



# Higher Ground

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## 3 Sets of Upcoming Weekends in 2008!

What a wonderful problem to have ~ **THREE SETS OF WEEKENDS** in 2008! We have had Pilgrims on waiting lists wanting to "Experience" a Higher Ground weekend and now by adding an additional summer set of weekends we can facilitate that need. "BUT" to quote Moses as God asked him to serve in a big way, we need additional workers to



step up in this Ministry to be the hands and feet necessary to do all the things that make every weekend "The best ever".

Robbie Knowles 918-522-4258 and Leanna Griffin 417-848-4921 are in need of servants to help set up and tear down all the equipment for the Spring weekends.

Jerry & Renee McGovern 479-253-5879 are in prayer planning the summer weekends. Can you plan and cook

8 meals? Help prepare meals or wash dishes? Will you organize the snack kitchen? Be up early to start the coffee?

Can you be a prayer warrior? Are you just willing to serve wherever needed? Do you have just an hour or two to further the Kingdom that week?

Drop off AGAPE GIFTS or FOOD AGAPE? ~ Thursday Bed Makers and Sunday clean up are very much

needed services.

Higher Ground has a place for you whatever your time and whatever your gifts, just give one of the Team Directors a call offering to serve and share the love of Christ. Join in fellowship as a part of God's plan to love one another and bring the lost lambs to Jesus. Your presence is equally important at all the HG Weekend Candlelight's too.

Let's serve together!!!

## MEN'S & WOMEN'S WEEKEND TEAM TRAINING

**NOON Saturday February 16th @1st Christian Church Eureka Springs**

Both sets of teams are asked to attend training on the 16th ~ The equipment trailers will be there to check out what supplies we have or need ~ Several Talks will be previewed ~ Meet with your team and share ideas!

### **:WEEKEND REMINDERS:**

PRAYER VIGIL SIGN UP ~ LOTS OF AGAPE ~ HOMEMADE & PACKAGED FOOD AGAPE

**\*YOUR ATTENDANCE FOR SPECIAL WEEKEND GATHERINGS \***

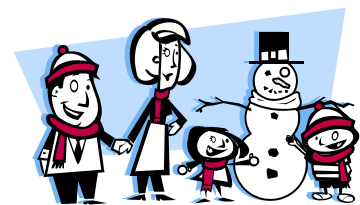
## New Records in 2007

Did you know that the last fall Women's weekend tied for largest ever facilitated in HG history? We had 23 Pilgrim's at closing! Both Max Akers and Sheri Buchanan did a fantastic jobs and gave God the glory for His magnificent presence and lives

forever touched and hanged! A total of 89 Pilgrims attended HG "Experiences" in 2007, the most in any year. Making a grand total of 377 Pilgrim's since 2001. We pray that God will continue to bless Higher Ground in

2008 as we grow in numbers and that we continue to give God all the Glory for what He has done through His servants.

**Jesus Is LORD!!!**



## From the Weekend Team Director

To God be the glory, great things He has done...I always find it hard to put into words what a blessing each and every weekend is to me, so I will have to borrow those. No matter what is going on in my life God speaks to me profoundly through the talks as well as being able to be with you and serve alongside you, my Higher Ground family. **God is so good!** And I am extremely excited to see what God has in store for us as a family as we take this next step this year with three sets of weekends! Thank You, Lord for Your faithfulness. I am humbled by the role I will be in for this upcoming women's weekend and I pray for God's guidance in each step I take. He is already pulling together His Teams for the Men's and Women's weekend. I want to say "Thank You" to those of you who have already called or emailed to work. Your commitment has blessed me tremendously and I am sure that God has

many blessings in store for you as well. If you have not made contact with me, or I with you, and you want to work the weekend please let me know. It takes all of us together to make this happen. If you can't work the whole weekend, but can be there for set-up or tear-down, or just a few hours along the way, please let me know this as well. Please also plan to attend the candle-light service on Saturday night. You all know how amazing it is to see that room full of people, lights and most importantly, the love that shines through each of your faces. If you can work for a little while or the whole weekend please feel free to call me at 417-848-4921 or email me at [sisterkitty@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sisterkitty@sbcglobal.net). If you can work during the men's weekend email Robbie at [knowles44mom@yahoo.com](mailto:knowles44mom@yahoo.com)

Other areas where we could utilize your service include, snacks for the snack

kitchen, either homemade or store bought, and agape to be placed on the pilgrims beds as well as 'candy' for the tables.

Also, if you would, please consider "bunking" one or more of the weekend workers this helps us to manage the expense of motel rooms. If you can help in this way, please contact our registrars, Brenda Manley or Betty Smith so they can coordinate room assignments.

Above all else, please keep the upcoming weekends in your prayers, for the teams, the pilgrims, the planning, preparing of all hearts and even for good weather; that God will use each of us in His way for His plan to His glory.

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Blessings to you all,

Leanna Griffin

## New Communication and Prayer Teams Forming

As a growing ministry one of the challenges has been to keep all the family informed and up to date on upcoming weekends and family events. To help with this, two new Family Teams are forming. The Family Prayer Warrior Team is headed up by Larry Kirk 870-480-9004 [lrrykrk@yahoo.com](mailto:lrrykrk@yahoo.com). Larry and his team are available for 24 hour prayer concerns. The FPWT will be in constant prayer for the entire HG ministry as we go into 2008 and "3" sets of "Experience" weekends. If you would like to join the Prayer Team or have a request give Larry Kirk a call.

In 2008 you can expect a call from The new Family Communication Team headed up by Debbie Bishoff 870-654-3092 [dkb504@yahoo.com](mailto:dkb504@yahoo.com) letting you know what's coming up for the Higher Ground family. Debbie and her team will be busy keeping everyone informed on upcoming Candle-light's, events and meetings.



this newsletter is mailed out, with new features and a new website manager Emily Akers. Emily will be busy keeping all the latest HG happenings on our website [www.hgexperience.org](http://www.hgexperience.org) including the most recent Pilgrim lists!

Mary Thompson has stepped up to facilitate the actual mailing of each newsletter. This is a big job!

Thank you Mary, Emily, Debbie and Larry for helping in your gifted ways and keeping us all informed.

In addition to the FCT, the Higher Ground website is being updated as

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## 2008 Higher Ground Calendar of Events

|             |       |  |
|-------------|-------|--|
| 02/16       | 10am  | Board Meeting  |
| 02/16       | 12:00 | Training 1ST Christian Church Passion Play Road                |
| 02/28-03/02 |       | <i>Men's "Experience" #25 Robbie Knowles</i>                   |
| 03/27-30    |       | <i>Women's "Experience" #26 Leanna Griffin</i>                 |
| 04/12       | 10am  | Board Meeting  |
| 05/24       | 10am  | Board Meeting  |
| 05/24       | 12:00 | Training   |
| 05/29-06/01 |       | <i>Men's "Experience" #27 Jerry McGovern</i>                   |
| 06/19-06/22 |       | <i>Women's "Experience" #28 Renee McGovern</i>                 |
| 07/19       | 4pm   | Board Meeting  |
| 07/19       | 6pm   | ZOO Hayride Family Outing                                      |
| 10/4        | 10am  | Board Meeting  |
| 10/4        | 12:00 | Training   |
| 10/16-10/19 |       | <i>Men's "Experience" #29</i>                                  |
| 11/6-09     |       | <i>Women's "Experience" #30</i>                                |
| 11/22       | 10am  | Board Meeting  |
| 12/6        | 6pm   | Christmas Party & Annual Meeting @ Berryville Community Center |

