### Our Vision & Purpose is ...

To bring Glory to God by showing forth the faithfulness and power He gives to those who carry out the Words of His Son Jesus Christ and in so doing provide evidence for others to believe and put their trust in the living God.

## Our Mission & Strategic Area of Focus is ...

- To become a biblically functioning community by structuring church life around the development of small groups (cells) so that meaningful and caring relationships can take place and thus create an atmosphere where God's Word can be practiced.
- To allocate church resources around the equipping and training of small group leaders providing them with the very best in knowledge, understanding, and encouragement.
- To experience God in regular settings of corporate worship through relevant and lively forms of worship that allow for the operation of spiritual gifts and the preaching of God's Word where people are encouraged in their faith and guided in its application.

## **Calendar Events**

#### **Upcoming Services**

Aug 1<sup>st</sup>......Celebration Service – Pastor McCowan Aug 8<sup>th</sup>.....Prayer & Praise Service Aug 15<sup>th</sup>.....Celebration Service – Pastor McCowan Aug 22<sup>nd</sup> .....Bluegrass Section Missions Banquet (Danville, Kentucky)

### **Other Calendar Events**

Aug. 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> .........Women's Retreat (Aldersgate Retreat Center)

# Welcome



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# WHAT IS EKKLESIA?

Ekklesia Christian Life Fellowship is a Protestant Evangelical Charismatic cellbased church where ministry is centered on relationships and carried out using Small Groups and regular large group meetings called "Celebration" services on weekends. Affiliation is with the Assemblies of God. See our Information Brochure for more information.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## Sermon – Planted by Streams of Water (Pastor McCowan)

California used to be known as a Garden of Eden of the United States and was one of the leading producers of fruits and vegetables for not only this country but also the world.



Yet today they are suffering under an exceptional severe drought that

has devastated agricultural production and threatens the quality of life for all those who live and work in this important state. In the same way, we Christians can't produce fruit without a good source of water as well or we will dry up and wither away.

Tonight Pastor McCowan will share from Psalm 1 about the wisdom of godly living.

## Children's Sermon (Sally McCowan)

Tonight after worship Sister Sally McCowan will share a Children's Sermon with our children. Her message tonight will be on "Happy Plants."

## **Personal Development Workshop**

Last weekend, we held a personal development workshop on "Resolving Everyday Conflict." For those who would like to review these sessions, you can do so online through our RightNow Media account. If you are not connected and wish to do so, please send an email to Pastor Dave for an invite. dave@ekk-lex.org.

## **Ekklesia Women's Retreat:**

Our annual Ekklesia Women's Retreat is scheduled for August 21st through August 23rd at the beautiful Aldersgate Retreat Camp in Ravenna, Kentucky. The theme for this year's retreat is: A Beautiful Life and our scripture is "Love one another deeply, from the heart." 1 Peter 1:22. Registration fee for our retreat is \$75.00 which covers all meals Saturday and Sunday morning breakfast and lodging. See information table for signup sheet.

| ACTIVE CELL GROUPS           |                                     |                      |          |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|
| CELL<br>GROUPS               | LOCATION                            | DAY                  | PHONE    |
| MULTIGENERATIONAL CELL GROUP |                                     |                      |          |
| Andover Hill                 | Lexington<br>(Off Todds Road)       | Sunday<br>6:00 PM    | 543-0778 |
| MENS GROUP                   |                                     |                      |          |
| Fair Oaks                    | Near Gardenside                     | Wednesday<br>7:00 PM | 619-5824 |
| WOMENS GROUP                 |                                     |                      |          |
| Andover Hill<br>(Women)      | Lexington<br>(Off Man-O-War)        | Wednesday<br>7:00 PM | 543-9600 |
| YOUTH GROUPS                 |                                     |                      |          |
| Brookewind<br>(Girls)        | Lexington<br>(Off Richmond<br>Road) | Call                 | 619-7885 |
| Boys Group                   | Lexington                           | Call                 | 543-0778 |
| MENTORING<br>(One-on-One)    |                                     |                      |          |
| Men                          | Pastor McCowan                      |                      | 619-5824 |
| Women                        | Sally McCowan                       |                      | 536-3777 |

## Welcome Guest

We at Ekklesia would like to thank our guests for visiting our fellowship tonight and pray you will feel welcome and enjoy our service. We meet regularly at 1455 Bryan Avenue on Saturday Evenings at 7:00 PM. We also meet in Home Small Groups and if you would like to visit one of these groups, we're sure you will enjoy the dynamics and fellowship as well. Again, we thank-you for visiting our church.