



# Cedine Report

The Newsletter of Cedine Ministries

Featuring Reports on Cedine Missionaries, Retreats, Camps and Conferences

Vol. 70 No.3

Fall 2021

Spring City, Tennessee

## 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Summer at Cedine concluded with a very special day of celebration. On Saturday, August 7, we had over 150 that attended our 75th Anniversary and Homecoming Day. The day started with a morning Unity Walk around the hilltop on Cedine's campus. We had about 60 join together to walk and pray for our nation, our communities, our churches, our families and for Cedine.

Before and after lunch, bus tours and a hay wagon ride were available. Many of our homecoming guests had not been to Cedine in years and it was a blessing for them to see how much had changed.

The afternoon service began at 2:00 P.M. in the B.M. Nottage camp chapel. Our speakers were father and son, Dr. Paul Cannings and Pastor Pierre Cannings from Living Word Fellowship Church in Houston, TX. The Cannings have been long time speakers and faithful supporters of Cedine. Both messages were challenging and convicting. Other highlights from the service included testimonies, songs and a beautiful praise dance by Burchon and Mary Walker's granddaughters.

After the service we made our way up the hill to the Jubilee Center for special tributes and the evening meal. The special tributes were the beginning of Cedine's Wall of Faith that will pay honor to Cedine's heroes of the faith; those who have played key roles throughout the history of Cedine and are now gone on to be with the Lord.



The 75th Homecoming Day tributes and portrait unveilings were in honor of founders Paul and Ruth Zimmerman, early staff members Tom and Shermine Florence, Francis and Hazel Neddo and Aunt Hattie Johnson. Portraits of Berlin M. Nottage for whom the camp chapel is named, W.E. Nash for whom Nash Hall is named and Curtis Hodge for whom our administration office is named were unveiled as well. It was truly a blessed time that concluded with a fabulous meal and a wonderful time of memories and fellowship.

The Unity Walk, Homecoming Service and Wall of Faith tributes were all livestreamed on Cedine's Facebook page. We invite you to visit the page to watch or re-watch these special events from Homecoming Day. <https://www.facebook.com/Cedine-Ministries-147391521209>

We thank the Lord for granting Cedine 75 years of service. The Lord's faithfulness has truly been evident down through the years. We covet your prayers as we look to the Lord for the years ahead.



## SUMMER CAMP '21

The sounds of summer were quite different this year compared to last year. Campers laughing, playing, singing and talking about the Bible was like music to our ears. It was refreshing to hear and see activity at the basketball court, around carpet ball and especially in chapel where the campers worshipped and were encouraged to trust God even in their valleys when life gets hard.

This year there were fewer campers and a smaller staff, but the atmosphere was ripe for a lot of heart to heart discussion, thought provoking dialogue and a greater sense of unity between campers and staff. Camp protocols were a little different, too.

This summer, amidst continuing covid concerns, we did our best to keep campers, staff and parents safe. Monday registration and weekday camp meals were held in the Jubilee Center instead of in the camp area. Counselors and their cabins were almost always together as a group except for the evening free time after supper. Even camp activities were done as a cabin group. It was almost like camper counselor night all week long. Despite the challenges and changes the Lord's work was done.

Your prayers were definitely felt as everyone worked together to make this one of the best summers ever to the glory of God.

## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

We praise the Lord for those who were able to attend the 75th anniversary celebration on August 7. This was a real encouragement to us to be able to share the time with so many. As was mentioned, we had over 150 here for the anniversary meal.

The Board of Directors met August 5 & 6. Six of them were able to stay and participate in the anniversary celebration the following day. They approved the paving of the new entrance road with funds on hand. We are working on remodeling rooms in Narnia to create apartment space to be used as transitional space for new staff. They worked on a number of policies including a diversity policy and social media policies. They also approved a Sabbatical

for me for the next 4 months after serving as the director for 20 consecutive years. There is a need for some regrouping and asking the Lord for renewal to be able to finish well. Please pray that this will be a profitable time.

Bro. David Lewis has asked to be relieved of the camp director responsibility so pray with us as we seek to fill this critical seat as well. We praise the Lord that He knows the answers and that He will provide to accomplish His purpose.

Please pray as we deal with the challenges of people not ready to gather in large groups especially the adults. Pray that we will have wisdom in taking proper precautions in moving forward.



## INTERESTING FACTS

- 393 camper weeks were recorded this 2021 camping season...our 75th year
- Campers and Conference guests came from 15 different states.
- The Saturday of our 75th anniversary celebration only 5 miles from Cedine there was a storm with heavy rain. Cedine only received a few sprinkles.
- Thanks to all who gave to the camp scholarship fund and the volunteer staff fund. Our needs were met. Praise the Lord!
- Our missionary project was to help widows in Sudan. The campers delighted in giving money for two chickens per widow that will help each start her own flock and a business that will sustain her.
- Campers came from every walk of life and ultimately found refuge in the saving grace of Jesus

The CEDINE REPORT is published quarterly by CEDINE BIBLE MISSION, Inc.  
333 Cedine Camp Road, Spring City, TN 37381

Vernon Tannahill - Executive Editor  
Phyllis Zimmerman - Managing Editor  
Subscription – II Thessalonians 3:1

Cedine Bible Mission is a nondenominational, nonprofit mission agency.

Cedine Bible Mission is a member of the Association of North American Missions.

Cedine Bible Camp/Conference Center is a member of  
Christian Camp and Conference Association.

Telephone: (423) 365-9565 • Fax: (423) 365-6111  
E-mail: Cedine@Cedine.org • Web Site: www.Cedine.org

## 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.

## A SEED IS PLANTED

Cedine has always changed as the need arises. As the years progressed opportunities for further training came into reach for African Americans. In 1988 the Board of Trustees of Cedine Bible Institute unanimously agreed to terminate the on-campus resident training programs of the Institute.

What now? Did the Lord provide the three story residence hall and the academic building just to have them stand idle? Just as He did in the past, as the Lord closed one door He opened another.

For some years Cedine had been holding 'retreats' on a limited basis. Now Cedine had the time and the facilities to expand this ministry. The dorm, Nash Hall, was converted into private rooms each with its own bath. Up to 100 guests can stay here.

Grace House, built for the director and his family, was converted into a 'lodge' that houses 8 couples or 16 singles. The Hance Shop, where Institute students once made canoes, was converted into 8 motel style rooms.

The retreat and conference ministry continued to expand. A new dining room was needed. In 1999 the Jubilee Center was completed debt free. Since then this building has been a monument of the Lord's provision for the thousands of adults who have been ministered to each year.

Although still active in the ministry today, Dwight Zimmerman stepped down as director in 2000. The Board of Trustees appointed Vernon Tannahill as the present director.

Cedine Ministries wanted to help believers get in the Word daily, thus the ministry of devotional guides that are sent out monthly.

How much one little seed can produce! Ministry outreach has changed through the years, but Cedine continues to stand unchanging in its proclamation of the unchanging truth of His Word.

*(To be concluded in the next Cedine Report.)*



# AROUND CEDINE

Andrew and Faith Kliever have resigned as staff with Cedine Ministries. We are grateful for their time with us.

We are grateful for the group from Gospel Hope Church in Avondale Estates, GA that helped with final clean up before camp.

We appreciate the ministry of Eastside Baptist Church in Mooresville, NC during our Family Bible Conference.

Many volunteers came to minister this summer. Some served for a week or two, and some served all summer. We are thankful for their labor of love.

Bible Quizzing has taken a real hit during the covid pandemic. Some of our quizzing venues have yet to open up. Some are still afraid to travel. Please pray with us as we try to retrieve this most valuable Bible memory tool.

## Fall Retreats

In-person events:

### Couples' Retreat

September 10-12  
*"Things That Really Matter"*

### Men's Retreat

October 22-24:  
*"Help is On the Way"*

### NEW this fall is a three-part Virtual Ladies' Retreat Series

- Part 1: September 25  
*"An Intimate Love Relationship"*
- Part 2: October 9-11  
*"Heart Matters"*
- Part 3: November 6  
*"His Eternal Glory"*

# Praise & Prayer

Fall 2021

- 1) Bible Correspondence**-Pray for wisdom in correcting Bible correspondence lessons and corresponding with those who are enrolled. Pray for the ministry to prisoners and others, both saved and unsaved. Pray for potential campers that are enrolled.
- 2) Wayne and Doris Bowman**-Pray for wisdom and strength. Pray for younger staff to join in helping us.
- 3) Quizzing outreach**-Pray as we try to revive this ministry after the covid pandemic.
- 4) Bruce and Michele Cook**-Pray that we will know God's will. Pray that we will serve well. Pray that all our family will come to know Him.
- 5) Staff needs**-Pray for the need of godly, qualified people committed to serve here in the business office and in general maintenance.
- 6) Joan Zimmerman**-Pray that we will serve well as the Lord directs us, to those at Cedine, locally or away. Please claim with us God's promise of Proverbs 3:6.
- 7) Our Government**-Pray for our president and other elected officials. Pray we may lead a quiet and peaceful life for His honor and glory.
- 8) Leonard and Wanda Herman**-Praise the Lord for a new granddaughter. Pray for our ministry to the farm workers in our area. As we age we need extra prayer and strength.
- 9) Prayer and Financial Supporters**-Much praise for those who partner with us in regular prayer and financial support. Thank you!
- 10) Diane Wassell**-Praise for His love and grace. Pray for my health.
- 11) David and Lucinda Lewis**-Praise for a safe, fun and spiritual summer. Pray for wisdom for the coming year. Pray as we follow up with those who attended camp this past summer.
- 12) Susan Adams**-Praise that the Lord provided the needed help for food service this past summer. Pray for concerns for fall and winter months. Pray for salvation needs of family members.
- 13) Cedine Retreats and Conferences**-Pray for God's direction for the fall retreats and conferences.
- 14) Staff Administrative Council**-Pray that council members will have wisdom and discernment in directing the daily operations of Cedine Ministries during these uncertain times.
- 15) Linda Minter**-Praise for opportunities to invest in some of the young ladies who served during camp this summer. Praise for my 1st grandbaby and for another soon to be son-in-law. Pray for my family.
- 16) Bill Lamarr**-Pray for health and strength as I continue to minister here at Cedine.
- 17) Retired staff**-Burchon and Mary Walker- Pray for church and community ministry. Pray for wisdom for each of our children.
- 18) Vernon and Martha Tannahill**-Pray for adults to register for retreats in 2022. Pray as plans are being made for 2022 camps and conferences. Pray for wisdom in making the most of our days during our Sabbatical. Pray for our health needs.

## HONOR/MEMORIAL GIFTS

The following gave gifts in honor the 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jamison. Thank you Glenn and Davie for remembering Cedine in this way!!

Ms. Sherry Bowins	Mr. & Mrs. Harry Gilmore
Bransford Class of '67	Mr. & Mrs. Renard A. Hirsch
Mr. John Howard	Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Jamison
Mr. & Mrs. Crowder	Ms. Louise Garner
Ms. Jewell Walston	Mrs. Ruth Young
Mrs. Drucillia Bratton-Newsom	Mr. & Mrs. Malcolm Cunningham

Given by.....	In Memory of:
Mrs. Carol Brandon.....	Mr. James Bernard Brandon, Jr.
Ms. Patsy Brassfield.....	Ms. Kathleen Tarp
Cornerstone Bible Church, Durham, NC.....	Mrs. Hazel Neddo
Ms. Flora J. Gordon.....	Mrs. Hazel Neddo
Mr. & Mrs. Melvin J. Holley.....	Mrs. Hazel Neddo
Mrs. Eleanor Hunt.....	Mr. John B. Henshall
Ms. Marjorie Mulvey.....	Mr. & Mrs. Francis Neddo
Ms. Vergenia Woodmore.....	Mrs. Hazel Neddo

## MY HONOR/MEMORIAL GIFT

✂

Given by Mr./Mrs./Miss \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Given in Memory/Honor (circle one) of \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Please send an acknowledgment to:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Cedine Bible Mission, 333 Cedine Camp Road, Spring City, TN 37381-6132

## Praise and Prayer Continued

**19) Ken and Debbie Ore**-Praise for health and strength to do our assigned tasks. Pray for rescheduling of deputation trips.

**20) Paul and Judy Lewis**-Pray for Judy's new normal of reduced stamina. Pray for Paul's leadership decisions and responsibilities throughout this fall. Pray for an increase in our faith.

**21) Devotional Guide Ministry and Follow-up Ministry**-Pray that those receiving the devotional guide may be faithful in reading the suggested Bible portion and be willing to obey what the Word says. Pray for wisdom, steadfastness and effectiveness in all our follow-up ministries.

**22) Jacques Hall**-Pray for my family. Pray for ministry opportunities.

**23) Gloria Ward**-Pray for my health problems. Pray I may know what God wants me to do for the future. Pray for my son Gene and his family.

**24) Jane White**-Pray that my children and grand children will 'fear the Lord' and 'delight greatly in His commandments.'

**25) Camp Cedine**-Praise for safety and good number of people attending Family Camps and summer camps. Pray for the follow-up with campers who were here this past summer.

**26) Kim and Carol Yarger**-Pray for wisdom and spiritual understanding. Pray for physical strength. Pray for needed maintenance and housekeeping workers. Pray for replacements for Kim and Carol.

**27) Phil and Julie Zimmerman**-Pray we will know God's leading and direction in future ministry opportunities.

**28) Board of Trustees**-Pray for godly men of vision, who establish policy and give direction for the ongoing and future ministries of Cedine.

**29) Joshua and Chaniel Stevens**-Pray that we are able to gain more ministry partners, for the adventure program to grow, wisdom as we grow our family. Praise for safe arrival of Kineta on Aug 7.

**30) Dwight and Phyllis Zimmerman**- How we praise Him for our faithful support team. Pray for Dwight to be a faithful witness in community contacts. Pray for continued strength to serve Him.

**31) Cedine Bible Mission**-Continue to pray for additional permanent camp and conference staff workers. See Matt. 9:37,38

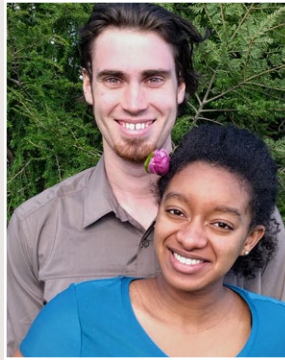
### PERMANENT STAFF NEEDS:

Business Manager  
Conference Director  
Physical Plant Director  
Camp Director

### APPOINTEES NEEDING SUPPORT

Joshua and Chaniel Stevens

## STAFF SNAPSHOTS



They came to Cedine from different backgrounds, different parts of the country, different cultures and for different reasons, not knowing that

one day God would bring them together to serve Him as one. They are Joshua and Chaniel Stevens, our newest Cedine staff.

Joshua received Christ as his Savior at church when he was young. It was a Wednesday in the fall of 2001 during the Sparky program of Awana. The Awana program also played a part in Chaniel's salvation. She came home one night with many questions. After having her questions answered she realized her need for a Savior and gave her life to the Lord

Joshua first came to Cedine as a small child when his parents attended a conference their mission board held at Cedine. Camp ministry has been a part of Joshua's life since childhood. He grew up at Mount Hope Bible Camp in the small town of Otway, Ohio where his father was the camp director and maintenance director. Ministry was a family affair. Joshua loved adventure and the outdoors.

Chaniel was first introduced to Cedine in May 2006 when her parents drove her and eight of her siblings down to Tennessee to volunteer the weekend of and week following Cedine's May Couples' Retreat.

Chaniel also grew up in a ministry family. Originally from the Washington DC area, her father, Steve Minter, was an associate minister and Bible teacher in their local church. Chaniel was five years old when her father brought the family to Cedine in March 2007. Throughout her childhood she volunteered with many various aspects of Cedine Ministries. She loves all things art, from drawing to photography. From childhood she has desired to marry and raise a family. Home schooled all twelve years; she graduated from high school the spring of 2020.

Joshua graduated from Appalachian Bible College December 2018. While in college, Cedine missionary, Doris Bowman encouraged him to serve at Camp Cedine which he did. The next summer he went to serve at another camp but then came back to Cedine for a second summer and then a third. In 2017, he felt that the Lord was leading him here to serve long term.

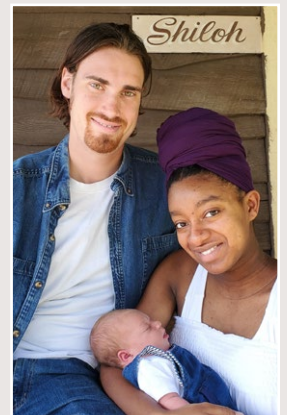
Joshua and Chaniel met at Cedine in 2016 while both served at summer camp.

For several summers they hung out with mutual friends, all summer staff. Eventually they developed a friendship of their own. When they started serving together as kitchen staff during retreats their friendship developed into something more. August 2020 Joshua asked Chaniel to marry him.

The two became one on November 1, 2020 in Cedine's winter pasture. Since joining Cedine's staff in August 2019 Joshua has continued serving during retreats. He has also helped in maintenance. In 2020 he began working on an adventure camping program that will utilize the outdoors as a means to help campers learn more about God through His creation. As a missionary appointee Joshua is also currently working on raising support. Chaniel continues to volunteer as needed. She still enjoys pursuing the arts but believes her greatest calling is to be a support to Joshua in his ministry here at Cedine and in the raising of their family.

Kineta Mirielle Kate joined Chaniel and Joshua on August 7th. Rejoice with us and pray for these young staffers with an addition to their family.

We are thankful to the Lord for sending Joshua and Chaniel to us. We ask you to pray that God will continue to strengthen their marriage and use them to glorify Him always.



Clip out the prayer list and keep praying for us!

# Cedine

Bible Camp & Retreat Center