

## **Annual Gathering Regional Coordinator Report**

### **Region 6**

Grace and Peace be with you from Region Six.

The year started well last July with all 6 of the secretariats having Delegate Representation at the National Gathering, Lake Gaston, Via de Cristo of East Tennessee, Atlanta Via de Cristo, South Carolina Via de Cristo, Western North Carolina Via de Cristo and Eastern North Carolina Via de Cristo. The regional breakouts were well attended, and many ideas were discussed.

Most of my energy towards the movement over the past years involved my role as Rector for ENCVdC Mix #102 in November. I also had many visits with the Secretariat for Lake Gaston, and the Leaders for Mixed #1. I also was on team for that Lake Gaston #1 and team meetings were held have support from outside the Lake Gaston community with folks from Eastern NC filling many roles and one individual coming down from Baltimore. As well as having a pastor on team for the Tidewater (Norfolk) Area serving a Spiritual Director. That weekend has been rescheduled to the spring of 2021 due to the COVID 19 Pandemic.

Two secretariats held successful weekends in February 2020. And to the best of my knowledge all secretariats had to cancel spring weekends due to the pandemic and some have cancelled all 2020 weekends.

As I review the past year, communication continues to be a problem. Getting responses to emails seems to head the list. I have reached out to all the secretariats. Responses typically take a while and with no response from two.

Websites seem to be slow in being updated. One website if not functioning at all.

Despite these problems, I do receive some good news. Reunion Groups continue to meet via Zoom or other electronic formats as well as Secretariat Meetings being conducted. We will all miss the hugs and personal contact, the conversations over lunch and a lot of the things that happen at The National Gathering, but it too will go on.

We know that God is in control of things and when the Pandemic Crisis passes things will begin to move forward again. For everything there is a season. This is the season of waiting. I am sure there will be adjustments in how things have been done in the past as we find what will be the “new normal”. As the saying goes, nothing is certain but change.

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