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What's New?

Rev. Dr. Ashley Cleere, Executive Director

As we bask in ongoing resurrection celebrations, signs of newness abound! Here at the NACCC office in Oak Creek, Wisconsin, we are pleased to welcome a new staff member. Andrea McCall will assume the role of Executive Assistant on April 19. In this newly created position, she will provide direct administrative support for the Executive Director and Chief Financial Officer and assistance for the Board of Directors and the Leadership Council. She will also handle overall office management services. Andrea was an administrative assistant at a large, suburban church for the past eleven years.



Her prior experience includes leadership of a team of 30 volunteers in a school setting. As an artist, Andrea has owned a business since 2002, selling prints of her watercolor and ink fish paintings. Please join us in celebrating one of many new beginnings!

Nominees Sought for Charles Rush Award

Julie Robie, Missions Coordinator

On behalf of the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches (NACCC), the Mission and Outreach Ministry Council (MOMC) is accepting nominations for The Charles Rush Award. *This financial award is presented to minority persons who are working with Congregational Christian Churches toward worthwhile social and personal goals.* The award is intended to exemplify the excellent spirit of The Rev. Charles Rush, and to emphasize the importance of Christian social involvement. The Rush Award is presented at the Annual Meeting and Conference of the NACCC.

Rev. Charles Rush's life of unselfish service as an educator and minister, friend of the Free Church, and active participant in the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches set an example for many. His friends have honored his memory by establishing this fund in his name.

Final determination of each year's winner(s) is made by the Missionary and Outreach Ministry Council, as is the amount of the award. The recipients' travel expenses to and from the Annual Meeting including room and board for up to forty-eight (48) hours will be paid out of the Charles F. Rush Memorial Fund.

Please email letters of nomination to Julie Robie. They may also be sent to Julie Robie, NACCC Missions Coordinator, 184 Main Street, Kingston, NH, 03848. Applications will be received until May 12, 2023.



Join us for
Spring Webinars

Brainstorm VBS
Making Vacation Bible School
Happen in the Smaller Church

Thursday, April 27, 2023
3:00-4:00 p.m. CT



Important Dates &
Deadlines

Providence Endowment Grant
Annual Meeting & Conference Grant
Deadline extended to April 30th
[Details & Application](#)

[Details & RSVP](#)

Church Safety

Armed Intruder Preparedness

Introduction

Thursday, May 18, 2023

10:00-11:15 a.m. CT

[Details & RSVP](#)

J.J. Russell Sermon Award

Annual Meeting & Conference Grant
Deadline for submissions – April 30th

[Details](#)

Excellence in Ministry Awards

Bradshaw and Butman Awards
Deadline for submission – April 30th

[Details](#)

Charles Rush Award

Annual Meeting & Conference Grant
Deadline for submission – May 12th

[Details](#)

2023 Annual Meeting & Conference

Registration deadline – May 20th

[Details](#)

Top 10 Reasons...

to come to Milwaukee, WI in June:

#4 Daring Speakers - risky proposition, dangerous mission, precarious adventure, and bold responsibility of the church

Plenary session speakers will address issues related to the Re-Imagination and Re-Formation of our churches, embracing lament, the gospel as good news for everyone, and the joy of generosity!

THE **daring**
endeavor OF

Being Church

For more information
on these speakers
[Speakers' Information &
Plenary Sessions](#)

NACCC Annual Meeting
June 24-27, 2023
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