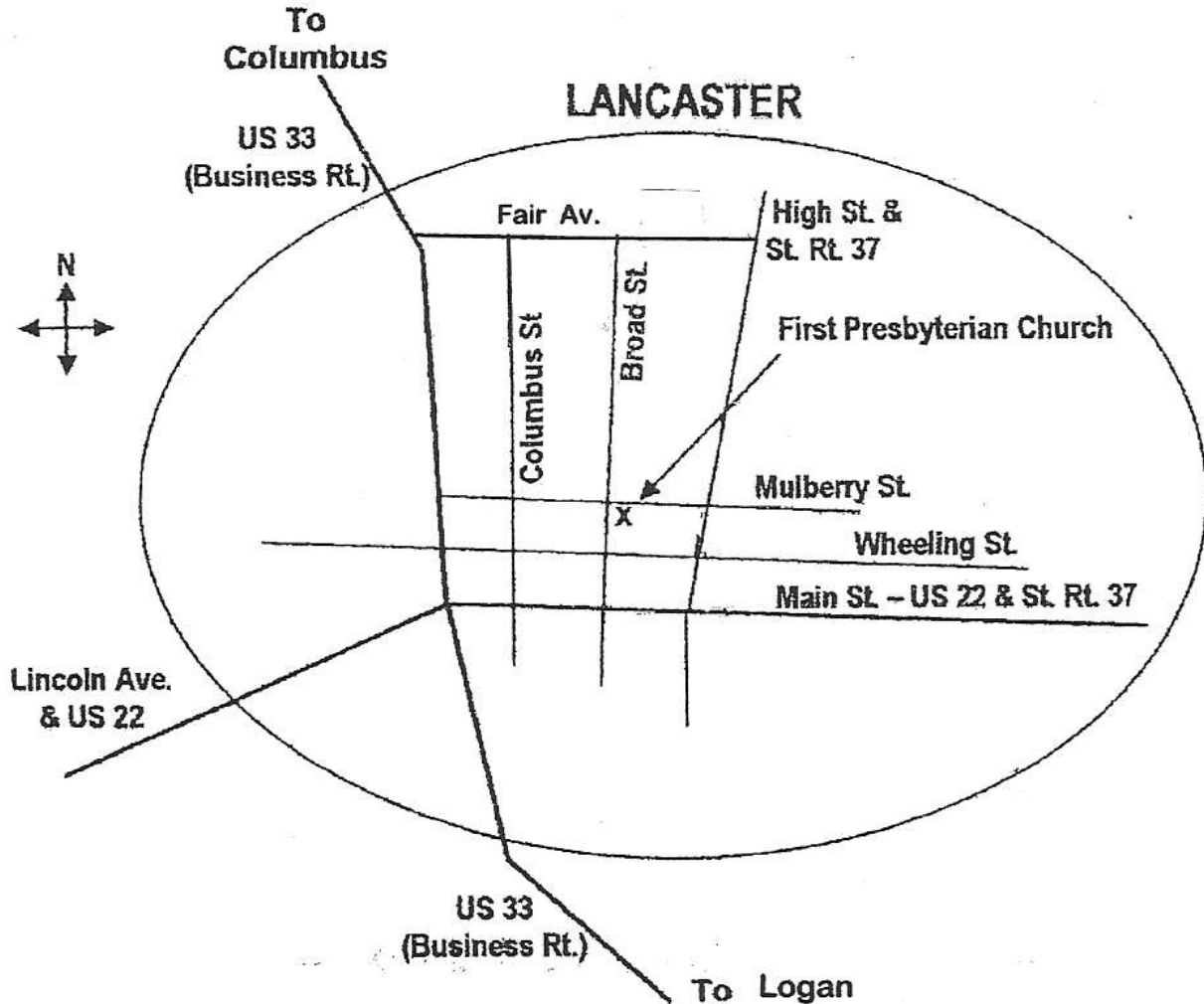
Yes, *it's time* for the Church to be the Church without spot or wrinkle for which Jesus will return in power. Let us cooperate fully with our Lord in becoming the Church that He wants to show to the world.

Blessings

Joseph Edghill

Directions to October Support Party at First Presbyterian Church:

222 N. Broad St.
Lancaster, Ohio 43130
(740) 653-1594



From Columbus, follow Rt. 33 to the 33 bypass then take the 33 business route into Lancaster.

Follow 33 (Memorial Drive) to Fair Avenue, turn left onto Fair Avenue (there is an empty business on the left hand corner, and a Walgreen's on the right hand corner).

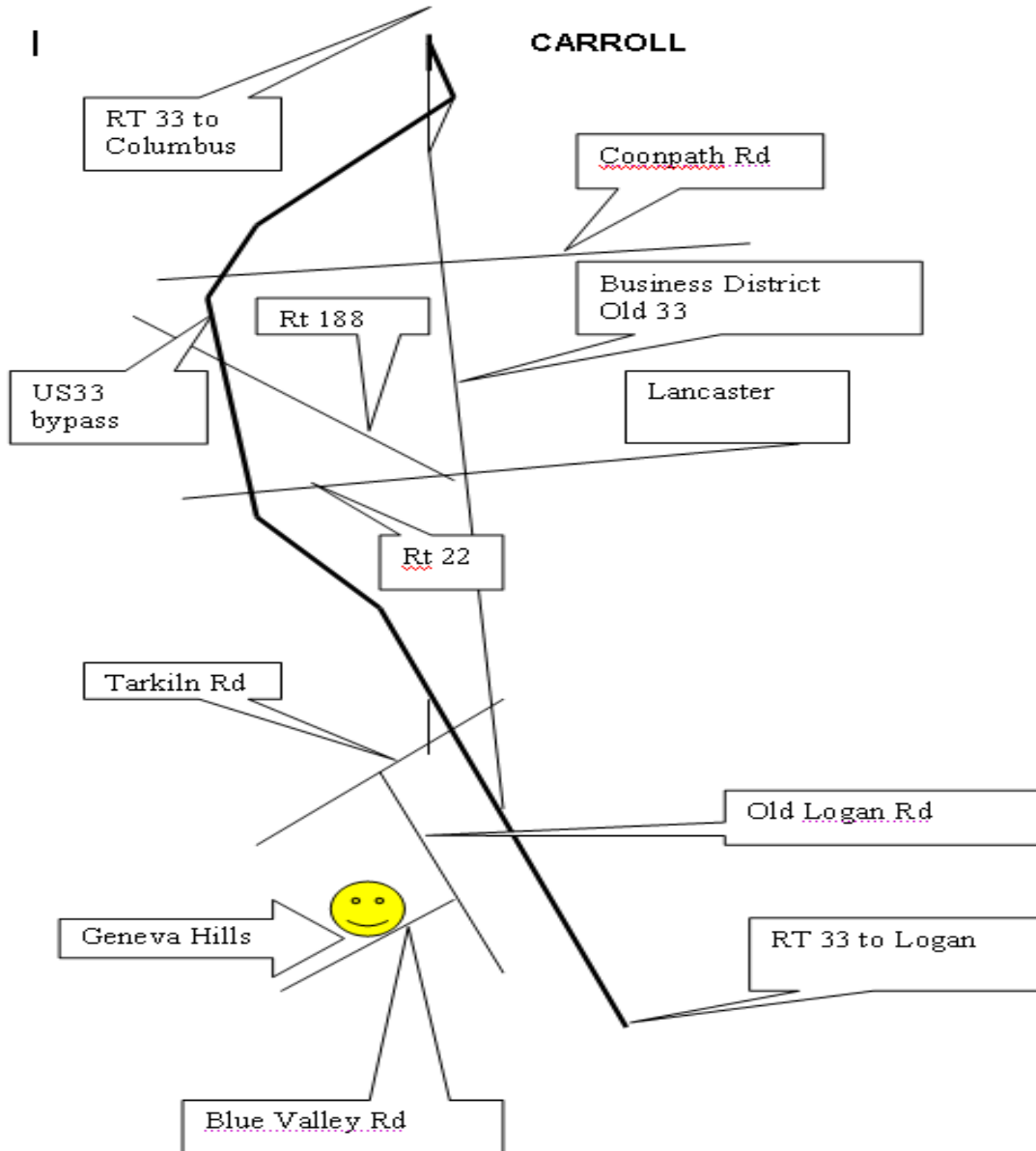
Follow Fair Avenue 2 traffic lights to Broad Street; turn right onto Broad Street (Fair Grounds entrance is on left).

Follow Broad Street south to Mulberry Street. First Presbyterian is on the corner of Broad and Mulberry across the street from the Fairfield County Library.

Turn left onto Mulberry Street, then turn right into parking lot behind church. A sign will direct you to the side door on Mulberry Street. Follow steps down to the basement level.

Directions to Geneva Hills:

1380 Blue Valley Rd. SE
Lancaster, Ohio 43130
(740) 746-8439



From Columbus:

Take Rt. 33 bypass around Lancaster
Exit west on Tarkin Rd.
Go south on Old Logan Rd.
At Old Logan Rd. and Blue Valley Road, there is a sign to Geneva Hills
Take a right onto Blue Valley Road
Turn right into Geneva Hills (1.2 miles)

THE KOINONIA WEEKEND APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION.

In Greek, **Koinonia** (koin-o-nee-a) means a fellowship. The Koinonia weekend is that --for it brings together people from different communities for a learning, sharing, and inspirational experience in Christian living.

The Koinonia weekend is many things, but most of all, it is an experience to be lived.

The weekend is one filled with joy-much informal conversation, much singing, a lot of joking and laughing. Within the forty hours of the weekend, complete strangers at the beginning become a Christian community.

The basic theme of the Koinonia weekend is a short course in Christianity. The weekend is structured around a series of nine talks. The talks cover such topics as God's Grace, Study, Action and other subjects relevant to laypersons. After each talk there is time to discuss the talk within a small group. The talks provide thoughts for discussion and guidelines for Christian living beyond the weekend.

For more information: Check out our website: www.columbuskoinonia.com or,

To participate in a Koinonia Weekend, mail this application to the address below:

Peg Antle, Pre-K Coordinator, 2035 Baldwin Road, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068

or, call her at (614) 864-7605.

KOINONIA STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative Word of God.

We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory.

We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by Whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a Godly life.

If you are interested in attending a Koinonia weekend, please completely fill out the following application and return it to the address printed above. You may use the same form for up to two people.

The cost of the weekend is \$40 per person. Please remit payment in full with this application.

Name _____ Nickname _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____
Name _____ Nickname _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____
Address _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____
Marital Status _____ Church Affiliation _____
Age and sex of any children _____
Special diet or needs? _____
General Physical Condition (or are there any other special needs?) _____
Play an instrument? (If so, what?) _____ Are you a church ordained clergy? Yes or No
Comments _____
In case of emergency notify: _____ Phone #: _____
Applicants Signature(s) X _____ X _____
Phone #:(____) _____ E-mail: _____ Date _____
Sponsor's Name _____ Phone #:(____) _____
Address _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____
Sponsor's Comments _____