

# BLOOMINGTON-NORMAL GREAT BANQUET & AWAKENING COMMUNITY NEWS



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B/N Great Banquet & Awakening Community  
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## *Sign-up and Show-up*

*On August 16 and 17, I had the opportunity to attend the Women of Faith conference in Peoria with my reunion group. It was an incredible experience worshipping our Savior with thousands of other women. We deepened our friendships through sharing, tears and laughter. Yes...it was much like a Banquet weekend!*

*However, I must admit that one of the best parts of the weekend was being taken care of so well. You see the folks who organized the trip have a "sign-up and show-up" philosophy. Once my reservation was made, everything was taken care of; transportation, tickets, meals, seating arrangements, and goody bags! All I had to do was literally "sign-up and show-up". What a gift! As someone who serves in variety of ways... this was truly a time to relax and spend some special time with Jesus and friends.*

*I imagine this how many of our guests feel about our Banquet & Awakening weekends. There are many of us who thrive at serving others. We can't wait to "sign-up" to serve meals, provide snacks, make agape, write letters and take crazy early morning Prayer Vigil spots. We "show-up" at dedications, gatherings, candlelight, closings and help with clean-up. Our teams "sign-up" to serve, "show-up" at team meetings and share Christ's love through talks, table discussion and listening during the weekend. Our service allows our guests to "sign-up and show-up" to soak up all that God has in store for them without other distractions.*

*I pray that we have many guests, team and community who "sign-up and show-up" to spend some special time meeting Jesus at East Bay Camp & Logan Correctional Center through our Banquet and Awakening weekends this fall.*

*Looking forward to seeing you all at the lake!*  
*Shelly*



“...Come, for all is now ready.”

Luke 14:17

**MEN'S GREAT BANQUET #104  
SEPTEMBER 12-15, 2013**

**Leadership**

**Lay Director** Rob Wall (*Staying Power*)

**Asst. Lay Directors**

Keith Jenkins  
Jeff Able

**Spiritual Director**

Dan Jassman (*Sacramental Grace*)

**Asst. Spiritual Directors**

Michael Pitzer (*God's Gift of Grace*)  
Mark Terven (*Response to Grace*)  
Jim Pitzer (*Obstacles to Grace*)  
Kevin Gordon (*A Life of Grace*)

**Musicians**

Greg Reichert

**Frontlines**

**Speakers**

Dave Theile (*Discovering Priorities*)  
Victor Palomino (*Ministry of All Believers*)  
David Kaeb (*The Way of Relationship*)  
Andy Traeger (*Truth Through Study*)  
Joe Landon (*Life of Christian Action*)  
Ricardo Baez (*Disciples*)  
Don Stogsdill (*Changing Our Environment*)  
Jeff Williamson (*Body of Christ*)  
Mark Overfelt (*Establishing Priorities*)

**Table Leaders**

Hal Gray, Reece Raymond, Kyle Hoffman  
Bob Mueninghoff, Don Ammerman

**Support**

**Agape Chapel Leader**

Alan DeCrane

**Chapel Assistants**

Ed Phinney, Bruce Tucker,  
Dan Cochran, Harry Steinke

**Board Advisor**

Kevin Daugherty

**WOMEN'S GREAT BANQUET #105  
SEPTEMBER 26-29, 2013**

**Leadership**

**Lay Director** Beth Wall (*Staying Power*)

**Asst. Lay Directors**

Lin Harmon  
Bobbi Overfelt

**Spiritual Director**

Amanda Richards (*Sacramental Grace*)

**Asst. Spiritual Directors**

Marsha Haycraft (*God's Gift of Grace*)  
Terry Pitzer (*Our Response to Grace*)  
Carol Smithson (*Obstacles to Grace*)  
Kathleen Thornton (*A Life of Grace*)

**Musician**

Jennifer Merth

**Frontlines**

**Speakers**

Marrita Taylor (*Discovering Priorities*)  
Stacy Marshall-Kern (*Ministry of All Believers*)  
Judy Kelly (*The Way of Relationship*)  
Lisa Anderson (*Truth Through Study*)  
Cara McMorris (*Life of Christian Action*)  
Rhonda Jenkins (*Disciples*)  
Crystal Ward (*Changing Our Environment*)  
Ellen Wylie (*Body of Christ*)  
Mary Steinke (*Establishing Priorities*)

**Table Leaders**

Marsha Knighton, Sheila Donald, Chelsea Dean  
Angela Davis, Carol Palomino, Tena Shane,  
Belinda Franke

**Support**

**Agape Chapel Leader**

Gina Dew

**Chapel Assistants**

Amanda Jassman, Brenda Foland  
Bonnie Hammons, Kaye Schroeder

**Tech/Media**

Jeany Gewin

**Board Advisor**

Phyl Reichert

**Great Banquet 104 & 105 Dedication Service**

**Calvary United Methodist Church**

**Sunday, September 8 @ 6 p.m.**

**FOURTH DAY MEETING**

Thursday, October 3th — 7:00 p.m.

Resurrection Lutheran Church

Bloomington

## Ways to be involved

*Here are ways you can be the hands and feet of Christ!*

### • 72 hour prayer Vigil

The backbone of the weekend, pray for our guests' lives to be touched by the Holy Spirit! Contact Lindsay Aupperle at [lindsayaupperle@gmail.com](mailto:lindsayaupperle@gmail.com) or 309-310-4014

### • Set-up/Clean Up

Starts at 4:30 on the Wednesday before the weekend. Clean up begins at 4:00 on Sunday. Contact Randy Harmon 309-452-1533, Nick O'Neall 309-724-8817 or Dave McMorris 309-826-3324

### • Meal Servers

Community members are needed to serve our guests! Contact Lynn Fletcher 309-838-4602

### • Agape letters and Banners

There is nothing better than receiving a personal handwritten letter. General conference room letters along with banners are needed to share on the weekends, too!

### • Gut Bucket Band

7:30 PM, Saturday. Bring a costume, wear a funny hat and sing a song, to provide "entertainment" Saturday night. Gut Bucket participants should arrive at 7:30 for "practice" you will "perform" around 8:00 PM.

### • Candlelight Worship

8:30 PM, Saturday. Meet Saturday at 8:30 pm in the Dining Hall for prayer, singing, a message, communion, and fellowship. Contact Gina Dew 309-378-3407 or Dave Theil 309-662-4768 to help.

### • Closing

5:00 PM, Sunday. Hear and see how God has changed lives in 72 hours! Stay afterwards and help with clean-up.

### • Sponsorship

It is a true joy to share a weekend with someone else. Look for the application online or contact Rob Wall, Community Registrar, at 309-663-7630 or Phyl Reichert 309-532-3697 for information.

### • Financially

It has always been the spirit of our community that money is never an obstacle for someone who wishes to attend. A pair of weekends at East Bay Camp costs the community about \$15,000. If you can help financially, please send your tax deductible contribution to: B/N Great Banquet, PO Box 707, Bloomington, IL 61702-0707, or use PayPal! Info on our website

[www.bngreatbanquet.org](http://www.bngreatbanquet.org)

## A guide to a weekend at "The Lake..."

### Thursday

7:00 pm Registration  
8:00 pm Send Off/Sponsor's Hour

### Friday

7:30 am *Meal Servers Arrive*  
8:00 am Breakfast (no agape, please)  
9:15 am Talk: Discovering Priorities  
11:15 am Talk: God's Gift of Grace  
Noon *Meal Servers Arrive*  
12:30 pm Lunch (no agape, please)  
1:45 pm Talk: Ministry of All Believers  
3:00 pm Talk: Our Response to God's Grace  
5:00 pm *Meal Servers Arrive*  
5:30 pm Dinner  
6:30 pm Talk: The Way of Relationship

### Saturday

7:30 am *Meal Servers Arrive*  
8:00 am Breakfast  
8:45 am Talk: Truth Through Study  
10:15 am Talk: Sacramental Grace  
Noon *Meal Servers Arrive*  
12:30 pm Lunch  
3:00 pm Talk: The Life of Christian Action  
4:30 pm Talk: Obstacles to Grace  
5:00 pm *Meal Servers Arrive*  
5:30 pm Dinner  
7:00 pm Talk: Disciples  
7:15 pm *Arrive for Gut Bucket at Dining Hall*  
7:45 pm *Gut Bucket rehearsal at Dining Hall*  
8:30 pm Candlelight Worship  
10:00 pm Candlelight

### Sunday

7:30 am *Meal Servers Arrive*  
8:00 am Breakfast  
8:50 am Talk: Changing Our Environment  
10:00 am Talk: A Life of Grace  
11:00 am Talk: Body of Christ  
11:30 am *Meal Servers Arrive*  
Noon Lunch  
1:30 pm Talk: Staying Power  
2:30 pm Talk: Establishing Priorities  
5:00 pm *Closing*

**Our website always has the most up to date information!**

Check it out at [www.bngreatbanquet.org](http://www.bngreatbanquet.org) or  
[www.bngreatbanquet.org/awakening/](http://www.bngreatbanquet.org/awakening/)

**Logan Correctional Center  
Women's #13  
October 18-19, 2013**

**Leadership**

**Lay Director** Karen Layten (*Staying Power*)

**Assistant Lay Directors**

Jennifer Wilson  
Kim Williamson

**Spiritual Director**

Mel Devall (*Sacramental Grace*)

**Assistant Spiritual Directors**

Sheila Wells (*God's Gift of Grace/Our Response*)  
Scott Riddle (*A Life of Grace*)  
Kevin Gordon (*Obstacles to Grace*)  
Shirley Ryan (*Establishing Priorities/Changing Our Environment*)

**Musician**

Kyle Hoffmann

**Frontlines**

**Speakers**

Jean Johnson (*Discovering Priorities*)  
Marilea White (*Ministry of All Believers*)  
Sybil Nash (*The Way of Relationship*)  
Jane Frieden (*Christian Action/Body of Christ*)  
Jan Runner (*Disciples/Study*)

**Table Leaders**

Sharon Heger, Cara McMorris, Peg Gentes  
Kathy Knecht, Tina Gonsalves, Gail Sigler  
Donna Bowman, Poonam McAllister,  
Ellen Reeves, Terri Drollinger, Bobbi Overfelt,  
Nancy Harvey, Michelle Giermann, Nancy  
Annegers, Karla Lohnes, Janet Caldwell, Randy  
Payne, Vickie Copley, Shalonda Fernandez,  
Katie Henderson

**Support**

**Agape Chapel Leader**

Peggy Kennedy

**Chapel Assistants**

Linda Walker, Bert Cochran, Lisa Wetzel  
Monica Terven, Vicki Stogsdill

**Board Advisor**

Donna Able

**Information for Logan**

**Great Banquet #13  
Friday-Saturday, October 18-19, 2013**

There have been several changes for the women of Logan Correctional Center and Great Banquet. Currently, any retreat going into Logan can only last two days. A lot of time and effort has gone into adapting Great Banquet to fit into these two days. We can only take 50 people into the prison, including the team! Therefore, we won't be able to have a "regular" Candlelight. We have planned an alternative!

\*\*\*\*\***Apostolic Hour & Candlelight**\*\*\*\*\*

**Friday, October 18, 2013, 6:00 PM**

**Crossroads Chapel**

**1049 JC Pkwy, Bloomington, IL.**

**Pastor Mark Wallace will lead the service**

**Communion will be served**

**Prayers for the Team and Logan Residents**

**The service will close with Candlelight**

This is a great opportunity to support our prison ministry like never before and you don't have to travel to Lincoln to do it!

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**Dedication Service**

**Sunday, October 13, 2013, 6:00 PM**

**Crossroads Chapel**

**1049 JC Pkwy, Bloomington, 61705**

**Need Applications?**

Applications for the fall weekends can be found on our Website. You may also contact any board member or weekend Lay Director. Please be praying about who God wants you to sponsor!

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[www.bngreatbanquet.org](http://www.bngreatbanquet.org) or  
[www.bngreatbanquet.org/awakening/](http://www.bngreatbanquet.org/awakening/)

**Awakening #3**  
**November 22-24, 2013**  
**Dedication 11/17—6 p.m. Calvary**

**Lay Director**

Lindsay Aupperle (Power)

**Asst Lay Directors**

Cara McMorris

Still praying at press time

**Spiritual Director**

Kerri Cordray (Salvation)

**Asst Spiritual Directors**

Amanda Richards (Sin & Love)

Kathleen Thornton (Loving Jesus)

**Musicians**

Katie & Jacob Eckeberger

**Youth Musician**

Megan O'Neall

**Speakers**

Janelle Martin (Identity)

Still praying at press time (Love)

Still praying at press time (Meaning of Life)

Bailey Jones (Following Jesus)

Lauren Anderson (Study)

Still praying at press time (Prayer)

Julia Landon (Worship)

Still praying at press time (Friends)

Still praying at press time (Distractions)

Still praying at press time (Environment)

Still praying at press time (Church)

**Table Leader**

Still praying at press time

**Agape Chapel Leader**

Gina Dew

**Chapel Assistants**

Cally Shane

Still praying at press time

**Board Advisor**

Shelly Hanover

**Awakening Weekend Simple Schedule**

**Thursday – Set-up**

**4:30 pm Set-up begins ...**

**Friday—Day 1**

12:00– 12:30 Arrival/Registration (please eat lunch before you arrive)

**Community provides snacks and drinks for the weekend**

12:30 pm Send Off/Sponsor's Hour

1:40 pm Identity Talk

2:50 pm Love Talk

4:15 pm Meaning of Life Talk

**5:00 pm Meal servers arrive—bring agape**

5:30 pm Dinner

7:35 pm Sin & Love Talk

8:45 pm Poster Party

9:30 pm Salvation Talk

**Saturday—Day 2**

**7:30 am Meal servers arrive-bring agape**

8:00 am Breakfast

8:45 am Following Christ Talk

10:15 am Study Talk

11:20 am Prayer Talk

**12:00 pm Meal servers arrive bring agape**

12:30 pm Lunch

1:35 pm Worship Talk

3:45 pm Friends Talk

**5:00 pm Meal servers arrive bring agape**

5:30 pm Dinner

7:15 pm Poster Party

**8:30 pm Candlelight Worship**

8:50 pm Loving Jesus Talk

**10:00 pm Candlelight Walk Through**

**Sunday—Day 3**

**7:30 am Meal servers arrive bring agape**

8:00 am Breakfast

9:05am Distractions Talk

10:05 am Environment Talk

11:05 am The Church Talk

**11:30 am Meal servers arrive bring agape**

12:00 pm Lunch

12:50 pm Power Talk

2:00 pm Agape Letters Shared

**2:45 pm Help with tear down/clean-up**

3:00 pm Cross Service

**3:30 pm Closing – hear how lives have been changed!**

I Samuel 3:1-10

“Speak Lord, for thy servant hears”

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- ◆ GB 104 & 105 Rosters
- ◆ Logan Roster and Special Apostolic/Candlelight Info
- ◆ Girl's Awakening #3 Info

### Your Great Banquet Board of Directors

Shelly Hanover (Community Lay Director)	826-6336
Amanda Richards (Comm Spiritual Director)	262-9004
Dan Jassman (Asst Comm Spiritual Director)	807-0046
Ce Ann Kreun (Gatherings)	830-3016
Dave McMorris (Wknd Set Up/Clean Up)	826-3324
Dave Theil (Weekend Events)	662-4768
Donna Able (Supplies)	242-7792
Gina Dew (Weekend Events)	378-3407
Harry Jiles (Prison Liaison)	962-3391
John Plattner (Treasurer)	828-1684
Karen Layten (Prison Liaison)	261-3556
Karen Reginelli (Agape)	830-4507
Karla Lohnes (Community Musician)	838-7394
Kevin Daugherty (Asst Community Lay Director)	962-3529
Kim Toulon (Gatherings)	862-3714
Lindsay Aupperle (Prayer Vigils)	310-4014
Marrita Taylor (4th Day)	962-9783
Marty Thornton (Team Selection)	662-4600
Phyl Reichert (Newsletter/Co-Registrar)	532-3697
Nick O'Neill (Wknd Set Up/Clean Up)	724-8817
Randy Harmon (Wknd Set Up/Clean Up)	825-2648
Rob Wall (Co-Registrar)	663-7630
Darren Plattner (Community Database)	726-1574
Rich Irwin (Website)	662-5896

### Important Calendar Dates...

#### **Sunday, Sept 8, 2013 @ 6 pm**

Men's #104/Women's #105 Combined Team Dedication  
Calvary United Methodist Church

#### **Thursday, Sept 12-Sunday, Sept 15, 2013**

B/N Men's Great Banquet #104—East Bay Camp

#### **Thursday, Sept 26-Sunday, Sept 29, 2013**

B/N Women's Great Banquet #105—East Bay Camp

#### **Sunday, Oct 13, 2013 @ 6 pm**

Women's Logan CC Team Dedication  
Crossroads Chapel

#### **Friday, Oct 18-Saturday, Oct 19, 2013**

Women's CC #13—Logan CC (see additional info inside!)

#### **Sunday, Nov 17, 2013 @ 6 pm**

Girl's Awakening #3 Team Dedication  
Calvary United Methodist Church

#### **Friday, Nov 22-Sunday, Nov 24, 2013**

B/N Girl's Awakening #3—East Bay Camp

#### **2014 Dates**

**February 28-March 2—Boy's Awakening #4**

**March 20-23—Men's Great Banquet #106**

**April 3-6—Women's Awakening #107**