

LEADERSHIP UPDATE of the Southeast Region

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Pastors: Please distribute to your delegates, leaders & congregation

CHOOSING OUR LEADERS

This fall the news has been filled with contentious candidate ads, party accusations and political debates. In the midst of this, we are to remain focused citizens who prayerfully consider the character and specific plan of action each nominee will bring to their office if elected, be it at the state or national level. When the polls close on Tuesday Nov 6 and our duly elected leaders are announced, our part will not be over. It then becomes our responsibility to continue praying for our elected leaders - that they will lead wisely and humbly, serving well the people over whom they govern. And in the months to come our attitudes and words should reflect respect for our leaders' initiatives whenever possible, as Scripture reminds us that we are citizens of two worlds.

This past week, I received an announcement from a church which is already making plans to positively respond to the national election on Nov. 6:

On Election Day, we should VOTE at the POLLS,
but later that evening, let us GATHER to WORSHIP & SHARE COMMUNION.

There we will be reminded that freedom - true freedom - is only given by God and it is indeed not free. It comes with a cost and it looks like a cross.

There we will be reminded that real power in this world - the power to save, to transform, to change - ultimately rests not in political parties or presidents or protests, but in the life, the death, and the resurrection of Jesus.

There we will be reminded that, through the Holy Spirit, this power dwells within otherwise ordinary people who as one body are to continue the mission of Jesus: preaching good news to the poor, freeing the captives, giving sight to the blind, releasing the oppressed, and proclaiming the year of the Lord's favor (Luke 4:16-21).

There we will be reminded that the only Christian nation in this world is the Church, a holy nation that crosses all human-made boundaries and borders.

During the coming weeks of Thanksgiving and Advent, let us look for opportunities to share the reasons that God's Son is the only One worthy in whom to place our trust - for He is the Awaited One, the infinitely Wise One, the Prince of Peace, and the Hope of the World.

Supt. Darrel Riley

2013 PENSION & WAVE CHANGES

This fall Supt Darrel explained changes that will go into effect on January 1st, regarding monthly WAVE and PENSION payments. Those pastors present at the GCC Fall Rally, AL-GA District Pastors Mtg, and SAC Trimester Training Events have already received their congregation's packet. Senior pastors not in attendance will be mailed their packets by Nov. 1st. Contact Supt Riley if you do not receive your congregation's packet by Friday, Nov. 9th.

NOW IS THE TIME TO BE ON-PURPOSE

November - December is the time of year for each congregation – its pastor, BOA and ministry leaders – to schedule a time to look back over what has taken place in 2012, and then prayerfully determine bold changes for 2013, in order to more fully serve your community and live out God’s unique purpose for your church. Without this important time of reflection, prayer and dreaming together, a church will merely “tread water” instead of moving forward in ministry.

The ***Annual On Purpose Process*** is a tool for helping your congregation discuss and discern these following aspects of ministry:

- Identifying programs which have lost their effectiveness, and replacing them with new ministries which meet felt needs and deeper needs of those inside & outside the church
- Changing last year’s budget categories and amounts, in order to better allocate funds for this coming year’s needs and new initiatives
- Determining how existing leaders need to be re-tooled, and which new individuals should be invited into ministries as either new team members or team leaders.

As your congregation focuses upon selecting new leaders, establishing your budget, and expanding ministries to your local community and global church, may your attitudes and words reflect a willingness to set aside personal preferences in order to better reach those who have not yet come to faith or who are struggling with areas of brokenness. (The *Annual On Purpose Guide* is attached.)

INCLUDE GC15 IN YOUR 2013 BUDGET

In July 2015, the FMC-USA General Conference will take place in Orlando FL. This is the first time in the history of our denomination that a General Conference will be held in the southeast, and it is important that EVERY CHURCH commit to sending a delegation to this historic event.

Local church BOAs: begin to budget now to help your Pastor & at least one other leader from your church to attend. Additionally, for the price of weekly saving the money from one pizza or fast food meal (\$10) between Jan 1, 2013 and the end of June 2015, an individual will save \$1,300 – that’s more than enough money for 2 adults to share a guest suite for 5 nights at Caribe Royale (separate living room and bedroom), pay for 2 GC15 registrations, and have food money.

CMC COURSES OFFERED in NOVEMBER & JANUARY

WESLEYAN THEOLOGY will be offered in English at Tampa Spanish on **Thurs – Sat, Nov 29 – Dec 1**, from 9am – 5pm daily, with a possible “make up day” the following Sat, Dec 8 if some cannot take off work both Thurs & Fri. Cost is \$75 for everything; no additional books to order. Deadline to register: Tues, Nov 20; contact Rich Gilrane at rgilrane@aol.com (or call 407-592-3017 if no email)

J-TERM in INDIANAPOLIS: Courses are offered the weeks of Jan 7 – 12 and Jan. 14 – 19. CMCs have received a brochure with Registration Form, class options, costs, scholarship applications, etc.

FM HISTORY & CHURCH POLITY: Supt Riley will offer this course on **Mon – Wed, Jan 21 – 23** from 9am – 5pm daily IF there is a minimum of 5 students. There is a reading list of books to order and read in preparation for the course. It will either be offered in a classroom setting, or as a live internet class to students anywhere with good bandwidth access. Email Supt Darrel immediately at seregionfmc@aim.com to specify classroom or live internet format preference.

SOUTH ATLANTIC CONFERENCE:

PASTORAL FAMILY NEWS:

- Retired Pastor **Ed Pannell** is in need of a **scooter** to move around. Contact him if you have a used one or suggestion for him: detampa@tampabay.rr.com, or call 813-843-0537.
- Haitian Pastor **Jean Claude Novius** has **no car** and has to ride a bus to get from his home in Port St. Lucie to his church in Ft. Lauderdale. If you have a car to donate, please contact Marge Lehman at sharonjoy79@aol.com or call 863-853-5983
- Pastor **Javier Mendoza** announces that his congregation, **Hosanna Internacional**, has relocated to a better facility at 3939 Northwest 7th St., Suite 202, Miami 33126. Congratulations!
- **Alex Silva**, delegate at Boca Raton: Edifying Lives Ministry, continues work to provide computers to Haiti for the seminary in Port au Prince & Hope University. If you upgrade to an I-Pad, etc., please **donate your former laptop** for ministry. Contact Alex at AlexBSilva@gmail.com

3 REGIONS ARE FINALIZING THEIR LEADERSHIP TEAMS

Realizing that in FL the work of a District Leader was too broad for one individual to oversee while pastoring a local church, the SAC Cabinet determined at their Fall Retreat to identify a Regional Leadership Team to serve each of our 3 geographic regions. The Directors or “point persons” for each of the 3 Regional Teams are as follows:

West Coast Region:	Steven Bell	bellsj@aol.com	941-730-5340c
Central Region:	Greg Kannon	GnKKannon@aol.com	407-430-9983c
South FL Region:	under Supt Riley	seregionfmc@aim.com	407-277-1428h

If you would like to serve (or suggest someone who would be good) – clergy or laity, men or women - for one of the following groups that comprise each Regional Leadership Team, please contact the appropriate Regional Director (listed above) immediately:

Finance Team: helps churches in the region improve financial procedures, stewardship, etc.

Property Team: visits church properties in region annually, networks for work projects, etc.

Clergy Coaches: shepherds 4 – 6 other pastors, meeting together on months when no Regional Training, Rip Fest or Annual Conference event is being held.

Mentor Champion: oversees CMC mentoring process in region, under Dan Hummer

UPCOMING SAC CALENDAR DATES

Nov or Dec: Pastors complete the **Annual On Purpose Process Report** with their leaders to review 2012 and prayerfully prepare for 2013 (form attached)

Sat, Dec 8: 10am – lunch: Conference BOA annual budget meeting at Riley home in Orlando

Jan 2013: New processes begin with HR for monthly Pension, & monthly WAVE contributions

Thurs, Jan 31: Annual denominational reporting deadline:

- 2012 *Annual Statistical Report* filed on-line with Indianapolis (use new form)
- 2013 *Confidential Reports* by both clergy & delegates to Supt Riley (for 2013 appointments)

JANUARY 2013 REGIONAL TRAINING EVENT LOCATIONS:

Bring **2 copies** of your **Annual On - Purpose Report** (2012 review & 2013 planning)

- Sat, Jan 12 **South FL** (9:30am – lunch) W Palm Beach: Hope Fellow. (Pastor Jason Leadingham)
- Sat, Jan 19 **West Coast FL** (9:30am - lunch) Holiday (Pastor Lee Crist)
- Sat, Jan 26 **Central FL** (9:30am – lunch) Asbury Seminary, Orlando campus

GULF COAST CONFERENCE NEWS:

REMEMBER CMC Courses being offered in November and January are listed at the bottom of p. 2

- Nov 30 – Dec 2: Supt. Riley onsite for weekend:**
Fri Nov 30: 6:00pm at Edgewood: BOA, 2012 review & 2013 preparation
7:00pm at Edgewood: Family Camp, 2012 review & 2013 preparation
Sat Dec 1: Pastors & Spouses Meeting & Christmas Luncheon at Jonesville: Oak Grove
10:30 – noon: Meeting with Supt.
Noon – 1:30: Holiday Luncheon & Celebration
Sun Dec 2: Supt Riley in local churches
- Prior to Dec 31: Pastors complete the *Annual On Purpose Process Report* with their leaders to review 2012 and prayerfully prepare for 2013 (form attached)**
- January 1, 2013:** New processes: HR for monthly Pension, and monthly WAVE contributions
- Jan 31 deadline: Annual denominational reports are due:**
- 2012 *Annual Statistical Report* filed on-line with Indianapolis (use new form)
 - 2013 *Confidential Reports* by both clergy & delegates to Supt Riley (for 2013 appointments)
- Feb 1 – 3: Supt Riley onsite for weekend:**
Fri Feb 1: BOA: Final Preparation for 2013 Annual Conference
Planning Mtg for 2013 Family Camp
Sat, Feb 2: Pastors Mtg, discuss ch. 8 – 10 of *The Solo Pastor* and turn in Annual Reports
Sun, Feb 3: Supt Riley in local churches
- March 31 EASTER SUNDAY**
- Apr 19 – 21: ANNUAL CONFERENCE** weekend; Bishop Roller & Supt Riley on-site
- June 10 – 14: FAMILY CAMP** tentative dates

ALABAMA – GEORGIA MISSION CONFERENCE:

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- Nov or Dec: Pastors complete the *Annual On Purpose Process Report* with their leaders to review 2012 and prayerfully prepare for 2013; send copy to DL & Supt.**
- Sat-Sun, Nov 24 & 25:** Supt Riley will be in Macon, GA
- Sat-Sun, Dec 22 & 23:** Supt Riley will be in Fayetteville, GA
- January 1, 2013:** New processes: HR for monthly Pension, and monthly WAVE contributions
- Jan 31 deadline: Annual denominational reports are due:**
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 - 2013 *Confidential Reports* by both clergy & delegates to Supt Riley (for 2013 appointments)
- Sun & Mon, Feb 10 – 11:** Supt Darrel will be on-site for the following meetings:
- Sunday, Feb 10: AFT: AL-GA Exec Team Mtg. at the Comfort Suites in Oxford AL
 - Monday, Feb 11: AM: AL & GA Pastors Training & Fellowship Mtg at the Comfort Suites: 125 Davis Loop Rd., Oxford AL 36203.
- March 22 – 23 ANNUAL CONFERENCE** weekend; Bishop Roller & Supt Riley onsite

EVERY PERSON A PASSIONATE PRAY-ER

May we always thank You, O God, for other believers and pray that their faith would grow more and more, and that their love for each other would increase. (2 Thess. 1:3)

NOV-DEC 2012	SOUTH ATLANTIC CONFERENCE	AL-GA or GCC CONFERENCE
Oct 28-Nov 3	Chaplain, Military Mark Williams (Monica) willmark@mwilliams.net	Winnsboro: Liddieville Pastor Kenneth Lukens (Evangelene) smmhburns@bellsouth.net
Nov 4 - 10	Administrator, Light & Life Park Ron Wyncoop (G. G.) Floridallpark2@aol.com	Chaplain, Central LA State Hospital Emitte Belgard (Beverly) emittebelgard@hotmail.com
Nov 11 - 17	Conference Evangelist Lucien Behar (Molly) John812@juno.com	Chaplain, Compassionate Care Hospice Monty Bower (Jo) monty.bower@bcomusa.net
Nov 18 – 24 Thanksgiving Wk	Set Free Ministries Jeff & Sue Wynn Swynn123@aol.com	Chaplain, MS State Hospital Philip Cartrette (Patricia) pcartrette@bellsouth.net
Nov 25 – Dec 1	Boca Raton: Edifying Lives Ministry Pastor Roberto Silva (Lee) drrobertsilva@gmail.com	Conference Evangelist Dale Robinson (Cassie) robinson2506@att.net
Dec 2 – 8 Advent Wk 1	Bradenton, Orange Grove Pastor Steven Bell (Emily) bellsj@aol.com	Conference Evangelist Rose Thompson roseandwinston@aol.com
Dec 9 – 15 Advent Wk 2	Brandon, Cristo La Senda Pastor Sergio Peralta (Hicy) Speralta1007@hotmail.com	Conference Evangelist, District Leader Sam Tinsley (Lillian) saltey1000@aol.com
Dec 16 – 22 Advent Wk 3	Cape Coral Community Pastor David Rigby (Linda) david@capecoralchurch.com	Church Planter Doris Lynch Professorlynch773@gmail.com
Dec 23 – 29 Advent Wk 4 Tues Christmas	Pray for the ministries of our congregations to their friends, family & community	Pray for the ministries of our congregations to their friends, family & community
Dec 30 – Jan 5 NYE & NYD	Clearwater: Lake Palms Pastor David Vos (Peggy) davidvos@yahoo.com	Birmingham, Emmanuel Pastor Andy Bunn (Christi) andy@bunnmedia.com

PARTNER with our SOUTHEAST REGION MISSIONARIES:

Recent newsletters, blogs and support information on each missionary are available on-line at the FM website: www.fmcusa.org, then scroll to the bottom and click on FM WORLD MISSIONS in the MINISTRIES column. When the FMWM homepage opens, click on MISSIONARIES in the top bar.

Josh & Susy Fajardo (Spain) JFajardom@aol.com

Mike & Maria Long (Greece) Longmm@the.forthnet.gr

Rick & Cookie Ireland (Haiti) rick.ireland@yahoo.com

Although Rick & Cookie are currently stateside (2431 10th Ave. N. St Petersburg FL 33713 Home: 716-803-6581, Cell: 716-816-5692), Rick continues traveling to Haiti & leading ministries

Jack Munos haiti4christjak@yahoo.com

Support to Jack as a staff person with ICCM in Haiti ends October 31. Jack now resides at: 4020 58th Ave. N. Unit 3966A St. Petersburg FL 33714. Send him & all our missionaries holiday greetings.