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July, 2019

# 2019 Southern Ohio/Kentucky District Conference

October 11 & 12, 2019 Happy Corner Church of the Brethren Theme: God Provides

#### **Dessert and Dialogue: Sharing Together with District** Leadership

### August 13, 2019 at 1:00 PM

#### Good Shepherd Church of the Brethren

Many times when we gather together, we feel like our time is limited. Our times together as a District are infrequent and there is much to be shared. Due to time restrictions, leadership is not able to hear adequately from YOU. Your District Leadership hopes this event will provide a venue which will give opportunity for you to share your thoughts and reflections, joys and concerns, etc. Everyone is invited!!!! But don't feel badly if it's too far away or you can't make it, this is a quarterly event that will change locations each quarter.

## West Milton Congregation Tornado Relief

The West Milton Church of the Brethren has become a warehouse for donations for individuals who need clothes and other supplies as this area recovers from the storms. If other churches know of individuals and families in need of clothes, the clothes closet at West Milton is open each Saturday 10-noon. They can also leave a message at 937-698-4395 and one of the congregation will meet them at any time that is convenient to them.

## Gifts Discernment-- 2019 District Slate

The Gifts Discernment Commission will soon be meeting to begin work on the 2019 District slate to present to District Conference. You are encouraged to offer suggestions for the various district offices that come open this year. A list of positions and a form to offer suggestions are available on the district website.

## Young Adult July Gathering

### June 13, 10 AM -- Come join us at the Columbus Zoo.

All young adults ages high school graduates -39 yrs old are welcome. Single or married! A flyer with more information is available on the district website. Contact Laura Brown at 937-267-0965 with any guestions or to RSVP. Southern Ohio Disaster Ministries Update

Local Tornado Response - Volunteers are needed for brush and tree removal. During the month of July we will be working Thursdays (except July4), Fridays, and Saturdays. Meet at Happy Corner COB at 7:30 AM for filling out registration forms, and orientation. On Saturdays a continental breakfast is served. There will be carpooling to the worksite. Arrangements can be made to meet us there. Workdavs will end at 4:00 PM. To volunteer, call or text Burt Wolf (937-287-5902) or Sam Dewey (937-684-0510) or send an email to SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com. Volunteers need to bring a sack lunch,

work gloves, chain saws, etc. If workdays are cancelled due to the weather, we'll post this on the S. Ohio/KY District COB website, and notify the volunteers who are scheduled to come. Donations are very much appreciated. Expenses are being incurred daily for gas for chain saws, backhoes, trucks, and the BDM van. Make checks payable to: S. Ohio/ KY District COB. On the memo line write: BDM Local Response Mail to: S. Ohio/KY District COB, P. O. Box 785, Greenville, OH 45331

**Cleanup Bucket Assembly** – You're invited to help with the assembly of 500 Cleanup Buckets and 2500 School Kits for Church World Service. Come on Thursday, July 25, at 7:00 PM. to Bullen Ultrasonics, 1301 Miller Williams Rd., Eaton. School Kits which be assembled on August 22. The estimated cost for this project is \$33,000. Donations enable us to purchase supplies in bulk, which is cost effective. Make checks payable to S. Ohio/KY District COB. On the memo line, write BDM/CWS kits. Mail checks to S. Ohio/KY COB, PO Box 785, Greenville, OH 45331. Donations are welcomed and appreciated!

Sewing Bee - A Sewing Bee will be held on Saturday, July 27 at Greenville COB, 421 Central Avenue. Bags will be sewn for Church World Service school kits. Bring your sewing machine, an extension cord, and a sack lunch. A flyer with all the 2019 Sewing Bee dates is on the district website, or contact your church office. For more information contact Barb Brower at 937-336-2442.

13th Annual Ice Cream Social – On Saturday, August 3, plan to attend the annual BDM Ice Cream Social. It will be from 4:00 – 7:00 PM at Happy Corner COB, 7037 Union Rd., Clayton. Come for supper, ice cream, and fellowship. This is the major fundraiser for S. Ohio/KY BDM, raising funds for rebuilding trips, local response, and Church World Service kits. Invite your family and friends to come too!

Golf Scramble – On Saturday, August 10 at 8:00 AM, a golf scramble will be held at Turtle Creek Golf Course located in Greenville. Now is the time to register or to become a hole sponsor. Registration forms are available on the district website or contact your church office. All proceeds benefit S. Ohio/KY BDM and Camping & Retreat Ministries.

Trip to Brethren Service Center – Registration is now open for the October 21-25. 2019 trip to the Brethren Service Center in New Windsor, MD. Travel is available on a first come basis in the BDM vans. Others may drive on their own. Rooms have been reserved for lodging at Best Western in Westminister, MD. Volunteers cover their own expenses on this trip. Registration forms are available at the district website, or contact your church office. Registration deadline is September 15, 2019. For more information contact Burt Wolf at 937-287-5902 or SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com.

For more information on what is happening in Southern Ohio as well as more details on these events contact your church office, the Southern Ohio District (sodcob@brethren.org) visit our website: www.sodcob.org. In addition to this publication, we also email a monthly newsletter. To request a newsletter simply email your request to the same email address. If you would like to add your event to either the website, this publication, or the monthly newsletter please email your information to sodcob@brethren.org before the 15th of the month.