

Christian Light Education

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43rd Annual Christian Educators' Workshop

For Teachers, Homeschoolers, Parents, and School Board Members

2023

Understanding the People *We Serve*



CHRISTIAN LIGHT
EDUCATION

PROGRAM

8:30 Check-in

9:00 Singing, Devotions, & Prayer

9:15 Introductions & Announcements

9:35 Understanding and Connecting With the Class

Justin Weaver **1** Norwood Shank **2 6** Larry Martin **3**

Ryan Horst **4** Gary Horst **5**

Over time, each class of students develops its personality. To connect and teach well, it is important to know your class, its attitudes and responses, and its habits and interactions. As you learn to know the group, you can proceed with understanding, building on the strengths and addressing the weaknesses with insight and tact.

10:05 Break

10:30 WORKSHOP SESSION I

—— **1. Newer Teachers: Identifying Priorities
& Meeting the Challenges**

Justin Weaver **1** Elmer Glick **2 5** Vincent Burkholder **3**
Conrad Smucker **4 6**

This workshop is designed for new teachers and for teachers teaching their 2nd or 3rd terms. We will identify characteristics of effective teachers and look at things you should be focusing on in your educator development.

—— **2. Experienced Teachers: Growing Through
Experience and Maintaining Energy**

Lyndon Hartman **1 5** Jonathan Miller **2** Mark Webb **3**
Anthony Hurst **4 6**

This workshop is designed for teachers who have already been teaching several years. What are things you need to keep in mind as you grow in experience and insight? What are things to keep in mind to avoid staleness, weariness, and burnout?

—— **3. Learning Support Approaches**

Jonas Sauder **1** Norwood Shank **2 6** Larry Martin **3**
Ryan Horst **4** Gary Horst **5**

This workshop is designed for school board members and administrators, and for those teachers and tutors involved in working with slower or learning challenged students. What are adaptations, approaches and resources you can consider in assisting these learning situations? What are some things that are working for you?

11:25 BREAK

11:30 Progress/Projections/Publications

Lyndon Hartman **1 5** Elmer Glick **2** Mark Webb **3**
Anthony Hurst **4 6**

12:00 Noon Meal

1:15 Singing & Prayer

1:25 Understanding and Connecting
With the Individual Student

Jonas Sauder **1** Jonathan Miller **2** Vincent Burkholder **3**
Conrad Smucker **4 6** Elmer Glick **5**

Each child is an individual, who lives in a particular context, with his/her own habits, personality, interests, attitudes, limitations, and strengths. Knowing him/her as an individual helps you understand and connect with him/her.

2:05 BREAK

2:15 WORKSHOP SESSION II

—— **4. Key Elements of Effective Schools (administration)**

Jonas Sauder **1** Elmer Glick **2 5** Mark Webb **3**
Anthony Hurst **4 6**

Every effective school has leaders. What do these leaders do? What are important features that they keep in mind to make their school effective in its calling?

—— **5. Teaching Math: Understanding the Logic
of Story Problems (elementary)**

Lyndon Hartman **1 5** Norwood Shank **2 6** Larry Martin **3**
Ryan Horst **4**

Students often focus on getting the right answer to a math problem by whatever means possible. They tend to pay little attention to understanding the problem or its solution. We will look at helping pupils understand what they are trying to accomplish in solving story problems.

—— **6. Teaching Language Arts: The Elements of
Grammar (junior and senior high)**

Justin Weaver **1** Jonathan Miller **2** Vincent Burkholder **3**
Conrad Smucker **4 6** Gary Horst **5**

This workshop will center on understanding some of the more challenging aspects of English grammar and looking at suggestions on how to teach them.

3:00 Break

3:25 Workshop Session III

—— **7. Inspiring Singing and Cultivating a Singing Spirit**

Jonas Sauder **1** Jonathan Miller **2** Larry Martin **3**
Anthony Hurst **4 6** Gary Horst **5**

We sing songs most readily and energetically when the song resonates with us as an expression of our hearts and experiences. What can teachers do to sweeten the lives of students with good singing?

—— **8. Question & Answer**

Lyndon Hartman, Justin Weaver **1** Elmer Glick, Norwood Shank **2**
Mark Webb, Vincent Burkholder **3** Conrad Smucker, Ryan Horst **4**
Lyndon Hartman, Elmer Glick **5** Conrad Smucker, Norwood Shank **6**

Your questions and discussion items, as well as your participation, will be sought and appreciated.

4:25 Break

4:30 Understanding, Communicating, and
Working With Parents

Lyndon Hartman **1 5** Elmer Glick **2** Mark Webb **3**
Anthony Hurst **4 6**

Parents have a vested interest in their children. They have expectations of them and of you as their teacher. Understanding and communicating with parents will help the home and the school achieve its expectations.

5:00 Closing

There is no evening program planned. At several locations, workshop hosts have asked workshop speakers to be part of a locally planned school event.

To Register

Call the contact person at the workshop location at least **TWO WEEKS** in advance and provide the following information:

☑ number of attendees ☑ meal arrangements ☑ lodging arrangements

Note Workshop Times

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No registration fee; expenses met by freewill offerings.

CHRISTIAN LIGHT WORKSHOP ITINERARY 2023

DATE	LOCATION	CONTACT PERSON	DIRECTIONS
TRIP 1			
Fri., Sept. 29 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Reinland Mennonite Church 200 Redhawk Trail Winkler, MB R6W 4A1 ① (204) 325-7959	Cornie & Nancy Klassen Box 1554 Altona, MB R0G 0B0 ① (204) 324-3302 (cell) ① (204) 324-1879 (home)	From the intersection of Hwy. 14 and 32 in Winkler, go 0.5 mile north. Church is on the left.
Mon., Oct. 2 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Willingdon Christian Fellowship 4810 51 Ave., Box 131 Willingdon, AB T0B 4R0	Jeremy & Nellie Friesen Box 696 Two Hills, AB T0B 4K0 ① (403) 795-4808 (cell)	4810 51 Ave. Willingdon, AB
Wed., Oct. 4 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Reinland Mennonite Church 4809 64 th Ave. Taber, AB	Abe & Susy Froese Box 996 Vauxhall, AB T0K 2K0 ① (403) 376-9715	4809 64 th Ave. Taber, AB
Fri., Oct. 6 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Chaplin Christian Mennonite School Box 159 Chaplin, SK S0H 0V0 Workshop location: Chaplin Community Complex	John & Tina Neufeld Box 369 Hodgeville, SK S0H 2B0 ① (306) 315-7540	Chaplin Community Complex 314 3 rd St. Chaplin, SK
TRIP 2			
Wed., Oct. 4 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	West Fairview Mennonite Church 597 350 th Beaver Crossing, NE ① (402) 761-2923	Gabriel & Jenny Burkey 3552 Vandorn Rd. Beaver Crossing, NE ① (402) 641-1168	From Goehner Exit on I-80, go 3½ miles south, 1 mile east.
Fri., Oct. 6 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Faith Mennonite School 46572 County Road 192 Sauk Centre, MN 56378 ① (320) 352-1869	Lyndon & Jeralyn Martin 47783 CR18 Brooton, MN 56316 ① (320) 557-3629 (home) ① (320) 249-5691 (cell)	From I-94, take Exit 127 south at Sauk Centre (Hwy. 71). Go 7 miles to CR22. Turn right and go 7 miles west. School on right.
Mon., Oct. 9 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Sparta Mennonite Church 604 Walrath St. Sparta, WI ① (608) 487-1318	Lauren & Janelle Eby 4110 Hamilton Ave. Bangor, WI 54614 ① (608) 451-2885	Take Hwy. 16 in Sparta to Water Street. Take Water Street south one block to Walrath Street. Go east on Walrath ½ mile. Church on left.
TRIP 3			
Wed., Oct. 11 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Lighthouse Mennonite Church 23338 Hwy. 15 E Bluford, IL 62814	Peter & Deb Searce 22207 E. Dahlgren Rd. Belle Rive, IL 62810 ① (715) 937-8375 (Peter) ① (715) 937-8376 (Deb)	23338 Hwy. 15 E Bluford, IL
Fri., Oct. 13 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Spring Hill Christian School 35837 Hwy. E Latham, MO 65050	Devon & Diane Byler 18117 Brockman Ave. Cole Camp, MO 65325 ① (660) 723-4776 (Devon) ① (573) 789-7673 (Diane)	35837 Hwy. E Latham, MO
Mon., Oct. 16 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Harmony Amish Mennonite School 11894 Hwy. 164 Clarksville, AR 72830	Nathan & Michelle Kropf 934 County Rd. 4200 Clarksville, AR 72830 ① (479) 214-2368 ① (479) 647-6406	11894 Hwy. 164 Clarksville, AR

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Wed., Oct. 18 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Lott Mennonite School 2020 Hwy. 77 Lott, TX 76656	Bryan & Emily Kauffman 751 CR 408 Lott, TX 76656 ① (254) 709-8940 (Bryan) ① (254) 709-0701 (Emily)	2020 Hwy. 77 Lott, TX 76656
Fri., Oct. 20 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Gaines County Mennonite School 505 CR 300-J, RR1 Seminole, TX 79360 ① (432) 758-3009	John & Helen Wiebe Box 733 Seminole, TX 79360 ① (432) 758-3009	From Seminole, take Hwy. 385 south to #306 (first road right, south of airport). Go west 1 mile to CR300-J. Turn right, go 1 mile north.
TRIP 4			
Sat., Oct. 21 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Arthur Mennonite Fellowship 161 Eliza St. Arthur, ON ① (519) 848-2218	Matthew & Rachelle Martin 6897 Sideroad 5 West Harriston, ON N0G 1Z0 ① (519) 848-2218	161 Eliza St. Arthur, ON
Tues., Oct. 24 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Cornerstone Christian School 1664 Talbot Rd. Ruthven, ON N0P 2G0 ① (226) 757-0778	David & Agatha Neufeld 68 Harvey St. Chatham, ON N7M 1M1 ① (226) 757-0778	1664 Talbot Rd. Ruthven, ON
TRIP 5			
Wed., Oct. 25 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Traverse Bay Mennonite Church 915 Carver St. Traverse City, MI 49686	Carlin & Heidi Kauffman 9662 Blackman Rd. Kingsley, MI 49649 ① (231) 534-4865 (Carlin) ① (231) 534-4915 (Heidi)	915 Carver St. Traverse City, MI
Fri., Oct. 27 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Pine Grove Mennonite School 12745 W 800 S Rochester, IN 46975 ① (574) 328-2208	Russel & Trina Martin 7585 E 350 S Akron, IN 46910 ① (574) 354-2563 (Russell) ① (574) 281-2815 (Trina)	12745 W 800 S Rochester, IN
Mon., Oct. 30 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Zion Christian School 6102 CR 207 Millersburg, OH 44654 ① (330) 674-4893	Jeff Nisley 6105 TR 219 Big Prairie, OH 44611 ① (330) 466-7967	6102 CR 207 Millersburg, OH
Wed., Nov. 1 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Mt. Olive Christian School 378 S 800 E Montgomery, IN 47558	Laverne & Lisa Eberly 9957 E 1475 N Odon, IN 47562 ① (812) 787-1925	378 S 800 E Montgomery, IN
TRIP 6			
Thurs., Oct. 26 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Crystal Valley Christian School 2420 State Route 230 Dundee, NY 14837	Dwight & Dorothea Troyer 5000 Lakemont-Himrod Rd. Dundee, NY 14837 ① (315) 694-3226	2420 State Route 230 Dundee, NY
Fri., Oct. 27 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Pequa Christian School 115 Blank Rd. Narvon, PA 17555 ① (717) 442-7902	Doug & Kelsey Stoltzfus 2447 Hammertown Rd. Narvon, PA 17555 ① (610) 587-0638	115 Blank Rd. Narvon, PA
Mon., Oct. 30 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Portico River Brethren School 5501 Fort McCord Rd. Chambersburg, PA 17202 ① (717) 263-1576	Titus & Rosene Wadel 2567 Edenville Rd. Chambersburg, PA 17202 ① (717) 264-8056 (home) ① (717) 961-7340 (cell)	5501 Fort McCord Rd. Chambersburg, PA