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Indian Springs Holiness Camp Ground Newsletter

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Transformational Times

Dr. Ken Banter President



It is with great joy that I invite you to another

transformative year at Indian Springs Holiness Camp Meeting.

As we gather once more in pursuit of a deeper walk with Christ, I'm excited to share some of the wonderful improvements that have been made to enhance your time at camp. Our hotel now showcases some freshly painted rooms, a model guestroom and interesting historical information for viewing. Our cafeteria upgrades ensure a more enjoyable dining experience, and expanded parking makes arrival and accessibility easier than ever.

But beyond these physical changes, our true focus remains on spiritual renewal.

Our ministry teams are prayerfully preparing to meet us at the Nursery, Glenn, Tweens, the Youth, Bridge and the Main Tabernacle—each a place where hearts are stirred and lives are transformed.

Let's prepare ourselves to surrender, to worship, and to allow God to do a mighty work in us. May this year lead us to a deeper faith, unwavering hope, and a fresh outpouring of His Spirit upon all who seek Him. I look forward to seeing you July 10–20, 2025!



See Pgs. 4 & 5 for Capital Campaign updates.

Introducing Heritage Spring House Park

This summer, the Indian Springs Board of Trustees has a treat for our camp meeting family! At the northwest edge of our campground is the original spring from which families would draw water during camp each year. For decades, that area of the spring was covered by a shelter known as the Spring House. With a sagging roof and broken sides it was hardly standing! The originating water hole was covered with a tangle of leaves and sticks. Parents did not want their children to play there as the shelter's floor was dangerously broken. Some persons viewed the heap of tattered timber beyond repair.



However, Wink Carlock, Caretaker, had a vision and a purpose for the dilapidated building. With his initiative and skill, and the help of other workers, the old Spring House is being brought back to life with a working water pump inside. Nestled in the shade of the road, the Spring House stands upright and safely restored. It will become a favored spot for our camp meeting family to use and enjoy as a park over the years.

The park area will have picnic tables for sitting, eating and conversing in the shade. Intriguing trails into the woods will give children the opportunity to safely run, explore and create memories. Did anyone mention frogs? There are lots of them at the Heritage Spring House Park!



Jocelyn Serrano loves playing in the spring and searching for frogs! She is the 5 year-old daughter of Jonna & Chaz Serrano, and granddaughter of Rhonda Holton.

Spring House History

In 1889, our four founders searched for an appropriate location for a holiness camp meeting. They were wisely aware that they would also require convenient railway access as well as nearby water sources for cooking, cleaning and bathing for hundreds of people.

Several springs were located on our property. However, with no running water, children would be sent with buckets and pails to "fetch the water" back to cottages. The Heritage Spring House Park will be a beautiful place on the campground, as a reminder of our history.

Update on Campground Re-zoning From Buildings & Grounds Committee

Our Indian Springs Board of Trustees continues to work (since 2023) with Butts County for the re-zoning of cottage lots, buildings and infrastructure elements on our campground. Our campground is considered a "small city", requiring new zoning principles. This process has become more complex and expensive than initially anticipated.

We have gotten to know many good people in Butts County. Two key persons have been retained to work closely with our Indian Springs Board and the Butts County Planning & Development Department to obtain proper re-zoning that will ensure our long-term plans:



- John Palmer, Civil Engineer with Falcon Design Consultants, Stockbridge, GA.
- Timothy Haley, Attorney at Law, Jackson, GA.

The Indian Springs Board has reaffirmed its resolve to implement a long term spiritual and strategic plan to include growth, property use, sewage, water, utilities and many other contingencies for the campground. Please continue to pray for this process which will have lasting ramifications and hopefully bear much fruit for the generations ahead.

Joe Harris, Jr., Chairman of the Buildings & Grounds Committee, reminds our camp meeting family that new buildings and additions are not allowed during this time period. Please keep any work on your cottage to simple repairs.

HELP! Emergency Vehicles Can't Get Through!

To address urgent safety concerns on our campground, the Indian Springs Board and Buildings & Grounds Committee announce that several new parking lots have been created on the campground to provide clearances on our streets and around buildings. More parking will help drivers alleviate the below situations:

- In 2023, an ambulance could not get to a cabin where someone was having a medical emergency.
 - In 2024, parked vehicles and golf carts blocked many of our streets during camp meeting which caused congestion.
- In 2024, when the Cafeteria had a fire, responding fire vehicles could not get through.

Please park your cars completely on your lot and out of the street. If all vehicles cannot be moved out of the street, please park the vehicle in one of the designated parking lots. We will ask Campground Security to help monitor this important issue during camp.



On a positive note, golf cart parking has been reorganized at the Main Tabernacle. Please look on our website to see the new parking information.

Thank you in advance for your help and concern for the safety of the entire Indian Springs camp meeting family—lives are at stake!

Joe Harris, Jr, Chairman of Buildings & Grounds Committee



Signs of the Times

These colorful and creative signs were used at the Glenn Tabernacle last year to illustrate the "Signs of Jesus". Leaders often convey messages in unique ways! The Children's Ministry is led by Anna Adams.

Treasurer's Message

Annual Budget: Approximately \$375,000

Monthly Expenses: Approximately \$31,000

Cottage Assessments of \$400

(plus water usage) are due June 30, 2025. For questions contact Rob Roy MacGregor *rjmac@gmail.com*.

Please keep in mind that while we are at the end of our capital campaign and raising funds for many important projects, we need your continued support for our normal general fund/operating expenses on annual basis.

Would you prayerfully consider sending a gift before camp meeting begins? For your convenience of giving, a self-addressed envelope is enclosed. You may also donate online with a credit card or ACH through Ember on our website.

REMINDER!

Our new Treasurer's address: Ron Houp, Treasurer P.O. Box 21, Wilmore, KY 40390 *ishcbookkeeper@gmail.com*

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2025 BIBLE STUDY & PREACHING SCHEDULE

DAY / DATE	TIME	
Thursday - July 10	7:30 pm	Loman
Friday - July 11	9:30 am 11:00 am 3:00 pm 7:30 pm	Smith Duvall Loman Bounds
Saturday - July 12	9:30 am 11:00 am 3:00 pm 7:30 pm	Smith Loman Bounds Duvall
Sunday - July 13	9:30 am 11:00 am 3:00 pm 7:30 pm	Smith Bounds Duvall Loman
Monday - July 14	9:30 am 11:00 am 3:00 pm 7:30 pm	Smith Duvall Loman Bounds
Tuesday - July 15	9:30 am 11:00 am 3:00 pm 7:30 pm	Smith Loman Bounds Duvall
Wednesday - July 10	6 9:30 am 11:00 am 3:00 pm 7:30 pm	Smith Bounds Duvall Loman
Thursday - July 17	9:30 am 11:00 am 3:00 pm 7:30 pm*	Smith Duvall Loman Bounds
Friday - July 18	9:30 am 11:00 am 3:00 pm 7:30 pm	Smith Loman Bounds Duvall
Saturday - July 19	9:30 am 11:00 am 3:00 pm 7:30 pm	Smith Bounds Duvall Loman
Sunday - July 20	9:30 am 11:00 am 3:00 pm 7:30 pm	Smith Duvall Loman Bounds

A Generous Gift for the Youth Ministry

A youth camp in Roberta, Georgia, recently purchased new mattresses for one of their dormitories. Their purchase put the camp in the unique position of having 50 surplus mattresses, all in excellent shape.

Holly DeFore, who heads the Snackateria, heard about the surplus and put Ruffin Stanley (Indian Springs Youth Program Director) in touch with the camp.

Evergreen Propane of Forsyth, Georgia, which provides its services to Indian Springs, volunteered to leave the 50 mattresses from the Roberta camp



and deliver them to the Indian Springs Youth dormitories. Laurence Coppedge, Chairman of the Youth Committee, remarked, "We are elated that our dormitories will have such nice amenities for our youth guests this year."

In short order, one camp's surplus has solved another camp's need.

MINISTRY THEMES 2025

NURSERY MINISTRY (AGES 3 & UNDER) Nichole Thompson & Team

> BACK PORCH MINISTRY

(AGES 3–6) Shelby Weaver & Team Exploring Who God Is

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

(1st – 5th GRADES) Anna Adams & Team *The Parables*

TWEENS MINISTRY

(6th-8th GRADES) Mattie & Matt Albertson & Team Journey of the Gospel YOUTH MINISTRY (9th GRADES - COLLEGE)



Chris Emery Traverse City, MI



John Vermilya Buckley, MI

YOUNG ADULTS

(THE BRIDGE) Digging Into Main Tabernacle Sermons and Bible Studies together through discussion

ALL LADIES AND THEIR GUESTS ARE INVITED TO THE ANNUAL

ellowship Juncheon

MONDAY, JULY 14, 2025 • 12:45 pm

Macedonia Baptist Church 151 Macedonia Church Road Jackson, GA \$15 per Adult \$7 for Child under 10 Easy Online Registration!

Over 150 ladies attend this lovely summer luncheon! It is a wonderful way to get to know other women of the campground.

Our missionaries will share about their lives and work in Honduras and Paraguay.



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CAPITAL CAMPAIGN IMPROVEMENT

Our gracious century-old Hotel with welcoming porches is located at the main intersection of the camp ground. This summer, a small wing comprising the Manager's Office, Lobby, six guestrooms, two bathrooms and a kitchen was selected to undergo a renovation before camp meeting. Fresh paint colors, floor repair and additional furnishings have rendered the area colorful and inviting.

During camp meeting, everyone is welcome to come and tour the renovated hall to see the improved area and learn about our historic Hotel. An interesting feature of the tour is the opportunity to see Dr. H.C. Morrison's Prayer Room with his personal desk used for study and prayer during the years (1902–1945) when he was an internationally prominent evangelist at Indian Springs.

Our Hotel has played a significant role in the hospitality, fellowship and spiritual formation of thousands of guests over the years. Originally, the Hotel was one building. It has been enlarged by three wing additions, totaling 60 guestrooms. The most recent addition was the Papa Joe Lodge that was the former location of the original Dining Hall.

Hotel Tour Times will be posted during camp meeting.



First Hotel "Room" (1890s)

Most people came to camp meeting with their own tent or covered wagon. Our first guests were travel-weary evangelists who needed shelter from heat and rain. Camp officials provided tents; women provided straw mattresses and oil lamps.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN IMPROVEMENT RV PARK BATH HOUSE

The Indian Springs RV park has become one of the sought-after places to stay during camp meeting. The RV community has become a dedicated and special part of the camp meeting family, each year welcoming more and more families. Growing the size of our RV Park with improvements is a specific goal of the Capital Campaign as this type of camping is economical and family friendly!

The Board is pleased to announce that the (existing) RV Park Bath House is getting a major refresh! Serving approximately 50 campsites, the facility is undergoing significant upgrades. The repair work includes a second sink in each bathroom, fresh paint, new toilet stalls and two private outdoor showers.

These improvements will enhance comfort, convenience and privacy for the RV community when used. The project is on track for completion in time for camp meeting. Come and join us for a revitalized camping experience!

OUR CAPITAL CAMPAIGN SCRIPTURE VERSE

You shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, and the restorer of the streets to dwell in. –Isaiah 58:12



Celebrating the goodness of God! Thank you for your generosity!

Dear Indian Springs Family,

Greetings to you from a very wet Kentucky! As I write this letter, we are just a little over a month away from camp. I believe we will have a great encampment this summer! So much work has occurred on the grounds. Prior plans and preparations for 2025 camp meeting will be completed for your arrival.

Many of you have been so generous! Of the \$1,154,550 pledged, we have received at least \$1,005,235 to date. That is 87% completion of pledges. If you have not paid your pledge yet, it's not too late. Help us get to 100% of our pledge this summer. Thank you!

Ken Banter said it well recently, "Indian Springs has been in the pledge and payment portion of the campaign and now we are in the implementation phase. There have been so many exciting improvements to the grounds."

Please stop in the Hotel and the Cafeteria and see what changes have occurred. Take a walk down to the old, dilapidated Spring House. It has been renovated and celebrated with a new name: Heritage Spring House Park.

Try to imagine what it was like to get your water at the Spring House in the early days of camp, going back to the 1890s. These improved buildings are evidence of your generosity and God's blessings!

However, we continue to need your financial support. If you have not paid your pledge, or completed your pledge, please do that as soon as you can.

So many of you are faithful monthly givers and that's how we keep the camp meeting operating year after year. We are grateful.

Thank you and God bless you richly. See you soon!

Ron Houp Capital Campaign Manager



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PROJECT STATUS

CHART OF PROJECTS 2021-2024

✓ New Playground	\$ 100,000
RV Park Upgrade	\$ 100,000
✓ Cafeteria Renovations	\$80,000
Plumbing & Sewer Repairs	\$80,000
✓ Tabernacle Repairs	\$ 75,000
New RV Park Bathhouse	\$ 70,000
✓ Retaining Walls & Backfill	\$ 70,000
✓ New Property	\$ 175,000
Youth Restrooms	^{\$} 50,000
Wesley Woods Development	\$200,000

TOTAL \$1,000,000

TOTAL PLEDGED \$1,154,550 (approximate)

PLETE © FUTURE

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN IMPROVEMENT CAFETERIA & RESTROOMS

Improvements to the Cafeteria have been done steadily over the four years of the Capital Campaign. First capital improvements in 2023 focused on a new roof and mechanical repair.

Carter Eubank, Chairman of the Cafeteria & Snackateria Committee, named the various updates for 2024-25: New tables (light weight and easier to move), renovated restrooms, concrete floor (polished to a beautiful sheen!) and artwork to reflect camp meeting experiences. Carter ended his list by exclaiming, "It's a whole new look!".

Our 64 year-old Cafeteria is staffed by wonderful cooks and servers. Approximately 400 meals are served each day!

In 2015, the late Rev. Joe Peabody discussed hospitality and the camp meeting experience. "Sometimes we are unaware that our tabletop conversations and fellowship in the Cafeteria result in 'life to life' impact with friends and family we dine with. There is a holiness within hospitality."



Paint colors were selected to reflect "forest colors" outside the Cafeteria and surrounding woods. Patrons will enjoy being surrounded by refreshing neutrals, greens, yellows and blues of the newly-painted Dining Room.

Campaign Project Details

- Repaired the crumbling foundations of our Main Tabernacle.
- Purchased additional 28 acres for our future growth and to protect our boundaries.
- Installed new roof for Cafeteria building, painted inside and renovated Restrooms.
- Built a new all-weather playground and atrium roof for our precious children.
- Fortified our eroded back roads with retaining walls and backfill.
- Updated & repaired our major sewer lines.
- Added more camper pads to our RV park.

PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW!



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CAMP MEETING July 10-20, 2025

There's Room for You! Make reservations for camp meeting!

HOTEL OR MOTEL RESERVATIONS **Brad or Meghann Easley** ISCampHotel@gmail.com; text/call: **1st Priority Call: Meghann Easley** (859) 753-5850 2nd Priority Call: Brad Easley (859) 753-5849 Indicate number in your party.

ANNEX INFORMATION **Rev. Marcus Butler** (404) 202-8500 No longer accepting reservations.

RV & TRAILER PARK Kimberlee or Stephen Brooks Text or Call: (205) 902-5314

YOUTH DORMITORIES Ruffin Stanley: (478) 391-2323 See Dormitory webpage.

Indian Springs Holiness Camp Ground c/o Mr. Matthew Gambill P.O. Box 487 Cartersville, GA 30120

Address Service Requested

New Leaders for the Youth Tabernacle

Ruffin and Emily Stanley are no strangers to the Indian Springs Youth Program. Ruffin began coming to Indian Springs when he was a teenager. In the Youth Tabernacle, Ruffin committed his entire life to the Lord and was filled with the Holy Spirit. Also, in the Tabernacle, Ruffin felt the Lord's direction to attend Asbury University.

Within the first week of classes, he met Emily and the two have been serving Jesus together ever since. Ruffin and Emily have trained extensively under Laurence Coppedge (Youth Chairman) and Mat and Iris Luce (former Directors of Youth for ten years).



The Stanleys have a heart for young people. They are asking the Lord to make His Holy Spirit known to the young persons in a personal and powerful way-just like in Acts 2.

YUM YUM Ice Cream Social

Saturday, 1:45 pm, July 12, 2025, Bookstore Breezeway

Get ready for a SWEET TIME OF FELLOWSHIP AND FUN! Join us for the 2nd annual Ice Cream Social where we will celebrate the camp meeting family with good old-fashioned homemade ice cream.

We need at least 10 churns of the camp family's favorite homemade ice cream. Whether its vanilla, chocolate, strawberry or something adventurous, we want to taste your best! Come ready to sample all the flavors for \$5 and vote for the best!

Contact Mallory McCary Roberson (912) 318-4949 if you can bring a churn. Sprinkles will be served... Yum!

