**Participants Guide**

We are so glad you will be joining us for the West Kentucky Encounter. We believe that your life will never be the same again. We just have one important request – ***PLEASE*** come with an ***open*** ***heart*** – then let God do the rest! We understand you may have questions about the West Kentucky Encounter, 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:

**Caldwell County Butler Gymnasium**

**607 West Main Street**

**Princeton, Kentucky 42445**

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

**Returning from the retreat:**

We will be returning to the Butler Gym (*address above*) for the “*Welcome Home Celebration*” at 6:00 PM on Sunday evening. We 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 **270-625-2430**. ***Please remember to leave this number 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 and a towel for bathing.

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 repellant, snacks and a jacket/sweatshirt.

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

If there are any questions, please email us at:

[**westkentuckyencounters@gmail.com**](mailto:westkentuckyencounters@gmail.com)

At the Butler Gym, please park your vehicle in the areas designated by the **red check marks.** Please *do* *not* park in the areas designated by the **red X’s**. There will be attendants there to direct & assist as needed as well. Thank you!

