

SECTION PRESIDENT'S BRIEFING



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Your CCCA Northwest Section Newsletter

Spring is here and I am sure while you are preparing for summer, your campers and parents are eagerly planning for it as well!

I wanted to let everyone know that I am no longer your NW Section President. I have turned the presidential reigns over to our very capable and excited President Elect Bryan Bailon of Black Lake Bible Camp. Bryan is at the CDA resort this week leading the planning of our Super Sectional for 2017 with committee members from our section as well as the Northern Rockies.

I have enjoyed many years of being on the NW Section committee and being the president this past year. While I am no longer in Christian Camping (at least right now) I will continue to pray for each of you and your camps, and hope to stay in touch!

Serving Him together,

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FROM THE NATIONAL OFFICE

Georgia Sectional Update

We've heard excellent reports about the revitalization of the Georgia Sectional held March 29. There were 30 attendees gathered, and CCCA's Director of Operations Greg Anderson presented one of the trainings. He shared "Six Characteristics of an Imparted life" as well as elements of building a team. We are encouraged by the growth of the Christian camping movement.

The Alaska Sectional will be held April 18-20 at Camp Li-Wa in Fairbanks, Alaska, as the final Sectional in a line of 19 Sectionals and Super Sectionals. Hats off to a successful season of Sectionals!

Have you heard?



We have changed our bi-monthly publication *Thursday Mail* to **FLINT & STEEL**. Not only have we given the e-newsletter a new look and name, we have also moved the delivery date to Tuesday. You can expect **FLINT & STEEL** in your inbox the first and third Tuesdays of the month. We hope you like the new look!

All In!—2016 CCCA National Conference



Now is the best time to register for the 2016 CCCA National Conference, All In! (Nashville, Tenn.). Take advantage of the early-bird discount ending April 30, 2016. You can also save \$20 per additional registrant after the first person registers. Go [here](#) to register.

Share Your Expertise

We are still taking content submissions for the Christian Camping Resource Library. Our Resource Library, a digital information storehouse where you can find sample policies, templates, best practices and articles on topics relevant to camping and ministry, needs more content from our members. All content will be reviewed before shelved in the virtual library. You can upload your camp's or conference center's resources [here](#).

Social Media: Your Organization's Greatest Asset



Please plan to join us Tuesday, April 19, as Justin Wise, CEO and founder of Think Digital, shares his expertise on social media for our EIT. Justin regularly speaks on the topics of digital communication, marketing and entrepreneurship at national conferences, so you won't want to miss his EIT presentation. Register [here](#).

A Member-Exclusive Training—CamperProtect

If you are interested in watching a glimpse of the full-day training by MinistrySafe's Kimberlee Norris, you can view the one-hour video [here](#). This is for members only and serves as a helpful resource, not as a replacement for the entire training.



Your Network is Growing

Please welcome Paradise Ranch Camp (Ringling, Okla.), and Spring Heights Education Center (Spencer, W.Va.), to CCCA. We are excited to have new members join!

RESOURCES FOR LEADERS

What Nature Can Do for You

As Michael Hyatt spent a week in the hills of East Tennessee, he took advantage of the mental, physical and spiritual benefits available while spending time outside. He writes, "Nature is God's reset button for our minds, bodies and spirits. If you're spending all day indoors, you're missing the restorative power of nature." Read "Why Going Outdoors Makes You Smarter, Stronger and More Spiritual" [here](#).

Professional Development

When you settle in for a day of work, what's on your mind? Are you overwhelmed by the tasks at hand and need a sense of direction to make the most of your day at work? Inc.com's "Five Questions the Most Productive People Ask Every Day" is a great place to start. Check out these hard questions to supercharge your day [here](#).

The Profile of a Highly Sensitive Person

Co-author of "Emotional Intelligence 2.0" and TalentSmart President Travis Bradberry wrote an article published in *Entrepreneur* called "Nine Traits of a Highly Sensitive Person." While sensitive people in our culture tend to get a bad rap, [this article](#) explains the strengths associated with someone who is considered highly sensitive.

Questions to Consider

Written by Lea McLeod, founder of the Job Success Lab, the article "Eight Questions You Should Be Asking Your Boss" provides prompts for opening communication within the workplace. Try asking these questions with your peers and answer them yourself, too. Read the article [here](#).

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Pakistani Christians Protest and Petition

After the Easter suicide bombing in Lahore, Pakistani Christians are organizing a protest in London to ask global governments to protect innocent lives. "The persecution against Christians in Pakistan is 'now reaching genocidal levels.'" Read the rest of the article published by *The Christian Post* [here](#).

Malaysia's Landmark Decision for Religious Freedom

Despite Bible seizures and "Allah" bans, former Muslim Rooney Rebit was allowed to convert from Islam to Christianity by a Malaysian court. In the past, there have been tensions over conversions in Malaysia. "The verdict reaffirms the right of freedom of religion, guaranteed under Article 11 of Malaysia's constitution," a *Christianity Today* article says. Read [more](#).

Americans to Unite in D.C.

This summer Nick Hall, founder of PULSE, is calling for one million people to gather at the National Mall in Washington D.C. "The event, called Together 2016, aims to bring people from all backgrounds together for a unified day of worship and prayer, asking Jesus to reset the nation," Hall says. More than 30 speakers, pastors, artists and leaders will be present for the day of prayer and worship. You can learn more about the event [here](#).

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