

*“Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth.” Jeremiah 23:5*

# *the* OLIVE BRANCH

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## The Church of God Northeast Region

### 2017 Reflections:

Now is the time to look back over the year 2017. God has truly blessed the northeast region with precious saints who love Jesus Christ and The Church of God. As we take a few minutes to reflect on the events, the people and the purpose of each page, you can rest assured that God is planning another great year in 2018 to bring us together to worship Him and to work for his glorious church.

Reflection is a healthy exercise. Reflection allows us to consider the decisions we made and whether they were wise decisions. We can learn and not make the same mistakes again. This will help us in 2018 to seek God for His perfect will for ourselves and our loved ones. Perhaps there were hurts that drew upon our spiritual strength and we relied upon God for healing. God is the only person that knows everything we encountered last year. Perhaps there were those who received a true vision of God's purpose for their life. This zeal given by God will enable us to come alive and use our strength for God's glory! What a beautiful wife the Lord Jesus Christ has operating in this world as we obey Him each and every day.

Just as important as reflection is looking forward with a godly vision. Looking forward prevents us from becoming complacent but instead, working together with one another in the Lord's vineyard. Looking forward gives us hope. There is much to be anxious about as the events of the times seem to be escalating at a rate as has never occurred. There are no worries, though, about the future because of our Lord's promises for today and eternity. We need to not fear being aimlessly blown about because God is in control and directing the Church. We know where we are going and our eye is on the prize. We may not understand all the details, but we can rest assured of the end. Lastly, looking forward allows us to gaze outside ourselves and to feel the needs of others. Our true calling is to serve a lost and dying world. Let this be our vision for 2018...*As we have therefore opportunity, let us **do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.*** (Galatians 6:10)

Love Him and Serve Him in 2018,

Denise Satanek, Assistant Editor





The theme for Regional Ladies' Retreat 2017 was "Now is the Time" with scripture taken from Romans 13:11 saying, *"And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed."*



Praise God for the many, many blessings experienced at Ladies Retreat!!!

Sis. Alicia Smail was baptized in the Holy Ghost!!

The mighty power of God spilled on over to the brethern as they came to pick up their families!!!! This truly was a special time with the Lord!!!



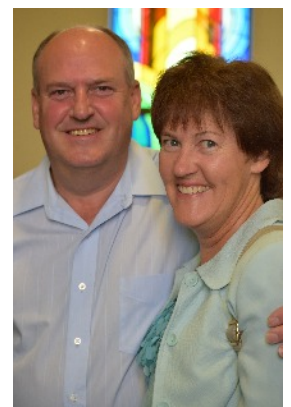
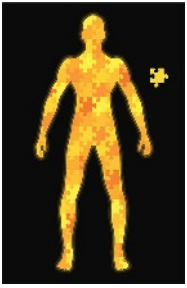
Northeast Region,

2017  
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“Fifty Joined  
Together”

*We were truly thankful to be with you all for your recent annual convention held in Uniontown, PA. My family and I are grateful for your love that was so bountifully extended to us, and we pray that your Region will be abundantly blessed in the coming year. Brother James and Sister Nancy Smith are wonderful folks, and you should be very thankful to have them serving your area. We look forward to hearing wonderful reports as you stand for holiness and continue your forward march for Christ and His Church. Thanks again and may God be with you and keep you in His love and care.*

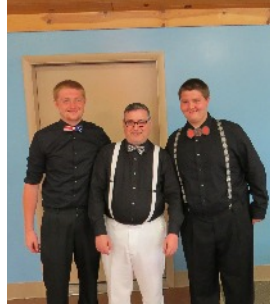
Bishop James Horne, General CPMA Coordinator, Regional Overseer of Alabama.





# 2017 Regional Youth Camp

## "Going Back to the Well"







*Sunday School Christmas Party*  
*Monongahela and Uniontown Churches*

*December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017*

*A "Merry Time" of worship and fellowship!!!*





# Bulletin board...

## 2017-2018 Calendar

### 2018 Southeastern District Convention

– March 25, *Pittsville, MD*

### 2018 Western District Convention

– April 7, *Grove City, PA*

### 2018 Northeastern District Convention

– April 22, *New Rochelle, NY*

### 2018 HQ Regional Ladies Retreat

– May 4 - 6, *Cadiz, KY*

### 2018 Ladies' Retreat

– May 5-7, *Laurelville Christian Center,  
Mt. Pleasant, PA*

### 2018 BTI

– May 27 - June 9, *Cleveland, TN*

### 2018 Heritage Day

– June 9, *Zion Hill Church, Cleveland, TN*

### 2018 Regional Convention

– June 22-24, *Uniontown, PA*

### 2018 Regional Youth Camp

– July 18-22, *Laurel Lake Center, Rossiter,  
PA*

### 2018 International Youth Camp

– August 3-5, *Cleveland, TN*

### 2018 General Assembly

– August 7-12, *Meadow View Marriott  
Conference Resort, Kingsport, TN*

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