

Great River Region Disciples Women Retreat REGISTRATION FORM 2018

Name _____

Address, City, ST & Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address _____ Church and City _____

Emergency contact & phone _____

Note - you may register for any (or all) retreat(s) using this form

Location:	Dates	Deadlines	Early Bird Registration Fees	After deadline	Which retreat/s will you be attending?
AR 4H Center, Little Rock AR	8/17-8/19	Early bird – before 7/27 Late registration - after 7/27; reg closes 8/10	\$ 200 (doubles)	\$225	
			\$ 175 (triples)	\$200	
			\$ 75 Saturday only	\$75	
Eagle Ridge, Raymond MS	9/14-16	Early bird – before 8/31 Late – after 8/31	\$ 200 early bird (Fri-Sun)	\$225	
			\$140 early bird (Sat-Sun only)	\$165	
			\$ 75 Saturday only	\$100	
Total Amount Due					\$

Roommate --

Which Retreat(s)?	Roommate(s)?
Retreat 1 (in Arkansas)	Only 3 handicapped rooms
Retreat 2 (in Mississippi)	Four handicapped rooms, one with roll in shower

Make check payable to the **Great River Region of the Christian Church**

Mail Registration Form & payment to: Great River Region
4724 Hillcrest Avenue
Little Rock, AR 72205

Retreat Workshop Offerings 2018

Retreat #1 Workshops (Arkansas) –Robin Baxter and Debi Vowell will lead us in making (knitting or crocheting) “*prayer squares*” and we’ll also have a *Bible Study workshop*.

Retreat #2 Workshops (Mississippi) – we’ll start with a workshop on Friday evening – *making bows* with Avis Phillips and Pernella Shortie. Saturday workshops include a *Bible study* and a yet to be determined *crafting workshop* led by Stacy Eastwood and Sabrina Feilen.

Keynote Speakers

Retreat #1 Speaker (Arkansas)

Rev. Linda White is an ordained minister of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) from North Little Rock, Arkansas. She served on the staff of Park Hill Christian Church for eighteen years as Minister of Youth and Christian Education, Associate Minister, and acting Senior Minister before her retirement in 2016. She is an active member of Park Hill CC's Disciples Women, and has led workshops at DW retreats in Arkansas and Mississippi. Linda received a Bachelor of Music degree from Henderson University, majoring in piano performance. She is still very involved in music, and also enjoys all kinds of paper crafts, especially card making. Linda and her husband Mike have been married for 48 years and have three children and five grandchildren.



Retreat #2 Speaker (Mississippi)

Chesla T. Nickelson was born and raised in Newport News, Virginia where she led and participated in a multitude of church, community and school activities. In 2005 Chesla received a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology with a minor in Religion from Spelman College. As a college student, Chesla played an integral role in a campus ministry that worked with local churches and other organizations to develop youth and young adult ministries as well as ministry with people who have never been associated with a faith community and people who have been hurt by and thus disassociated from faith communities.

Chesla became a Disciple when she joined Ray of Hope Christian Church (Atlanta, GA) in 2001. Since that time, Chesla has been immersed in various aspects of the Christian Church. She has served with the Executive Committee of the Disciples Peace Fellowship and the Disciples Leadership Institute and has been an intern for Global Ministries (Division of Overseas Ministries) and Reconciliation Ministry. In 2013, Chesla served as the Minister of Leader Development for Hope Partnership for Missional Transformation.

In 2013 Chesla received both a Master of Divinity and a Master of Arts from Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis, Indiana. Chesla has worked as a mentor and tutor for the YMCA, volunteered as a Chaplain for spirituality groups for homeless veterans, and continues to facilitate workshops and therapy groups concerning young adult Christians, marital preparation, sexuality and spirituality, social justice and clergy self care among others. June 2014 began her role with Disciples Women's Ministry as Program Director and Merger Staff. Part of these duties includes head of the editorial board for Just Women magazine and as co-editor for Umoja newsletter.

Chesla is a citizen of Wakanda, a fan of the Justice League, loves roller coasters and is the reigning Game Night Champion of Taboo. As Chesla strives to live out her purpose and calling in a way that pleases God, she lives by a two word command; Love unconditionally.

APPLICATION FOR CHRISTY PICKERING RETREAT SCHOLARSHIP

The *Christy Pickering scholarship* enables Great River Region Disciples Women **with financial need** to attend the Disciples Women Retreats. Up to one-half of the full-time registration fee for retreat shall be available through this scholarship program.

THE CRITERIA FOR GRANTING SCHOLARSHIPS IS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The number and amount of grants made each year will be determined by funds available.
2. Grants shall be made to those with financial need and a desire to attend Retreat.
3. Applicants will submit an application with their Retreat registration form to the Regional Office (see instructions below).
4. Up to one-half (1/2) of the full-time retreat registration fee shall be granted to an applicant.

To apply for a Retreat scholarship:

Application for Retreat Scholarships is made through the Regional Office. Please send your **COMPLETED** application with your registration form. You may apply for this scholarship for yourself and/or encourage women (in your church) who feel they cannot afford the entire fee.

Name _____

Address & Zip _____

Church/City _____

Please **write a brief statement (required)** about yourself and why you would like to be considered for a scholarship **and return this application with your registration form.**

Do you hold an office with your congregational Disciples Women group? If yes, what position?

How do you serve as a Disciples Woman in your congregation?

What Disciples Women events have you attended in the past year?

Please share a part of your faith journey with us:

Signature _____ Date _____