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**The Bartimaeus Kinsler Institute**

# **PROGRAM BOOK**

**Feb 20-24, 2017**

**Camp Forest Home  
Ventura River Watershed, CA**



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**Working at the Intersections:  
Recontextualizing MLK's "Beyond Vietnam"  
Sermon on its 50th Anniversary**



*Photo above: Martin Luther King at Riverside Church, NY, April 4, 1967;  
at left are Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel and Rev. William Sloan Coffin.*



Welcome to the 10th anniversary of our Bartimaeus Institutes, committed to building capacity in, for and with the radical discipleship movement. We are gathered in this current cold political moment to:

- remember and recontextualize Dr. King's wisdom;
- share the energy and skills of our current expressions of witness and work; and
- conspire and collaborate to deepen our convictions and practices of resistance and renewal.

Thanks for joining us here in the Ventura River watershed.

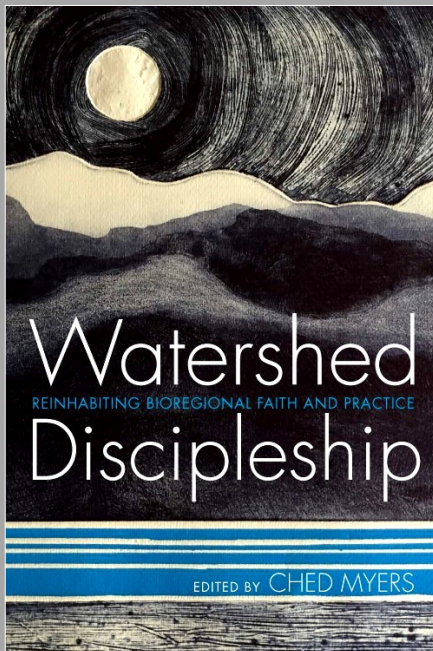
—Elaine, Ched, Chris and the BCM team



## SCHEDULE

### Monday Feb 20

- 3-5 pm**      *Arrivals and Registration at **Forest Home***
- 5:15**        **Orientation & Welcome (Allen Hall)**
- 5:30**        *Dinner (all meals in **Allen Hall**)*
- 6:10**        *Dessert & Introductions*
- 6:40**        **Opening, BCM "Alternative President's Day" Party**  
Welcome to the Watershed  
Honoring the Kinslers (*left*) and other elders  
*Watershed Discipleship* book celebration  
(readings by Elaine Enns & Ched Myers, Sarah Thompson, Sarah Nolan, Reyna Ortega & Erynn Smith)  
Framing the Week: Ched & Elaine
- 8:20**        **Concert: Charlie King**
- 9**            Benediction



## Tuesday Feb 21

- 7:30 am** Optional meditation, yoga, nature walks, etc.
- 8:15** *Breakfast*
- 9:00** **Morning Prayer:** Rev. Elizabeth Gibbs Zehnder presiding
- 9:30** *Announcements, break*
- 10-noon** **Morning classes**

1. Elaine Enns: "Bloodlines, Landlines, Songlines: Mapping Settler Response-Ability" *part 1*
2. Ched Myers: "Diagnosing Imperial Pathologies: Matthew's Three Temptations & MLK's Triplets" *part 1*
3. Sarah Thompson and Jake Martin-White: "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse, Then and Now" *part 1*
4. Charlie King and Candace Cassin: "1917: World War I and the War on Labor." *An adventurous story told in historical narratives, images and songs.*

**12:30 pm** *Lunch, break*

**2-3:30** **Workshops**

1. Susan Taylor: "Debt and Giving in a Sabbath Economy"
2. Weldon Nisly and John Bergen: "Contemplative Just Peacebuilding and Christian Peacemaker Teams"
3. Chris Grataski: "Radical Ecology & Radical Discipleship: The Relevance of Permaculture Design for Christian Communities"
4. Chelsea Page, Lisa & Julian Washio-Collette: "The Catholic Worker Movement in Dialogue with These Times"

**3:30-4 pm** *Break*

**4-5:30** **Plenary: Conversation Circles;  
Open Space Design** (Tim Nafziger)

Individual counseling (Lindsay Airey) or spiritual direction (C. John Hildebrand) or chaplains

**5:45** *Dinner*

**7-9** **Plenary:**  
"MLK's Riverside Sermon in its 1967 Context" (Ched Myers and Joanna Shenk)  
Open Space groups

**Tuesday Chaplains:**  
**Tom Airey and Solveig Nilsen-Goodin**

*Right: Newark, NJ, 1967*

**"A TIME  
COMES WHEN  
SILENCE IS  
BETRAYAL."**

-- Martin Luther King, Jr.



## Wednesday Feb 22

- 7:30 am** Optional meditation, yoga, nature walks  
**8:15** *Breakfast*  
**9:00** **Morning Prayer:** Rev. Brent Was presiding  
**9:30** *Announcements, break*  
**10-noon** **Morning classes**



1. Elaine Enns: "Bloodlines, Landlines, Songlines: Mapping Settler Response-Ability" *part 2*
2. Ched Myers: "Diagnosing Imperial Pathologies: Matthew's Three Temptations & MLK's Triplets" *part 2*
3. Sarah Thompson and Jake Martin-White: "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse, Then and Now" *part 2*
4. Joanna Shenk: "Vincent Harding (*top right*) and the Riverside Speech"

**12:30 pm** *Lunch*

### **2-3:30** Workshops

1. Andy Loving and Andrew McLeod: "Discipleship Banking, Investing and Economic Cooperatives"
2. Chris Moore-Backman: "The Gandhian Iceberg: Embodying Integral Nonviolence"
3. Abundant Table Women: "Agriculture and Intersectionality"
4. Robert & Ritchie Two Bulls, Chris Wight and Katherine Parent: "Arts for Faith and Justice"
5. Eric Hodge: "Hodge Garage Field Trip"

**3:30-4** *Break*

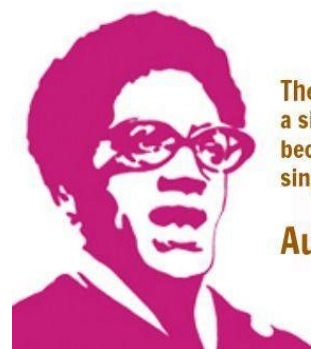
### **4-5:30** Caucuses

- "De-escalation and Bystander Intervention" (Tim Nafziger)
- "PT(rump)SD: Coping with White House Stress over the Long Haul" (Charletta Erb)
- Queer Perspectives (Eddie Beres and Julie Graham)
- Grief Work (Chris Grataski and Ric Hudgens)

Individual counseling (Lindsay Airey) or spiritual direction (C. John Hildebrand) or Chaplains

**5:45** *Dinner*

**7-9:00** **Plenary:**  
"Audrey Lorde and MLK's Intersectionality in Our Journey, 1976-2006" (Ched Myers & Elaine Enns)  
Open Space groups



There is no such thing as a single-issue struggle because we do not live single-issue lives.

**Audre Lorde**

**Wednesday Chaplains: Elizabeth Gibbs Zehnder and Ric Hudgens**





## Thursday Feb 18

- 7:30 am** Optional meditation, yoga, etc.
- 8:15** *Breakfast*
- 9** **Morning Prayer:** Rev. Solveig Nilsen-Goodin presiding
- 9:30** *Announcements, break*
- 10-noon** **Morning classes**
1. Elaine Enns: "Bloodlines, Landlines, Songlines: Mapping Settler Responsibility" *part 3*
  2. Ched Myers: "Diagnosing Imperial Pathologies: Matthew's Three Temptations & MLK's Triplets" *part 3*
  3. Tim Nafziger, Josh Grace et al: "A Carnival de Resistance 'Tasterpalooza'"
  4. Gordon Oyer, Marcia Dunigan and Victoria Looz: "Spirituality Roundtable: Merton, Spiritual Direction, Rewilding"
- 12:30 pm** *Lunch*
- 2-3:30** **Strategy Workshops**
1. Robert Two Bulls, John Bergen, et al: "Standing with Standing Rock"
  2. Chrissy Stonebraker Martinez, Bethany Loberg: "Migrating Roots, Restoring Justice: The Migration of People, Power and Profit"
  3. Erin Pratt: "Building an Interfaith Climate Justice Movement"
  4. Sarah May Wilson and Jake Donaldson: "Showing Up for Racial Justice: Breaking the Silence on White Privilege"
- 3:30-4** *Break*
- 4-5:30** **Plenary:**
- Facilitated Open Space Report-outs  
Individual counseling (Lindsay Airey) or spiritual direction (C. John Hildebrand) or Chaplains
- 5:45** *Dinner*
- 7-8:30** **Plenary:** "MLK and Intersectionality Today" (Panel & discussion)
- 8:30-10** Dessert, open mic arts, party

**Thursday Chaplains:**  
**Brent Was and Marcia Dunigan**

"Injustice anywhere  
is a threat to  
justice everywhere."

- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

## Friday Feb 19

- 7:30 am** Optional meditation, yoga, nature walks
- 8:15** *Breakfast/move out of hotel rooms, tents & cabins*
- 9-10:30** **Plenary Covenanting Ceremony:** “What personal and political disciplines, conversations and actions will I/we commit to for the coming year?”
- 10:30-45** *Break*
- 10:45-noon** **Closing Worship** (Rev. Robert Two Bulls presiding; sermon by Ched & Elaine)
- 12 pm** *Adjourn, clean up, pack up, departures (lunch on your own)*

We must rapidly begin the shift from a "thing-oriented" society to a "person-oriented" society. When machines and computers, profit motives and property rights are considered more important than people, the giant triplets of racism, materialism, and militarism are incapable of being conquered.

Martin Luther King, Jr.

**Institute Elders:** Marty Coleman and Andy Loving.

**Institute Chaplains** (will be wearing orange-colored name badges—please note which chaplains are ‘on duty’ each day).

Tuesday: Tom Airey and Solveig Nilsen-Goodin

Wednesday: Elizabeth Gibbs Zehnder and Ric Hudgens

Thursday: Brent Was and Marcia Dunigan

**Team “Amardon”** (Institute staff) will be wearing lavender-colored name badges (l-r):

Tommy Airey, Lindsay Airey, Joshua Grace, Chris Wight, Elaine Enns, Ched Myers.

**Forest Home Liaison:** Ebony Hearn.



**Numbers to call if necessary:**

**Most things: Chris Wight: 562-370-0306**

**Transport: Tom Airey: 949-842-9503**

# Resources to Broaden & Deepen Your Resistance & Renewal

## Online

We are often asked: “Where can I find a study and discussion group of kindred spirits with whom to probe scripture, social justice issues and movement history?” In an effort to address that challenge, BCM has developed two online resources.

- **Quarterly Webinars.** Since 2012 we’ve presented regular programs on themes including Bible study, social analysis and interviews with Radical Discipleship theologians and movement-builders. *Make BCM webinars (live or recorded) part of your regular discipline. Learn the stories, keep the Word, join the conversation!* Schedule and registration are posted at: [www.chedmyers.org/webinars](http://www.chedmyers.org/webinars).
- **Bartimaeus Institute Online.** BIO is a series of online, tailored classes on key themes of Radical Discipleship faith and practice. Classes can be undertaken individually or in a cohort; they include a mix of recorded webinars, audio and video, published articles, and live Q&A, all arranged around thematic topics. Register at: [www.chedmyers.org/BIO](http://www.chedmyers.org/BIO).

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Check out the Daily Blog at: <http://radicaldiscipleship.net>. Also:  
<http://watershreddiscipleship.org> <http://clbsj.org>  
[www.wordandworld.org](http://www.wordandworld.org) [www.sabbatheconomics.org](http://www.sabbatheconomics.org)

### We highly recommend this Summer Gathering:

**July 17-21, 2017: Proctor Institute, Children’s Defense Fund, Clinton, TN**

Join clergy, seminarians, educators, young adult leaders and other faith-based advocates for justice at the historic Haley Farm for 5 days of spiritual renewal, networking, movement building workshops, and continuing education about the urgent demands of social justice. Founded by and featuring the legendary Marion Wright Edelman (*right*). Info: [www.childrensdefense.org/programs/faithbased/faith-based-action-programs-pages/samuel-dewitt-proctor.html](http://www.childrensdefense.org/programs/faithbased/faith-based-action-programs-pages/samuel-dewitt-proctor.html)



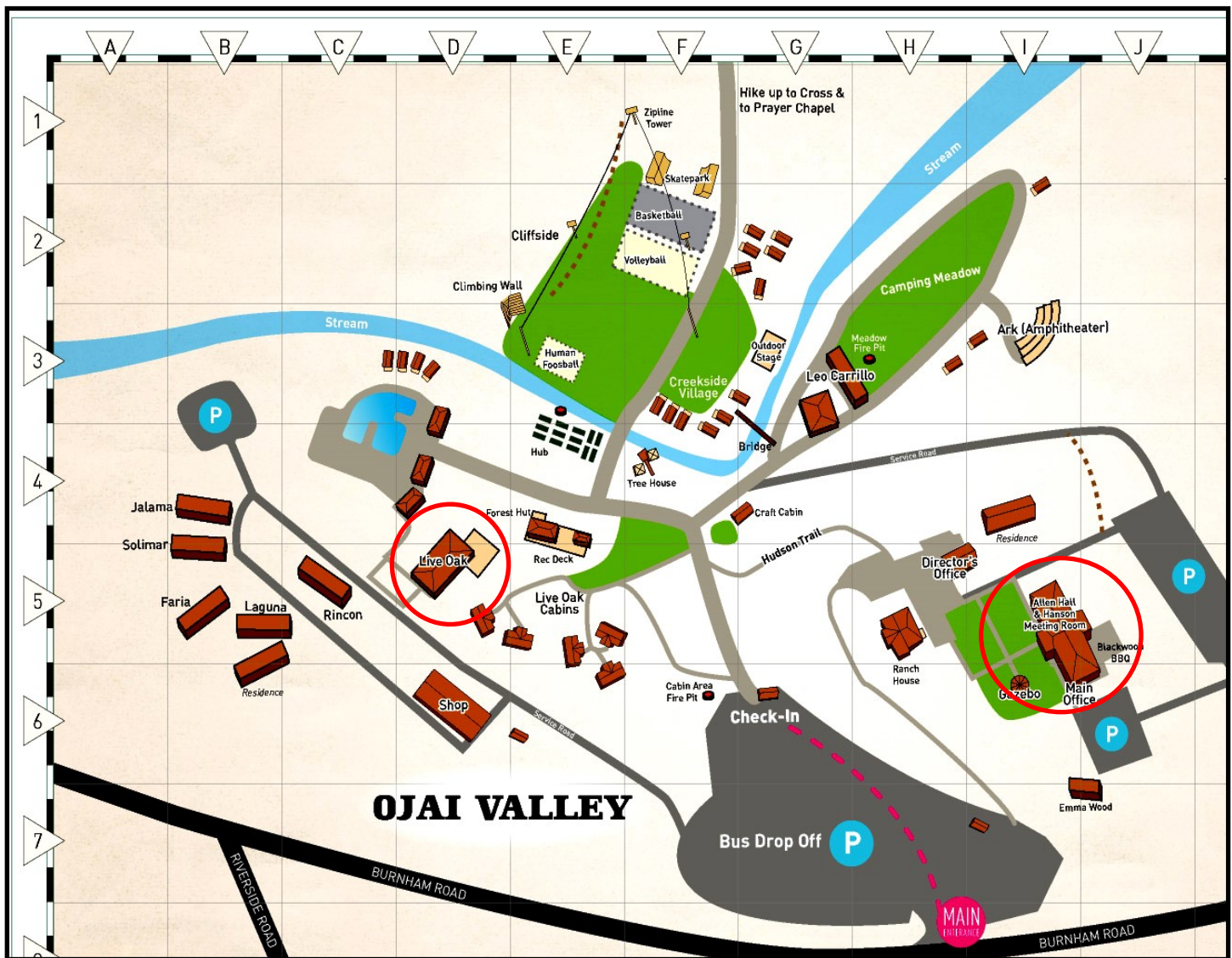
**Bartimaeus Cooperative Ministries** was founded in 1998 as a nonprofit platform for ecumenical gospel ministry. We work from local to international contexts to nurture radical discipleship, church renewal, restorative justice and Sabbath Economics. The goals of our educational, organizing & communications programs are to:

- Build capacity for faith-rooted activism, advocacy and service for peace, justice and healing in our wounded world;
- Deepen biblical literacy and theological engagement among Christian communities across the ecumenical spectrum; and
- Develop consciousness & competence in practices of restorative justice, Sabbath Economics, nonviolence, watershed discipleship, & inclusion.

Based in the Ventura River watershed of southern California, our work includes teaching, training, organizing, publishing, mentoring and a wide variety of collaborative projects. We are a not for profit “Community Supported Ministry.” You can become a CSM member at [www.bcm-net.org](http://www.bcm-net.org).







Above: Camp Forest Home Map

**Circled: Allen/Hansen Halls = Plenary & Displays**  
**Live Oak North & South = workshop sites**

### Schedule at a Glance:

| Day               | 8:15<br>Brkf | 9-<br>9:30 am     | 10 am-<br>noon | 12:30<br>Lunch  | 2 -<br>3:30 pm | 4 -<br>5:30 pm               | 5:45 pm<br>Dinner | 7-9 pm                   |
|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>MON<br/>20</b> |              |                   |                |                 |                | Registration,<br>Orientation | 5:30              | Welcome,<br>Annual Party |
| <b>TUE<br/>21</b> |              | Morning<br>Prayer | Classes        |                 | Workshops      | Caucuses,<br>Circles         |                   | Plenary                  |
| <b>WED<br/>22</b> |              | Morning<br>Prayer | Classes        |                 | Workshops      | Caucuses,<br>Circles         |                   | Plenary                  |
| <b>THU<br/>23</b> |              | Morning<br>Prayer | Classes        |                 | Workshops      | Caucuses,<br>Circles         |                   | Plenary,<br>Party        |
| <b>FRI<br/>24</b> |              | Cove-<br>nanting  | Wor-<br>ship   | Depar-<br>tures |                |                              |                   |                          |