

## ALTAR FLOWERS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY...

Mari Hansen in memory of her husband Tom;  
Lynn Ferris in celebration of the 85th birthday of her husband Bob; and  
Pete Nicholas & Shirley Ross in celebration of their wedding.



### Altar Flowers

Flowers may be placed in the Chancel area in honor/memory of persons. Each bouquet is \$50, payable to "NCUMC" at the time you sign up for flowers. Please sign up in the Flower Book located at the Welcome Center in the East Narthex.



### Early Response Team (ERT) Basic Certification Training Saturday, January 25 from 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. — Warren Willis Camp

Do you want to provide a caring Christian presence in the aftermath of a disaster? Join one of the best equipped ERTs in the Florida Conference. In this Basic ERT Certification Training, you'll learn how to interact caringly with survivors, the basics of tarping a roof, safe chain saw operation, and more.

To attend this training, you must register at: [www.flumc.org](http://www.flumc.org), select the "Ministries" tab at the top of the page and select "Missional Engagement." Click the "Disaster Response" button, then the "Training" tab at the top of the page. Click the "Early Response Team Training," scroll down to "Register Here." Select the "Warren Willis, January 25, 2020" class and click on "[Register Here.](#)"

If you have any questions, please stop by the kiosk in the West Narthex, or contact Gary Musch at [gmsch2010@gmail.com](mailto:gmsch2010@gmail.com) or (216) 408-6174.



### Helping Hands General Meeting

Sunday, January 26 at 3 p.m. — Chapel

The Helping Hands General Meeting is for all current volunteers and individuals wishing to learn more about working on construction or at the Bargains and Blessings Resale Shop. We will provide information about our 30<sup>th</sup> house, which is currently being renovated.



### From the United Methodist Conference

*United Methodist Traditionalists, Centrists, Progressives, and Bishops Sign Agreement Aimed at Separation*

As you may have heard recently on the news, a diverse group of representatives from United Methodist advocacy groups with contrasting views and bishops from around the world has collaborated on a proposed agreement for the separation of The United Methodist Church (UMC) that has the unanimous support of all the parties involved. For the full Press Release, more information and an FAQ document, please click this link:

<https://www.unitedmethodistbishops.org/newsdetail/united-methodist-traditionalists-centrists-progressives-bishops-sign-agreement-aimed-at-separation-13133654>

This is one of the several proposals to be discussed at the May General Conference.

Please Note: In observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the Church and Administration Office will be closed on Monday, January 20.

## SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS...

"Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed;  
For I am your God, and will still give you aid;  
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand."

*How Firm a Foundation, Ye Saints of the Lord (UMC Hymnal)*

**REMINDER:** Please take your weekly newsletter home as you leave today. Use it as a prayer guide for the scheduled activities and the ministries of our church.

*Please wear your name tags — it helps all of us to remember names!  
If you don't have one, please go to the Welcome Center and pick one up.*

### SUNDAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

7:45 a.m.	Early Risers	Gary Cantrell's classes will not meet until February 2	
9:15 a.m.	Childcare	Children ages newborn to 5 years old	Children's Room
9:15 a.m.	Faith Bible Class	Lessons from David	Classroom 2
9:15 a.m.	Pathfinders	Unlikely Heroes of the Bible	Classroom 11
9:15 a.m.	Faith Finders	Gary Cantrell's classes will not meet until February 2	
9:15 a.m.	ANEW	Covenant	Classroom 6/7
10:30 a.m.	Spirited Singles	Revealing the Mysteries of Heaven	Classroom 3
10:30 a.m.	FaithLink	Puppets	Classroom 14
10:30 a.m.	The Searchers	Gary Cantrell's classes will not meet until February 2	
10:30 a.m.	The Truth Project	Science: What is True?	Classroom 1
10:45 a.m.	Wesley Class	Unlikely Heroes of the Bible	Classroom 11

**Please see the "Discipleship" section of our website for information on classes at our Lake Deaton Campus.**

### NEW COVENANT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SUMMERHILL CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP  
SATURDAY 5:00 P.M.

SUMMERHILL BLENDED WORSHIP  
SUNDAY 7:45 • 9:15 • 10:45 A.M.

SUMMERHILL CHILDREN'S ORCHARD WORSHIP  
SUNDAY 10:45 A.M. (CHILDREN'S ROOM)

LAKE DEATON SUNDAY WORSHIP  
BLENDED 8 A.M. • 9:30 A.M. • TRADITIONAL 11 A.M.



SUMMERHILL ADDRESS:  
3470 WOODRIDGE DR.  
THE VILLAGES, FL 32162

LAKE DEATON ADDRESS:  
6500 WESLEYAN WAY  
(FORMERLY COUNTY ROAD 143), 34785

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WEBSITE: [www.ncumcfl.com](http://www.ncumcfl.com)

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK: NEW COVENANT UMC, SUMMERHILL CAMPUS  
WE REGULARLY UPDATE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE WITH PHOTOS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND EVENTS.

♿ ACCESSIBLE • DESIGNATED HANDICAP SEATING IS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER.



### Hearing Assistance Available

The Christian Life Center is equipped with a **HEARING LOOP** (Assistive Listening System). Please switch your hearing aid or cochlear implant to "T" (Telephone) or request assistance. We have units available for persons whose hearing aid is not "T" compatible. For more information, go to [www.hearingloop.org](http://www.hearingloop.org).

## SUMMERHILL CAMPUS



**Our Mission:** To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the World.

**Our Vision:** To be a thriving body of Christ by being His hands, feet, and voice in the World.

**Our Core Values:** Spiritual Growth ~ Hospitality ~ Generosity ~ Community ~ Invitational ~ Service ~ Caring

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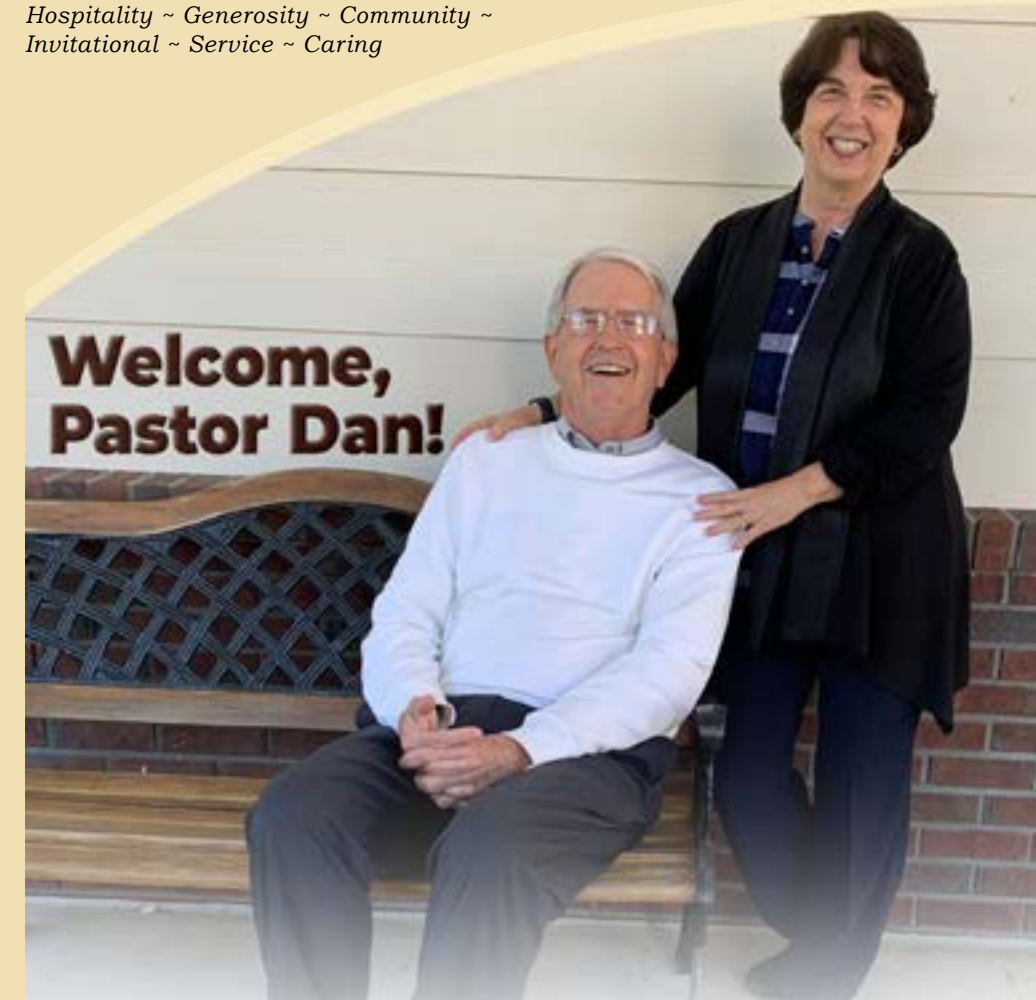
Rev. Harold Hendren, Senior Pastor

Rev. Dan Johnson, Interim Senior Pastor

Rev. Jim Divine, Lake Deaton Pastor

Rev. Kristyne Young, Lake Deaton Discipleship Pastor

Rev. Ellen Pollock, Summerhill Discipleship Pastor



The Reverend Dr. Dan Johnson will be acting as Interim Senior Pastor during Pastor Harold's recovery period. Retired since 2016, Pastor Dan and his wife, Jan, live in Gainesville. Hailing from central Ohio, they are parents to two children, and have five grandchildren.

Since his retirement, he has actually been Interim Senior Pastor at two other churches. At Heritage UMC in Clearwater for 16 months, he helped lead a capital fund/debt retirement campaign of \$1.2 million, refurbished the church parking so they could renew the monthly community family skate night, restored the administrative structure, and started a new worship service. At Pasadena Community Church in St. Petersburg for a year, he restored the administrative structure, established a Vision team, and replaced all five roofs on the original building, which allowed refurbishment of the youth/children and choir rooms that had been damaged by leaks.

Prior to retirement, for 22 years, he was the Senior Minister of Trinity UMC in Gainesville, a 4,000 member church, and from 1986 to 1994, he was the Senior Minister of the at-the-time fastest-growing UMC in Florida, Indian River City UMC, which during those eight years, grew from 750 to 1800 members, with worship attendance growing from 300 to 1,000.

Pastor Dan will lead weekend worship services at the Summerhill Campus and will be on campus two days per week.

Please be sure to stop by, introduce yourself and give him a big welcome to New Covenant!

**Worship Attendance for Last Week: 3,000**  
(Summerhill Saturday) 335 • (Summerhill Sunday) 7:45-243 • 9:15-920 • 10:45-630  
(Lake Deaton) 8:00-107 • 9:30-452 • 11:00-201  
(Orchard Worship) 9 • (Grounded Youth Group) 29 • (Fresh Expressions) 74



# VOLUNTEER CENTRAL

**Volunteers Needed!**  
Please stop by the Welcome Center in the East Narthex for a full list of volunteer positions and job descriptions for which we have a need.

**Traffic Control**  
Our seven-person Traffic Control Team guides incoming and outgoing vehicle traffic for events at the Summerhill campus, working in conjunction with a Sumter County Deputy Sheriff. We do this for events when anticipated attendance exceeds 500 people. Our job is to direct inbound traffic to New Covenant's East and West Parking Lots prior to an event, and to direct orderly and safe exits from our property following an event's conclusion. Our paramount concern is everyone's safety while entering and exiting an event.  
**Contact:** Richard Maxfield at [maxfield.richard@gmail.com](mailto:maxfield.richard@gmail.com)

**CR 101 Ministry Volunteers Needed**  
We have an "Adopt-A-Highway" from the intersection of CR101 and Woodridge Dr. We provide safety vests, trash bags, special "pick-up sticks" (to eliminate bending), coffee, and doughnuts. Our job takes less than 90 minutes four times a year: Saturday, March 7; Saturday, June 6; Saturday, September 5; and Saturday, December 5.  
**Contact:** Richard Maxfield at [maxfield.richard@gailmail.com](mailto:maxfield.richard@gailmail.com)



**Volunteer Spotlight: Annamay Baldwin**  
Annamay has been active in the church since 2005. She volunteered helping with the children's BEACH after-school program, and has worked over 10 years as an usher and a volunteer at our Coffee Bar.  
Annamay also serves Communion, and recently she has taken on the role of Assistant Head Usher. She also helps schedule the volunteers for the Welcome Center on Saturday evenings. We are very happy to announce that she will be the new Ministry Chairperson for the Connectional Department.

## Time, Talents, and Treasures

**Time in a Bottle**  
How many times have each of us said "No" to working on a church project because we think it will take too much of our time? Maybe we would even say "steal our time." All of us have the same amount of time: 24 hours in a day, 60 minutes in an hour. As Villagers, many of us have a quickly shortening time to live on this earth before God says, "It's time."

In 1970, Jim Croce wrote a song with the first line being, "If I could save time in a bottle." The first line of the chorus reads, "But there never seems to be enough time to do the things I want to do, once I find them." Doesn't that sound like many of us? Never enough time? So, if you could save time in a bottle and use it at will, would you spend more time volunteering or, better yet, reading your Bible and praying? The Lord has given us work to do. Let's make the time to enjoy it.

**2019 Contribution Statements**  
Your 2019 Contribution Statement is finalized and will be sent via email or mail. Printed copies were mailed Friday, January 17; emails will be sent Wednesday, January 22. If you have not received your statement by the end of January, please contact the Finance Office at (352) 750-4529.

Thank You for Your Support of our Ministries		
Concert/Event	Ministry Supported	Proceeds
Ernie Haas & Signature Sound	Beds and Blankets Outreach Ministry	\$2,087
The Villages Flute Choir	Prime Time Congregational Care Ministry	\$1,242
Celebration Brass Band	Summerhill Worship Ministry	\$1,054
A Quiet Christmas with Angie Rose & Ryan Loeckel	New Covenant Worship Ministry	\$8,712
The Choralettes	Family Ministry	\$1,691
Christmas at NCUMC — Angels Visit When We Sing	Summerhill Worship Ministry	\$18,000

# CONNECTIONAL MINISTRY

**New Member Classes**  
*Monday, January 27 from 6-7:30 p.m. — Chapel*  
Did you know there are different types of church memberships? You may choose to retain your membership with another United Methodist Church (Affiliate membership), or church of another denomination (Associate membership), or Full membership. Registration is required.

To register, visit our website at [www.ncumcfl.com](http://www.ncumcfl.com) and click "Portal" at the top of the page. Click the "Registrations" button, then select "New Member Class – Summerhill Campus (01/27)." You may also click this link <http://bit.ly/NCUMC2436> to register.  
For more information, please contact Barb Prindle at (352) 750-4529 or [bprindle@ncumcfl.com](mailto:bprindle@ncumcfl.com).

# DISCIPLESHIP

**A Disciple's Path Class 2020**  
*Wednesdays, February 5–March 18 from 9–10:30 a.m. — Classroom 3*  
Registration is now open for this dynamic class. This study combines a Wesleyan understanding of our growth in God's love and grace with the time-tested practices of spiritual discipline expressed in the membership vows.

This class will be taught by Rev. Ellen Pollock, and is a wonderful class for new members.  
The cost is \$21. To register, visit our website at [www.ncumcfl.com](http://www.ncumcfl.com) and click "Portal" at the top of the page. Click the "Registrations" button, then select "A Disciple's Path Class." You may also click this link <http://bit.ly/ncumc2591> to register.  
For more information, please contact Barb Prindle at (352) 750-4529 or [bprindle@ncumcfl.com](mailto:bprindle@ncumcfl.com).

# MEN & Women

**Friends are Friends Forever!**  
*Saturday, February 15 from 10-11:30 a.m. — Fellowship Center*  
"A friend loves at all times." (Proverbs 17:17)  
All ladies are invited to attend a Saturday morning event sponsored by Women's Ministry to hear a warm story of two great friends and their time together.

Donna Hendren and Ndai Tawale will present their journey of friendship, and how God brought them together to be lifelong friends. They will share about the divine appointment in 1989 when they met by the nursery door at First United Methodist Church of Miami. Their journey of friendship has taken them through valleys and mountaintops, all the while Jesus never leaving their sides. You'll also learn about "The Little Ones Fund," which was created 10 years ago to help support N'dai's village in Concession, Zimbabwe, Africa. Come and add this touching story to your Valentine's weekend. Cookies and coffee will be provided.

Registration opens Saturday, January 18. To register, visit our website at [www.ncumcfl.com](http://www.ncumcfl.com) and click "Portal" at the top of the page. Click the "Registrations" button, then select "Women's Gathering - February 2020." You may also click this link <http://bit.ly/ncumc2604> to register.  
If you need help registering, please contact Ashley Hill at [ahill@ncumcfl.com](mailto:ahill@ncumcfl.com) or 352-750-4529.  
**Note:** This Saturday event takes the place of the usual Thursday Gathering for February.

**Men's Spiritual Retreat**  
*Monday and Tuesday, February 24-25 — LEC in Fruitland Park*  
You will not want to miss this amazing retreat as Gary Cantrell leads you through sessions of spiritual reflection and renewal, spending time in God's word and prayer.  
Whether you commute or stay overnight, you will have time to relax, renew your spirit and strengthen your walk with the Lord. The retreat at the Life Enrichment Center in Fruitland Park is open to all men. Registrations will begin the weekend of January 25/26. More information to follow.

# Congregational Care

**The Caring Bridge for Pastor Harold**  
To access Pastor Harold's *Caring Bridge* page, click this link or type it into your browser: <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/pastorharoldhendren> and follow the directions to "Sign In" or to "Register" for an account.

**Planning Ahead**  
Did you know that the Congregational Care Office has great information that may be helpful to you?

**Life Inventory Forms**  
This can be especially helpful to family when needed, for it outlines your preferences regarding your celebration of life service, including such things as: your favorite scriptures, hymns, and other ideas you may wish your loved ones to know. Once you complete this form, we keep it on file.

Families have found this to be extremely helpful and comforting when the need arises. This form is also available on our website. Scroll to the bottom of the homepage and click on "Forms."

**Five Wishes**  
We have copies of this booklet in the Congregational Care Office. It serves as your advance directive and it provides a way for you to outline your wishes regarding medical decisions, medical treatment directions, and other important information.

**Celebration of Life Pamphlet**  
This pamphlet outlines the policy at New Covenant and contains other pertinent information to assist you in planning a Celebration of Life. While the Director of Congregational Care uses this as a reference when planning a service, many find it useful to have already reviewed the material and to be aware of the various topics addressed.

This pamphlet is also available on our website. Click the "Events" tab at the top of the homepage and select "Celebrations of Life." Click the "Celebration of Life info" button to download it.

**Serenity Garden Columbarium Brochure**  
Available to members of New Covenant, our Columbarium provides a final resting place for loved ones in a peaceful setting. All the information needed to make arrangements, if you would so desire, are outlined in the brochure found in the Congregational Care Office.

This brochure is also available on our website. Click the "Events" tab at the top of the homepage and select "Celebrations of Life." Click the "Columbarium info" button to download it.

**Hope for Hurting Parents**  
*Thursdays at 2 p.m. — Classroom 14*  
If you have a child or loved one struggling with addiction, mental illness, incarceration, or other life-altering events, we offer support and encouragement for you — the parent or grandparent.

For more information, please call the Congregational Care Office at (352) 750-4529. We welcome all in our community who need this support; it is not just for members.

**The Gift of Prayer**  
The prayer quilts on the altar rail are for: Lauren Wisehart who has a brain tumor; and Jean Nicholson who has stage-4 bone cancer. Prayers are requested for peace, comfort, hope, and healing.

**Our Christian Love and Sympathy are Extended to...**  
Barb Townsend, family and friends on the passing of her mother; Brenda Boyd, family and friends on the passing of her nephew Randall Greenfield; and Jim Hahn, family and friends on the passing of his wife Judy.  
*For dates and locations of memorial services, please check our website: [www.ncumcfl.com](http://www.ncumcfl.com).*

**New Concerns**  
Janet Argenziano, Brenda Kay Boncore, Briana, Bruton/Greenfield Family, Linda & Charlie Byus, Dr. James H. Currier, Julia DeWitt, John Farmer, Roy Greenberg, Sharon Jack, Jerry May, Jake Pitts, Leslie Smith, Jack Snyder, Raymond Sturtevant, Joyce Swing,

# Concerts & Events

**Unless Otherwise Noted, all tickets are available by one of these methods.**

- The interactive links in the electronic newsletter
- [www.ncumcfl.com/events](http://www.ncumcfl.com/events)
- [www.itickets.com](http://www.itickets.com) or call 1-800-965-9324
- Ticket Kiosk in the Narthex



## **Mike Williams, Laugh Out Loud Comedy**

*Tuesday, January 21 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

Stand-up comic, entertainer, radio personality, CD artist, author and more, Mike Williams has been making people laugh and learn for 17 years. A 2017 Dove Award winner for humor, Williams knows how to make people laugh with outrageously funny, clean humor.

**\$10 (At-door Suggested Donation)**

A portion of the net proceeds will support the Youth Ministry Summer Mission Trips.



## **The Villages Symphonic Winds with Special Guest Angie Rose**

*Sunday, January 26 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

The Villages Symphonic Winds will present a concert for the "Young and Young at Heart" with special guest New Covenant's Angie Rose. Angie will sing a special arrangement of the classic children's book, *Goodnight Moon*. Other selections include: *Casey at the Bat*, *Carnival of the Animals*, *You Make Me Feel So Young*, and of course, the *Music of Disneyland*.

**Tickets: \$15**

If you are reading this electronically, click [www.itickets.com/register/new/440451](http://www.itickets.com/register/new/440451) to purchase tickets from home, or stop by the Ticket Kiosk following weekend Worship Services if you require assistance.

Presented in partnership with Beds & Blankets, an Outreach Ministry of New Covenant.



## **"An Evening of Hope"**

*Thursday, January 30 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

Featuring Sean Pollock, Angie Rose, Janice Swartz, Mark Steven Schmidt, David Rowan, and Bill Doherty, join us for this evening of song and powerful testimonies as we support the House of Hope as they continue in the fight against addiction.

**\$20 (At -door suggested donation)**



## **Greater Vision**

*Friday, February 7 at 6 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

Returning by your request, don't miss a chance to hear this group which has inspired audiences with their rich vocal blend for over a quarter of a century. Greater Vision is the most-awarded trio in the history of Gospel Music.

If you are reading this electronically, click [www.itickets.com/register/new/439701](http://www.itickets.com/register/new/439701) to purchase tickets from home, or stop by the Ticket Kiosk following weekend Worship Services if you require assistance.

**Tickets: \$15**

Sponsored by the Men's Ministry of New Covenant, Summerhill Campus.





## Seeds of Hope

*Thursday, February 13 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

Our very own Angie Rose and Mark Steven Schmidt will be joined once again by The Villages' favorite Billie Thatcher in this annual concert. Donations of cash or nonperishable food items will be accepted to support the Wildwood Food Pantry and the Wildwood Soup Kitchen.



## Backpacks for Kids Concert

*Monday, March 2 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

Returning in this annual concert, Angie Rose and Sean Pollock present "Broadway and Beyond."

Watch the newsletters and church website for information regarding ticket sales.

Net proceeds will support the Backpacks for Kids program, an Outreach Ministry of New Covenant.



## Celebration Brass Band with Special Guests

*Sunday, March 15, 2020 at 6 PM — Summerhill Campus*

Joining the Celebration Brass Band, conducted by Jill Van Syckel, will be the *Brass Band of Central Florida (BBCF)*. Under the music direction of Gareth Pritchard, BBCF features Central Florida's finest brass and percussion musicians performing in the British brass-band style with traditional British brass band instrumentation.

The BBCF has an active performance schedule of concerts, outreach programs, and competitions throughout the United States and the United Kingdom.

### **Tickets: \$20**

Tickets are currently on sale through iTickets and at our Ticket Kiosk between weekend Worship Services. Tickets will also be available at The Villages Box Office in February. If you are reading this electronically, click this link <https://www.itickets.com/register/new/441820> to purchase tickets.



## The Martins

*Thursday, March 26 at 7 p.m. — Summerhill Campus*

Siblings, Joyce, Jonathan, and Judy, collectively known as The Martins, have enjoyed countless radio hits and performances at concert halls, arenas, auditoriums and churches worldwide.

During the 1990s, The Martins rose to national and international success, showcasing their stunning and distinctive harmonies before a vast array of audiences, from legendary singer/songwriter Bill Gaither's multi-award winning Homecoming Video and Concert Series to the White House to Carnegie Hall. Over the years the trio garnered eight Dove Awards from the Gospel Music Association, as well as a prestigious Grammy nomination.

Watch the newsletters and church website for information regarding ticket sales.

Net proceeds will benefit the Summerhill Discipleship ministries of New Covenant.

## **Save the Date**

*April 19 • The Villages Symphonic Winds*

*April 28 • Choralettes*

*May 3 • The Villages Flute Choir*

*May 7 • The Booth Brothers*