What is SERF?
SERF is the Southeastern Regional Fellowship of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) which includes the Regions of Alabama/Northwest Florida, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia.

What will happen at the SERF 2020 Women’s Event?
• Fellowship with Disciples Sisters
• Inspiring Keynote Speakers
• Informative Workshops
• Stories from International Sisters
• Dynamic Worship and Music
• Exhibits and Ten Thousand Villages Shopping
• Delicious Meals
• FUN! FUN! FUN!

Cost: $75 Registration plus housing and meals ($100 after Feb. 18). See separate registration form for housing options, prices, and deadlines.

More info: Facebook- “SERF Women’s Event” or “@DW.SERF2020” and online registration at Christmount.org

Weekend Hosts: The Alabama/Northwest Florida Region supported by sisters from all the SERF Regions.

Making Your Travel Plans: The event “officially” opens at 3:00pm Friday, March 13. Women are welcome to arrive on Thursday to enjoy the Asheville and Black Mountain area during the day on Friday.

An optional pre-event inspirational time is planned from 4:00-5:00pm on Friday. The program will begin after dinner with preaching from Rev. Dr. Cynthia Hale. The retreat will end by 11:00am on Sunday following Worship with Communion with preaching from Rev. Terri Hord Owens.

Location:
Christmount Christian Assembly
222 Fern Way
Black Mountain, NC 28711
www.christmount.org
Phone: (828) 669-8977

When: March 13-15, 2020
Where: Christmount Christian Assembly in Black Mountain, NC

Featuring:
The Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Hale
Founder and Senior Pastor,
The Ray of Hope Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Decatur GA

The Rev. Terri Hord Owens
General Minister and President,
Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in the US and Canada
"Shout from the Hills" is the theme of the weekend, drawing from Isaiah 42 and Psalm 98. Sisters will come together for inspiration to proclaim with joy the goodness, mercy, and justice of God. Our mountaintop experience of preaching, worship, music, workshops, stories of international sisters, rich conversation, fun, and fellowship will enrich, equip and motivate.

Isaiah 42:10-11
10 Sing to the Lord a new song, God’s praise from the end of the earth! Let the sea roar and all that fills it, the coastlands and their inhabitants.
11 Let the desert and its towns lift up their voice,... Let the inhabitants... sing for joy, let them shout from the tops of the mountains.

Psalm 98:7-9
7 Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.
8 Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy
9 at the presence of the Lord....

Meet our Keynoters:

The Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Hale is the Founder and Senior Pastor of the Ray of Hope Christian Church in Decatur, GA.

A woman of vision, Dr. Hale is revered for her leadership, integrity, and compassion. She is a recipient of numerous honors and recognitions and is a contributing writer to many books and publications. In 2010, Dr. Hale authored *I’m A Piece of Work: Sisters Shaped by God.*

Originally from Roanoke, VA, Dr. Hale received a B.A. in music from Hollins University; an M. Div. from Duke University; and a D. Min. from United Theological Seminary.

The Rev. Teresa "Terri" Hord Owens was elected as the General Minister and President of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in July 2017. She is the first person of color and second woman to lead the denomination. A descendant of one of the oldest African-American free settlements in Indiana and a Disciple since young adulthood, Hord Owens was dean of students at the University of Chicago Divinity School and pastor of First Christian Church of Downers Grove, IL, prior to her election.

Hord Owens is widely sought after as a preacher, speaker and workshop facilitator. She has been married for over 30 years to Walter Owens, Jr. They are the proud parents of an adult son, W. Mitchell Owens, III.