



United Church of God an International Association

Cincinnati

Announcements – April 12, 2025

| | <u>East – 11:00 A.M.</u> | <u>East – 2:30 P.M.</u> | <u>North – 2:30 P.M.</u> |
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| Songleader | Josh Raudenbush | Dave PerMar | Sam Wayne |
| Pianist | Heidi Braun | Duncan McClenagan | |
| Sermonette | John McClain | Clint Porter | Doug Knuckles |
| Special Music | Ronda Creech | Kourtney Kovanis | |
| Sermon | John LaBissoniere | Rick Shabi | Jason Musgrove |

Men's Chorus Rehearsal, Today: The Men's Chorus will rehearse in the Recording Studio at 1:15 p.m.

Night to Be Much Observed – Home Office, This Evening: We are looking forward to a special event at the Home Office and we are so glad to share it with so many brethren. You are welcome to stay after the PM services or be here by 6:00 p.m. Please give your food contributions to the kitchen helpers whenever you arrive. You may want to dress warmly or bring a coat as we plan to fellowship a bit outside on the patio.

First Day of Unleavened Bread, 4/13: Services will be held at the Oasis Conference Center, 902 Loveland-Miamiville Road, Loveland, OH 45140 at 2:30 p.m. tomorrow. A Holy Day offering will be collected. Please bring your personal hymnals. Also, *please note that our contract does not allow us to take food into the building.* Directions are available at the Information Table.

| | <u>2:30 P.M.</u> |
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| Songleader | Mark Holladay |
| Pianist | Tim Clowdus |
| Sermonette | David Metzel |
| Offertory Music | Donna Raudenbush |
| Special Music | Ray Clore, Braden Delamater, Ayla Docken, Melody Porter and Jamie Schreiber |
| Sermon | Gary Antion |

Last Day of Unleavened Bread, 4/19: We will meet at the Holiday Inn Cincinnati North – West Chester, 5800 Muhlhauser Road, West Chester, OH 45069, at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. on April 19. Please bring your personal hymnals. A Holy Day offering will be collected during the morning service. Directions are available at the Information Table.

Men's Speech and Leadership Club, 4/20: The Men's Club will meet at the Home Office at 8:30 a.m. on April 20.

Game Night, 4/24: Please join us for the next monthly game night on Thursday, April 24, from 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Bring dinner for yourself and board games to share! *Please be aware that we will not have access to the kitchen.* We look forward to seeing you there! If you have any questions, please contact Scott and Lauren Buchanan at clanbuchanan15@gmail.com.

Youth Instruction/Sabbath School – Memory Work, 4/26: A make-up session for students who would like to complete their memory work to earn a Bible or a gift card reward will be held in the Mail Room at 1:00 p.m. on April 26.

Adult Choir Rehearsal, 4/26: The Adult Choir will meet for rehearsal in the Recording Studio at 1:15 p.m. on April 26.

Church Social, 4/26 – Postponed: Our next church social, scheduled for April 26, has been postponed to a later date, to be announced. Stay tuned for an update on another evening of food, fun and fellowship!

Clothing Swap, 4/27: The clothing swap will be on Sunday, April 27. If you will be helping with setup, arrive at 9:15 a.m. If you are bringing clothes to donate, arrive at 9:45. Come to browse for your new wardrobe at 10:30. Please contact Kayleen Schreiber (kayleen.e.schreiber@gmail.com) if you can help with setup, takedown, donating after the event or to sell homemade goods while people browse. We will open for the public to come browse and shop at 11:00, so tell your friends!

2025 UYC Video: For those who missed seeing the 2025 United Youth Camps video, or would like to watch it again, it can be viewed on YouTube at youtu.be/1Ixwrjdsxc8.

Update on Our Brethren in Haiti: We humbly ask for your prayers for our Church family in Haiti, who are facing dire and dangerous circumstances. The ongoing civil conflict between government forces and violent gangs has spread beyond the capital of Port-au-Prince, reaching the city of Mirebalais—just 50 miles away—where many of our brethren live and worship.

Just last week, the gangs moved into the city of Mirebalais, seized the prison, released 500 prisoners, and killed at least 30 individuals. They then proceeded to overtake the city and surrounding areas, burning down churches, pillaging homes, and committing acts of violence, including rape. Our brethren have been forced to flee their homes and our church building to stay safe. Most left with nothing but the clothes on their backs and have hidden themselves in the woods and countryside, while others sought refuge in nearby towns that have not yet been attacked.

Due to the ongoing instability, we have had to cancel services, including Passover and the Days of Unleavened Bread, while praying for all those hiding to survive. Our greatest concerns are for the young girls and children, who are especially vulnerable, as well as the growing risk of starvation. Leaders are doing everything they can to get food, supplies and financial assistance to our scattered members. We've sent emergency funds and will continue to closely monitor this urgent and ongoing need.

Please pray for protection, provision and strength. Pray that God's presence will be powerfully felt by those who feel abandoned and afraid. And pray for a path to peace and restoration in Haiti. Only God can bring true order and healing in the midst of this chaos.

Thank you for standing in faith with our Haitian brethren.

~~Chuck Smith, Senior Pastor, Caribbean

Beyond Today Schedule: *Beyond Today* programs can be viewed on THE WORD Network (altafiber Elite Channel 263, Spectrum Silver Channel 386) at 12:30 a.m. Monday, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, 3:00 a.m. Friday and 6:30 p.m. Saturday. The programs can also be viewed on-demand on dedicated *Beyond Today* television channels on Roku, iOS devices, Android devices, Amazon Fire TV, LG Smart TVs, Samsung Smart TVs, YouTube, Vimeo, Wii and Xbox. You can always watch the program online at our website <http://www.ucg.org/beyond-today/television>.

| BT # | Title | Host | Literature Offered | Available |
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| 426 | Easter, Idols and God Discover how Easter is filled with ancient idolatrous practices which have nothing to do with worship of the Eternal God. | Darris McNeely | <i>Holidays or Holy Days: Does It Matter Which Days We Observe?</i> | April 13 |
| 447 | Headline Prophets Many Christian leaders today make bizarre prophetic assertions about news events. Learn how not to be misled by their claims. | Gary Petty | <i>You Can Understand Bible Prophecy</i> | April 20 |
| 449 | The Trinity vs. The Bible Millions believe God consists of three distinct persons or entities—but this concept is nowhere found in the Bible. | Steve Myers | <i>Is God a Trinity?</i> | April 27 |
| 450 | The Truth About Heaven Is Better Than You Think The Bible doesn't teach that you go to heaven upon death. But what it does expound is marvelous! | Gary Petty | <i>Heaven and Hell: What Does the Bible Really Teach?</i> | May 4 |