



The **Faith Script**

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*For where two or three are gathered in My name [meeting together as My followers], I am there among them.*

*Matthew 18:20 (AMP)*

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~A note from the President~

*Why am I a member of Christian Pharmacists Fellowship International (CPFI)?*

After working several years in retail pharmacy, I decided to try the route of being a pharmaceutical representative for a company called E.R. Squibb and Sons (now Bristol-Myers Squibb). One day while calling on the pharmacy at Shaw AFB, Sumter, SC, the pharmacist picked up an envelope and said "I think you need to look into this." It was an application for membership in CPFI. I took it home and Llewellyn and I talked about it and prayed about it and I joined. We both attended the first annual meeting in Orlando, FL. in 1988. At that meeting we met Fred Eckel, Keith Allhands, along with others, including Dr. and Mrs. Warren Weaver (the founding father of CPFI). CPFI began with an office in Dr. Weaver's home. CPFI has had offices in pharmacy schools, a house office, and now an office at Christian Medical-Dental Association. I have found that fellowship with other believing pharmacists is so refreshing!

*Why have I stayed in CPFI?*

I have made many friends from all around the world who believe as I do, that Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior. We have gotten to travel to many places we never would have gone without the benefit of this group. In CPFI I have grown deeper in my faith and have made progress in sharing my faith. Even though this is an international organization, there is more fellowship and love than you can find in many other organizations. Another important benefit is the amazing programs that are offered each year at the annual meeting. They are all pharmacy topics, but most with a Christian perspective. The heart of CPFI has been the pharmacists who have a heart for Christ and show it.

*What do I think of the future of CPFI?*

I think in the future CPFI will continue to grow if each of us will talk to our pharmacist friends and acquaintances and ask them to consider joining CPFI. We do need members. I see the future of CPFI to be very exciting. Where can you go and get 12-15 hours of CE from a 501(C)3 organization? Since student chapters continue to send more students to our annual meetings, this is another star for CPFI and its future.

*What does God see as my part in CPFI?*

As one of the past presidents of CPFI, I am aware of some of the ins and outs of how CPFI works. I want to help grow our membership. What does God see as your part in CPFI? Will you help me make CPFI even greater by asking your fellow pharmacists to invest \$120 in dues in CPFI? Students – Will you help me make CPFI even greater by asking your student pharmacists to invest \$30.00 and join CPFI?

I am not sinless but try my best to sin less, and the fellowship I have found with like minded pharmacists has made that easier.

**4 Tools of the Trade**

While sitting at my desk, I glanced over at my shelves. Yes, there are typical items you expect to see in most any professor's office: books, notebooks, journals. Then there are items specific for pharmacists: mortar, pestle, counting tray, syringe, spatulas, ointment slab, graduated cylinders, flasks, bottles, weights, balances, coffee cups (ok, the later could be in both lists). Both collections are what I refer to as tools of the trade. Without these items, it would be very hard to engage in our profession. Sure, some are more used than others depending upon our specialty; however, they are part of our profession and serve specific purposes. As a Christian, we have additional tools available, if you will allow some latitude: Holy Spirit, Bible, prayer, fellowship, instruction, worship, reference works. As a Christian Pharmacist, we have a great opportunity and responsibility to incorporate the Christian trade tools with the pharmacist trade tools. An exciting opportunity to learn how to do this and see it in action is at the CPFI 2020 Annual Conference & National Student Retreat at Bonclarken Conference Center in Flat Rock, North Carolina June 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> [REGISTER](#) If you have never been to one of these fellowship, instruction, and worship meetings, you are missing out on a wonderful and rewarding experience. A superb meeting is planned for pharmacists, students, family, and friends. If you have attended, I'm sure you are hoping to come again! I hope to see you in less than 4 months in North Carolina.

Jeffrey T. Copeland, President

Your Friend in Christ, Herb Hames

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## **APhA Annual Meeting & Exposition CPFI Prayer Breakfast**

Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center  
National Harbor, MD (minutes from Washington, DC)

Prayer Breakfast: March 22, 2020

Room: Annapolis 2

Time: 7:30 AM to 8:45 AM

Speaker: Jennifer Sands

Message: *“By God’s Grace and for God’s Glory:  
a 9/11 Widow’s Ongoing Journey”*

## **Save the Dates!**

### **CPFI 2020 Annual Conference & National Student Retreat**

Bonclarken Conference Center

500 Pine Drive

Flatrock, North Carolina 28731



Student Retreat: June 3 to 7, 2020

Annual Conference : June 4 to 7, 2020

*Theme: ‘Faith Can Move Mountains’ from Mark 11:23 and  
Matthew 17:20*

[View Video](#)

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Registration opens: January 10, 2020

Registration closes: May 18, 2020

Early Bird Registration with drawing closes: March 23, 2020

## **Silent Auction**

Help sponsor our 2020 CPFI Hands & Feet Grants for  
Student Chapter community service projects  
by bidding on items and donating items for the  
2020 Annual Conference Silent Auction!

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*“For I can testify that they gave not only what they could afford, but far more. And they did it of their own free will.” II Corinthians 8:3(NLT)*

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CPFI welcomes articles with a Christian focus. If you are interested in contributing an article for possible publication in our journal, Christianity & Pharmacy, please submit your manuscript directly to the CPFI office or to the editor. The deadlines for the journal: Spring Journal, December 1; Fall Journal, July 1.

## Short Term Foreign Mission Opportunities

CPFI partners with the Christian Medical and Dental Association, the Fellowship of Christian Nurses and the Fellowship of Christian Physician Assistants to send out short term medical teams through Global Health Outreach. The primary care teams are usually one or two weeks, and our goal is to have two pharmacists on each team. Below is a list of upcoming trips. For a complete list of the projects and dates, visit the [GHO website](http://GHO website) which can be accessed from the CPFI website [www.cphi.org](http://www.cphi.org) or the CMDA website [www.cmda.org](http://www.cmda.org).

### Upcoming GHO Short Term Projects

<b>Mar 7 – 15, 2020</b> Guatemala	<b>Jun 25 – Jul 3, 2020</b> Panama
<b>Mar 7 – 15, 2020</b> Nicaragua	<b>Jul 11 – 19, 2020</b> Dominican Republic
<b>Mar 14 – 22, 2020</b> Dominican Republic	<b>Jul 11 – 18, 2020</b> Jamaica
<b>Mar 14 – 22, 2020</b> Ecuador	<b>Jul 11 – 18, 2020</b> Nicaragua
<b>Mar 19 – 28, 2020</b> Eastern Europe	<b>Jul 23 – Aug 8, 2020</b> Tanzania
<b>Mar 21 – 29, 2020</b> El Salvador	<b>Jul 25 – Aug 2, 2020</b> Guatemala
<b>Mar 27 – Apr 5, 2020</b> Greece	<b>Jul 31 – Aug 11, 2020</b> Ghana
<b>Mar 28 – Apr 7, 2020</b> Nicaragua	<b>Aug 1 – 14, 2020</b> Kenya
<b>May 23 – 31, 2020</b> Honduras	<b>Aug 1 – 9, 2020</b> Honduras
<b>May 23 – 31, 2020</b> Nicaragua	<b>Aug 21 – 30, 2020</b> Bethlehem
<b>May 29 – Jun 12, 2020</b> Lebanon	<b>Aug 22 – 30, 2020</b> Nicaragua
<b>Jun 6 – 14, 2020</b> El Salvador	<b>Sep 11 – 24, 2020</b> North Africa
<b>Jun 12 – 25, 2020</b> Zambia	<b>Sep 18 – 26, 2020</b> Moldova
<b>Jun 20 – 28, 2020</b> Dominican Republic	<b>Oct 3 – 13, 2020</b> East Africa
<b>Jun 20 – 28, 2020</b> Ecuador	<b>Oct 9 – 18, 2020</b> West Africa
<b>Jun 22 – Jul 2, 2020</b> Thailand	<b>Oct 9 – 18, 2020</b> Greece

The GHO website provides a link for each trip, the name of each team leader, and the estimated cost of each trip. You may apply on-line to participate in the trip of your choice or e-mail Keith Allhands, [kwallhands@gmail.com](mailto:kwallhands@gmail.com) the Mission Committee Chair for additional information.