

OHIO MINISTRIES

*Changing the World Through
Changed Pastors and Congregations*



April 2014 News from the Church of God in the State of Ohio

Ohio Ministries at Work

SPRING MINISTRY REFRESHER

"Don't feel like you can't do SOMETHING simply because you cannot do EVERYTHING."

The Annual Spring Ministry Refresher was a great opportunity for Ohio pastors and staff to gather for inspiration and fellowship. [Read more.](#)



SUMMER CAMP IS COMING!

Summer Camp is just around the corner at Camp Marengo.

Registration is now open. All forms and information packets are available online at campmarengo.com.



OHIO MINISTRIES GOVERNING BOARD

Members of the Ohio Ministries Governing Board met with the Ohio Ministries staff on April 8, 2014 to prayerfully address Church of God news and needs from across the State of Ohio. [Read more.](#)



RANDY SPENCE ON SABBATICAL

As of Monday, April 14th, our Director, Randy Spence, is on sabbatical until mid-July. During this period our Associate Director, Esther Cottrell, will be serving as the Interim Director. [Read more.](#)



CONFLICT RESOLUTION CLASS APRIL 26

For any current Ordination Candidates who are NOT in the online system. If you have not yet taken the Ordination Class "Conflict Resolution" we recommend marking your calendars now! This will be the last time we offer this class and it is *required* for Ordination. [Read more / Register.](#)

MEN'S OX ROAST

September 5-6

The Church of God Men's Ox Roast is a two day event, in which Christian men, ages 12 and up, can gather in fellowship with one another. The Ox Roast has many different activities such as golfing, fishing, and cornhole. [Read more.](#)



News from Around Ohio

NEW OUTREACH

First Church of God in Defiance

Mindy Rufenacht and Heidi Spangler, with the help of Pastor Rick Rufenacht and the congregation, plan to name the outreach, Passion For You Ministry. [Read more.](#)



TEACHER APPRECIATION SUNDAY

Highland Church of God in Wooster

On one Sunday each year, children from the Highland Church of God invite their schoolteachers for a very special honor. [Read more.](#)



MISSION TRIP TO ROME

Auglaize Chapel Church of God in Oakwood

Diana Harmon and her niece, Kirsten Harmon, both from Oakwood, were part of a group of 10 women from around the United States who traveled to Rome, Italy, with the Christian Women Connection. [Read more.](#)



Do you have news you would like to share with the state?

Do you have news you would like to share with the state? Send it to us to be included in the monthly Newsletter. All news submitted must be received by the first Friday of the month to be included in that month's newsletter. Send all editorial correspondences and email subscription requests to Karina at karina@ohchog.org or PO Box 276 Marengo, OH 43334

North American Church of God

COMPLIMENTARY REGISTRATIONS FOR RETIRED PASTORS

Effective May 1

It is with great rejoicing we share some good news with you regarding the **2015 Annual Ministers Registration.** [Read more.](#)

IN THE NEWS: CLERGY HOUSING CASE

Jeff Jenness of Servant Solutions, has shared links to important information and the news that the Federal government has appealed the case. [Read more.](#)

CHURCH OF GOD CONVENTION

June 23-26

The Church of God Convention and General Assembly in 2014 will be a pivot point in the history of the Church of God, reframing for the future and a new generation our purpose and opportunities.

[Read more.](#)



INTERNATIONAL YOUTH CONVENTION

July 5-8

IntTUNE with the Spirit, looking at the theme verse of Galatians 5:25 as their anthem:

"Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit" (NIV).

[Read more.](#)



Upcoming Events

Conflict Resolution Class	April 26
Camp Meeting Lebanon	June 1-6
First Week at Camp Marengo	June 8
North American Convention	July 5-8
International Youth Convention	July 5-8
Camp Meeting SEO	July 11-20
Camp Meeting NEO	July 19-27
Camp Meeting NWO	July 26-Aug 1
Camp Meeting Central Ohio	Aug 1-10
National Association of the Church of God in West Middlesex, PA	Aug 3-10
Men's Ox Roast	Sept 5-6

Leadership News



Are You an Anticipator or an Avoider?

[Growth Points April 2014](#)



eGiving: It's about More than Money

[Parish Paper April 2014](#)



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