

# Cedine Report



## WHAT'S IN A NAME?

"Practically everyone since the beginning of history has had a name. Almost all names have meanings...But there is One whose name has become the greatest and most precious name in all the world...His name is Christ Jesus. The name Christ Jesus also has meaning...Jehovah is Savior. He is the only Savior of the world."  
*- Tom Florence, Cedine Campus Communa-K, June 1979*

## From all the Cedine Staff

May the matchless Name of Jesus and His gift of salvation fill you with hope and joy this Christmas season and always

When Paul Zimmerman realized he would not be able to serve as a missionary to Africa, he was challenged by B.M. Nottage to reach out to black communities here in the United States. That plea became a reality in 1946 when God breathed **Life** into a vision that eventually became Cedar-Pine (Cedine).



Since the days of school visitations and the first summer camp in 1947, it is the Lord who has given this ministry overwhelming opportunities to share the gospel of Jesus Christ and see many come to a saving faith in Him. Looking back over decades, we also see how so many (including our staff) have experienced personal **Growth** through learning more about, developing a love for and obedience to God's Word.

There are so many stories of how God has moved within Cedine to change lives, strengthen families, help marriages, encourage pastors, equip teachers, support missions work, disciple and mentor others. The list could go on. Even during challenges and adversity God's continues to do His work and we rejoice in that.

So, we invite you to join in the celebration as we give thanks for the legacy of the past and the ongoing work of the present. In addition we will look to the future with an expectancy that the Lord will birth a **Renewed Vision** of what He desires to do at Cedine in 2026 and the days and years to come.

*"Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen."* Ephesians 3:20-21

## 80th Anniversary Activities

February 27-28, 2026 – 80th Prayer Meeting  
 August 8, 2026 – Homecoming Celebration

To find out more about these and other events, look for details at [cedine.org](http://cedine.org).

## From The Director's Desk

Praise the Lord for His strength for the busy fall season and for the volunteers and staff that worked together tirelessly to minister to the guests that joined us. As you can see throughout this report, we have kept steadily busy. The housekeeping department lost one member at a critical time, but the Lord gave strength to Flora and Judy to be ready for each of our events. We are very grateful to them for their critical contribution to the ministry. We are thankful for each member of the team that came through at critical times. Garry Griffin was able to join us for the two Ladies' Retreats and the Men's Retreat.

Behind the scenes several things took place. A new phone system was installed which should make it easier to get in contact with us. Most of the mission computers needed upgrades as none of them had the hardware capable of handling Windows 11. We are thankful for the help of Jake Warix in both areas to help us keep things working in the transition. The technicians who came to look at the lift assured us that the hardware for the chair lift was adequate but there were some critical repairs that were needed. The last two retreats we didn't have any major issues with it for which we are grateful.

The board continues to be active in searching for my replacement and helping with actively helping find additional help. We were able to hire an accountant through a temp firm who has been very helpful in getting the reconciliations back up to date. Our Auditor recently had some health issues which have slowed the process of the audit but also allowed us some time to get caught up. Continue to pray for the ministry as we celebrate 80 years of ministry and look forward to what the Lord has for the future. Thank you for your partnership with us.

- *Vernon Tannahill*

### Consider a YEAR END GIFT to Cedine

Your prayers and gifts encourage us in the task of reaching the unsaved and equipping believers through the Word of God. We pray God will continue to bless you and use you for His glory.

**Have a joyous Christmas!**

## Fall Wrap Up

Couples, Ladies' and Men's retreats were held during the months of September, October and November. Each event was a time where God's Word penetrated hearts. We rejoice that seven souls were added to the kingdom during the Ladies' retreats. Couples were helped and encouraged. Men were challenged to be bold in Christ.

We praise God for the committees, speakers, workshop and worship leaders that gave of themselves to serve and minister to each of our retreat guests. As we finalize plans for next year's events we solicit your prayers that the Lord will continue His mighty work in every life that comes our way.



## 2026 Retreats, Camps & Conferences

**Ladies' Retreats** - March 13-15, April 24-26, October 9-11, November 6-8

**Men's Retreats** - March 20-22, October 23-25

**Couples Retreats** - April 17-19, September 25-27

**Power Walk Leadership Conference** - October 15-17

### Summer Schedule

**Junior Camp** - June 8-13

**Middler Camp** - June 15-20

**Teen Camp** - June 22-27

**Family Conference** - June 29-July 3

## 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 with an emphasis on the underserved community.

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# Around Cedine

We hosted several outside groups who are close by Cedine.

- Eastwood Ladies held a ladies' retreat September 5-7.
- Signal Mountain Bible Church held their annual Family Camp September 12-14.
- Salem Baptist and Lighthouse Baptist had a retreat on October 3-5.
- Pilgrim Baptist had a retreat October 13-16.
- Samples Memorial Baptist held a couple's retreat November 14-16.

The first quiz of the year was held in Blytheville, Arkansas. We had close to 100 people in attendance and we were able to honor Eddie & Cindie Echols for dedicating their lives to Bible Quizzing.

The next quiz will be in Nashville on December 13.

Garry & Chabeli Griffin welcomed their twins to the world on August 16th. Kali Griffin went home to be with Jesus on September 8. Kru continues to grow and was able to come home for thanksgiving. Pray for comfort in the loss of Kali and wisdom in raising Kendri and Kru for the Lord.

On November 20 Wanda Herman was honored for her 65 years of ministry at Cedine.



## Honor & Memorial Gifts

Given by	In Memory of
Cathie Canary	Wayne Bowman
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## Cedine Ministries Praise & Prayer

Winter 2025

- 1) Revelation 22:17-** "...Let anyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who desires drink from the water of life"
- 2) Bible Correspondence Courses-**Pray for needed help in this vital ministry.
- 3) Bible Quizzing-**Pray for youth as they continue to quiz from the books of I and II Corinthians.
- 4) Follow-up Ministries-**Pray for effectiveness in our follow up ministries.
- 5) Staff perseverance-**Pray Galatians 6:9
- 6) Our Government-**Pray for our nation's leaders. 1 Timothy 2:1-4
- 7) Leonard and Wanda Herman-**Our family is doing fine. Pray for someone to replace Wanda in the correspondence school.
- 8) Ministry Partners-**Praise for faithful prayer and financial partners.
- 9) Camp Cedine-**Pray for plans being made and staff for 2026 summer camp.
- (10) Bill Lamarr-**Praise for mentorship opportunities. Pray for physical and spiritual strength.
- (11) Volunteers-**Pray that the Lord will send spring work groups and other volunteers to help with the many ministry projects, events and tasks.
- (12) Cedine Retreats and Conferences-**Praise for souls saved during fall retreats. Pray for 2026 spring season.
- (13) General Director Search-**Pray the Board will have clear direction in their search for General Director.
- 14) Linda Minter-**Praise for God's working in hearts. Pray for health and strength for me and my family.
- (15) Retired staff-**Burch & Mary Walker, Kim Yarger, Ken & Debbie Ore – Praise for open doors of ministry, pray for health and strength.
- (16) Retired staff-**Gloria Ward, Jane White, Doris Bowman, Joan Zimmerman-Praise for God's abiding presence. Pray for health and strength.
- 17) Sanctification-**Pray that daily we will become more like Jesus Christ.
- 18) Vernon and Martha Tannahill-**Praise for safety on our August & September trips. Praise for our faithful prayer & support team. Pray for wisdom in the transition to new leadership. Pray for health & safety.



# Cedine Ministries Praise & Prayer

continued

**(19) Jerry and Janet Branscum**-Pray for strength, health, God's wisdom & understanding, staff needs.

**(20) Garry and Chabeli Griffin**-We thank God we were able to welcome our twins into the world. We solicit your prayers as we mourn the passing of one of our twins, princess Kali.

**(21) Grounds**-Pray for resources to do much needed upgrades around Cedine.

**(22) 80th Anniversary**-Pray for direction in planning for celebration/homecoming.

**(23) Staff needs**-Pray that God will send those who love the Lord and have a heart to serve others. (See needs below)

**(24) Flora Gordon**-Pray I will follow GOD's leading and that I'll believe what I ask God for.

**(25) Jake & Jen Warix**-Praise for progress on our new home. Pray for proper balance as Jake helps with technical issues around Cedine.

**(26) Scott Thompson**-Praise God for bountiful November in paying off debts and for a family that is praising God for healing.

**(27) Riley and Kimberly Peak**-Praise for a successful move out of Cleveland house and God providing a minivan. Pray for continued partner development and baby prep.

**(28) The Board of Trustees**-Pray for God's wisdom and direction as they seek to honor God in decision making.

**(29) Spiritual Strength**-Pray Ephesians 6:10-18 for our staff and families.

**(30) Dwight and Phyllis Zimmerman**-Romans 8:28 – "...We know that all things work together for good." Health is failing, bodies are weak. Pray we'll be faithful to the end.

**(31) Cedine Bible Mission**-Pray Matt. 9:37, 38 as we trust the Lord for:

- General Director
- Business Office Manager
- Food Service Manager
- Physical Plant Director
- Conference Director
- Maintenance Staff
- Business Office Manager
- Conference and Camp Registrar

## Couples Retreat Committee

J.C. and Janice Upton and Butch and MaryAnn Upton were the first committee members to spearhead planning a weekend retreat for married couples. Through the years others came along and the baton was eventually passed to those who would serve on future committees.

**Today the Couples Retreat Committee consists of:**



- **Greg (Committee Chair) and Jackie Samuels** first came to and met at Cedine in the 1970s as Bible Institute students. After retiring from the military, the Samuels returned to Cedine as missionaries for a very short time and were approached to join the committee. Their goal is to encourage couples (with God's help) to put God first in their marriage! When this happens, families will be blessed!!!
- **Ted and Kimela Curtis'** Cedine journey began in the early 1990s. Ted first came in 1992 for a Men's Retreat. Kimela attended a Ladies' Retreat for the first time in 1993 or 1994. They've been part of the Couples Committee since 2013. Serving together at Cedine has been one of the most rewarding chapters of their lives. To them, Cedine is more than a place—it's a spiritual home where they've seen God work in their lives and in the lives of others.
- **Andre ("Tank") and Bonita Montgomery** started attending Couples Retreats in 2008. They were approached to become part of the committee about 10 years ago and have served faithfully ever since. Tank and Bonita enjoy blessing other couples and helping to make the retreat a weekend to remember.
- **Lamont and Kennetra Price** have been on the Couple's Retreat Committee since 2019. Kennetra first attended Cedine as a teen camper and Lamont's first encounter with Cedine was through the Men's Retreats. They state that "the church is as strong as the families who make it up. Marriages must be solid to uphold the proper roles for the family." They enjoy cultivating strong marriages in order to strengthen the church's impact on society.
- **Andre and Jaquie Reddick** attended their first Couples Retreat in 2013. They fell in love with its beauty and spirituality; returning for retreats and volunteering ever since. They joined the committee last year and look forward to working to expand the reach of Cedine.

Praise the Lord for the committee's desire to encourage couples to stand firm in their marriages in these days and times. Pray for them as they endeavor to seek God's direction in all their planning.