

Please mark your calendar for **The Retreat 2023, May 8-11, 2023!** This is a ministry for those ages 55 and up. We will again enjoy the beauty of nature that Springville Camp and Conference Center has to offer. We are expecting another great Retreat! Our special guest this year is **Comedian Tim Lovelace**. We enjoyed him and his ministry so much last year we have invited him back.

Tim Lovelace - As a Grammy and Dove nominated artist, this storyteller and musician has been described as the most versatile comedian on stage today. He uses humor to motivate and inspire by uniquely delivering life lessons. He also has an extraordinary way of weaving songs into his stage performance as he masterfully displays his musical abilities on piano, guitar, and harmonica. Tim's passion for life is contagious and effectual. The excitement in his comedy concerts cannot be described, it must be experienced. He not only wants people to laugh, but his ultimate goal is also to utilize humor with a purpose to encourage people to discover real joy and inspire them to passionately pursue their own dreams.

Please help us by letting your friends know about the retreat and encourage them to attend! Some of the activities we will be offering this year are:

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| -Bingo | -Canoeing/Kayaking/Paddle Boats |
| -Zip-lining | -Shopping Trip |
| -Fishing Tournament | -Nature Walks |
| -Giant Swing | -Paint Class |
| -Shooting Range | And MORE! |

*******Widow/Widower Luncheon*******

If you are a widow/widower, we would love for you to join us on Tuesday at noon for a special lunch in your honor. There will be a place on the registration form to sign up for the lunch. If you are not attending the retreat and live in the area and would just like to attend the lunch, you will be more than welcome. All we ask is that you please call Kristi at 334-279-7172 Ext. 4 and let her know you will be attending.

Our online registration opens March 1, 2023. Just to refresh, here are the details needed to register.

1. You will need to go to the AMN website, www.amnag.org.
2. Once the AMN website loads, click on **Events**, located at the top of the website.
3. Then locate and click on **The Retreat 2023** listed in orange letters.
4. Once you have selected The Retreat 2023, click the link stating **click here to register** typed in orange letters.

5. Under the Church Name on the registration, you will need to locate your church number by finding **your church's city**, and then the church name on the enclosed list.
6. Once you have filled out the form, you will have the option to pay online with a credit card or send a check to the Alabama Ministry Network Office.

If you are sending a check, please mail to: Alabama Ministry Network, 5919 Carmichael Road, Montgomery, AL 36117, Attn: CE Dept.

The cost for this retreat is \$125 per person. A \$75 non-refundable deposit is due at the time of registration to secure your spot. Each person planning to attend The Retreat must fill out an application. If you are paying by credit card the remaining balance will automatically be charged 1 week before the retreat. If you are paying your deposit by check, the remaining balance is due upon arrival at camp.

What you will need to bring:

Queen Sheets	Towels & Washcloths
Toiletries	Fishing Gear (optional)
Board Games/Cards	Lawn Chair (optional)
Snacks to share for evening fellowships	

Registration at camp begins at 1pm on May 8, 2023.

If you have a physical handicap and have difficulty using the stairs, please indicate this on your registration and request a ground floor room. ***The ground floor rooms will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis, according to severity of handicap.*** Please note, downstairs rooms are limited, so if you are physically able to room upstairs, please be mindful of those that cannot and leave the downstairs rooms for them.

Each year after the evening services we have a time of fellowship and refreshments. We ask that each one bring a homemade or store bought good to share with the group if you are able.

If you have any questions about registration, or the retreat, please call Kristi at 334-279-7172 Ext. 4 and she can walk you through the process or answer any questions you may have.

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