

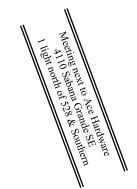
General Assembly & Women's Mínístry Conventíon Attendees

Next week, hundreds of Cumberland Presbyterians will gather from across the denomination and around the world for the 191st meeting of our General Assembly; a week of worship, educational opportunities, fellowship and church business. And, as always, the Women's Ministry Convention will take place the same week. This year's Meeting and Convention will be held in ALBUQUERQUE! — the first time in 31 years — co-hosted by Westside and Heights CP churches. Please pray for the travel safety and health of all attendees and that God will guide and bless the decisions that are made—that we might be faithful to the "upward call of God in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 1:6).

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# The Most Godless Spot on Earth

"The Son of Man came to Seek and to Save What Was Lost"

Luke 19:10

"Sarah! Sarah! I called. She was outside, preparing supper. Stepping to the door I said, 'The preacher has come!' While I was crying for joy Sarah came in shouting. We had long felt that we were in the midst of a frontier people who were living without hope and without God in the world, perishing for lack of knowledge. Without the gospel, without school and almost without a Sabbath we shuddered at the thought of raising our children in such a society. God answered our prayers and sent us a preacher to instruct us in righteousness and spiritually feed the few poor sheep straying in the wilderness without a shepherd." (1801)

The Cumberland Presbyterian Church has its origin in the Second Great Awakening, or Revival (1790-1840). Truly, the Holy Spirit swept over the Kentucky and Tennessee frontier radically transforming souls. So great was the change, Presbyterians in the Cumberland Gap struggled to keep up with the growing demand to bring the Gospel of Christ and minister to the growing masses of converts of what one journalist had called, "*the most godless spot on earth*."

The Cumberland Presbyterian Church derives much of its character from this exciting and difficult time. The unique and powerful movement of the Holy Spirit is well documented. Historian the Rev. James Gallagher wrote, "...no body of ministers in America or in the world have preached so much good efficient preaching. The church now stands before heaven and earth a monument of God's great work in the revival of 1800." But, not all received His Spirit.

Citing Sacramental Camp Meetings and "excessive revival methods" the parent church opposed the revival to their detriment. Historian Mervyn Davies wrote, "In a needless split, the men and women of Kentucky and Tennessee, rebuffed by their own church, formed the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. The consequences were especially tragic because our church was bereft of its most ardent, Christ-filled segment at the very moment when it should have been uniting all its efforts to bring in the waiting harvest of souls. It paid the price of its own folly by seeing the severed branch grow twice as fast as the parent tree in the years that followed." Much has taken place since that move of the Spirit in 1810. Today, we face a new set of challenges.

2020 exposed the fragility of our faith, "*Our faith is sincere, but untested.*" The remnant realized in 2021, "*Jesus is the One shaking the world & church.*" This week as the 191<sup>st</sup> General Assembly convenes, more than four-hundred Minister and Elder Commissioners, Youth Delegates and guests from eighteen nations, gather in New Mexico, Christ whispers, "It is *not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit…*" (Zech. 4:6). "*Jesus, pour out your Holy Spirit anew in '22 as you once did in 1810. Revive your people again. Amen.*"

> Vaya con Dios, Pastor Harry Chapman Westside CP Church, Rio Rancho, NM



#### \*Please pray for:

The FIRES IN NM (and winds) to recede, that God would send much-needed rain, provision and shelter for the evacuees, protection for all those fighting the fires

#### \*Continue to Pray for:

Jeff L (brother/Don), recovering following hospitalization; Mary (sister/Ida M) treated for blood clots in legs, lungs, extreme fatigue, stress on heart, Tim (friend/Ida M), dealing w/ heart issues. Those with cancer: Cathy B (daughter-in-law/Cheryl B), physical and spiritual healing; Christy C (nephew's wife/ Don L.), the Lord's touch, peace, comfort

#### \*Those serving in the military:

Nicolas B (IS2 (IW)/Navy, Hawaii); Josh L (E-5/Air Force, NM); Mark V (Major/ Armv)

#### \*Prayers for General Assembly & the Women's Convention:

For Revival & Resolve (1 Cor 2:2); that God would guide and bless our local (and the national) preparations; for travel mercies, safety, protection and good health for all attendees; that all our visitors would be greeted with a WARM. Christ-filled New Mexico welcome!

GA & Convention theme: **Revive Us Again!** "Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?" ~Psalm 85:6 (NIV)

## Come Holy Spirit!!!

**2022 Session** (Elders) Sherry M, Steve N, Kristen P, Maria S, Ken Y, & Dell W

2022 Diaconate (Deacons) Ann M, Toni M, & Judy T

## Westside Calendar of Events - 2022

## June

- 02 FISH CAMP\*
- 15 Communion/Pentecost Sunday
- 14 Deacons' Meeting
- 16 FISH CAMP\*
- 19 Father's Day
- 19-24 General Assembly & Women's Ministry Convention, Albuquerque, NM
- 22 Special GA FISH CAMP\* event
- 28 Session Meeting
- 30 FISH CAMP\*

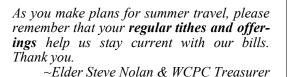
\*Reserve your seat belt in the van, 620-2427.

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## Bulletin Board...

## \*Happy June Birthdays to:

-Emma M - June 1 -Toni M - June 15 -Marty R - June 15 -Katie Y - June 16 -Harper N - June 17 -Ida M - June 22 -Alexis M - June 24



## Giving by mail:

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## General Assembly & Women's Convention At a Glance Highlights



Sunday, 6/19

Monday, 6/20

(Sandia room)

Tuesday, 6/21

Wednesday, 6/22

Thursday, 6/23

Ministry

Advisory Delegates

2:00 PM - Business Session

3:00 PM - Moderator's Reception

AM/PM - Committee Meetings

**FISH CAMP (RSVP, 620-2427)** 

AM/PM - Committee Meetings

to Guatemala (TICKETS SOLD OUT)

7:00 PM - Closing Worship

\*Westsiders encouraged to attend!

Youth Delegate check-in

**Cumberland Presbyterian** General Assembly June 19-24, 2022 Embassy Suites Hotel, ABQ

3-5 PM - Welcome Table Host Committee

3-6 PM - GA Office open Commissioner/

Heights Church, 8600 Academy NE, ABQ

\*5-7 PM - Outdoor Concert w/ food truck

AM - Orientation for Commissioners/Youth

\*7:00 PM - Worship/Communion Service

8:30 PM - Reception Honoring Women in

\*8:00 AM -3:30 PM - GA/WCPC Kids

\*Noon - CP Women's Ministry Luncheon

Speaker: Rev. Socorro Pejendino, Missionary

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**Cumberland Presbyterian** Women's Ministry Convention June 21-23, 2022 Embassy Suites Hotel, ABO

Sunday, 6/19 3-6 PM - Registration

Monday, 6/20 9-11 AM - Registration \*7:00 PM - Worship/Communion Service (Sandia room)

#### Tuesday, 6/21 9:00 AM - Opening Worship 9:15 AM - Business Session 11:00 AM - Service Project for Seed & Light Ministries 12:30 PM - Trip to Santa Fe for lunch & tour of Loretto Chapel

Wednesday, 6/22 9:00 AM - Opening Worship 2:00 PM - Workshops

Thursday, 6/23 9:00 AM - Opening Worship \*Noon - CP Women's Ministry Luncheon Speaker: Rev. Socorro Pejendino, Missionary to Guatemala (TICKETS SOLD OUT)

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Exciting News! The Cumberland Presbyterian international delegation from Columbia will be joining Westside for Worship (10:30 AM) & Lunch on Sunday, June 19th! Help us give them a WARM WELCOME!!!