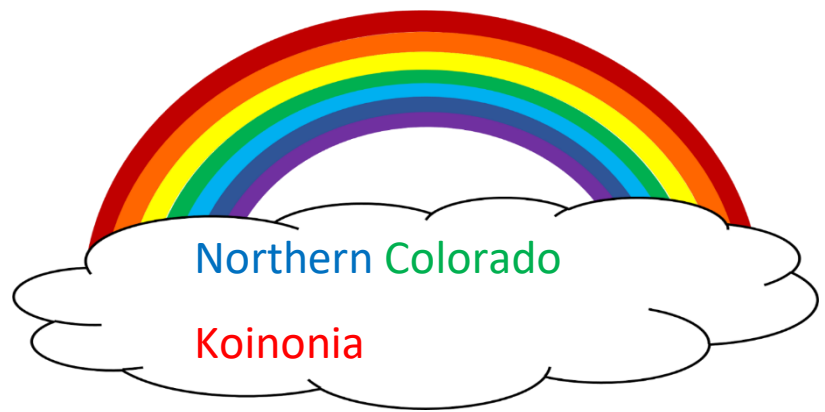


# The Rainbow Connection

Fall 2019



## Open Board Positions

It is that time of year again! The continuance board is looking for members wanting to make a difference and help run the inner workings of Northern Colorado Koinonia!

If you feel called to do more for our wonderful family and retreat weekends, then this is for you!

Our Board positions that are ending this December 2019 are as follows:

**Treasurer**: Maintains proper books of accounts, prepares annual budget and statements of income for board meetings, deposit monies into appropriate bank accounts, works with site coordinator for payments of camp retreats.

**Utreya Coordinator**: arranges and coordinates as host, several Utreyas during the year, while following Utreya guidelines and being in charge and main supplier of Utreya box.

**Site Coordinator**: Primary camp liaison, review and verify the contract and reservations are correct and paid promptly, makes reservations with camp for weekends and meal counts, confirms camp is ready for weekend, any other contact needed with the camp. **(Filling 2 year term)**

**Membership Coordinator**: Maintains names of all interested in being on team, data base recording all attendees of prior weekends and positions, Updates Koinonia directory.

**Spiritual Director**: Provides spiritual direction to the Board and the Koinonia Community. **(Filling 1 year term)**

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Can't wait to see you all there!

## Letter From the Northern Colorado Koinonia Continuance Board

Dear Koinonia family,

I recently read a brief devotional that talked about recognizing the “season of life” we are in. It pointed out how easily we recognize the change of seasons in nature; winter, spring, summer and fall. We accept these changes, even expect them and look forward to them, without question. However, when it comes to our own lives we don't easily recognize or accept season changes, and more often than not we view them as challenging and unwanted even though they can be times of beautiful blessing and growth.

In recent years, a season of change has come upon Northern Colorado Koinonia. Our family has struggled to come together for retreat weekends, Ultreyas and other gatherings. As with any family, it can be difficult to find time to commit. Our personal and professional lives are often all-consuming in a world that demands our attention almost 24/7, leaving little time for anything else.

Ecclesiastes 3:1 tells us, “For everything there is a season.” Many seasons have come and gone since Northern Colorado Koinonia began. Our Koinonia family has embraced one another, supported one another and most importantly demonstrated God's love in the purest of form; humble service to God's people.

Your Northern Colorado Koinonia Continuance Board recently met to discuss this change in season, keeping the mission of Koinonia at the forefront. A catalyst for this discussion included the postponement of the October 2019 weekend. Despite diligent efforts by the NK-73 Lay Leader and Assistant Lay Leader, less than one-third of the team necessary to hold a weekend retreat could be secured. Many Koinonians reported conflicts with the scheduled dates, illness, deaths, and a myriad of other reasons. It became apparent to the Board that God was setting the stage for a period of rest and refocusing of our efforts on the needs of our existing Koinonia family.

With that in mind, the Board, through careful and prayerful consideration, has decided, for 2020, that Northern Colorado Koinonia will host one weekend retreat only. That weekend will occur March 27-29, 2020. Additionally, the Board has committed to hosting more Ultreyas throughout the year to provide an opportunity for our Koinonia family to gather for short periods of time to reconnect and rejuvenate. These Ultreyas will encompass a variety of activities to appeal to individuals and families alike, while maintaining the mission and traditions of Koinonia and our focus on serving our Heavenly Father and His people. We are also reviving small groups, several of which will start in January 2020, as a way to meet the needs of our family where we live. The Board will offer support, guidance and resources, as available, to support this endeavor.

We are very excited about this season and the opportunities it presents, and we look forward to sharing more information at the October 26 Ultreya, being held in Greeley, 1-3:30 p.m. More information regarding the Ultreya can be found in this newsletter. I also encourage you view the open positions on the Board. This is an exciting time in Northern Colorado Koinonia, and we would love to have you join us as we embrace this beautiful and blessed season of change.

Hope to see you October 26th!

In His Name,  
Tobi Cullins  
Chairperson, 2019-2021



## Fall Ultreya

Come join us as we move into the season of *Giving Thanks*. In response to the blessings we have received from God, we are asking those that are able to bring non-perishable food items to share with others in need!

Date: Oct 26, 2018 (Saturday) 1:00 - 3:30PM

Location: Journey Christian Church  
4754 W 31st St, Greeley, CO 80634

Bring: Non-perishable food items to share with those in need!

Your nametag, goodies to share and especially your hugs!

- We will elect new board members during this meeting, and the board has important information to share.
- We will have sign-up sheets for small groups to help increase our ability to stay connected between weekend retreats.



## Christmas Ultreya

We will get together for a joyful time of singing Christmas carols to the residents of the Green Houses at Mirasol Senior Living Community, followed by a potluck dinner at the Mirasol Events Center.

Date: Dec 14, 2018 (Saturday)

Time: 4:30 until ~ 8:30PM

Meet at 4:30PM at the Mirasol Events Center, then at 5:00PM we will walk to the Green houses to sing carols to the residents.

Location: Mirasol Senior Living Community  
- Events Center  
1153 Finch Place  
Loveland, CO 80537

Bring: Food to share, smiles, hugs and your singing voice...and feel free to dress for the season!