

The Messenger

May 2018



Small group discussion during the retreat of the Central District.

Church and Society

This year the Christian Education Department has developed a workers' retreat focusing on the ways in which the Church intersects and engages with the government. Last year, Kenya held a national election, which brought instability, unease, and uncertainty to many people throughout the country. In light of that experience, these retreats aim to address the issues of how elections can be used to bring peace and justice into our communities.

Some of the topics for presentation and discussion include: elections, can elections bring justice and peace, how do Church and State relate to each other, and the biblical context of election and being elected.

The retreats are being held in each of the church districts and the head office. All church workers are invited to participate, from clergy, teachers, groundskeepers, treasurers, and many other workers. We pray for God's wisdom and guidance as our church workers reflect on these important ideas.

Let's Pray Together

We pray for justice and peace in Kenya and around the world.

We pray for faithful and honest leadership. We ask for God to guide people in positions of power to work for the good of all people.

We pray that relationships between the Church and the State will be open, respectful, and mutually supportive.

We pray for all people who have been affected by flooding throughout Kenya. May God comfort and strengthen those who suffer from the degradation of the environment, especially at this time as Kenya copes with the effects of heavy rains.

We give thanks for the blessings of the Holy Spirit at this time of Pentecost. We remember that God is with us, in our good times and in our struggles.



Presentation and large-group discussion during the retreat.

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