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# Camp Connect

A Communication of the Mt. Gretna Campmeeting

## Securing the Legacy of Our Historic Campmeeting Tabernacle

Through thick and thin, good times and bad, humid summers, rainy days, and all the trials and tribulations our world can put forth, one constant in Mt. Gretna has been our Campmeeting Tabernacle. In its century and a quarter of life, that building has seen it all. Never complaining, just providing the best venue imaginable for all kinds of events. In 2023, it is estimated that somewhere between 15 to 20 thousand people used and enjoyed that special space.

It is the centerpiece of our community, and all she ever really requires is our love and attention to keep her structurally happy and healthy. And right now we've arrived at just one of those critical moments. The Mt. Gretna Tabernacle Association, a 501c(3) organization, respectfully requests your consideration for assistance in the replacement of the roof of our historic Tabernacle. We are currently finalizing bids on this unforeseen project at an **expected cost of approximately \$50,000**.

During this past summer we experienced a few significant leaks. We had the roof inspected by several contractors and have been advised that the roof needs to be replaced. We are requesting your assistance because we've used significant portions of our building fund over the past two years to make necessary and overdue improvements to the electrical system, the tension ring roof support system, and the stage area just to name the top three projects. The good news in this effort is that the Building Fund already has approximately half of the \$50,000 needed for these repairs and the Campmeeting Association will be sharing costs in the work. The shared goal of both organizations is that this work be completed by the opening of the 2024 Season in early summer.

We've already come to Campmeeting residents with a very special year-end mailing because the size and the scope of this critical project coming on the heels of such great expense for other needs, will only succeed if you step-up and help with whatever tax-deductible contribution to the Tabernacle Building Fund, you're able to make. We are hoping that this e-mail serves as a reminder to give as soon as you are able.

We ask for your assistance because we know you value the history of the Tabernacle, because you respect its role as a much-loved gathering place in the area, and mostly

because we know you care about our community. Please help me to keep the Tabernacle dry and safe and our guests free from the rain.

**For additional information on how to make a donation, please call, email or mail to:**

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**We are grateful for whatever you can provide. Please be generous.**

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