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News & Information for ... Ministry ... Fellowship

About our speaker...



In November 2004, **Rev. Brenda J. Miller** ministered at New Life Church of God in Decatur, Illinois as a pulpit supply preacher while the church searched for a new pastor. Although it was not her intention to candidate for the position, God had another plan.

At the request of the pulpit committee, Rev. Brenda submitted her resume and interviewed for the position, after which the members of New Life entered a season of prayer and fasting. She visited the church again in February 2005, for a "candidate weekend". By God's direction, Rev. Brenda was officially called to pastor New Life on March 6th 2005, by a unanimous congregational vote. Before moving to Decatur, Rev. Brenda attended First Church of God Christian Life Center in Evanston, Illinois, the city of her birth. She accepted the call to ministry in August 1991, under the leadership of Rev. Michael D. Curry and attended *The Midwest School of Ministry and Theological Studies located on the church campus*.

Rev. Brenda served on the outreach and evangelism team, ministering at homeless shelters, soup kitchens and leading the church's prison ministry team at Cook County Jail for ten years. She was ordained by Illinois State Ministries in July 1998.

Her passion for discipleship enabled her to serve as coordinator and lead teacher for the new member class and as a trainer for new ministers. In January 2002, Rev. Brenda was appointed Pastor of Congregational Care, her first full-time ministry position. A year later she was elevated to Senior Associate Pastor.

Pastor Brenda is a trained addictions counselor. She graduated from Grant Hospital's Clinical Training Program for Addictions Counselors and earned an Associate Degree in Mental Health from Harold Washington College in Chicago. She maintained state certification for a decade, while working as a counselor in residential treatment programs for Haymarket and Lutheran Social Services.

Pastor Brenda has been married to her devoted husband, Elder Ken for twenty two years. During the past nine years, New Life C.O.G. has experienced spiritual and numerical growth under their leadership. Pastor Brenda is fully committed to the ministry of the gospel of Jesus Christ and believes in the power of the Holy Spirit to change people's lives.



Planning meetings for area youth events are held every fourth Monday of the month at 7:00pm Alternating between **Community Christ Fellowship** 121 Williams Blvd St. Louis, MO 63135 And Market Ave Church of God 1505 Market Avenue East St. Louis, IL 62207 Dial in - 661-673-8600. code 704227#

We're asking for all youth leaders or representatives from each church to participate.

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To register for this event, email Sis. Candace Hall at cnhall.events@gmail.com.

PASTOR'S PRAYER FELLOWSHIP

The Pastor's Prayer Fellowship meetings are typically held the first Tuesday of every month. The time (AM or PM) is at the discretion of the host pastor. The next Pastor's fellowship prayer meeting will be held on

Tuesday, April 1, 2014 at 9:00am at the following location:

First Church of God - Madison

1027 Bissell Madison, IL 62060 618-877-0525 Host Pastor: Rev. Jeannette Cochran

You may dial in for prayer at 9:30am if you cannot attend 661-673-8600, code 704227#

Edgemont Church of God presents



MAY 1-3, 2014 Crowne Plaza St. Louis-Clayton 7750 Carondelet Ave

Clayton, MO 63105

The Gathering Place Church of God is hosting

A Children's Church Workshop

April 12, 2014 10:00am-2:00pm

5500 Old Collinsville Rd. Fairview Heights, IL 62207

UMBRELLA PRAYER MEETINGS



The umbrella prayer group meets to focus on prayer that will greatly enhance your praver life and spiritual growth. It is held every third Saturday at 8:00 am at the Richmond Heights COG, 7770 Dale Ave., Richmond Heights, MO 63117.

Coordinators:

Sis. Sallie Hatter 618-271-2214 Sis. Janna Sue Stowers 314-388-2464

Join us for weekly prayer calls: Mondays at 5:00pm CST Fridavs at 6:30pm CST Dial in - 605-475-4700. code 506264#

The 2014 General Assembly Missouri Church of God

April 24 - 25

JESUS is the SUBJECT

Tanner Street Church of God Sikeston, MO

Guest Speaker: Rev. Jim Lvon General Director, COG Ministries

Meet Rev. Jim Lvon

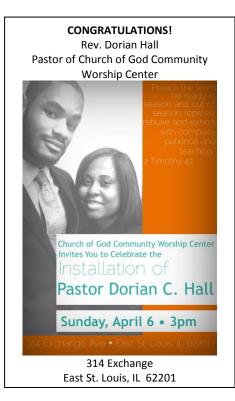


Church of God Convention: "Be Bold," in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. June 23-26, 2014. This is the first time this convention has been held outside of Anderson in more than one hundred years! The format has totally changed. You will want to attend this historic event. Yes, it is close to IYC, we have been promised, that it will be worth the effort to put this on your schedule. You can find info at <u>www.chogconvention.org</u>.

ANOTHER ST. LOUIS LEADER AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL! ELDER DONNA RODDY – INSTALLED AS PRESIDENT OF THE NAWCG



Elder Donna Roddy accepted Christ in September 1966 during a revival at the Kirkwood Church of God, Kirkwood – MO. Even though she was still a child, her parents (The Late Rev. William & The Late Rev. Myrtle Moore) made sure she was taught biblically sound doctrine of what true salvation was all about. They lived it before her by example. She has been active in the church from age four (4) until the present. She has been involved with the NAWCG for 16 years, and it has been a special part of her spiritual walk and growth. Having the opportunity to share personal experiences among the women of God has proven to enhance her life as she ministers to the needs of the Kingdom of God. She is a servant to this ministry because this organization promotes love for others, develops strong leaders and provides avenues that tap into the potential of all women. The ministry has a strong foundation and is based on building relationships, encouraging friendships with an emphasis on fellowship among the sisters of God's Kingdom. This ministry also has established a purpose for the young and ageless, regardless of nationality and background. Every woman is somebody within this ministry of the NAWCG. Please take the time to congratulate Elder Donna Roddy and pray for her as she enters a new chapter of her ministry serving in such a capacity as this one!



Pastor Anniversary / Appreciation Schedule

April (TBA) Westminster May (first Sun) Riverview June (first Sun) Market Ave July (third Sun) Richmond Heights Aug (second Sun) Edgemont Sept (first Sun) Wentzville Oct (first Sun) Wentzville Oct (fourth Sun) New Cote Brilliante Nov (TBA) Gathering Place-Fairview Heights, IL Nov (third Sun) Kinloch Dec (first Sun) Madison

Visit <u>www.slamaonline.org</u> to find out what's going on in the area and to view archived issues of the SLAMA newsletter. To submit information, send an email to <u>office@slamaonline.org</u>.

ORDER OF SERVICE

CALL TO WORSHIP PRAISE AND WORSHIP SCRIPTURE READING PRAYER CHOIR SELECTION OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENTS INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER CHOIR SELECTION MESSAGE ALTAR CALL/PRAYER BENEDICTION

-PRAISE TEAM / WORSHIP LEADER

-AREA MINISTER / PASTOR -CHURCH OF GOD AREA CHOIR -SLAMA OFFICERS

-CHURCH OF GOD AREA CHOIR

-AREA MINISTER / PASTOR

