



United Church of God an International Association Cincinnati

Announcements – December 6, 2025

	<u>East – 11:00 A.M.</u>	<u>East – 2:30 P.M.</u>	<u>North – 2:30 P.M.</u>
Songleader	Chris Rowland	Mark Holladay	Luke Williams
Pianist	Heidi Braun	Carol Clementson	
Sermonette	Mark Tannert	Duane Phelps*	Gary Duncan
Special Music	Iris Creech, Micah Musgrove, June Schreiber, Calvin Creech	Karlee Gaston	Carolyn Prater
Sermon	Mark Welch	Clint Porter* *Split Sermon	Mark Welch

Food Drive, Today: Please place your unopened non-perishable food items for the St. George Food Pantry in the donation bins that are located near the Reception Desk. Thanks to all for serving in this way. Our next collection will be on January 3.

Farewell, Today: Jason Musgrove, his wife Tonya and their children, Kenzie and Micah, will be transferring from the Cincinnati area to Rome, GA. To show our appreciation for the Musgrove family and wish them well in their new ministerial assignment, we will have a send-off celebration at 12:45 p.m. today. They will be given parting gifts, a gift card and a card signed by the brethren. Of course, no get together is complete without cake!

Adult Choir Rehearsal, Today: The Adult Choir will hold its next rehearsal in the Recording Studio at 1:15 p.m.

Teen Bible Study, Today: The Teen Bible Study will be held in the Conference Room at 1:15 p.m.

North Church Thanksgiving Social, Today: The North Church will be having its annual After Thanksgiving Potluck social today. The church will provide the turkey, paper goods and drinks. Please bring your favorite Thanksgiving side dish to add to our meal. We hope many of you will be able to join us to feast and celebrate together.

Also, the North church will be having Sabbath School today for any children that would like to join our class.

Council of Elders Meeting, 12/8-11: The Council of Elders will be meeting from Monday through Thursday of this coming week. Your prayers for God's guidance of the meeting and the decisions made are appreciated.

In-Home Bible Study, 12/9: Our next study will be Tuesday evening, December 9, at the home of Ken and Kimberly Japhet (1255 Bluegrass Blvd, Batavia, OH 45103). We will have a potluck at 6:30 p.m. and the Bible Study to follow at 7:30 p.m. If you plan to attend, please notify Kimberly so we know how many to expect and how you may contribute to the meal. We will plan on completing Fundamental Belief #8 – Repentance, and we may begin #9 – Water Baptism. If you need a study guide on these two fundamental beliefs, please contact Mark Welch at mark_welch@ucg.org.

Youth Instruction/Sabbath School Classes, 12/13 and 12/20: Sabbath School classes will be held at 1:25 p.m. on December 13 and 20. They will meet in the following locations: Classes 1 and 2 – the Warehouse; Class 3 – the Conference Room; Class 4 – the Library. Students who would like to do Memory Work can come to the Warehouse beginning at 1:00 p.m.

Class	Date	Lesson	Teachers
1	12/13	Moses and the Ten Commandments	Heidi Braun, Heather Pacleb, Abbey PerMar
	12/20	God Heals Us	Jennifer Phelps, Courtney Creech
2	12/13	Moses and the Ten Commandments	Joy Porter, Ashandra Boise
	12/20	God Saves His People	Jacqueline Myers, Elizabeth Myers
3	12/13	Restoring the Law	Lucy Tannert, Melody Moss
	12/20	God Gives Ezra a Special Job	Eric de Campos, Christina de Campos
4	12/13	Restoring True Worship	Nick Hollon, Shawnda Hollon
	12/20	God Gives Nehemiah a Special Job	Duane Phelps, Lisa Phelps

The Children's Choir will rehearse in the Mail Room immediately after class.

No North Service, 12/13: There will be no Sabbath service for the North congregation on December 13.

Volleyball, 12/13 and 12/20: The next two sets of volleyball games, scheduled for December 13 and 20, will be held at Queen City Sportsplex, 10765 Reading Rd, Cincinnati OH 45241, starting at 6:00 p.m.

Men's Speech & Leadership Club, 12/14: The next meeting of the Men's Club will be held at the Home Office at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday, December 14.

Reminder to Register for Houston Regional Family Weekend, 12/13-14: The Houston brethren are excited to host a joyful weekend of worship and fellowship together in a beautiful nature setting. Special guests Peter and Terri Eddington will be joining us for the weekend.

- *Date:* December 13-14, 2025
- *Location:* Camp Lonestar, 2610 Tuwa Rd., Tomball, TX 77375
- *There is no cost for the weekend*, but please RSVP by December 9 and fill out the registration form at <https://forms.gle/TJ5SSzRF8AovnuqV9>.

Scheduled events include:

- Sabbath (9 a.m. – 9 p.m.): group meals for breakfast, lunch and dinner; nature walk; Bible studies for all ages with activity for the kids; church service; campfire fellowship; canoeing on the lake; evening music, games, s'mores and more!
- Sunday (9 a.m. – 2 p.m.): group breakfast and lunch; annual cornhole tournament; kids inflatables; gaga ball; basketball; volleyball, Frisbee gold; hiking, canoeing and more.

Questions? Please contact [Jay Ledbetter@ucg.org](mailto:Jay_Ledbetter@ucg.org) or call (469) 452-9501.

We hope you can join us for spiritual renewal, encouragement, family bonding and fun. This will be a weekend to remember!

Upcoming – Beyond Today TV Project in Israel: We are excited to share a remarkable opportunity that God seems to be opening before us—one that will mark a historic moment for *Beyond Today (BT)* and for the work as a whole.

For nearly 20 years, Darris McNeely, Gary Petty and Steve Myers have faithfully served as the familiar faces of *BT* TV. As their roles and responsibilities in the Church have grown and changed, each has expressed a desire to pass the torch and focus more fully on other areas. After much discussion and planning, we believe God has provided a way for them to offer a meaningful, high-impact final contribution.

God willing, in March 2026, we will film a special series of *Beyond Today* programs on location in Israel. Filming where the stories of Scripture actually unfolded will allow these final messages to be presented with depth, power and authenticity that cannot be achieved in a studio. This will be an opportunity for these longtime presenters to share timeless teaching in a setting that brings the Bible to life.

We see God's hand in the timing, the opportunity and the resources to make this possible. Please pray for wisdom in our preparations, for safety in travel and for us to be effective tools in God's hands.

Winter Family Weekend Schedule, 12/23-28: The theme for this year's Winter Family Weekend is "Fueled by Faith," and the schedule for seminars and the Sabbath is designed to provide the spiritual "fuel" we all need for our Christian walk. The full event schedule—which also includes all sports, the family carnival, the teen dance (with an ice cream bar!) and the young adult social—is available online. You can view the full, detailed schedule and register today at wfw.ucg.org.

ABC Magnetic Calendar: The ABC Calendar is back! This 11" by 8.5" glossy magnetic calendar highlights Holy Days and other important events for 2026. There is also space to jot your own notes and lists using any dry erase marker.

The calendars are \$10 each, which includes shipping. This year, we can also accept online payments. We accept individual orders as well as group orders. The money raised allows the ABC class to travel and serve a congregation outside of our local area. It also supports educational, fun opportunities outside of the classroom.

We prefer that calendar orders be placed by *December 19*. Further details about ordering are available at <https://www.ucg.org/members/abc/annual-fundraiser>. If you have any questions, please email ABCFundraiser@ucg.org.

Beyond Today Schedule: *Beyond Today* programs can be viewed on THE WORD Network (altafiber Elite Channel 263, Spectrum Silver Channel 386) at the following times: 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 p.m. Saturday, 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Sunday, and 2:00 a.m. Wednesday. 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
502/ 503	Hope in a Troubled World / Living an Abundant Life Like Daniel, unshaken in a falling world, we're called to stand firm in faith and purpose.	Darris McNeely	<i>Christ's Reign on Earth: What It Will Be Like Making Life Work</i>	December 7
504/ 505	When Christianity Becomes Anti-God – Part 1 and Part 2 Did Jesus really die for our sins—or is that idea outdated or even harmful, as some claim?	Gary Petty	<i>Why Were You Born? Jesus Christ: The Real Story</i>	December 14
386	Quitting Christmas Imagine doing this. But does it mean you would be abandoning Christ? The answer is no! Discover the Bible's pivotal reason.	Steve Myers	<i>Holidays or Holy Days: Does It Matter Which Days We Observe?</i>	December 21

Job Opening: Staff Writer

Media and Communications Services is seeking a Staff Writer to support the Church's growing writing needs. This role produces and refines content for *Beyond Today*, *Compass Check*, *United News*, United Young Adults (UYA) and other media efforts. Work includes writing, editing, proofreading, fact-checking and preparing material for print, web and email.

The position also assists with recurring email communications, helps post written content to ucg.org, and contributes to writer development through workshops and training (non-supervisory).

The individual must be a baptized member (in good standing) of the United Church of God, *an International Association*. The incumbent must be highly biblically literate, possess a thorough working knowledge of the doctrines, beliefs and practices of the United Church of God, and be able to bring this knowledge to bear on his/her duties.

Education and/or Experience: Bachelor's degree in English, journalism, communications or a related field; and two to four years of experience in writing, editing or communications; or equivalent combination of education and experience. Experience in magazine writing, digital publishing, scriptwriting or nonprofit media is highly desirable.

To apply and to upload your resume for this position, please visit this Web page: ucg.org/news/current-job-openings. Any specific questions about the position may be directed to human_resources@ucg.org.