

"FACE-TO-FACE WITH OTHER FAITHS"

JUNE 11-18, 2024

What is CYF Seminar?

CYF seminar is a mobile classroom experience for high school students and college first-year students. The group will travel to Washington DC and New York City. We will experience diverse cultures, new adventures, and learn more about our faith and the history of religious pluralism in our country.

What is this year's study theme?

This year's theme is "Face to Face with Other Faiths." Religion affects our daily lives. It forms the foundation for a wide range of moral codes. It is the driving force behind people's conduct. It influences the actions of nations on the world stage resulting in conflict and civil unrest. By coming face to face with other faiths in our week together, our hope is to learn more about the religious foundations and struggles for freedom of faith in our nation; to achieve a better understanding of the beliefs of others; to develop a greater tolerance for people who worship God differently; and perhaps to better appreciate our Christian faith—the ways we are different and the ways we are alike.







What will we be doing?

Though the itinerary is still in process, we will depart Louisville for a flight to Washington DC. While in our nation's Capital we will share communion at the National Cathedral; visit the Archives for a look at the Constitution and Bill of Rights; tour all monuments and various houses of worship; visit the Holocaust Museum, the Smithsonian's American History and African American Museums, Arlington Cemetery for the Changing of the Guard, and the Capitol Building where we will meet with a Kentucky Representative; and walks by the White House and Ford's Theater.

We will leave on Amtrak for a morning and early afternoon trip to New York City, arriving in time to check into our rooms, catch a subway to Brooklyn, and walk across the famous bridge into the city. The Big Apple portion of our trip will feature tours of houses of faith and opportunities to experience the many ethnic traditions that abound in the city. We will also spend time at Ground Zero and the 911 Museum, view the Statue of Liberty from the Staten Island Ferry, celebrate communion in Central Park; and enjoy the wonderful international cuisine and the delight of eating a New York slice of pizza. We will worship with the Jewish congregation at Emanu El and at the historic Riverside Church and attend a yet to be determined Broadway play.

You can be a part of the 2024 CYF Seminar "Face to Face with Other Faiths" by filling out the Registration Form, Health Treatment form and signing the Covenant, then sending your refundable reservation deposit of \$100, by March 15. Since we are anticipating a larger group this year, we encourage you to meet this first deadline to assure you have a place. Please make checks payable to: The Christian Church In Kentucky and mail the deposit and forms to: The Christian Church In Kentucky, 1125 Red Mile Rd, Lexington, KY 40504. Designate your check for "CYF Seminar." Subsequent payments of \$400 are due April 1, May 1, and June 1. An initial deposit of \$500 must be received no later than April 10, and there will be no refund of deposits after airline and train tickets are purchased. We are making every effort to procure scholarships from sponsors, and we will pass those savings on to participants as they are available. Individual congregations are encouraged to help underwrite the cost for their youth.

Registrants will be notified of team meetings and more detailed plans as finalized.

Please contact Rev Dr. Mike Gatton (mgatton0617@gmail.com), 502-548-6311, with questions. We are looking forward to traveling and learning with you.

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