

# The Lamp

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## COMING UP...

**Counselor Training**  
Sept. 29, 7 p.m.

**Regional Assembly**  
Oct. 2, 9 a.m.

**Legacies Sunday**  
Oct. 3

**Prayer & Praise**  
Oct. 6, 7 p.m.

**Board Meeting**  
Oct. 12, 7:30 p.m.

**Happy Hearts**  
Oct. 14, 12:30

**Revival**  
Oct. 17-20

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## REVIVAL

### A Love Worth Sharing Oct. 17-20 7 p.m.



Antioch Christian Church will hold a Fall Revival with Evangelist Charles and Beverly Massee. The revival kicks off on Sunday morning Oct. 17 and services are held each evening at 7

p.m., Sunday through Wednesday. Sunday evening begins with a 5:30 p.m. Potluck dinner in the fellowship hall. Monday evening at 6 p.m. is the Children's Hot Dog Hog out and Tuesday evening at 6 p.m. is the Jr. high - College Pizza Pig out where a Ventriloquism and illusion show for the young people is held.

A canned food drive is our outreach during this event to stock up a local food pantry.

Charles has held more than 1400 revivals across the country. His Objective is simple—to help people discover the truth about Jesus Christ, and find a personal relationship with God through Him. This is the Key to the Meaning and Purpose of Life. His message has made sense to countless thousands around the world. You are invited to come and find out why. In fact invite a friend or family member to attend.

### Randy Johnson Preaching /Teaching Oct. 3

We will welcome Randy Johnson on Sunday morning Oct. 3 as he preaches on Stewardship's Meaning and the Legacy you will leave. Then at 12:30 Randy will be holding a Legacies workshop

answering the questions: Why you need a Last Will and Testament, How an inheritance plan can provide for heirs and Antioch Christian Church and Ways to make a gift that Provides pay-

ments to the donor. Randy is a pastor and teacher from the Christian Church foundation located in Indianapolis, IN.

## Short Term Mission Trip to Haiti Counselor Training and Prayer and Praise Service

Pastor Randy Beeman will be hosting a short term Mission trip to Port-au-prince Haiti during Christmas break. The group will be leaving on December 26 for Port-au-prince and will return January 1. After Haiti's devastating earth quake, buildings are in ruin, churches are tired from working the many hours and pastors need encouragement and children need to be fed. We will work through Preaching Christ to the Multitudes with Pastor Eddy Bazin. We will work on rebuilding parts of the church where there is a feeding

center. We will also plan to visit the orphanage operated by the church. Pastor Beeman will help lead services to members of the church and to local pastors and wives. So plan to attend this mission trip. An organizational meeting will be held Sunday Oct. 10th at 12:30 following coffee hour.

### Counselor Training

Training for people interested in helping those who make life-decisions during the revival will

be held Wed., Sept. 29th at 7 p.m in the large adult Sunday School room at Antioch. Terry Wigglesworth will be leading this time for interested lay people and Elders and Deacons.

### Prayer and Praise Service

Prayer and Praise Services will help us prepare prayerfully for our upcoming revival. These services will be held Wed. Oct. 6 and 13 at 7 p.m. in the Antioch Sanctuary. Everyone in Antioch CC is encouraged to attend.

## Annual Planning Meeting Saturday , Nov. 20th 8 a.m.

*"Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails."* Proverbs 19:21

Planning begins with prayer and being open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit. A wise person will acknowledge that it is fruitless to make plans that do not coincide with God's purposes. Yet, so often, we may try to put our desires and preferences forward before seeking what the Lord has in mind for us.

When we consider Antioch, we are aware that this is a small congregation. Small congregations have real characteristics, such as being a network of inter-relationships, a single-cell unit, a constellation of families and generational groups that can be closed to those who seek to en-

ter from the outside. Nevertheless, everyone within the congregation moves in and out of the constellation freely, like a meteor that flies in from the wider galaxy, moving through the constellation, and passing out again. The pathway is repeated from week to week.

Therefore, there is a wider vision to be considered. Antioch is set within a geographic/political locale that is, in turn, set within a region, within a nation, within a world. The influences of these wider associations cannot be denied.

When established in 1903, Antioch existed within a rural locale only lightly touched by the distant urban center of Washington, connected only by dirt roads and a railroad. However, during the

next fifty years, changes began to take place as people moved from Washington, Alexandria, and Arlington into adjacent rural areas. At first, they identified with the rural way of life. But over the next twenty-five years, major commercial and residential development began to occur that brought people with urban values and lifeways. Suburbia was born, and rural lifeways were either abandoned or ignored.

Today, Antioch sits on Beulah Road. How do we redefine this church and express God's purpose for it now? Come On Saturday to help plan an exciting future for Antioch as we grow from a small church to a larger community of faith and find new ways to reach the community where God has planted us.

## Regional Assembly October 2

Have you registered for the Regional Assembly yet? Time is running out. Please see the Pastor for registration forms or go online to [www.cccadisciples.org](http://www.cccadisciples.org)

The assembly will be held at the Universities at Shady Grove, 9630 Gudeisky Drive, Bldg. III in Rockville, MD.

Registration begins at 8:00

a.m. on Saturday and is followed by a full day of activities. The assembly concludes with a closing worship service at 3:15 p.m.

Guest speakers this year include the Rev. Sharon E. Watkins, General Minister and President of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Our Second speaker is the Rev. Dick Hamm who has served as a pastor, regional minister and currently serves as director of Christian

Churches Together in the USA. The day concludes with worship led by Rev. Lari R. Grubbs, regional minister to the Christian Church Capital Area.

The day will also include the presentation of the Regional Transformation plan.

The theme for the weekend is "For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then we will see Face to Face." Plan to attend this important gathering.

## New Flooding Recovery Initiative



How much more can the people of Pakistan handle? I can practically hear them crying out, "How long, O Lord, how long?" The flooding in Pakistan has been absolutely devastating; beyond what anyone anticipated.

Your gifts are already at work in Pakistan, channeled through our ecumenical partner organizations,

Church World Service and the member agencies of the ACT Alliance, doing all we can to respond to this overwhelming disaster. And we will continue to work non-stop to provide aid to those in need.

We invite you to continue to help us make a difference in the lives of the people of Pakistan. 100% of

your designated gift to Pakistan flood relief will be immediately directed to relief efforts there.

Pakistan faces a desperate situation. Your partnership, your faith, your Courageous Compassion go a long way in helping the healing begin.

[WWW.weekofcompassion.org](http://WWW.weekofcompassion.org)

## Youth Ministry

Sept. 19—Back To School party. Meet at the Beeman's at 5 p.m. to travel to Judy Harlow's

Sept. 24/25—CYF Fall Retreat at Camp Mary Mac.

Sept. 26, Oct. 3 and Oct. 10—Youth Group at the Beeman's at 6 p.m.

Oct. 17-20 Revival at the church with Pizza Pig out for the Youth on Oct. 19th

Oct. 31— Pass out candy at the parsonage. Come dressed up in your favorite Halloween outfit. Prizes for best dressed.

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REVIVAL  
Oct. 17-20  
Antioch Christian Church*

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*Elder & Deacon Service Schedule*

<b>DATE</b>	<b>ELDERS</b>	<b>DEACONS</b>	<b>READERS</b>
Sept 26	Terry W. John Holley	Lance Beeman Charles Donkor, Jr.	Mary Sherwood
<b>October 2010</b>			
Oct 3	Neil Romstedt Kevin Wiggs	Yaa Donkor Faustina Donkor	Tom Wigglesworth
Oct 10	Donna Hunter Terry W.	Evelyn Donkor Charles Donkor	Jasmin Michael
Oct 17	Bill D. Wilke Shirley Elliot	Karen Holley Mark Sherwood	Marcia Wilke
Oct 24	Vivian Cruz John Holley	Lola Wayland Leonard Wayland	Neil Romstedt