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GETTING CONNECTED

Highlighting Churches of God ministries in Maryland, Delaware, DC and the Virginia Peninsula



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Rejected for Christ Sake

Excerpt From: Dennis F. Kinlaw. "This Day with the Master."

"And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him." 2 Corinthians 5:15

"I was in Macao, a tiny colony off the China coast. I was there for a pastors' conference and was staying in the home of an American missionary couple. Toward the end of my stay, my host asked if I was interested in seeing the missionary Robert Morrison's grave. I was, so he took me to a Roman Catholic cemetery. I stood beside that grave, now weather-beaten and mossy, barely able to make out the name, date, and inscription, and I found myself uncharacteristically moved with emotion.

Robert Morrison had been a young British man studying accounting when God saved him and called him to the mission field in China. When the Chinese learned what his mission was, they escorted him out. In those days people who went to the mission field went for life; there was no such thing as a furlough. Robert went to Macao, a Portuguese colony. He stayed for a brief season and then returned to China. He was again deported. He found a job with the East India Company as an accountant. Periodically he would travel into China, only to be expelled each time. Morrison worked all day for the East India Company, which hated missionaries, and at night he translated the Bible into Chinese. Eventually he finished translating the Bible, and later he died in Macao. For days after his death, there was no agreement on where to bury his body. The Chinese certainly did not want a Christian to be buried in their cemetery, and the Roman Catholics were not about to have a Protestant buried in their cemetery. Finally, someone negotiated with the Roman Catholic archbishop, who sold one cemetery plot so they could bury Robert Morrison. He was rejected all his life and even rejected in death.

As I stood there by Robert Morrison's grave, an astounding memory scrolled through my head. I had been on trip to China back in 1982. Right at that time the government permitted four churches to open in Canton. We attended the services in one of these new churches. On Wednesday night we went to prayer meeting, and there were nearly three hundred people in a church that had just been opened.

While the Bible study was taking place, I looked around and received the shock of my life. Sixty percent of that audience was under thirty years of age, which meant that all but the smallest of those had been born under Mao.

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They were born under a government so hostile to Christianity that Christian parents hesitated to talk to their children about Christ lest the police hear the children speak about him and the whole family be imprisoned. The salvation of those children came from reading the Bible that Robert Morrison gave his life to translate.

Rarely do we recognize the cost that other people have paid to be faithful to the Lord Jesus. In our society, we focus so much on our own personal needs that few people will stand up and say, "Whatever God asks, I will do." Are you willing to do that?"

*Bishop Stan Holder
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Church Statistics can be found at:

www.cogdelmarvadc.com

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2023

DEL MARVA-DC PRESENTS

CONCERT OF PRAYER

*A Spirit Empowered Church
fulfilling the Great Commission*

9 am - 2 pm
January 14th, 2023

📍 LIFE SOURCE INTERNATIONAL CHURCH
7000 ROSSVILLE BLVD.
ROSEDALE, MD 21237

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Delmarva-DC

Women's
Ministries

Teresa Holder, Director



I do believe from all the leaves in my yard, that Fall is here. This is my favorite season of the four. There is something about Fall that gives me a feeling that change is in the air. I'm ready for change! II Corinthians 5:17 reads, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!" My prayer is that God will do something **NEW** in all of us!

SMOKY MOUNTAIN HOME FOR CHILDREN – (August - October 2022)

Chester Church of God
Crossroads Church of God
Easton Church of God
Freedom Church
Harvest Church
Stan & Teresa Holder
Jennings Church of God
Kent Island Church of God
Kingdom Solutions

Lakeview Fellowship
Life Builders
Life Community
Life Source
Lifeway Church of God
Living Hope (Laurel)
Living Hope Ministries (Phoenix)
Loch Lynn Church of God
Walker Memorial

TOTAL - \$6,702.53

CITY OF REFUGE, BALTIMORE – (August - October 2022)

Stan & Teresa Holder
Kent Island
Rick & Jane Lairsey
Allan & Jeraldine Leonard
Life Community
Living Hope (Laurel)
Pathway

TOTAL - \$13,800.00

Chesapeake Cottage Christmas Wish List

We still need seven churches to take one of the students in the Chesapeake Cottage and provide their Christmas wish list for them. Please help us out this year. The wish list was included in the Pastor's packet at the Minister's Meeting. We need students 4,5,6,7,8 and the two children of the House Parents.

DELMARVA - DC
WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

MARCH 24-25
2023

EMPOWERED

<p>TERESA HOLDER WOMEN'S DIRECTOR</p> <p>NICOLE POPE GIRLS COORDINATOR</p>		
	<p>JAMIE MASSEY FRI @ 7PM SAT @ 11:30AM</p> <p>ROXANNE CORBETT SAT @ 10AM</p>	
		<p>CURTIS & CHARMAINE BRIDGEMAN MUSICAL GUESTS</p>

\$30

**LIFE SOURCE CHURCH
BALTIMORE, MD**

**"I CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH HIM WHO
STRENGTHENS & EMPOWERS ME" PHILIPPIANS 4:13**

HELP US PURCHASE A

VAN

AT A COST OF **\$30,000**

This 15 passenger van will
provide transportation for the 8
young men and staff members
living on the
**DELMARVA-DC
COTTAGE.**



**A LEAD GIFT COULD HELP
US GET STARTED TODAY!**



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DELMARVA- DC

Bishop Johnathon and Nicole Pope
Regional Youth and Discipleship Directors



DELMARVA-DC YOUTH & DISCIPLESHIP PROJECT 101

We believe the Delamarva-DC region can raise \$101,000

We can reach this goal in 1 of 2 ways

OPTION 1:

If each of Delmarva-DC's 37,497 current members contribute \$3 we will not only meet this goal, but surpass it!

OPTION 2:

If 101 of Delmarva-DC's churches contribute \$1,000

ONLINE GIVING at www.cogdelmarvadc.com

CONEXIÓN "Connected to The Commission"

The YWEA 2023 project "CONEXIÓN- Connected to the Commission" is an incredible opportunity to connect with the Latin American culture and make a difference by focusing on the following strategic ministries:

- Haven of Hope Orphanage in Bolivia
- Semisud Pentecostal Seminary in Ecuador
- Prenatal Care Center in Mexico
- Ministry Training Centers in Guatemala & Brazil



DUS: Karachi launches to ider

PREMIER

Winterfest

class

JANUARY 27-29, 2023

ROLAND E. POWELL CONVENTION CENTER

OCEAN CITY, MD



Lifeline Worship
Charmaine & Curtis Bridgeman
Far Flung Tin Can
Peter Reeves
Micah Mac
Brian Lindsey



PREMIER

KID FEST

JANUARY
27-29TH
2023

OCEAN CITY, MD



Delmarva-DC

Invites You To An

**UGLY
Sweater**

**CHRISTMAS
Luncheon**

Saturday • December 3 • 11:30am

\$30 Per Person

**Retired Ministers, Spouses &
Widows are FREE**

**Heritage Community Church
8146 Quarterfield Road
Severn, MD 21144**

Register at:

www.cogdelmarvadc.com

or call 410.531.5351

Deadline to Register - 11.21.22



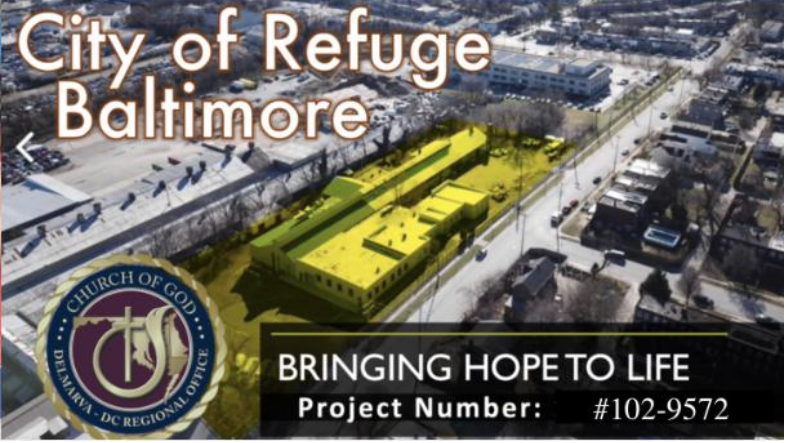
World Missions

Nicaragua Clean Water Wells



Project Number: 102-9554

City of Refuge Baltimore



BRINGING HOPE TO LIFE
Project Number: #102-9572