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2022 TRAINING ANNOUNCED

Training of Conflict Transformation Trainers (TCTT)

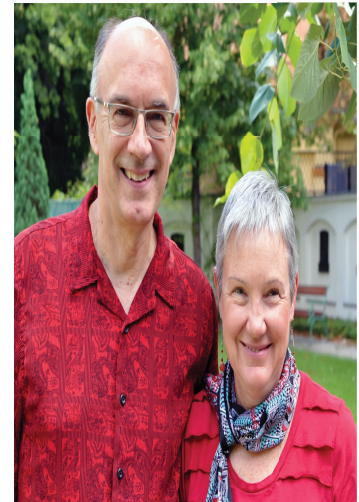
with Dan and Sharon Buttry

This intensive, 10-day, in-person workshop will focus on conflict analysis, conflict resolution, personal conflict styles, dealing with diversity in conflict, power issues, nonviolent struggle, strategizing for campaigns, trauma and trauma healing, reconciliation, practical issues for peacemaking over the long-haul, and experiential education principles, methodologies and practices. The training will have a specifically Christian focus, utilizing Bible studies for many of the topics.

August 2-11, 2022

Central Seminary | Shawnee, KS

For more information and to apply, visit cbts.edu/buttry-center



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ABCCR CAMPING 2022



CAMP CHRISTY

June 6-10: High School; Directors- Steven and Danielle Massaglia

June 13-17: Middle School; Directors- Steven and Danielle Massaglia

June 20-24: Junior Camp; Director- Rishawn Austin

June 27-29: Primary Camp; Director- Valerie Terrazes

June 30-July 1: Day Camp; Director- Tonya Koehn

CAMP WHITE MEMORIAL

July 11-15: Middle School Camp; Director- Wallace Smith

July 18-22: Junior Camp; Director- Kami Minor

July 22-24: Primary Camp; Valerie Terrazes

July 25-29: High School Camp; Director- Morgan Bandy



- ❖ FOCUS is a newsletter published for professional church leaders in the Central Region, and it is distributed monthly. It is on the Region website, <https://abccr.org/>.
- ❖ The deadline for FOCUS is the first of the month of publication.
- ❖ A variation in content and format is required for copy to be printed in two or more successive issues.

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Check our ABC Central Region Twitter link — <https://twitter.com/ABCCRegion>

Please like and share the posts made on these Central Region social media accounts to help us spread the news!

Kansas Baptist Convention Foundation

Planned Giving

A Ministry of American Baptist Churches of the Central Region

New Year, New Month

It's a new year, a new month and a new chapter in planned giving. In some ways I feel like a runner on a 4 by 4 relay team and I have just received the baton. What I remember is that Marshall Schirer held the baton and then he passed it on to Wilma Engle, who has now passed it on to me. I want to thank Wilma for her guidance, training and help during this past couple of years and I know that while it is time for her to retire, I will need to ask her a question from time to time because of her great wealth of knowledge and expertise in financial affairs. I am deeply grateful to have worked with her during this past season!

Almost 30 years ago, I said "yes" to God by responding to two American Baptist ministers, who invited me to consider being a youth worker and Sunday school teacher during the summer at the First Baptist Church of El Paso, Illinois. Since then I have been on a ministry journey that led me to Central Baptist Seminary and then on into a variety of ministries including missionary, hospital chaplain, development worker, church pastor, staff at Bethel Neighborhood Center, hospice chaplain, staff at Unique Finds and now-planned giving.

As I begin this new chapter of ministry, I want you to know that I have a lot to learn and grow in, but I will give my very best to help you in your planned giving wishes and needs. Just like all of you, I run in such a way as to win the prize and to follow in the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

What is God asking you to do in this new year—start a new ministry, volunteer more in your church or community, reach out to someone in need, use your talents in a new way or support our region and missions with your financial gifts? Are you ready to say "yes" to God? I hope so.

I am available to meet you to talk about your options for planned giving, without any charge or obligation. Please reach out to me and we can visit. If you wish to give to a Charitable Gift Annuity, you can receive income from your gift for the rest of your life. On your mark, get set, go!

Rev. Tim Schwartz
Director of Planned Giving
Cell: 913-424-9939

Senior Adult Retreat

April 27-28, 2022

@ First Baptist Church, McPherson
600 E. Marlin St.

Handshakes, Hugs and Hallelujahs

Psalm 107:1-3, 43 (CEV)

Come experience a time of fun, fellowship and learning with senior adults from the Central Region. The registration form can be found on the Region website under the Events tab or through your local church office. Registration deadline is April 11, 2022.

Keynote Speaker is Rev. Joel Grizzle from Lyons First Baptist Church

EVERYBODY NEEDS
A HUG
LET'S KEEP IT GOING.



Sr. Adult Retreat to have Central Region pastor, Joel Grizzle as Keynote Speaker



Originally from Georgia but transitioned to Dallas, Texas to attend Dallas Seminary in his mid-twenties. Married to a fiery Texas redhead named Kendra, who baptized him into ways of Texas A&M. Together they have 3 children: Kennedy 14, Jace 13, Gage 10. He has served at churches in North Atlanta, Dallas and has been in Lyons, Kansas since 2009.

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Highlighted Interest Groups:

Voices in Praise...Hallelujah!

Join others in forming the Retreat Choir by sharing your vocal talent. Bob Artz, director and Janet Cowl, pianist will lead.

Remembering Hugs & Hallelujahs – Mary Hemphill

Make a simple folded mini-book with embellishments. This book will be ready to fill with remembrances – like fishing with a grandchild, a birthday party, ball game, holiday trip, Bible verses, etc. Possibilities are endless!

Elderlaw Matters – Walter Schoemaker

Discuss issues encountered by senior adults in retirement and transition planning.

Christian Hospitality – The Forgotten Grace - Mang Sonna

Rev. Mang Sonna, Executive Director of Bethel Neighborhood Center will share his insights and reflections on the power of Christian hospitality to impact and influence lives in a real-time demonstration of the "good news" we seek to proclaim.

The Bells are Ringing...Hallelujah!

Join Jan Smith in a fun time of ringing bells to music.

Handshakes, Hugs and Hallelujah Bingo -- Lois Chiles

Have fun and learn the way of expressions of handshakes, hugs and Hallelujahs as we fill our Bingo card/s for prizes.

A Peculiar People -- John Williams

What do church folk look like? Join Dr. Williams as he reflects on 45+ years of ministry with those strange creatures we call Baptists. In a humorist reflection, John will share excerpts from his Pastor Bart stories as well as some Biblical reflections that highlight some of the peculiar joys and curiosities that come with a life-time of service in our American Baptist family.

Registration forms can be found at www.abccr.org or through your local church office. Deadline for registering is Monday, April 11. Contact John Williams (785) 764.6881 for additional needed information.

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First Baptist Church, McPherson

600 E Marlin St

McPherson, KS 67460

"Handshakes, Hugs and Hallelujahs"

Psalm 107:1-3, 43 (CEV)

Registration Deadline - April 11, 2022

***** \$10 Late Fee Assessed if Postmarked After April 11, 2022**

Cancellation Policy: A full refund will be given **if cancelled by April 20, 2022**

\$25 non-refundable cancellation fee per individual after April 20, 2022

Name: _____ Phone: _____
(If registering as a couple, please write spouse's name below)

Spouse: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Home Church: _____
& City _____

City / State / Zip: _____

	# of Guests	Total \$\$
• Full Retreat (includes program and meals) per person	_____ @ \$85.00 per person	_____
• One Day only (Wednesday or Thursday) per person	_____ @ \$60.00 per person	_____
	Total Amount Due	_____

Please make checks payable to **Senior Adult Retreat** and mail payment and completed registration form to:
Senior Adult Retreat
John Williams, Registrar
PO Box 5803
Topeka, KS 66605

Housing is NOT provided. Those attending the Senior Adult Retreat will need to make their own housing arrangements. Suggested area motels include: Holiday Inn Express, Fairfield Inn, Hampton Inn and Best Western Plus.

Dietary Requirements: Sugar Free Gluten Free

First Time to Attend the ABCCR Senior Adult Retreat? Yes _____ No _____

Registration Begins Wednesday at 11:00 am **Retreat Begins with Lunch at 12:00 noon**

(Cut here and retain this stub for your records and information.)

ABCCR Senior Adult Retreat – First Baptist Church, 600 E. Marlin St., McPherson, KS – **April 27-28, 2022**
Registration begins at 11:00 am on Wednesday the 27th. Retreat begins with lunch at 12:00 noon.

The Sr. Adult Retreat will end mid-afternoon on Thursday, the 28th.

Amount paid to Registrar: _____ Check number: _____ Date paid: _____