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Deaf Streetlight Honors Board Trustees as they 'retire'



Pictured above from left to right: Mike Galagan (1993-2023), Dawn Caudill (1998-2025), Julie Hallabrin (1996-2023) & Werner Hallabrin (2010-2024).

At our May 17th board meeting, we had the privilege of honoring four dedicated trustees who have recently stepped down after years of faithful service. Together, they have given an incredible 98 years of combined service, faithfully serving God, the Deaf community, and the people of Cincinnati. While they are stepping away from their official roles as trustees, we are grateful for their lasting impact and look forward to their continued support through prayer, wise counsel, and volunteer efforts. Our board meeting on November 8th welcomed two new trustees and one new advisor, and we are rebuilding our standing committees. We are so grateful for the all the support!

Thank You!



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THANKS AND PRAISE TO GOD
by Werner Hallabrin

It has been a privilege to serve the Lord with the mission of Deaf Streetlight. After nearly forty years of involvement, and a couple of decades on the Board of Trustees, Julie and I have left the board with many great memories.

Julie and I first met through Deaf Institute's founding director, Cecil Bennett, during Deaf Camp in 1985. Julie was a summer intern, after her college graduation. I had just began college at Cincinnati Bible College in the Deaf Ministry program. We married a year later.

It was exciting to meet so many new Christians, new deaf preachers, and new ministries. We had opportunities to preach, teach, lead Deaf Camps, VBS, interpret, and assist in special events.

We were blessed to be honored at the recent board meeting in May 2025. We are thankful to everyone, but most of all to our Lord and Savior, Jesus!

~ Matthew 5:16

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Website Re-design

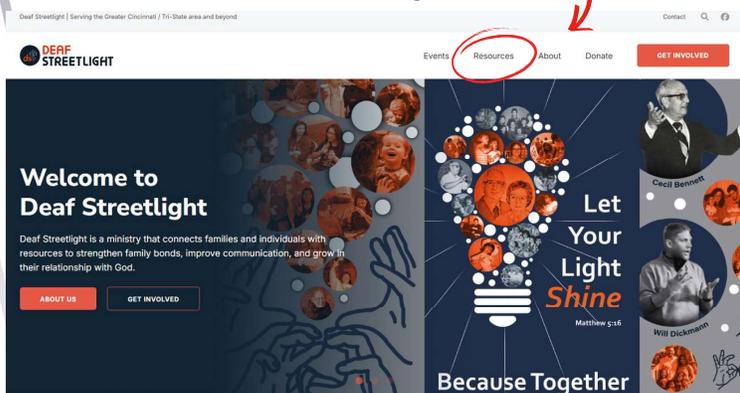
by Britney Garstka

I am very excited to announce that the Deaf Streetlight website has been redesigned! The new format is more modern and easier to navigate. We are proud to have had the website design done by a Deaf professional web designer! Thank you, Christie, for a job well done!

Personally, one of my favorite parts of the new website is a page that I made for listing resources. Check it out today! I'm always adding new things to the resource page, and I rely on YOU to provide me with information and resources I am not aware of. Join me in expanding the resources I have listed and send me an email at britney@deafstreetlight.com!

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Examples of resource categories include:

- Learn ASL
 - Social media accounts for ASL vocabulary building (vetted for true ASL; not made-up or wrong signs)
 - K-12 + College Education for Deaf Students
 - Interpreter training programs & PD/CEU's
 - Local to Cincinnati, OH
 - Various articles & info for hearing parents
- ...and more!

Summertime (DEAF) Kids!

by Britney Garstka

Deaf Streetlight has been very blessed to receive a grant to conduct summertime events for kids from the Greater Cincinnati Foundation.



We have been a recipient of this grant for a number of years. This summer, we had opportunities to learn about the world around us by visiting Gorman Heritage Farm and the Highfield Discovery Garden! We finished off the summer with a just-for-fun playdate at Winton Woods Park's Ark Wet Playground!

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“Together/Belong” 

Mark your calendar!

Saturday, March 7th

10am – 2pm

Lakota East FRESHMAN building

7630 Bethany Rd

Middletown, OH 45044



*Note the location change. It is not at the high school again, but the East Freshman Campus. It is just down the street from the High School. Visit our website or Facebook page for more info.



Deaf Streetlight Camp 2025 Recap



What an incredible week at camp!

We celebrated a big milestone this year because it was the 50th anniversary of Deaf Camp.

To celebrate, Deaf Streetlight had a special catered banquet dinner on Saturday night.

Past camp deans were recognized and honored, and then we enjoyed a presentation performed by Renca Dunn.



We were thrilled to watch TWO baptisms happen during camp. Praise the Lord! Please pray for these individuals as they continue to grow in their Faith.

We had a total of 149 campers – our largest number in Deaf Camp history! The previous record was 105 campers, set twice in the 1990's. Campers traveled from 12 different states.



We would LOVE to have you join us at Camp Allendale from July 30–August 2, 2026.



Our mission support focus during camp was Pioneer Bible Translators, and we enjoyed learning from various speakers, and we enjoyed fellowship and fun activities like archery, swimming, kayaking, and zip-lining.



Attendees of Deaf & Family & Friends Camp 2025 at Camp Allendale, Indiana

National Christian Conference for the Deaf



Attendees of NCCD 2025 in Pigeon Forge, TN

National Christian Conference for the Deaf (NCCD) is now under the oversight of Deaf Streetlight. Founded in 1994 by James Wines, and the late Rod Burke, NCCD will be gathering for the 30th time in October. NCCD is a gathering for Deaf and signing (hearing) people to learn God's Word in ASL, pray together, and enjoy fellowship as they strengthen their Faith.



PRAYER REQUESTS

MISSION FORWARD

Please pray for Deaf Streetlight as we seek to grow our impact by sharing the Gospel with more Deaf individuals and introducing them to Jesus. Pray for wisdom and unity as our new trustees and advisor guide us and as we rebuild our standing committees. Ask God to reveal His plan for our future and lead us to the people He wants us to serve.

SUPPORT

Please pray for God to provide the finances and faithful volunteers needed for Deaf Streetlight's ministry. We ask for His guidance as we continue serving the Deaf community and spreading the Gospel with love. May He touch hearts to give, serve, and partner with us in this important work.

FAITHFUL ACTION

Lord, help us to be thankful in every circumstance and to trust in Your plan. Guide us as we engage both young and older generations in Deaf events, so our work can have lasting impact. We pray for the world, especially the unreached, that many would come to know Jesus through the ministry You lead us to do.



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