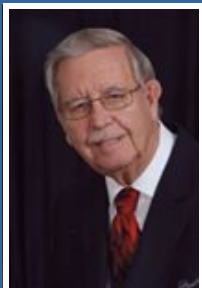




## *Dr. C. Darrell Prichard*

1932-2016



Pastor Prichard was born in Frankclay, MO on April 5, 1932 and grew up in Leadwood, MO. Darrell graduated from what was then called Findlay College with a Bachelor of Science degree. He went on to graduate from Winebrenner Theological Seminary with a Bachelor of Divinity degree. On September 5, 1953 he married Alberta.

Darrell pastored the Wayne Church of Christ in Wayne Ohio from 1953-1955. In 1956, Darrell and Alberta moved to Risingsun, OH where he became the pastor Of Risingsun First Church God where he served until 1965. Darrell was named the pastor of the Mt. Tabor Church of God in Nappanee, IN until 1973.

Darrell then became the Associate Administrator of the Church of God, General Conference. During his tenure he traveled extensively to Venezuela and Haiti, where he was instrumental in the growth of Project HELP.

In 1980 he became the Senior Pastor at College First Church of God, Findlay, maintaining that position until 1993. He also served as the chaplain for the university's football team. In 1980 Darrell was also honored by The University of Findlay with an Honorary Doctorate degree. In 1993 he became the Administrator of the Ohio Conference, Churches of God. Where Darrell served as a mentor to the many pastors. During this time, he was instrumental in starting the Pension Board for pastors in the Churches of God. Darrell also played a role in establishing The Foundation of the Great Lakes Conference, Churches of God, where he served as President until 2011.

Darrell had also served on the Board of Trustees for Winebrenner Village. He was influential in the sale of Winebrenner Village to Blanchard Valley Hospital, which subsequently became Birchaven Retirement Village. Darrell served as a member of the Board of Trustees for both Winebrenner Theological Seminary and The University of Findlay, being honored as a Trustee Emeritus for both institutions.

Darrell was a founding member of the Hancock County Metropolitan Housing Authority serving as its first President. He was also an active member of College First Church of God.

Darrell's journey with Alzheimer's disease was chronicled in the documentary 'Instead of Your Name'.

Cards and expressions of sympathy can be sent to Alberta at 809 Hunters Creek Drive, Findlay, OH 45840.

Darrell, 'Well done thou good and faithful servant...'



Where it is happening!

**Aukerman Church of God** welcomed Ken Thomas to be their next pastor effective May 1st.



**Arthur Center** hosted VBS with the theme Cowabunga Farms. The children learned about Joseph and how God has a plan in all things that happen in our life. Kind of like the farm.

**Mt Carmel Church of God** hosted an **ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Encounter and Evacuate)** program recently for area churches. ALICE is a proactive strategy to empower congregations with the knowledge necessary to survive during an armed intruder event.



**Mt Tabor Church of God** said good-bye to Pastor Tim and Jenn Hollinger on Sunday, June 26th.

**Seville Community Church** was honored to host Christian music artist and song writer Woody Wright in a recent concert. Woody is a part of the Bill Gaither Gospel Music Assoc. located in Alexandria, IN.

He has been featured on several of the Gaither Homecoming videos. There were 266 people in attendance - breaking the all time attendance record at the Seville Community Church of God. Woody and his wife, Vonnie, will return on April 29 & 30th of 2017. They both have had a positive impact on the Seville congregation and the local community.

**Pastor Jim Wilder** has accepted the call to pastor Gomer Congregational Church, Gomer, OH.



2017  
**Conference-In-Session**  
**June 9, 10**  
Winebrenner Seminary

**MICHIGAN MISSION BANQUET**

Eagle and Arthur Center Church of God (Alma, MI) served as hosts for a Michigan Missions Banquet on April 30th.

The theme focused on the construction of the Fish Farm in Kenya (See page 6 of April, 2016 Focus). Nancy Boyer, who is very involved in promoting the work in Kenya and Rachel Peterson, who has been to Africa on Mission trips several times were the featured speakers. The host churches even invited some of their Amish neighbors.

An offering was taken for the work in Kenya raising \$2,274 for the project! The goal is \$5,000.

**New GLC Logo**

Created by Megan (Cleve) Talbert



**Check out the new website:**  
[glc.cggc.org](http://glc.cggc.org)



## ONE Mission-Discipleship General Conference Triennial Sessions

July 25-27, 2016

Discipleship is the focus of this year's General Conference Sessions. You won't want to miss keynote speaker **Mike Breen**, leader of 3DM Movement and recognized voice of discipleship. You will also have an opportunity to hear **Christopher Yuan** share his personal story of redemption and entertain questions in a time of Q & A. **Dr. Katherine Fell**, President of the University of Findlay will share leadership perspectives and Chambersburg First's Celebration Praise Team will lead in worship.

The Conference will convene at Chambersburg First Church at 4 p.m. Monday, July 25 and wrap up by noon on Wednesday, July 27. A special Tuesday Evening is planned at Scotland Campus.

Walk-Ins are welcome for a daily rate of \$25 at the door.

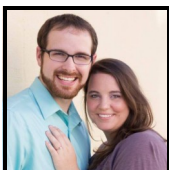
If you have questions, please contact Candice Shoemaker, [cls@cggc.org](mailto:cls@cggc.org) or (419) 424-1961 or go to the CGGC website and click on General Conference in Conference.

### Scholarship Opportunity

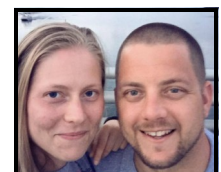
The Great Lakes Conference has a scholarship available to assist students wishing to obtain a college degree from The University of Findlay, Findlay, OH. This scholarship is awarded to a member who regularly attends a GLC church and has been recommended by his/her pastor.

If you are interested **apply immediately**. The application may be found on our website—[glc.cggc.org](http://glc.cggc.org) and then e-mailed to [glcsecretary@cggc.org](mailto:glcsecretary@cggc.org) or faxed to 419-423-9092.

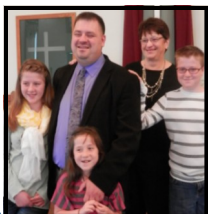
### Our Congrats to the Newly Weds!



**Pastor Joe Boehler**, New Creation, Rawson, OH married Heather Beck on Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>.



**Pastor Logan Ames**, Salem Church of God, Marion, OH was married to Clara Harrod on Saturday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>.



**Pastor Erik Lightner**, Union Chapel, Bryan, OH married Angi Gamble on Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>.

### Mini-Retreat Opportunity

October 7th and 8th

*Reflections of a lovely lady..Reflecting Christ* is a mini-retreat for any women/girl over the age of 10 to be held at Mt Tabor Church of God, Celina.

Events will kick-off Friday night at 7:00 p.m. with



a time of worship through music and encouraging word from **Jennifer Beck**, the featured speaker, and lots of laughs from comedian, **Leslie Norris Townsend**. The music will be led by Community Worship Team.



There will be breakout sessions for all focusing on: Faith Journey, Free to be YOU, Faith & Finance, and The Queen Collector of Clutter. The 10-15 year olds will learn about body image.

Saturday Sessions will begin at 8:45 and will include two main sessions, great music, lunch and two breakout session before the 4:00 close.

Registration is \$35 by October 6 and Mother/Daughter registration is \$50. To qualify for the Mother/Daughter discount the daughter must be under the age of 18. When 5 paid adult registrations from the same church are sent in the same envelope, registration for their pastor's wife is free. Make check payable to Mt. Tabor Church of God or MTCOG and mail to c/o Treasurer, 9744 US 127, Celina, OH 45822.

Lunch is included. For a registration form log on to [glc.eggc.org](http://glc.eggc.org) and click on events or go to the church website [www.taborreach.org/outreach/womensretreat](http://www.taborreach.org/outreach/womensretreat) click on Out Reach and then Women's Fall Retreat.

Hotels are offering special rates when registering by September 16 and you mention Mt. Tabor Church of God.. A list of hotels are available on the website.

### Mount Tabor Church

Seeking Senior Pastor

The Mount Tabor Church of God is prayerfully seeking a full-time Pastor who is a strong Biblical preacher that takes evangelism seriously. The ideal candidate is able to develop lay leaders and is comfortable incorporating technology into ministry.

The church has a well established children's ministry and a strong youth program with paid leadership. Mt Tabor is a growing rural church 6 miles north of Celina on State Route 127 that serves a multi-generational congregation. It currently is providing two worship services on Sundays. The church has an excellent modern building with the latest addition being a gym/multi-purpose facility built in 2009. Average attendance for the past year has been 200.

If you are interested in this ministry opportunity please send a resume or express your interest by **July 15** by sending a resume to head elder Pete Hayes, [petehayes@abm1st.com](mailto:petehayes@abm1st.com) 419-305-0055.





~ India Update ~

These pictures are of the roof going on the second story of the school on the India compound. Work being done on the school is a result of a GLC Foundation grant. What awesome progress is being made, especially since most of the work is by hand!!



Unload Cement Mixture



The Concrete Mixture is taken to the roof



Use of vibrator to spread the mixture properly

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~ 2016 Summer Camps ~

