

A CHRISTIAN MINISTRY IN THE NATIONAL PARKS (ACMNP)

ACMNP is A Christian Ministry in the National Parks. This organization is an interdenominational non-profit ecumenical ministry that provides worship services in many of the national parks throughout the country. The organization is overseen by a volunteer Board of Trustees and a volunteer National Board. The National Board consists of denominational representatives, other invited contributing volunteers, alumni of the program, and representatives from the hosting parks and concessionaires. The Church of the Brethren has had a volunteer National Board member since the 1970's. Rev. Robert Houff was the COB representative until 1998. Marlin Houff

(Administrator at Camp Swatara) succeeded his father on the National Board beginning in 1999 to present. Participation on this board is supported by a budgeted expense item in the OMA budget and by a contribution to OMA for this participation by an individual member. The remaining expense of participation is the responsibility of the volunteer. The Church of the Brethren denomination does not provide any financial support or contribution to ACMNP, but has continually supported the board member's continued participation as a representative of the Church of Brethren through the Outdoor Ministries Association. The board member provides an annual report to the OMA steering committee of his/her participation.



Persons interested in learning more about ACMNP should visit their website at: www.acmnp.com or contact Marlin Houff at mhouff@campswatara.org.