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HARRY FULMER, JR

Harry Woodrow Fulmer, Jr, 80, of Parkersburg, WV, passed away on October 21, 2025. Harry was born on February 2, 1945, in Philadelphia, PA. He was ordained with the Appalachian Conference in 1997. He is survived by his wife, Melanie. His genuine love for others lives on in those who knew him.



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The Bishop's Page



Larry Meadors

What I learned from the Pastor Huddles...

- We need each other.
- We love Jesus.
- We love our families.
- We love our churches.
- We like to eat.
- We don't know each other well.
- We have stories that need sharing.
- We are faithfully committed to the call.
- We want to be heard.
- We hunger for revival.

In this month of thankful reflections, I am thankful for all who took the time out of their busy lives to come and hang out with fellow ministers in these huddles. You are amazing men and women of God who work hard and walk in integrity.

In addition, thank God for His presence in the regional revival services. Each night the worship was powerful, the Word anointed and the altars full of people calling out in prayer. May the results of our gathering together in Jesus' name be far reaching and long lasting to bring spiritual change to the communities we serve.











World Missions & Evangelism wes Galford



A Season of Thanksgiving

November... The brisk morning air and cool days remind us that winter is on the way. This month marks the beginning of the holiday season and brings our attention to Thanksgiving, the often-forgotten holiday, a time set apart to give thanks. We first saw this spirit of gratitude in the Pilgrims at Plymouth Rock.

In November 1621, in Plymouth, Massachusetts, though not the first Thanksgiving in history, an important moment took place. The Pilgrims, who had journeyed from England in pursuit of religious freedom, gathered to celebrate the great harvest that God had provided. They invited the Wampanoag people to join them in a feast of gratitude and fellowship.

Today, Thanksgiving is too often overlooked, overshadowed by the rush toward Christmas shopping and seasonal busyness. Our culture has transformed it from a time of giving thanks to God into a day centered around food, football, and festivities. But as believers in Jesus Christ, we are called to live every day with a heart of thanksgiving.

The psalmist reminds us in **Psalm 118:1**: "Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever."

We have countless reasons to be thankful, none greater than the Gospel of Jesus Christ! When the Gospel transforms our hearts, gratitude overflows into action. We praise God, meet the needs of others, and give generously so that the Good News can reach every corner of the world. This spirit of gratitude is beautifully expressed through the **Go Offering**.

As we look toward the goals set before us in 2025, we pause to give thanks for all that God has accomplished through your generosity in 2024. Because of your faithful giving, the Gospel continues to advance around the world. Together, we have seen:

- The establishment of a new headquarters and church plant in Senegal,
- The Christian Hope Church expansion in Ukraine,
- The purchase of property for the IPHC Seminary in India,
- A new Conference Training Center in Malawi, and
- The planting of Ecclesia Church in Belgium.

Look at what God is doing! The Gospel is spreading across nations because of your gratitude and obedience.

As we enter this season of thanksgiving, may you be encouraged. Reflect, as the Pilgrims did in 1621, on the abundance of God's provision. Take time to consider the power of thanksgiving in your own life, recognizing the countless blessings of the Lord. And remember, your cheerful giving is making a **generational impact** around the world.

Only Heaven will reveal the full magnitude of your dedication, your giving of thanks and your giving of resources, to take the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

In Christ's service, Wes Galford World Missions and Evangelism Director



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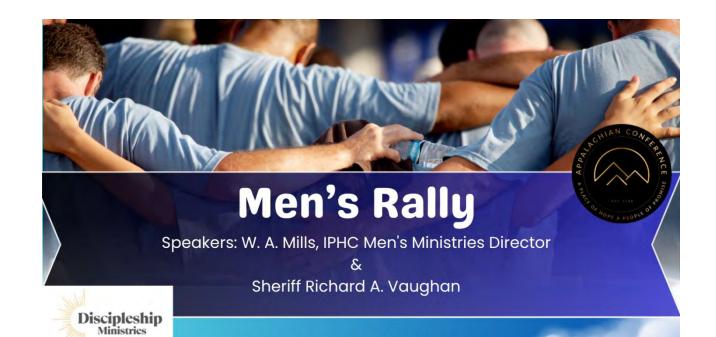
TEACH

RELEASE

"Therefore go and make disciples ...and surely I am with you always..."

Matthew 28:19-20





Appalachian Conference
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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8 2025 | 10:00AM - 2:00PM



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CREATED WITH PURPOSE - GIRLS' MINISTRIES RETREAT 2025



Created with a Purpose Girls' Ministry Weekend was held September 12-14th. The Appalachian Conference Campus was filled with nearly 100 young ladies and their chaperons for a weekend of making and renewing friendships, worship and learning more of His Word and His purpose for our lives. The weekend theme came from Ephesians 2:10, "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Worship was led by Battle Cry Worship Co, the Word by Candace Lynch, and the girls enjoyed 91 Feathers on Friday night, with a message by Jennifer Wade.







WE WANT TO CELEBRATE THE DISCIPLESHIP MOMENTS OF YOUR LOCAL CHURCH!

Please submit your article/pictures of children, youth, senior, discipleship events to rfredericks58@aol.com by the 15th of each month for consideration in the Conference Messenger.

(We reserve the right to edit article to fit space available.)

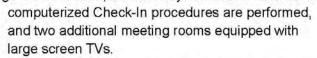


A NEW AND FRESH WIND OF EXCITEMENT IS BLOWING THROUGH AMAZING GRACE MINISTRIES IN LYNCHBURG!

Through a God-given vision to better care for the Amazing Grace Family and to help reach new families and children in our community, to introduce them to Jesus, to win, disciple and lead them into a personal relationship with Him, our church received an awesome, unexpected blessing when God opened doors for us to acquire a newly remodeled building adjacent to the church



in August of this year! The church was able to create and decorate exciting new areas that are safe and secure, such as a lovely Reception Hall, an Arts & Crafts room, Bible Quizzing studio, a new AG KIDZ Sanctuary, a Kitchen with a pleasant space where children enjoy a delicious breakfast and snacks on Sunday mornings before church, a beautifully decorated office where





September 7th with a variety of refreshments.
We were honored to have with us Assistant
Conference
Superintendent / D. M.

Superintendent / D. M. Director Ron Fredericks and his lovely wife, Pam. Rev. Fredericks offered a wonderful prayer of blessing and dedication over the new facility. Approximately one hundred people gathered to rejoice over what God is doing for this congregation, and costumed characters "Amazing Gracie" and "Percy the Panther" eagerly greeted each





one!

In addition to the AG KIDZ Ministry on Sunday mornings, the new facility is utilized throughout the week by other ministries within the church such as the Men's Ministry, Women's Ministry, Adult Bible Studies, Young at Heart Seniors Group and Missions Ministry. Sunday, October 19th, the church hosted a scrumptious lunch prepared in honor and appreciation of Pastors Don and Dale Webb in the new building, presenting them with beautiful cards and gifts.

A new Nursery and Toddler area was also created in the basement of the Main Sanctuary. A very excited and talented group of volunteers gathered to paint the area in a beautiful, bright mix of cheerful colors. New flooring, children's furniture, wall décor, new age-appropriate toys and chairs were added to create a space beautiful and appealing to the children and ministry team. An Open House was held September 28th for this area and congregants enjoyed cookies and cold drinks



To God be the glory! Great things He has done and continues to do through this amazing congregation! None of this would have been possible were it not for some amazing and caring donors who contributed monetarily and an awesome group of volunteers who prayed, planned, painted and decorated!

(Article and pictures submitted by Don Webb, Associate Pastor)









DISCIPLESHIP on MISSION....after several Mission trips both in and out of the country...Mission begins at home

When my mom first started talking about getting a food trailer, I could see how much passion she had for it. She wasn't just talking about cooking — she was talking about feeding people, serving the community, and using food as a way to show God's love. Seeing her excitement and purpose made me want to be part of it. I didn't just see it as her dream, but as something we could build together —

something that could make a real difference.

When she mentioned that we didn't have the money to buy the trailer, I immediately felt a strong pull to step in. I was excited — not nervous — because I knew it was something worth investing in. It wasn't just about the business side; it was about investing in my mom's calling and in what God was doing through her.



Being part of Kitchen of

Blessings has given me the chance to learn what it takes to run a business while also being involved in ministry. I handle things like finances, social media, and outreach, but more importantly, it's allowed me to spend more time with my mom and grow alongside her. Through this experience, I've been able to meet new people, share Jesus with them, and see how food can open doors for ministry. My hope is



that through this, not only will I be able to earn income for life after high school, but that many lives will be changed through the Gospel — one meal, one conversation, and one act of kindness at a time.

(Story submitted by Isaac Bradhsaw, photos copied from Facebook)

EVERY STORY IS A DISCIPLESHIP STORY.





ONE WEEK WILL CHANGE A LIFE

Matt. 20:28

"Jesus did not come to be served," but to serve "

SERVE

CAMP MARANATHA '26

Save the Date

Extreme Teen - High School Week (Grades 9 - and up): June 14 - 19, 2026

Destiny - Middle School Week (Grades 6-8): June 21 - 26, 2026

Adventure Quest - Elementary School Week (Grades 1-5): June 28 - July 2, 2026

More Information to follow.



Women's Ministries



Tammy Porter



HARVEST TRAIN

Falcon Children's Home – Tuesday, November 25

The parade begins at 8:30 a.m., and anyone is welcome to participate. Decorate your car, bring lots of candy and spread the Christmas cheer to some very special children.

The program entitled, "Echoes of Christmas Past," will begin at 10:30 a.m. This year's story follows Caleb, a young man dealing with loss, anger, and doubt, on a heartfelt journey that leads to healing, new hope, and a better understanding of what Christmas truly means.

I encourage you to take the opportunity to be at Harvest Train, if at all possible.

If you would like to donate offerings to Falcon Children's Home, please have them at the conference office no later than Thursday, November 20.

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World Intercession Network Donna Hankla



FIGHT FIRE WITH BLOOD

"Fight fire with fire," is a response to various types of threats. In the atmosphere of conflict, the person being targeted may want to assure others that they are not intimidated. Therefore, they respond with the "fight fire with fire" slogan.

However, battles for Christians are not fought with flesh and blood, but with spirits.

"For we wrestle not against flesh, and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places" (Ephesians 6:12 KJV).

Therefore, our weapons are not carnal but are powerful to the pulling down of strongholds! (II Corinthians 2:4)

An effective way to put out the fires, or attacks, of the devil is by applying the Blood of Jesus. This is done by prayer and declaring relevant scriptures.

LIFE IS IN THE BLOOD

After the sin of Adam and Eve, and their expulsion from the Garden of Eden, a means for atonement was necessary. Blood was the accepted sacrifice. The offering of Abel confirms this divine requirement.

"And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the Lord had respect unto Abel and to his offering" (Genesis 4:4).

The priests of the Old Testament would continue this pattern of blood offerings.

"For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you on the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood by reason of the life that makes atonement" (Leviticus 17:11).

PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS

The Blood of Jesus is in the heavenly realm and provides us with power over the devil.

"Forasmuch as you know that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish, and without spot" (I Peter 1:18,19).

There are at least 7 accounts of the Blood of Jesus being shed.

- 1. SWEATING BLOOD in the Garden of Gethsemane. (Luke 22:44)
- 2. STRUCK AND BEATEN before the High Priest. (Matthew 26:65-68)
- 3. BEARD PLUCKED OUT by his enemies. (Isaiah 50:6)
- 4. SCOURAGED by the Romans. (Isaiah 52:14 and Matthew 27:26)
- 5. CROWN OF THORNS on His head. (Matthew 27:29)
- 6. CRUCIFIED ON THE CROSS between two thieves. (Luke 23:33)
- 7. HIS SIDE WAS PIERCED WITH A ROMAN SPEAR (John 19:34)

YOUR BATTLES

The Blood of Jesus is a powerful weapon for us. The furious demonic attacks have no might against the Blood of Jesus.

FEAR is a demonic attack that affects many people. However, Divine Protection is provided by the Blood of Jesus. Recall the story of the Passover. The households of God's people were protected from the angel of death by the blood of the lamb being applied on the doorposts. Blood was applied by hyssop on each side of the door and the top of the door. (Exodus 12:7)

<u>Fight the Fire of Fear</u> with the Blood of Jesus. One way to do this is to take a bottle of anointing oil and anoint the doors of your house in the same manner. Declare that you and your house are protected by the Blood of Jesus and are off limits to the devil.

Fight the Fire of Disease with the promises of the Blood of Jesus.

"By His stripes we are healed" (Isaiah 53:5). Pray this scripture over those who are sick, and trust in the power of the Blood of Jesus.

<u>Fight the Fire of Anxiety</u> with the Blood of Jesus. We can have PEACE because of His Blood. (Colossians 1:20) Declare the Blood of Jesus over your mind and thoughts. Pray for the release of His Peace into your innermost being.

<u>Fight the Fire of demonic attacks</u> of any type with the Power of the Blood of Jesus. We have victory over the devil. We overcome by the Blood of Jesus.

"And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death" (Revelation 12:11).

WHEN DEMONIC FIRES come against you; fight them with the Blood of Jesus!



- 24 Christmas Eve
- 25 Christmas Day
- 29 Last day for reports
- 31 New Year's Eve Office Closed

The Conference Office will be closed the week of December 22.