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The Ministry of the Written Word

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FROM THE CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB PRESIDENT

As we start the year 2023, The Church Periodical Club has been busy with updating our Manual. We have updated job descriptions and will continue to do this until all job descriptions have been updated. We continue to revise our Manual, and this will continue until it is completed.

All our Seminaries have received their Grants for the 2022 year. When we have our Granting Session sometime in the later part of June 2023, we will then designate an amount that each Seminary will receive.

We have our Quilt Auction in the first part of March, and this is done through Rally-Up and have some beautiful Quilts to raffle off. Please make note of the email address when it is sent out for our raffle. We welcome your assistance in this as this money goes to our National Book Fund.



Our communications are stronger, and we are becoming more noticeable throughout the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion. We continue to grow so that the Written Word is spread throughout the world. We encourage submissions of applications for our National Book Fund (deadline is March 1st) and our Miles of Pennies Fund. With each application that we receive and approve, we are spreading our ministry of the Written Word throughout the world.

We continue to work with The Episcopal Church Women (ECW) and the United Thank Offering (UTO). Through our work with our associates, the Written Word continues to be spread throughout the world.

We continue to update our website and ask that you go to <https://churchperiodical.com> to see the changes that have taken place in this past year and the new changes taking place in 2023.

Rev. Deacon Judy Graves, CPC President

FROM THE HISTORIAN, THE REV. JOHN CRIST:



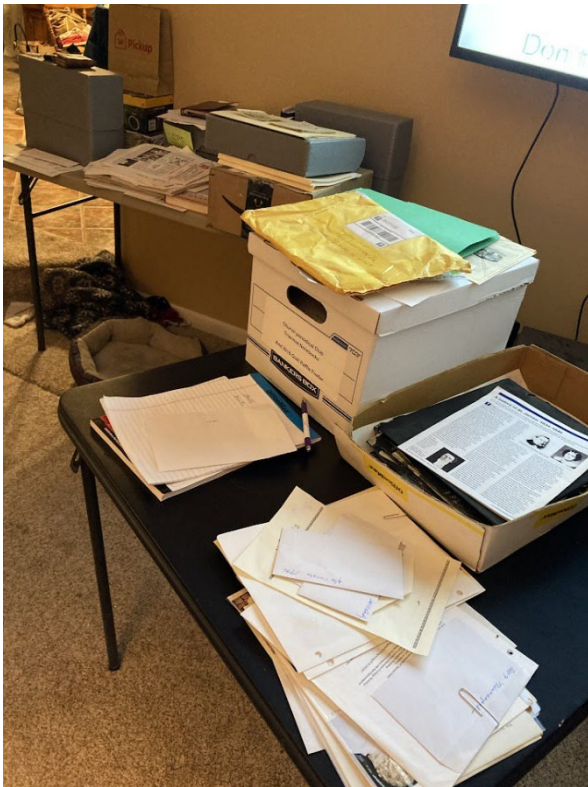
I have worked on processing material that I have received and organizing into categories. Now I have moved to indexing our files. Our dog Shorty supervises and guards the workspace.

Please check with your province if any of them have materials.

We do have confirmation that Mortimer and Mary Ann were married in Ohio in 1871.

There still is no definite timetable to go to The Episcopal Church archives in Austin, TX. I will keep you informed when I get access.

I have the following Quarterly issues and would appreciate it if you could look to see if you have any of the missing issues, not on this list.



Spring 1993
Fall 1993
Winter 1996
Summer 1997 (These two are
July 1997 not duplicates)
Summer 2012
Winter 2013
Spring 2014
Fall 2014
Summer 2022
Fall 2022

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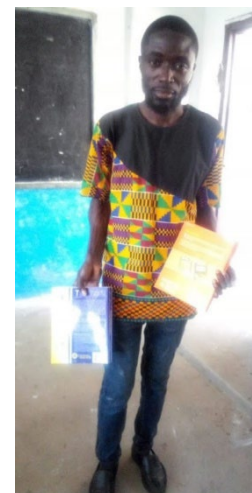
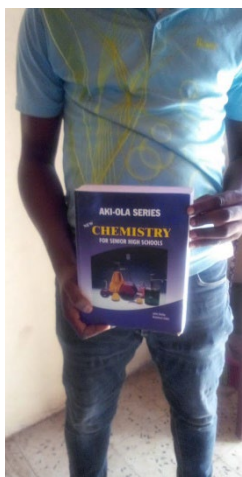
We also need diocesan materials and parish materials as well.

If sending materials via email, then either send screen shot including reference of where material was obtained or website so that I can authenticate our sources.

Thank you,
Rev John Crist

2022 MILES OF PENNIES FUND GRANTS

Francesca Onyejuruwa, Miles of Pennies Fund Chairperson



Dear Sis. Debbie Wiedwald,

I bring you greetings.

I first one to apologized for the delay in responding to your email. The reason is at the time of your email communication, I have not bought all of the books. Secondly, the books were bought, but taking it to it destination had been the main cause of you not getting those documents you are requesting for.

It took a month plus few days before the books arrived at the school, that's about few days ago. We have a bad road network in this part of the country. Presently, the only means of fast transportation is motorbike that take you for over 14 to 16 hours to reach. We could not use motorbike to transportation the books because of the quantity. We used transportation truck to transport them and it took a month plus.

Finally, the books are here at the school, we are putting all of the required documents together for submission to your office. This will be done latest Wednesday.

Again, I'm sorry for the delay.

Mother Flemister knows what I'm talking about, she has worked in Liberia before and knows the conditions of our road.

May God bless all of you for the gift.

Thanks.

Fr. John Sackie.

Principal, St. Paul's Parish High school, Greenville, Sinoe county, Liberia.

FROM Partners-in-Ministry-in-Liberia (PIMIL)

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Miles of Pennies Grant Success – The PIMIL Council is very pleased to announce that our ministry was chosen to receive a grant from the Miles of Pennies program of the Church Periodical Club of the Episcopal Church. The grant is for \$840, which represents one mile of pennies laid end-to-end. We are very grateful for the Church Periodical Club's generosity.

Using the grant, PIMIL purchased 34 books for St. Paul's High School in Greenville, Sinoe County. The books were purchased from local vendors, including the Ministry of Education bookstore in Monrovia, and cover English, Math, Science, and Social Studies. Father John Sackie, principal of St. Paul's, was PIMIL's in-country point person for arranging for the purchase of the books and their transportation to the school. . . . The road from Monrovia to Greenville is horrendous, and it took the books a month to get to the school.

Father Sackie sent us this link to a short documentary about taxi drivers on the road, <https://fb.watch/hi-PONmsVa/?mibextid=2Rb1fB> We encourage our readers to watch the video to get a true sense of travel in rural Liberia. The PIMIL Council expresses our sincere appreciation to Father Sackie for his help with this project and for all he does for our ministry. Thank you so much, Father.

THE CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB AND ST. PHILIP'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, RICHMOND, VA



The partnership between these two entities was a blessing from the beginning. The thought of securing funding was obviously something that we needed as we dealt with a "blessed interruption" and the eventuality of coming back to in-person church. It was clear that NBF was worth pursuing knowing that it could be a wonderful collaboration to move us past covid-19 and the reopening of our doors. The resources that were available could certainly enhance our efforts to welcome our parishioners back together.

As a loving and faithful community in Richmond, VA, St. Philip's is one of the oldest churches in the Diocese of Virginia. We recently celebrated our 161st anniversary and focused on the theme of reflect, rejoice and renew. Receiving the church periodical fund grant helped us enhance that theme and respond to the preparation of our doors reopening and parishioners coming back to in person worship. We focused on the following areas of shared ministry.

- ✦ The Music Ministry
- ✦ The Children's Ministry
- ✦ The Community Garden Ministry
- ✦ The Young Adult and Adult Ministry

Our worship team uses the music ministry to connect the liturgy, prayers and sermon. The children/young adults and adults ministry were more interested in non-traditional services. The community garden ministry offered open, safe space for services outdoors where many congregants felt more comfortable. It also produced nutritious vegetables needed for a healthy lifestyle. The positive effect of connecting and utilizing the collective efforts of those with like-minded ideas and goals brought our church family together to work on shared projects. As we returned to in-person church, it was important to ensure that St. Philip's continued to not just survive but also to thrive in our community.

Written material requested and received included

- ✦ The African American Hymnal (50 copies)
- ✦ We're Different, We're the Same, And We're All Wonderful (25 copies)
- ✦ Does God Like to Color? (25 copies)
- ✦ Love Is the Way: Holding On To Hope In Troubling Times, By Michael Curry (75 copies)
- ✦ Grow, Cook, Eat, A Food Lover's Guide to Vegetable Gardening (50 copies)



St. Philip's is most appreciative of the assistance from the Church Periodical Club, National Book Fund grant.

In gratitude and thanksgiving, Ernestine Armstrong for Phenie Golatt, CPC Diocesan Director of Virginia

A STARTER KIT FOR CPC COLLECTION.



Grace Episcopal Pontiac Illinois collects for CPC throughout Epiphany.

This year we gave out starter kits for people to use for their collection complete with a CPC prayer card, a red bag and some change.

Money is then collected the Sunday before Ash Wednesday with all pennies going to Miles of Pennies and the rest for the National Book Fund.

Some carry it in their purse while others have it on the kitchen table. We encourage them to add something every day especially if they read a paper, a book, a magazine, their Prayer Book, Bible, a letter even junk mail.

FROM THE CPC QUARTERLY EDITOR

The work of the Church Periodical Club is performed by the elected officers, provincial representatives and committees appointed by the president. Serving on a committee is a good way to share CPC's ministry and to get to know other members.

- ✦ Media committee to produce a printed or electronic publication and to send notices to Episcopal publications and social media.
- ✦ Parliamentary Committee, chaired by the Parliamentarian, to keep the by-laws, policies and procedures of the board and the manuals up to date; the Parliamentarian provides meeting management assistance.
- ✦ Technical Support Committee to maintain the website with the web designer and to provide online meeting support.
- ✦ Membership Committee to maintain the annual and life membership lists and to send regular communications to life members.
- ✦ "En Espanol" Committee to translate as many materials as possible into Spanish.
- ✦ Worship Committee, chaired by the Chaplain, to provide worship at all meetings; the Chaplain provides spiritual direction when necessary.
- ✦ Historical Committee, chaired by the Historian, to manage archival support, research, and corporate memory.

FEBRUARY IS CELEBRATION TIME

Request an adult grant by March 1st. Grants for children also available.

Prayer books, books for seminarians and diaconands, educational materials, medical textbooks, agricultural manuals, and books for those in local and global mission are some of the publications The Church Periodical Club supplies.



See website for more information:

<https://churchperiodical.com>

Purchase some quilt and Afghan tickets at

<http://go.rallyup.com/cpc2023>.

Site goes live on February first with drawing on March 1st.

Have a CPC ingathering – A CPC Sunday.

Need materials? Website has products and order form.

Celebrate on February 24 birthday of our Founder Mary Ann Fargo.

Host a book club, a gathering of pennies for children's grants, and learn how CPC supports seminarians and diaconands.

QUILTS AND FIBER RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

The annual quilt and Afghan raffle begins February 1st and ends with the drawing March 1st.

Tickets may be purchased at
<http://go.rallyup.com/cpc2023>.

This year's quilts include:

- ✦ a Hawaiian quilt (queen size) made with vibrant Aloha print fabrics,
- ✦ a hand designed and knitted ivory 72"x60" double Afghan in an Aran-style pattern with love knots made by Jane Schenck, life member from the Diocese of Chicago, and
- ✦ a hand-quilted Mennonite quilt (queen size).

All can be seen on our website.



Proceeds go to restricted funds for the work of CPC.



**Church Periodical Club
Ministry of the Written Word**

Questions??????? Maryfrancrist64@gmail.com

National Books Fund Grants by the Church Periodical Club.

Applications due March 1



The
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The National Books Fund, a ministry of the Church Periodical Club (CPC), makes grants for written and electronic materials, both religious and secular, for adults for programs affiliated with Episcopal entities. The application deadline is March 1, 2023, and grants are made in June. Grants can be made for written materials of all types, including magazines, e-books, and workbooks.

Learn more and apply
<https://churchperiodical.com/>

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CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB PRAYER

Bless O Lord, The Church Periodical Club, that it may be an instrument for the spread of your Word throughout the world. Grant to its officers wisdom and patience, to its members perseverance and the spirit of sharing that asks no return. Bring more to take part in its mission and ministry. Bless our gifts and those who receive them, to the enrichment of individual lives, that we all may be servants of the risen Lord. Amen.