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October, 2021



Southern Ohio/Kentucky District Conference

October 8 & 9, 2021

Theme: "Move in Our Midst, Thou Spirit of God"
This year's all virtual conference is now just a couple weeks away. *Please register as soon as possible.* The registration form is available on the District website. All attendees must register to obtain your zoom link.

Harris Creek Church of the Brethren Celebrates 175 Years

The Harris Creek Church of the Brethren will celebrate 175 years of life and ministry on Sunday, October 24th. Bob Bitner will be the main speaker and others will also be participating in the service. All are invited, especially those who have previously attended or provided pastoral leadership. Light refreshments will follow the service.

Painter Creek Church holds Potpie Supper

The Painter Creek congregation invites you to their annual Potpie Supper on October 30. Serving will be from 4-7 or until they are sold out. The menu is chicken or beef potpie, mashed potatoes, green beans or corn, applesauce or coleslaw, homemade pie and drink. The cost is a freewill donation. Profit will support the church and the outreach program of the Women's Fellowship.

Camping and Retreat Ministries Updates

Fall Ambassadors' Meeting—October 17, 2021

The Fall Ambassadors' Meeting has been set for Sunday afternoon, Oct. 17, from 2 to 4 pm, with a Zoom connection. Our goal is to have a camp ambassador within each congregation. If you do not currently have an ambassador, please select someone who would be willing to serve on this team. Since our communications at the present are through email, please send the ambassador's name, address, email information, and a phone number to Karen Dillon, Director of Camping and Retreat Ministries, crimdill@aol.com.

2021 Women's Retreat—November 5 and 6

The Camping and Retreat Ministries is happy to announce the upcoming retreat for women of the district to be held **virtually** on Friday, November 5, at 7:00 pm, and running through Saturday, November 6, in

the afternoon. Our theme is "What Brings You Joy?" A full schedule can be found on the district website. Registration is vital and opens October 1 online. The cost of the retreat is \$20. Opportunity will be given to donate to the service project. For further information, contact Karen Dillon, Director of Camping and Retreat Ministries at: crimdill@aol.com 937-890-7388 H 937-238-6909 C.

Southern Ohio/Kentucky Disaster Ministries Updates

BDM Sites/Volunteers Needed— The Dayton national BDM site that was scheduled to close on October 2, has now been extended through Oct. 30. BDM will return to Bayboro, NC on October 31, continuing recovery from Hurricane Florence (Sept. 2018). Volunteers are needed Oct. 31-Nov. 6 and Nov. 14-20. To volunteer, contact Burt Wolf at SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com or call/text 937-287-5902.

Fundraiser Data – Much appreciation to all who attended and helped with the Ice Cream Social and parking cars at the Pork Festival. Approximately 275 people attended the Ice Cream Social raising \$8,500. Volunteers parked cars at the Pork Festival held at the Preble County Fairgrounds, earning \$1,500. These funds will be used to send volunteers on rebuilding trips and for Church World Service kits. Thank you to all for your support! **Appreciation Dinner** – Each year BDM plans an Appreciation Dinner to thank our volunteers, recognize new volunteers, and to share the work of S. Ohio/KY BDM with interested individuals. This year's dinner will be on Saturday, October 23 at 6:00 PM at Salem Church of the Brethren. An RSVP for those attending is needed by Saturday, October 16, Please RSVP to Burt and Helen Wolf at SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com or call/text 937-287-5902. Sewing Bee/Prep CWS Items - There will be work for both sewers and non-sewers at the October 23 Sewing Bee. It will be held at 9:00 AM at Greenville COB, 421 Central Avenue. Non-sewers will be preparing items for Church World Service (CWS) school kits. Sewers will need to bring a sewing machine and extension cord. Everyone, bring a sack lunch. For more information call Barb Brower at 937-336-2442.

For more information on what is happening in Southern Ohio as well as more details on these events contact your church office, email the Southern Ohio/Kentucky District (sodcob@brethren.org) or 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.