

## **LETTER ANNOUNCING 2023 APPALACHIAN REGIONAL WHFMS ANNUAL MEETING**

Greetings! As Regional WHFMS President, I am writing today to announce our 75th Annual Regional WHFMS meeting. It will be held on **Friday, July 28, 2023** at the **Blowing Rock Campground**. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. The Tabernacle WHFMS will be providing some light refreshments between 9:30 – 10:00 a.m. We hope to have our business meeting concluded by lunchtime (12:30 to 1:00). Lunch will be provided at the campground at the cost of \$5.00 per person. Please plan to stay and enjoy that fellowship if possible.

This year, our program will be the 75<sup>th</sup> Celebration of our WHFMS Regional Organization. We plan to accent the many highlights of ministry through the years. For this celebration, we will be gathering pictures and memories from the past 75 years. If your local has any pictures, we would ask that you “take a picture” of the picture to send to Karen White at [Karenlwhite@charter.net](mailto:Karenlwhite@charter.net) or you can text the picture to her at 828-244-6398. When you send the picture, please identify who the people are and where they are and include what they are doing. Also include the name of the church or circle represented and especially the YEAR that the picture was taken. If you have a special memory (without a picture), please write that up and send as well. Thank you, in advance, for your help. We are looking forward to this time of remembering the past, celebrating the present, and casting a vision for our future as a Regional WHFMS.

For the past few years at our Annual Regional WHFMS meeting, we have been participating in a service project together. For our upcoming meeting in July, we are announcing that our **2023 SERVICE PROJECT** will be assisting *ORO Bible College in the Philippines* with the establishing of a much-needed “Computer Lab” that will be used by both faculty and students. The school is in need to 6 computers for this lab which will cost about \$750.00 each. This project will be in honor of Margaret Helms (who spent much time at ORO Bible College during her missionary service in the Philippines) and also in celebration of our 75 years as an organization. Whereas we will probably not be able to provide all the funds needed for 6 computers, we are asking each local to give \$75.00 toward this goal. If your circle cannot give that much, please just give whatever you can. If your circle can give more, that would be welcomed. If writing a check, please make it out to Appalachian Region WHFMS. We are advertising this need early enough that your circle might want to hold a special fund-raising event specifically for this project. Also, please help us promote this need within your local churches.

I have also sent a **copy of the delegate credential form** for this meeting. Please make as many copies as needed.

If your group has any ladies to be remembered at our *Memorial Service*, please make sure I get those names as soon as possible.

I am really looking forward to our gathering this summer. Please put the date on your calendar and make plans to attend.

There may be rooms available for lodging on Thursday and/or Friday night at the campground. However, you will need to contact Travis Hutchinson for that reservation. His contact information is: Email = [thutchp413@yahoo.com](mailto:thutchp413@yahoo.com). Home address = 601 Chaney Rd. in Monroe, NC 28110. Phone number = 704-989-7525.

Please contact me if you have any other questions. My email address is [pambuchanan56@gmail.com](mailto:pambuchanan56@gmail.com). (Home - 828-414-9420; Camp – 828-295-3525; Cell - 304-952-1035). I look forward to seeing you this summer.

Blessings,

Pamela L. Buchanan

190 Maranatha Blvd in Blowing Rock, NC 28605

WHFMS Annual Meeting Credentials Form

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