

# Cedine

# REPORT

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One, two, three, four . . . yes, of the nine Cedine retreats scheduled for this spring, four of them are ladies' retreats. A committee consisting of volunteers and staff, chaired by Gloria Ward, has spent much time praying and planning that those who attend each retreat this spring will be refreshed, challenged, and equipped to go back to their homes and communities and be effective witnesses for Him. Above all, we pray for salvation for those who attend, who do not know Christ as their personal Savior, and spiritual challenge and maturity for all who know Him.

If you have never attended a retreat perhaps you are wondering where the attendees stay. Up to 100 people stay in Nash Hall, which has private rooms each with its own bath. Others stay in Grace House, a lodge which houses 16. Hance House has 8 motel style rooms and at Narnia there are 5 motel style units. Others stay in cottages by the lake or overlooking the lake.

Besides the committee who plans the program it takes many people to make a retreat go well and have everyone enjoy and get what they came for. Peggy Steele spends much time registering the guests and finding beds for them. Carol Yarger and her staff keep the rooms clean and inviting. Jim Steele and his crew of staff and volunteers make for satisfied retreaters at meal time. Kim Yarger and his maintenance staff keep things running and in good order. Howard Tannahill is the man who has coordinated it all

## LADIES' RETREATS

for many years. Because of age and health limitations Howard believes it is time for him to step down. Pray with us for someone to come and take his place as Conference Director.

Saturday afternoons are spent in tours of the entire mission, crafts, riding horses, visiting the book nook, counseling, resting, and getting ready for the evening banquet. When weather permits, canoeing and riding the pontoon boat are enjoyed.

Because prayer is such a vital part of any program, not only are the retreats bathed in prayer months before the retreat season begins, but each day of a retreat is started with a prayer time open to any lady who wishes to participate.

The speaker for all four of the retreats this spring is Rebecca Osaigbovo. Becky, as she is affectionately called by most of her friends, lives in Detroit, MI.

The theme for all the retreats is, *Standing in the Gap Through Prayer*. After each main session with Becky the participants will be divided into small groups, each with a facilitator, where they can discuss in depth the message they just heard.

Committee members, kitchen volunteers, the speaker, facilitators all have a strategic part in accomplishing His work in each retreat. You also have an important part in the retreat ministry as you invest your gifts and prayers. Your continuing partnership is crucial during these days of opportunity and challenge. Only eternity will tell of the many who have come to know Christ during one of the Cedine retreats and have been challenged to walk in obedience to His Word.

## SOMETHING NEW AT CEDINE

Foundations Bible Institute was founded in September, 2004. Foundations is an innovative, one year training program designed to give an understanding of foundational Bible truths and practical experience in Christian ministry.

In one to two week modules, Foundations uses the experience and passion of people in ministry to communicate truth that young people need for their lives ahead. Through the year the students are involved and take trips to many ministries and missions to experience and participate in ministry "close up and personal." The student body was at Cedine February 5 through March 19. Cedine staffers, including Vernon Tannahill, Dwight Zimmerman, and Phil Zimmerman, were some of their instructors while they were here.

## HELP WANTED

### SUMMER STAFF NEEDS:

- 8 Women Counselors per week
- 8 Men Counselors per week
- Activity leaders: for swimming (lifeguards and instructors), canoeing, horses, riflery, archery, biking, fishing, and crafts. There are training opportunities available.
- Support staff: office personnel, cooks, dish room, night watchman, maintenance
- Funds to assist summer staff

### PERMANENT STAFF NEEDS

- Conference Director
- Office personnel
- Building Project Coordinator
- Outreach Personnel

## MATERIAL NEEDS

- Windows and doors for cabins
- Twin bunk beds
- Building materials
- Mountain bikes
- Fishing equipment

# CAMP VILLAGE UPDATE:

We praise the Lord for the progress that was made on the cabins last fall. Despite the lack of a project coordinator, we have moved forward with bathrooms basically complete in the first cabin and the heat pumps installed. The second cabin has passed the first electrical inspection, insulation is in, wallboard and siding is going up. We have several work groups scheduled for the middle to the end of March but could use some additional help in April and May.

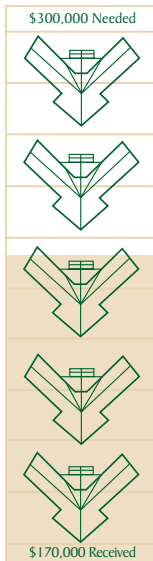
The Lord is continuing to send in resources for the project although at a slightly slower pace. Would you ask the Lord if this is a project you should

be involved in? We have close to \$170,000 of the estimated \$300,000 we will need to complete the girls village. Please pray for a project coordinator that could come serve as a missionary and head up this project. If you have the skills of a general contractor and would like to be considered for this project please contact Bro. Vernon Tannahill and ask for details.

## Phase One:

Needed: \$300,000

Received: \$170,000



# MEET THE STAFF



Gloria Ward

Gloria Ward was born and raised in Chattanooga, TN. When she was in the sixth grade, public school teacher Mrs. Myrtle Harris, sponsored her to come to Cedine Bible Camp. That summer while at camp Gloria accepted Christ as her personal Savior. But when she went back to her mother and her eight brothers and sisters, she did not realize her need to grow in the Lord. She did not study to show herself approved of God, but went out and played with the world for several years. In 1971 she was a single mother struggling to make ends meet and raise her son in New York City.

That year she met Pastor Tom and Vicky Mahairas and her life was changed. Tom and Vicky were part of the Manhattan Bible Team from Bob Jones University. This group helped Gloria understand the real meaning of salvation, and her need to receive Bible school training. She took their advice to get Bible training and attended Faithway Baptist Bible College of Ypsilanti, MI in 1972-1976.

Before coming to Cedine Gloria worked for the county sheriff's department in Ann Arbor, MI. During that time she was also active in teaching Bible classes in the jail and was active in her church. Because of a serious injury she had to leave her job with the police department. Through physical therapy and the Lord's grace, Gloria gained relief from her constant pain. As a correctional officer in a Michigan county jail Gloria had seen the need of African American children in America's cities. She had a burden for them realizing someone needed to tell them that knowing Christ makes a difference in one's life.

One day in 1988, Gloria's sister in Tennessee mentioned that Cedine Bible Camp was still open and looking for help. June of 1988 found Gloria as a Cedine summer staff member. Since 1990 she has been a full time missionary. She plays a vital role at Cedine. Each summer during camp she is head counselor for the girl's village and is the camp program director. Also she is the chairperson for the seven ladies' retreats held each year, and is a committee member for the singles and teen retreats. This year she is also responsible for planning a retreat to be held in August for unwed mothers.

Mt. Olive Baptist Church of Ypsilanti, MI is Gloria's sending church. While at Cedine she attends St. Mary's Missionary Baptist Church where she is very active.

Gloria has one son, Varnell Eugene, who lives in Indianapolis, IN with his wife and family. He is a sergeant in the Army reserve, a UPS driver and coaches children.

Gloria makes her home here on the Cedine property. Her address is 333 Cedine Camp Road, Spring City, TN, 37381. She lives in an apartment in Nash Hall and is the hostess for all who stay there during our retreats and conferences.

Rejoice with us that the Lord called Gloria to join with us here at Cedine Ministries.

# ORNERS RETIRE AGAIN

Jim and Gloria Orner have been part of the Cedine family since 1996 when they "retired" from active ministry with Africa Inland Mission. They sailed for Africa in 1957 where they were involved in many different ministries in three different countries.

When they moved to Tennessee they became associate members of Cedine. Jim spent many hours printing and Gloria helped with registrations at summer camp, but what most will remember them for is their ministry in the Book Nook.

This past December the Orners retired from their responsibilities at Cedine. They are living in Florida at the Africa Inland



Jim and Gloria Orner

Retirement Center. Their temporary address is: 1207 Sunden Lane, Minneola, FL 34715.

We are grateful for their many years of faithful ministry with Cedine, and pray God's continued blessings during the rest of their "retirement" years.

# 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

The 2nd Bible Quiz Tournament of the 2004-2005 school year was held December 11 at Friendship Baptist Church of Nashville, TN. In the elementary division first place went to the Approved Workers from Spring City, TN. The Conquerors from Friendship Baptist church took first place in the junior high division. In the senior high division the Spring City teams took first, second, and third place. This year the quizzers are studying the book of Mathew.

January 7-9 a Volunteer Staff Retreat was held here at Cedine for the purpose of saying, "thank you", to all who served with us here at Cedine throughout 2004. How grateful we are for the vital role each volunteer plays in Cedine Ministries.

Mitch Whisnant from Walk Through the Bible ministry was the speaker for the staff retreat held January 11-13 at Horton Haven Christian Camp near Chapel Hill, TN.

Sympathy is extended to Gloria Ward and her family in the Homegoing of her mother, Bessie Ward Finley, on January 11, 2005.

On January 29 about 100 ladies attended a Ladies Day Seminar at Cedine with Marian Pledger as the speaker. It was sponsored by a local Bible study taught by Doris Bowman.

David Dix was on campus the week of January 24 to conduct Cedine's annual financial audit. A financial report is available upon request.

Presbyterian Evangelical Fellowship held a retreat here at Cedine February 3-5. The ladies from Signal Mountain Bible Church, Chattanooga, TN held a retreat here at Cedine February 4-6.

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

# PRAISE AND PRAYER SPRING 2005

**1) Bible Correspondence** - Pray that those enrolled in the courses will be diligent and finish them in time to come to camp.

**2) Wayne and Doris Bowman** - Pray for strength and wisdom. Pray for Denise as she makes a decision as where to serve this summer.

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

**4) Children of Cedine Staff** - Pray for good health and protection. Pray for spiritual growth.

**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 and Joan** - Pray for strength for a busy spring season and for Ellis' continuing chemo. Pray for spiritual awareness to use the opportunities God gives us to share Him with others.

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

**8) Leonard & Wanda Herman** - Pray for safety in maintenance work, for a successful final quarter for Bible quizzing, for good health and the Lord's direction for Daniel and Zackery.

**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 this summer, for our follow-up ministry; for wisdom and good weather for the camp cabin project progress.

**11) David and Lucinda Lewis** - Pray for Tabitha in college and our other children being homeschooled. Pray for our house project. Pray for a balance between family and ministry.

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

**13) Cedine Retreats and Conferences** - Pray for the Word of God to be clearly presented at Spring retreats. Pray that hearts will be changed as retreaters allow the Spirit of God to work.

**14) Alan and Susan DeGraw** - Pray that we will be found leadable and for our daughter and son-in-law as they seek a place of ministry.

**15) Jim and Peggy Steele** - Pray for Peggy as retreat registrar, for Jim's responsibilities in food service and for Lydia as she finishes her 9th homeschooling year.

**16) Mike and Marsha Lyman** - Pray for our deputation ministry. Pray for our ministry in the Cedine Book Nook.

**17) Howard Tannahill** - Praise for progress in learning to live alone. Pray for wisdom in planning retreat programs. Pray for a replacement for me as Conference Director.

**18) Vernon and Martha Tannahill** - Pray for Daniel and Rachel graduating from high school and college and decisions that follow. Pray for Rebekah at college and summer plans. Pray for plans for Cedine's 60th anniversary and ongoing ministry. Pray for fall deputation plans.

# HONOR/MEMORIAL GIFTS

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## PRAISE AND PRAYER (Continued)

- 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 the Lord will continue to meet her needs and make her a blessing.
- 21) Burchon and Mary Walker** - Pray for wisdom and understanding for registrations, applications, finances and volunteers for camp that we may represent God well. Pray for each of our family members.
- 22) Richard Corbin** - Praise for those who helped work on my garage. Pray for wisdom and for growth in knowledge and understanding as I serve Him at Cedine.
- 23) Gloria Ward** - Pray for healing from recent knee surgery, for my family in the Homegoing of my mother. Pray as I minister at spring retreats that I will keep my eyes on Jesus and for my preparations for summer camp.
- 24) Jane White** - Continue to pray for additional full time office personnel who can learn mailing procedures.
- 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 and Carol Yarger** - Pray for wisdom in doing our daily duties and preparation for work groups. Pray He will send the people with the skills needed to accomplish the work to be done. Pray for an August deputation trip.
- 27) Phil Zimmerman** - Pray for the planning of a blended family, that God will be honored in our lives. Pray for a proper balance between ministry and family.
- 28) Board of Trustees** - Pray for Godly men, men of vision, who establish policy and give direction for the future of Cedine Ministries.
- 29) Ruth Zimmerman** - Pray for daily strength and continued good health during her older years.
- 30) Dwight and Phyllis Zimmerman** - Praise for wisdom, safety and contacts made in travels in Pennsylvania, Maryland, New York and Ohio. Pray we will 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!



# Not Just Decisions, But Disciples for Christ

Over the last 59 years we have seen God work in the hearts and lives of many here at Cedine.

As our spring retreats begin we look forward to seeing lives changed as His Word is faithfully shared. The speaker for all seven of our ladies' retreats in 2005 will be Rebecca Osaigbovo. Becky, as known to most of us, was born in Rockwood, TN. Becky has a rich heritage. Her parents, Tom and Shermine Florence, who ministered with Cedine for many years, were influential in the spiritual growth of many and Becky has followed in their footsteps.

She is not an official member of Cedine Ministries but she has ministered here at Cedine many times and we are grateful for her love for the Lord and for us. Becky accepted Christ as her Savior when she was five years of age, but it was here at Cedine at the age of twelve that she responded to an invitation with a fuller understanding of what she was doing. She grew up at Cedine. As a child, she remembers being at Cedine more than being in her home in Spring City. She enjoyed life at Cedine where she met lots of people, made lots of friends, and learned most of what she knows about the Bible and God.

After high school in Spring City she graduated from North Park College in Chicago, which is now North Park University. After college, she met her husband, Uwaifo, in Chicago. His brother was a

member of the same group of Christian young people. They were married in 1978 in an outdoor wedding on the grounds of her alma mater.

Uwaifo and Becky attend Eldridge Gathering, a house church in the metro Detroit area. They are both involved in various aspects, including teaching, prayer and direction. Uwaifo is a mechanical engineer working in the automotive field. Becky is a registered nurse. They also founded a non-profit corporation, Chosen Vessels Ministries, Inc. It is the base of the ministry of speaking and writing that God has entrusted to Becky, who has written three books.

Uwaifo and Becky have 3 children of their own and have helped raise a niece and a nephew. They are currently empty nesters. Their plans for the next several years are to put themselves into a position of being tent-making missionaries both in Nigeria, where her husband is from, and here in the United States. They have started a dialysis clinic in Nigeria. They will be opening a



transitional home in the Detroit area for women who are incarcerated and in honor of Becky's mother's gift of hospitality, it will be called Shermine's Place. They continue to give back to their community and to the Body of Christ those things that God has entrusted to them.

Becky is thankful for Cedine where God shaped her and looks forward to the opportunity to come home and join in the ministry that her parents spent their whole lives serving. And we here at Cedine are thankful for disciples like Becky and Uwaifo.

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