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Christmas is . . .

a time to

Remember the Past...

as we think of the Lord of Glory coming to earth as a Babe in a manger...to be our Savior.

Rejoice in the Present...

knowing that the Lamb Who is now on the throne also daily walks with us as Comforter, to direct our paths.

Remind us of the Future...

when He will come again as King in all His glory to take us to be with Him for all eternity!

Special Christmas Greetings from the entire Cedine Staff! May you rejoice this Christmas that "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." Hebrews 13:8

Not Just Decisions, But Disciples for Christ

The following is an interview with Fannie Harper. Rejoice with us in these disciples of Christ.



Where were you born? "I was born in Thomasville, NC, but spent my first 15 years in other states. My husband, Ralph, was also born there."

When did you accept Christ as your Savior? "I became a Christian at the age of fifteen. Ralph was born again in 1973."

Where did the two of you meet? "We were high school sweethearts. We began dating a few months prior to my 16th birthday."

How many children/grandchildren do you have? "We have five sons and one daughter. We are grandparents of 10 'born' Harpers and 10 of 'blended' families, a total of 20 grandchildren and one great-grandchild."

What church do you attend? Are you involved? "We attend Christ Community Church where Ralph is a deacon and elder. I'm a deaconess, minister in children's church and am a Sunday School teacher."

What was your occupation? "I was a happy homemaker and volunteer. After serving in the military Ralph worked 10 years in law enforcement. He began a new career with Southern Railways as a switchman / brakeman, later becoming a freight engineer, then moved to Amtrak as a passenger engineer."

How many years have you been coming to our family conferences held each summer? "We first came in 1974. This year marks our 30th consecutive year coming to Family Conferences."

Tell about your influence in encouraging others to come to Cedine: "We were so excited about Cedine that we could hardly wait to tell others. But they didn't respond as we thought they would. Later, we offered them a refund if they were disappointed. We never had to give one! The best response has been for the ladies' retreats every year. They come from four different cities and diverse churches."

Tell about the time you wanted to take the children somewhere else for vacation.: "When we first attended a Cedine family conference we had four children, the oldest being ten. After a few years of coming to camp we thought they might like to do something different, like going to Disney World. There was an emphatic, unanimous, "No, Daddy! We want to go to Cedine." We took a two week vacation when the World's Fair was in Knoxville with the idea of a week at camp and a week at the fair. Again, Cedine was the number one choice. That pleased us because in our hearts Cedine was and still is number 1!"

Tell about your involvement in our summer camping ministry: "For many summers we have volunteered for a week or more. Our three younger children were LIT's during their teen years. Ralph is a super pot washer and floor scrubber and I help with food prep. Mother, semi-invalid, has come and helped, ministering to staff. Our son, Milton, still gets 'ancy' when summer camping time arrives. His heart desire is to work at camp. This summer he experienced a dream come true when the lovely young lady he had asked to be his wife consented to come to Camp Cedine and be married overlooking the lake. Her father performed the ceremony."

What does Cedine mean to you? "Cedine is a very refreshing place. It's a safe place for all ages. It is an economical, clean, well organized place. We do travel to other places and enjoy the experience of new sights and sounds but there is none to compare to what we get at Cedine Bible Camp! Cedine is a "family reunion" with the warm, friendly staff if no one else was there. But it is also reuniting with old friends and the beginning of new friendships. It is a nourishing place Spiritually and physically, a beautiful place, a family place. It's an exploring place where one is exposed to opportunities he may have never had before, such as learning about Jesus, canoeing, riding horses, etc. We enjoy the scenic views with rolling hills, the lake, animals, the lovely buildings, etc. Cedine is home away from home-a place to look forward to returning each year."

CAMP VILLAGE UPDATE:

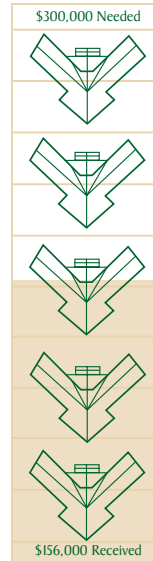
We praise the Lord for the \$156,000 that has been received toward the completion for the first phase of the Camp Village Project. Continue to pray with us concerning the need for a person to head up this project. We also could use volunteer carpenters, electricians and plumbers.

Progress has slowed a bit this fall as our maintenance staff has had to work to keep things running and haven't had a lot of extra time to devote to the cabins. Despite this, they have been able to make progress on plumbing in the first cabin, thanks to a local volunteer. The windows and wrap have been put on the second

cabin. We really need a builder/contractor who will come work with us through the winter and spring to help us make progress.

Funds have also been a little slower in coming this year. We have had \$20,000 less come in for this project this year than last year at this same time. Pray that the Lord will raise up workers and finances to complete this vital project.

Phase One:
Needed: \$300,000
Received: \$156,000



MEET THE STAFF



Wayne and Doris Bowman

Wayne and Doris Bowman came to Cedine with a wealth of missionary experience and are now a vital part of our ministry.

Wayne and Doris's childhoods were spent states apart - Wayne in West Virginia and Doris in New Jersey. But both grew up in Christian homes. Doris trusted Christ as her Savior at the age of six while attending church with her grandmother. Although Wayne heard the Gospel message many times it was not until he was alone in the woods at age 22 that he trusted Christ as his own personal Savior.

The Lord's plan was for both of them to attend Appalachian Bible College, Bradley, WV where they would meet, fall in love and marry as soon as they graduated in 1972. After college Wayne took some training in welding and Doris graduated from Salem Tech in Salem, NJ in nursing.

Once their training was complete they turned their hearts toward missions. Wayne is a skilled builder and Doris enjoys working along side him. For five years they would work to save money so they could support themselves while working with a ministry and then start over when money ran out. They ministered with a number of missions, including one in Haiti and one in Canada. They applied and were accepted to minister with Helps International Ministries (H.I.M.). After five years with H.I.M., the Lord led them to Camp Bethel in Wise, VA. and then to Cedine in May, 1992. They became permanent staff members in December of that year.

Wayne is a vital part of our maintenance crew. Any job given Wayne is done to perfection. Doris works in housekeeping in Nash Hall. Ten years ago Doris began a weekly community Bible study held in the local fire department. For the last 4 years this group has sponsored a Ladies' Day held each January here at Cedine. This year Doris has also held a Bible study each Monday evening.

The Lord has opened many doors for Doris to speak to women's groups throughout the U.S. She has a challenging ministry to women as she speaks at banquets, ladies' retreats, etc. sharing the Word and giving updates on Cedine. If you would like Doris to minister in your area contact her.

While at Cedine the Bowmans are very active at Yellow Creek Baptist Church where Wayne shares with his instrument in the music ministry and Doris teaches the senior citizen S.S. class and helps with the youth group. Their sending church is Mt. Tabor Baptist Church, Beckley, WV.

The Bowmans have one daughter, Denise, who is attending Foundations Institute this year. February 7-March 11 Foundations will be meeting here at Cedine. 181 Cedine Camp Road, the first house as one enters Cedine property, is home for Wayne and Doris.

The Bowmans are often working behind the scenes serving in areas of ministry often overlooked and under appreciated by many. We at Cedine are thankful for the faithfulness of Wayne and Doris.

HELP WANTED

Conference Director • Cook • Secretary • Summer Staff
 Camp Village Project Coordinator

Volunteers: carpenters, electricians, plumbers, food service, housekeeping, etc.

REGISTER NOW FOR SPRING RETREATS

February 11-13	Couples' Retreat #1
March 11-13	Ladies' Retreat #1
March 18-20	Ladies' Retreat #2
April 8-10	Men's Retreat #1
April 22-24	Ladies' Retreat #3
April 29-May 1	Ladies' Retreat #4
May 13-15	Teen Retreat #1
May 20-22	Singles' Retreat #1
May 27-29	Couples' Retreat #2

OUR MISSION

Cedine Ministries exists to honor God and His Word by partnering with the Church in evangelism and discipleship training through quality camp, conference and outreach ministries, with emphasis on the African American community.

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AROUND CEDINE

Colby Yarger, son of Kim and Carol Yarger, and Miranda Leak were married June 5, 2004 at the Jubilee Center here at Cedine.

The first Bible Quiz Tournament of 2004-2005 school year was held October 16 in Blytheville, AR. The next Bible quiz tournament will be held December 11 in Nashville, TN. This year more than 50 teams are active in studying the book of Matthew.

Howard Tannahill attended the ANAM general council meetings Oct. 29-31 in Longview, TX.

Chuck and Phyllis Buers and Albert and Muneerah McCoy again ministered many weeks this fall. We so appreciate their labor of love.

Richard Corbin has joined with us as Associate Staff. He is now helping in maintenance during his retirement years.

The Christian Camping International Convention was held in Savannah, Georgia, December 5-8. David Lewis, Jim Steele, Vernon and Martha Tannahill and Burchon and Mary Walker represented Cedine Ministries.

Six Cedine-sponsored retreats were held this fall at Cedine Bible Mission. Couples, teens, men and ladies all had their special time to get away from their busy schedules and come to Cedine Conference Center for a time of challenge and refreshment. The Word was faithfully spoken through Godly men and women and many, young and older, responded to His message of love and salvation. A number of additional retreats and conferences were also held here this fall.

Work groups welcome. Call for details:
423-365-9565

PRAISE AND PRAYER WINTER 2004

1) Bible Correspondence- Pray that those enrolled in the courses will be faithful and diligent in study.

2) Wayne & Doris Bowman- Pray that Denise's house will sell. Pray that Wayne will be able to work on the camp cabins during the winter months. Pray for the Bible studies that Doris leads and for the possibility of one more to start.

3) Nellie Cook- Pray for my health needs and for my granddaughter living with me.

4) Children Of Cedine Staff- Pray for good health, safety, and spiritual growth and maturity.

5) Staff Needs- Pray for the need of a conference director, a full time cook, an office secretary, and a project coordinator for the camp village project.

6) Ellis & Joan Fields- Praise that Joan's Dad seems to be adjusting to being a resident of the local Care Center. Pray for Ellis' continuing treatments for his CLL and that he will be able to keep on working. Pray for year-end closing of the mission books and annual audit preparations.

7) Our Government- Pray for our president, other elected officials as well as state and local officials.

8) Leonard & Wanda Herman- Pray for wisdom and direction for 1) Leonard in building and maintenance projects 2) Bible quizzing, 3) Wanda in the Bible correspondence course ministry and 4) Zackery and Daniel in decisions for their futures.

9) Prayer & Financial Supporters- Praise for those who stand with us on a regular basis in the support of Cedine's ministries.

10) Camp Cedine- Pray for recruitment in colleges and churches as we seek His choice of workers for next summer; for our follow-up ministry; for wisdom and good weather for the camp cabin project.

11) David & Lucinda Lewis- Praise for Lucinda's parents help on our house. Pray for our house project, recruitment of summer staff, the children's home schooling and Tabitha in college.

12) Francis & Hazel Neddo- Pray for daily strength and health during our older years.

13) Cedine Retreats & Conferences- Pray for direction for committees planning for 2005.

14) Jim & Gloria Orner- Pray for complete recovery from major surgery for Gloria. Pray for plans as they retire from Cedine in January.

15) Jim & Peggy Steele- Praise for enjoyment in local couples' Bible study. Pray for full time food service help, for health issues and expenses, for wisdom in making decisions and for financial need.

16) Mike & Marsha Lyman- Praise for a good summer with the LIT's. Pray for wisdom for next summer. Pray for our support to increase dramatically. We currently receive less than \$100 a month.

17) Howard Tannahill- Pray as I adjust to living alone. Praise for some progress in adjustment. Pray for my physical health and a problem with balance. Pray for a replacement for me as conference director.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

Given By

Mr. & Mrs. Gail Buchanan	Mr. Ed Steele
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Grace Bible Chapel	Ms. Elodia Peters
Grace Bible Chapel	Dwayne & Darryl Wilson
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Gifts were given in memory of Bro. Tom Florence by:

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PRAISE AND PRAYER (Continued)

18) Vernon & Martha Tannahill- Praise for faithful supporters. Pray for staff relations and for upcoming graduations: Rachel from Bryan College, Daniel from high school and wisdom for Daniel for college.

19) Administrative Council- Pray that the Council will have Divine wisdom and guidance in directing the daily operation of Cedine Ministries and its missionaries.

20) Alice Vandermolen- Pray for her as she recovers from major surgery on her knee.

21) Burchon & Mary Walker- Praise for the many volunteers God sent this year. Pray for health, strength and additional support as we serve and for wisdom in searching out health insurance.

22) Richard Corbin- Praise for the opportunity to serve at Cedine. Pray for wisdom and safety as I work on the camp cabins and a needed garage at home.

23) Gloria Ward- Praise my surgery went well and for my sister caring for me. Pray for total healing from surgery. Pray for my son, Gene, and his family.

24) Jane White- Praise for strength and stamina the Lord provides. Pray for additional full time office personnel.

25) Bible Quizzing- Pray that quizzers will faithfully study the book of Matthew and allow it to change their lives; that coaches will grow in the Word as they coach.

26) Kim & Carol Yarger- Pray that we will be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, that we would walk worthy of the Lord, please Him, and bear fruit for Him.

27) Phil Zimmerman- Pray that I will have clarity in the Lord's direction, and wisdom in making good and right choices. Pray that my children will grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord.

28) Board Of Trustees- Pray for Godly men of vision, who establish policy and give direction for Cedine's future.

29) Ruth Zimmerman- Pray for daily strength and continued good health during her older years.

30) Dwight & Phyllis Zimmerman- Praise for wisdom, safety and contacts made through travels in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Michigan this fall. Pray we will each live a life worthy of the Lord, pleasing Him in every way.

31) Cedine Bible Mission- Pray for needed additional permanent camp and conference staff workers

Clip out the prayer list and keep praying for us!

HE'S GOT THE WHOLE WORLD

by Safiya White

As an aspiring teacher, someone wise once told me something about my future students: "You can't save them all. Some will fall through the cracks." I recalled this depressing message during the first week of Junior Camp. It was Thursday night, and I was becoming increasingly discouraged as I prayed and watched my cabin sleep. They had all been an incredible delight and encouragement to me. Two especially were primed to grow in leaps and bounds. They had never known God had so much to say about every aspect of their lives. The love and attention they had received at Cedine had begun to work a noticeable change in them.

Why then, with all this encouraging growth, was my heart rapidly sinking with despair? I knew that, once the campers returned home, no one would care enough to continue teaching them. Who would hold them accountable? Who would demand a standard of excellence from them? In the midst of my quietly anxious prayer, God gave me a thought: "I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand.

My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. I and the Father are one. (Jn. 10:28-30)

I had to laugh, remembering a phrase my fellow counselors and I liked to recite to one another: there is only one Savior of the world and you are not it. God is Sovereign. If He can save these children, He can take care of their growth and development to full maturity. My prayer turned from one of despair to one of hope and thanksgiving. Thanksgiving because I had only known these girls a week, yet I had come to dearly love these complete strangers; because of one week I'd had the privilege of being a part of their development in Christ. Hope, because I could be confident that the God I prayed to, the One who had created the universe by His spoken Word, would keep these girls securely in His great Hands. Great is Thy Faithfulness, I hummed, with renewed confidence in the power of Him who holds the whole world.



Editors note: *Cedine "touches base", so to speak, with all campers (and retreat and conference guests) who fill out any decision card. At least two letters a year are sent to challenge and encourage each one. The conference guests' letter includes a pamphlet giving ten first steps for the new Christian. Cedine sends out a monthly adult devotional guide to conference guests and a children's devotional to all campers who have made a decision. These young people are also encouraged to enroll in a Cedine Bible correspondence course and get involved in Cedine's Bible quizzing program.*

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