

Retreat Theme:

Light Within Our Souls: Spirituality and Life

Together, sisters from across Georgia will:

- + explore those things that bring light and love into our souls,
- + ground ourselves in the love of Christ,
- + begin or deepen “soul friendships,”
- + be inspired to reflect the light of Christ in the world, and
- + learn to use the circumstances of our lives to bless others.

Enjoy a weekend away filled with worship, keynotes, music, interest groups, fellowship, free time, and recreation.

Retreat Leaders

Our keynoters and musicians are ***Renae and Jamie Brame*** who have been performing music together almost since the day they met. They have led music at youth events, regional assemblies, and churches, as well as music venues in western North Carolina.

Renae Brame was the Executive Director of Swannanoa Valley Christian Ministry in Black Mountain from 2002 - 2016. Prior to that, she was the Superintendent of Black Mountain Correctional Center for Women from 1989 - 2001. She enjoys writing and playing original music, daily prayer time,

walking, water-color painting, decorating, stained-glass making, and many other arts and crafts. She is the author of the book *Daily Devotions with Our Beloved*. Her second book of daily devotions will be available soon. She is the mother of two grown sons.



The Reverend Jamie Brame is an ordained minister of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and the Program Director at Christmount, where he has worked since 1989. Prior to that, he pastored First Christian Church in Dublin, Georgia, and served several student pastorates while at Atlantic Christian College and Duke Divinity School. He is an avid reader and enjoys leading prayer retreats, as well as his continuing involvement in youth ministry through the Christmount camping program. He has

keynoted regional youth events in North Carolina, Georgia, and Kentucky. In February, 2019, he will retire from Christmount.

The Brames live in Black Mountain with their cat, Penny, who is slowly warming to the idea of live music in her house. She helps Renae with book writing and is a good prayer companion!



Anna Strickland, Disciples Girls' Program leader for retreat, serves as Associate Minister at First Christian Church of Decatur. Anna received her Master of Divinity

in May 2018 from the Candler School of Theology at Emory University. This will be her first Georgia Disciples Women's Retreat, and she is excited to be working with our youth!

What You Need to Know

Schedule: Check-in begins at 4:00 pm on Friday. Dinner is at 6:00; music in the chapel begins at 7:15. Saturday morning program begins at 9 am. Retreat ends “officially” with Sunday worship; but lunch is available at noon. Bring casual, comfortable clothing! Bed and bath linens are provided. (One towel change will be provided during the weekend.)

Disciples Girls' Program: We have a special program for 8-13 year-olds! They'll attend some large group sessions but will also have activities planned just for them. Please bring your daughters, granddaughters, nieces, and friends!

Cost: Includes \$45 retreat registration fee and materials, housing for 2 nights, and 6 meals:

1 adult in a Single room: \$265

2 adults in a Double room: \$215 per person

3 adults in a Triple room: \$195 per person

4 adults in a Quad room: \$175 per person

Girls (8-13 years): \$95 (rate based on 2 adults in room; this special rate is made possible through scholarship funds and our retreat budget)

RV Hook-Up with Meals: \$143

RV Hook-Up without Meals: \$89

(Direct contact with GA Baptist recommended to ensure your RV will fit in the camping area.)

Saturday Commuter Rate: \$63 including 1 meal (or \$72 including 2 meals), retreat center commuter fee, and pro-rated registration fee

Memorial Names: Sept. 10 is the program book inclusion deadline for submitting names of women in your church family who passed away since 2017 Retreat. Please email women's names and your church name to betty@gadisciples.org. You may also call the Regional office.

Snacks: We're going healthy this year! Each church is asked to bring a 24-pack of bottled water to share. Food will be provided. The conference center snack shop will be open for folks needing caffeinated beverages!

Giving Opportunities: Please see separate flyer for information about giving opportunities – offerings, silent auction, scholarship needs, and retreat service project.

Parking Request

For women staying in the Griffith Hotel (the majority of retreat attendees), unless you need regular transport down the hill, please unload and then park in the lower parking lot. We are sharing the campus, and the lot cannot accommodate all of our cars.

Retreat Location

GA Baptist Conference Center
462 Sunrise Way, Toccoa GA, 30577
GPS address: 8496 Lake Louise Rd
(706) 886-3133

For More Information

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