

Participants Guide

We are so glad you will be joining us for the West Kentucky Encounter. We believe your life will never be the same. We just have one important request. **PLEASE** come with an open heart & let God do the rest! We understand you may have questions about your Encounter weekend, so we have listed some important information below. May God richly bless you!

Leaving for the retreat:

All participants will first meet at 5:00 PM on Friday evening at:

Bridge of Hope
1005 South Main Street
Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42240

We will be leaving for the retreat facility at 6:00 PM sharp! Please be prepared to park your vehicle for the weekend at Bridge of Hope or have someone drop you off as transportation will be provided to the retreat facility.

Returning from the retreat:

We will be returning to Bridge of Hope (*address above*) for the “Welcome Home Celebration” at 6:00 PM on Sunday evening. We highly encourage your loved ones and friends to attend the “Welcome Home Celebration”. Please have your loved ones and friends arrive for the celebration between 5:40 and 5:50 PM.

In the event of an emergency, your loved one(s) can call: **270-625-2299** or **270-270-498-6070**. ***Please remember to leave these numbers with your loved one(s).***

What to Bring:

1. Comfortable (modest) clothing for 3 days and 2 nights. Please nothing inappropriate for a group setting. Bring additional clothes if you wish to be baptized.
2. Twin size bed sheet/blanket or sleeping bag and a pillow. Cabins are heated and air conditioned, but plan accordingly.
3. Bring slippers or other foot covering to wear inside the cabin. Bare feet and socks will become dirty.
4. Shower shoes or slippers to wear in and around the showers.
5. Please pack all belongings in one luggage piece (preferably a single duffel bag). Only a sleeping bag, rolled tight, will be accepted as a second piece.
6. Personal hygiene items such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste, towel for bathing & towel for baptism.

7. Ear plugs for light sleepers (accommodations are group dorm setting).

8. Meals and lodging are provided but you may want to purchase other items at the celebration (i.e. shirts, etc.).

9. A small umbrella, insect repellent and a jacket/sweatshirt.

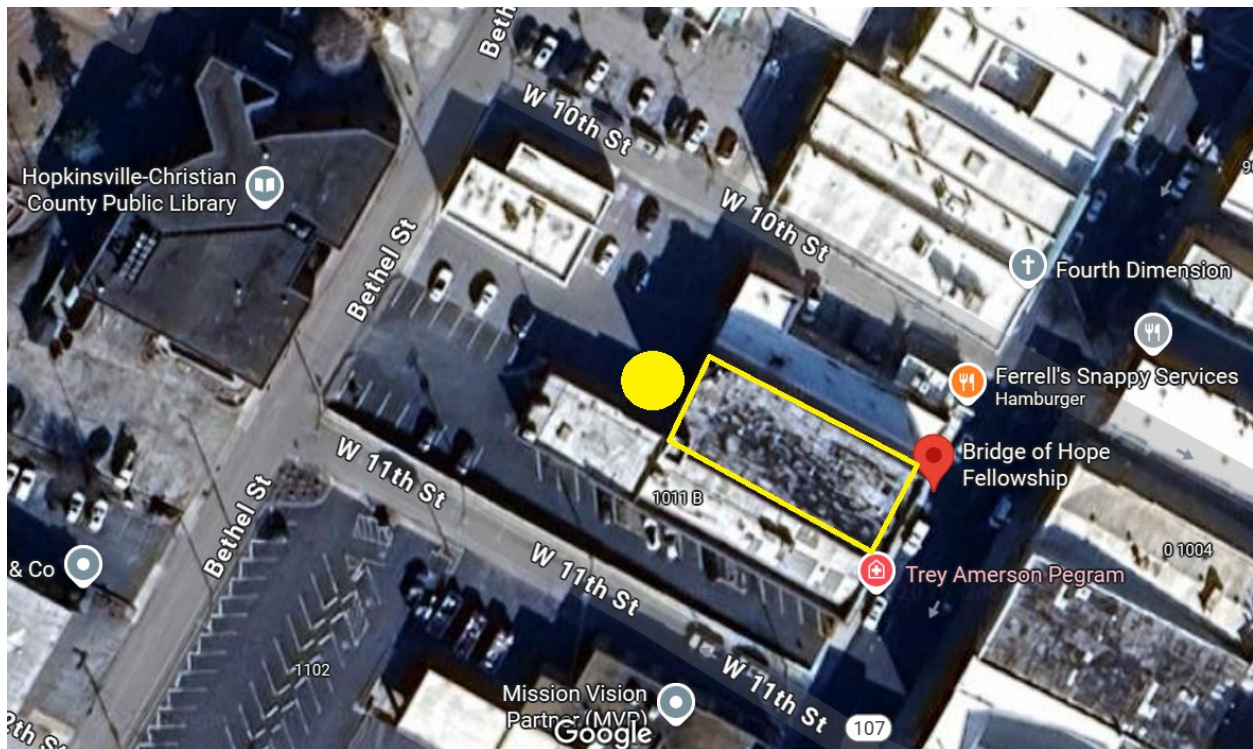
10. Most Importantly bring an **OPEN HEART!**

If there are any questions, please call or text:

270-625-2299 or 270-270-498-6070

At the Bridge of Hope (yellow rectangle), drop off and parking will be at the back of the building designated by the yellow circle, which is accessible from West 10th Street (from Bethel Street). There will be folks there to direct offloading, parking, etc. For those not familiar with Hopkinsville:

- South Main Street is a one way street in front of the Bridge of Hope
- West 10th Street is a one way street (access it from Bethel Street)
- West 11th Street is a one way street (access it from South Main Street)



Below shows the entrance we will use at the Bridge of Hope. This is what you will see as you are driving down West 10th Street (from Bethel Street towards South Main Street).

