



# Cedine Report

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## HE KNOWS THE WAY WE TAKE



### GOD SENT HIS *SON* AS...

#### *A Sacrifice...*

So He could save us  
from our sins (Heb. 9:17)

#### *A Man of Sorrows...*

So He could know our  
grief (Isa. 53:3)

#### *A Servant...*

So He could meet our  
needs (Phil 2:5-8)

#### *A Shepherd...*

So He could lead us  
Home to glory (Heb. 12:20)

Special Christmas greetings  
from the entire Cedine staff.

May the joy of knowing and  
sharing Christ be yours  
this season.

As we move forward through these unpredictable and uncertain times, we at Cedine continue to seek the Lord as we make plans, change plans, and even abandon plans during this season of ministry.

The plan to host the Fall Couples' Retreat came together beautifully and was a tremendous blessing to all who attended and served. Seventeen couples gathered at Cedine, in person, September 10-12. Elder Lamont Price spoke on a fitting theme for this day and time; *Things that Really Matter* from Philippians 4:8

We thank the Lord for the messages, workshops and discussions that encouraged couples to rely on the power of God to help them stay focused, strong and committed to their vows, to one another and to the Lord.

It was our heart's desire to host all of our Fall retreats in person. Though that did not happen we thank the Lord for our ladies retreat committee who had already faithfully poured themselves into planning a three-part virtual ladies event for the Fall. The overall theme was *That I May Know Him* from Philippians 3:10-13. Brenda Kirk was the speaker. Part one took place on September 25th, part two was on October 9th and part three was on November 6th. Many of

the ladies, who attended, expressed how the virtual retreat met a need. They were thankful for the opportunity to come together online with sisters in Christ from different parts of the country to pray, worship, and be refreshed from the Word of God.

Although the men held a virtual retreat in the Spring, we regretfully had to cancel plans for a 2021 Fall Men's Retreat.

We look forward to a new year with a new set of plans for retreats, camps, and conferences. We also realize that only the Lord knows what the new year will hold. Pray that we will remain committed to serving with joy and gladness, however the Lord leads.

As you make plans to be with family and friends for the holidays know that we are praying for you as well. While we know that many circumstances are beyond our control, we also know that God is always working to bring everything together for our good and for His glory.



## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

Finally, it is legal (by the pre-Thanksgiving Christmas music police) to play Christmas music. One reason Christmas is unique is because of the name given to Jesus, Emmanuel.

God is with you; that is special. He is always present. However, being aware of His presence is delightful. Not only are we reminded of His presence by His name, but His presence is embedded in our commissioning. "Make disciples ... I am with you."

Time with God is delightful. My sweet spot is a chair in my study where I have uninterrupted time with God. Some mornings when my heart is weighed down, I think, "If I can just get to my chair." It's safe. It's refreshing. I can freely talk to God about anything, and even at times unfiltered.

The past couple of years have been lean in more ways than a few (though the

Bible lesson ministry continued unhindered). And yet, walking through them with God's company has been a treasure. Turning to Him for counsel, needing whatever He is providing, and feeling relaxed in the wait time reframes those lean years. Those years were learning activities custom-designed by the Father for Cedine's growth.

Next year presents unknowns, but the Father knows. Camp and Conference plans are developing under God's guidance. First and foremost, join us in asking for God's self-selected provisions. Additional requests include godly mature summer staff, diligent leadership at every level, campers, and conference guests.

For a great way to invest in campers, conference guests, and Bible lesson students, see the year-end gift ideas on page three.

Paul Lewis, *Acting Director*



## 2022 Spring Schedule

### PowerWalk Leadership Conference

- March 3-5

### For Ladies

- March 11-13
- April 22-24

### For Men

- March 25-27

### For Couples

- May 13-15

Check [cedine.org](http://cedine.org) and/or Cedine's Facebook page for any updates/changes to the schedule.

## A SEED IS PLANTED

When Paul Zimmerman began visiting 'colored' schools in 1946 little did he dream of what the future would hold. In 2002 a new camp cabin design was approved. The last cabin was ready to use in 2018. What a contrast to the original ones! Cedar and Pine villages each have 5 double modern cabins with an all-purpose room built in the lower floor of one of the cabins in each village.

Since 1974 one of the first buildings seen when entering Cedine was the fire hall. That building, that once housed our fire engines, now is the Fire House, consisting of an apartment and two motel style rooms.

Both the camp chapel and all the rooms where our conference guests stay now have A/C. What a change 75 years make! We have gone from used army surplus tents to rustic cabins to air-conditioned motel type rooms!

Sunday, March 29, 2020 was a day of destruction and changed the landscape of Cedine forever. Although the high tornado-like winds did much damage, we are thankful no lives were injured or lost.

Still in the midst of a covid pandemic we continue to seek Him for new ways to serve and minister for Him at Cedine.

We praise Him for His faithfulness as seen in the lives of literally thousands of young people and adults who have come our way during these past 75 years! Yes, it is easy to see the seeds in an apple, but harder to see the apple in a seed. Cedine Ministries began in uncharted territory. It was a new venture but God was in it. Paul Zimmerman had a vision, and planted a seed. Pray that seed will continue to produce fruit until the Lord comes to call all His chosen ones Home.

*"But He knoweth the way that I take: when He hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold." — Job 23:10*

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## 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.



## AROUND CEDINE

Kim Yarger's father went to be with the Lord September 11, 2021. He was living with Kim and Carol.

Our sympathy, love and prayers go to Kim, Carol, and their family.

Vernon and Martha Tannahill continue on Sabbatical through the month of December.

A group of men from a church in Chattanooga, TN held a retreat here at Cedine October 22-24.

Community outreach this fall includes:

- Our Correspondence Course ministry reaches young and old, near and far.
- Weekly services were held with the Farm Workers in our area.
- Each Wednesday several ladies participate in a community ladies' Bible study started by a Cedine staff member.
- A local contractor asked one of our staff to conduct a Bible study with his employees once a week.

- Each Tuesday evening men of the community gather for a time of Bible study with a Cedine staff member.
- On Thursday evening local ladies gather in the home of one of our staff for a Bible study.
- Many of our staff teach Sunday School in the local churches. Others serve in other areas of their churches.

### 2021 vs. 2022 Charitable Giving

The benefits of giving in 2021 and saving on your income tax is good stewardship. Cedine's ministries will benefit by additional gifts in the current year.

2022 will be a year of continuing ministry. We covet your prayers and gifts to encourage us in the task of reaching the unsaved and instructing the saved.

Commitment to the Lord Jesus Christ by Cedine staff, and your prayers and gifts until He comes, go beyond the tax laws and calendar years. May we each be faithful stewards.

## Praise & Prayer

Winter 2021

- 1) Bible Correspondence**-Pray for wisdom in correcting Bible correspondence lessons and corresponding with those who are enrolled.
- 2) Wayne and Doris Bowman**-Pray for our community ministry. Pray for Wayne as he helps with yard work here at Cedine.
- 3) Quizzing outreach**-Pray as we try to retrieve this ministry after the covid pandemic.
- 4) Bruce and Michele Cook**-Pray for faithfulness in our daily lives. Pray for the need of permanent housing. Pray for additional needed support.
- 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 be faithful in worship and service at home, church, work and community. Col. 3:16-17.
- 7) Our Government**-Pray for our president and other elected officials. Pray that we may lead a quiet and peaceful life for His honor and glory.
- 8) Leonard and Wanda Herman**-Pray for wisdom on how to reach more people with the correspondence school. Pray for our health.
- 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 good support raising trip and time with family. Pray for decision about our future ministry.
- 12) Susan Adams**-Praise for provision of our needs as He promised. Pray for employment opportunities and for salvation needs of family members.
- 13) Cedine Retreats and Conferences**-Pray for God's direction in planning for the Spring 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 faithful supporters, for those encouraged by Fall Couples and Ladies virtual retreats and for Christian and Severin's marriage Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>. Pray Col. 1:9-11 for my family and me.
- 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 them in their absence from us.
- 19) Ken and Debbie Ore**-Pray with us as we try to plan deputation trips for 2022. We need wisdom. We are thankful for the health the Lord has allowed us to have.

### HONOR/MEMORIAL GIFTS

Given by.....	In Honor of:
Mrs. Gwendolyn Blackman .....	Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Jamison
Mrs. Peggy Bowen .....	Mrs. Maxine McFarland
Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Williamson .....	Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Jamison
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Mrs. Carol Brandon .....	Mr. Samuel York
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Ms. Linda Spencer .....	Mr. Richard Spencer

### MY HONOR/MEMORIAL GIFT



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## Praise and Prayer Continued

**20) Paul and Judy Lewis**-Thanks for your prayers as I continue as Acting General Director through December. Judy appreciates your prayers. Help us to trust the Lord for what He has in the future for us.

**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 future plans. Pray for my health needs and for my son and his family.

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

**25) Camp Cedine**-Pray for wisdom and guidance for 2022 camps.

**26) Kim and Carol Yarger**-Pray for good physical and mental health. Pray for wisdom in our duties and applying God's Word to our lives.

**27) Phil and Julie Zimmerman**-Praise for ministry opportunities. Pray for continued wisdom in church and community Bible studies. Pray for continued health for our families.

**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. Pray for us as a family.

**30) Dwight and Phyllis Zimmerman**-Praise for those who partner with us. Pray for faithful witness in all local community contacts. May our lives daily show forth His faithfulness and love.

**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

### APPOINTEES NEEDING SUPPORT

Joshua and Chaniel Stevens

## STAFF SNAPSHOTS

Jane White has been volunteering at Cedine for over 25 years. She works in the mailing department where she addresses the bulk mailings. If you receive one of the thousands of reports, or hundreds of devotional guides or staff letters, more than likely Jane has processed them. This involves interfacing with the United States Postal Service and with our software provider making sure that our processes are accurate and up to date.

Jane was born and raised in Grandview, TN. She graduated from Spring City High School. After high school, she moved to Atlanta and worked at an oil company for six years. In 1975 after a divorce, she and her young son moved back to Spring City. She got a job with the Tennessee Valley Authority, took some college courses, completed an engineering aide training course, and enjoyed her 21 years there. Due to a reduction in force (RIF) at TVA, she was presented with the opportunity to take early retirement. This early retirement, along with the support of her husband, made it possible for her to work at Cedine for a couple of days a week (more or less as the job requires).

As a young girl, Jane attended Sunday school and Youth Group. There was not a doubt in her mind that Jesus died on the cross to save people from their sins. She had heard about Jesus all her life, but she didn't know Him. Her life was a mess, but she didn't really know it. Sometimes "you don't know what you don't know". Someone asked her if growing up without a father had affected her life in any way, and she responded "Nah, not at all." But the reality was that she was going into a more sinful lifestyle, looking for that which was missing in her life. This verse described her life, "For My people have committed two evils: They have forsaken Me, the fountain of living waters, and hewn themselves cisterns—broken cisterns that can hold no water." (Jeremiah 2:13)

However, when she was in her early thirties, sad and broken, the Lord opened her eyes to her sinfulness, and she cried

out to the Lord, "O Lord, how could you die for me? I am such a sinner!" She trusted in Christ alone that day, believing that He died for her even when she was His enemy. He was her Savior! That day she "turned to God from idols (herself) to serve the living and true God" (1 Thessalonians 1:9). Has she reached perfection yet? No, life is still a struggle at times, sin is still present, the flesh is weak, but she knows in Whom she has believed, and is confident "of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you (Jane) will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ" (Philippians 1:6).

The Lord has given her the gifts of "helps" and "giving", and she enjoys work! When she isn't working at Cedine, she is working in her home, yard, and church. Her husband calls her the "energizer bunny." She loves spending time with her family: husband (Jeff), son (Matt), daughter-in-law (Michelle), granddaughters (Emilee and Ellee).

Jane lives in Spring City, TN. We are thankful for Jane's service at her home church, Christian Fellowship Church of Grandview, TN and here at Cedine. She is a blessing to us all.

Volunteers play a vital role in Cedine Ministries! Some come from afar and spend a week or two here. Others live

nearby and give a day of their time. What an encouragement to the Cedine staff to have volunteers serving here with us. We are thankful for each one.



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Clip out the prayer list and keep praying for us!