

The Faith Script

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“A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones.” Proverbs 17:22 (KJV)

[Prayer Wall](#)

The Fellowship of CPFI

Fellowship through CPFI has meant a great deal to my life. The joy of getting to know other Christians, who are pharmacists, has been great.

I was introduced to CPFI when another pharmacist shared their experience of a CPFI prayer breakfast at an ASHP Mid-Year Clinical Meeting. I want others to experience what I have found. CPFI has filled a niche in my professional life that no other professional organization has done. The reason is that we are a “fellowship.” As a fellowship of believers in Jesus Christ we are equals, friends, and have a comradeship.

Through the years pharmacists have had different education requirements to reach the goal of being a pharmacist. Through my tenure as pharmacist I have had the privilege of working with people with various educational backgrounds: three-year pharmaceutical chemists (Ph.C.), four and five-year bachelor of science in pharmacy (BS Pharm.), six-year doctor of pharmacy (Pharm D), those with master of science (MS), those with doctor of philosophy (PhD), and those who, following their pharmacy degrees, obtained degrees in the dentistry and medicine fields. At CPFI, while respecting the difference in educational backgrounds and work experiences, we realize our souls are all the same at the foot of the cross: in need of salvation. The playing field is always leveled at the foot of the cross. This is where CPFI’s ministry is so important; it is a ministry that encourages one another. *Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.* I Thessalonians 5:11 (ESV) How easy it is to become discouraged when we feel all alone.

Through CPFI we have the opportunity to expand our horizons and get out of our comfort zones. Some of these opportunities include contributing to publications, serving at the CPFI headquarters, serving on short-term health care missions, writing to encourage long-term pharmacy missionaries or working at their practice sites to allow them a much needed furlough, encouraging students at pharmacy schools, giving Christian perspectives on pharmaceutical matters to local civic groups that need speakers, serving on CPFI committees, serving on the board of directors, and the list goes on.

Great education and the fellowship of other believers may be found at the CPFI Annual Conference. The beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains in western North Carolina are the site of this year’s conference on June 6-9, and the National Student Retreat on June 5-9, 2013. The location is the Bonclarken Conference Center in Flat Rock, NC.

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Nena Lindrose, CPFI Administrative Director, says it best as she describes the 2013 CPFI Annual Conference & National Student Retreat: “Enjoy several days of faith integrated pharmacy education, opportunities to fellowship and network with friends and colleagues, and a time of refreshment away from busy schedules. A country barbeque for Friday evening has been planned which includes ‘beach ball’ volleyball (students vs. professionals), a dual 700 ft. zipline, and singing and toasting marshmallows around a campfire. On Saturday afternoon join a guided tour of The Cove – Billy Graham Training Center or explore nearby historic Hendersonville and Asheville. The Cove tour will be led by CPFI member, Robert Stillwell. The area also boasts beautiful hiking trails with breathtaking mountain vistas which can be enjoyed at Chimney Rock Park, DuPont State Forest, Pisgah National Forest, Mount Mitchell, and the Blue Ridge Parkway. The Biltmore Estate is also within a short drive.

This year, for the first time, our CPFI student members will host a National Student Retreat in conjunction with the Annual Conference. Students will arrive on Wednesday, June 5, 2013, and the retreat will begin in the evening and continue on Thursday. Students are invited to join the pharmacy continuing education session beginning at 2:30PM on Thursday. Additional student activities are planned for Thursday evening and Saturday evening.

Pharmacy continuing education sessions begin at 2:30PM on Thursday and a total of twelve CE credits will be available. Registration for the conference opens at 1:00PM on Thursday.”

Visit the CPFI website <http://www.cpfi.org/annual-meeting> to register for the conference, and www.Bonclarken.org to learn more about Bonclarken Conference Center.

The Lord bless thee and keep thee:
The Lord make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee:
The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.
Numbers 6: 24-26 (KJV)

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CPFI Board Member

Please join us for the 2013 CPFI Annual Conference & National Student Retreat

Bonclarken Conference Center
500 Pine Drive, Flat Rock, North Carolina
Annual Conference: June 6 to June 9, 2013
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