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With a collective 375+ years of ringing experience, The Agape Ringers bring excellence in education and performance to any handbell event, be it for 10 or 1,000 ringers.

Led by nationally known conductor and massed-ringing clinician, David L. Weck, the ensemble offers a complete slate of classes, as well as the ability to tailor offerings to your specific needs. Perhaps you are looking for one Agape member to work with your group on some key skills. Or, you might like to host a full-day event with many of the classes Agape has to offer. Our workshop liaison will help you find the right format for your event.

Cap off your event with a performance by The Agape Ringers that showcases the skills taught in classes and inspires the participants!



What Attendees Say About The Agape Ringers

"The class topics were JUST what we were looking for! How wonderful to be able to learn more about ringing and be able to select topics that applied to each of us – whether ringers or director. Workshop teachers were well prepared and knew their material well. Handouts were clear, helpful, and easy to follow. Thanks for sharing your knowledge with others in a way that made us eager to learn and try new things. Loved the concert by the AGAPE ringers to close the day – thanks!"

Attendee, Illinois Handbell Musicians of America Workshop, 2016

"Both classes I took today were taught by The Agape Ringers. Their advice was much more practical and useful than clinical; possibly gleaned from combined decades of experience. I learned a lot to take home to my director and our choir."

Attendee, Area 7 Festival 2012, Duluth, MN

"The Agape Ringers' performance at the AGEHR Seminar was simply terrific! Not only does this ensemble play superbly well, they have a ball while doing it. The audience, comprised nearly 100% of handbell directors, was jumping for joy!"

Nancy Lutz, Pittsburgh, PA

"David, I have been doing this for a long time... Last night and tonight were the most exciting, inspiring, exhilarating, and wonderful first two nights of FABM (Fellowship of American Baptist Musicians) at Green Lake that I have ever experienced."

Jay Martin, former FABM Executive Secretary

Events Featuring The Agape Ringers

- Handbell Musicians of America Area Festival Conferences Teaching and Concerts: Area 5 (2017), Area 1 (2015), Areas 7 & 8 (2012), Area 2 (2011), Area 10 (2004)
- Handbell Musicians of America Area 8 Nebraska: Workshop and Concert (2015)
- Illinois Great Rivers Conference chapter of The Fellowship of United Methodists in Music and Worship Arts: Workshop and Concert (2015)
- United Church of Christ Musicians Association National Conference: Concert (2015)
- AGEHR Pinnacle: Headliner Concert (2010)
- Fellowship of American Baptist Musicians (FABM) Conference: Workshop, Concert, and Worship Service (2007)
- Puerto Rico: Tour and Workshop (2006)
- AGEHR National Seminar: Concerts 1995, 2002 and 2005
- AGEHR Area VIII (Illinois): Workshops 1995 – Present (30+ one-day events)



Select Your Event Classes from These and More

- Ringing Basics
- Beyond Beginning
- Bells & Other Instruments
- Intermediate Bells
- Bass Bells
- Shelley Ringing
- Four-in-Hand
- Bells in Worship
- Working with Handchimes
- Change Ringing
- Bell Maintenance
- Stopped Sounds
- Rhythmic Exercises
- Maori Sticks
- Presentation
- Weaving 101
- Young Ringers
- Get It Together!
- Ensemble ABC's
- Be a Better Ringer
- Bell Trees
- Stem Direction Does Count!

