



# United Church of God an International Association Cincinnati

## *Announcements – July 9, 2022*

	<u>East – 11:00 A.M.</u>	<u>East – 2:30 P.M.</u>	<u>North – 2:30 P.M.</u>
Songleader	Aaron Meidinger	Ken Japhet	Josh Raudenbush
Pianist	Heather Braun	Carol Clementson	
Sermonette	Roy Fouch	Clint Porter	Collyer Wells
Special Music	Heather and Heidi Braun	Ayla Docken	
Sermon	Marcus Lucas	Darris McNeely	Gary Antion

**Social Committee Meeting, Today:** The Social Committee will meet in the Conference Room at 1:15 p.m. Come help us plan details for upcoming social events!

**Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7/16:** The Adult Choir will meet for rehearsal in the Video Recording Studio at 1:15 p.m. on July 16.

**Teen Bible Study, 7/16:** The next Teen Bible Study will be held in the Conference Room at 1:30 p.m. on July 16.

**Festival Children's Choir Music 2022 is Now Available!** The children's choir selections for the Feast of Tabernacles are now available for download on the Feast website at: <https://www.ucg.org/members/feast/childrens-choir-music>.

Guidelines for the children's choir are posted there, as well as vocal and instrumental versions of the two songs and lyric sheets.

Parents, please follow the posted guidelines and be sure your children know the songs before arriving at the Feast.

**Feast Registration:** If you need any assistance with your registration, please talk with your congregation's Festival Advisor or email [feast\\_support@ucg.org](mailto:feast_support@ucg.org). Cincinnati Festival Advisors are Caleb Creech (East AM, 816-810-2905, [creech\\_caleb@yahoo.com](mailto:creech_caleb@yahoo.com)); Ken Japhet (East PM, 503-507-7770, [kjaphet@hotmail.com](mailto:kjaphet@hotmail.com)); and Doug Knuckles (North, 513-317-1671, [doug.knuckles@gmail.com](mailto:doug.knuckles@gmail.com)).

**ABC Study Tour of Turkey and the Seven Churches of Revelation:** As you read the Bible, have you ever desired to visit the locations where Paul traveled or Christ taught? Travel to the places where the scenes of Scripture occurred adds new dimensions of understanding the Bible and its application for today.

From April 8–18, 2023, ABC faculty member Darris McNeely will be hosting an Ambassador Bible College study tour of the sites in Turkey of the seven churches of Revelation. We will also visit the island of Patmos, where John was exiled and received the Revelation. We will also see the fabled city of Istanbul and learn its history. This 11-day tour starts during the Days of Unleavened Bread and is open to any UCG member to attend.

Through lectures on the Greco-Roman world, the cult of Roman emperor worship and the cultural setting of the first century, you will better understand the message Christ gave His Church and its relevance to us now. In Istanbul, you will visit sites consequential to early Church history and the formation of doctrine. The foundational truths of Scripture were under fire then, and we are living through similar times today. This trip's goal is to enhance your faith through an immersive travel experience.

Deadline for registering is September 15. For a PDF brochure with full itinerary and payment information please email [Darris\\_McNeely@ucg.org](mailto:Darris_McNeely@ucg.org). Space is limited and sign-ups have begun.

**Pray for the Gospel to Have Free Course – The Work of God in Australia, Part 1:** United Church of God-Australia office manager, Derek Lewis, writes: "In Australia the National Council has just ratified a Public Proclamation budget of \$940,000 (\$655,000 USD) for the upcoming financial year (July to June). This is easily the largest budget for public proclamation in Australia that we've ever had. It's 12 percent above spending for this year and 35 percent above the prior year.

"Much of the budget is earmarked for Beyond Today being aired on television two days per week (until six months ago it was aired just one day per week), and also a very significant and increased spending on digital marketing. Beyond Today television and digital marketing have been fruitful. Short video ads on Facebook have brought great results and we've just recorded six new ads that we hope will be even more successful. One new theme that we will test is 'science and God' where we'll highlight that never before in history has Almighty God been so clearly seen through scientific discoveries.

“Even with all this as good news, we must be mindful that the gospel message could easily be thwarted here in Australia without God’s protection—as we’ll note in part 2 of this report. That is why your prayers are so important and much needed.”

**Beyond Today Schedule:** *Beyond Today* programs can be viewed on THE WORD Network (Cincinnati Bell Fiopics Elite Ch. 263, not available on Spectrum) at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday and 12:30 a.m. Monday. 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 also watch the program online at our website <http://www.ucg.org/beyond-today/television>.

BT #	Title	Host	Literature Offered	Available
438	<b>Christians Surviving in a Non-Christian Society</b> Learn how to stay loyal to biblical teachings even as enmity grows towards God and His values.	Gary Petty	<i>Jesus Christ: The Real Story</i>	July 10
439	<b>Smyrna: Faith Under Fire</b> The crown of life was pledged to Christians who stayed faithful in troubling times. Learn how that reward can be yours.	Darris McNeely	<i>You Can Have Living Faith</i>	July 17
440	<b>Watch Out!</b> Jesus warned His disciples to be watchful about their spiritual condition and alert to newsworthy events. Learn why you should be too.	Steve Myers	<i>What You Need to Know About Baptism</i>	July 24
441	<b>You Become What You Think</b> God wants to help you change how you think—from a material mindset to a spiritual one—so you can have genuine peace.	Gary Petty	<i>Tools for Spiritual Growth</i>	July 31