

Working Together . . . Empowering Disciples

June 2015

Adam's County Property Update We've set up a special page on the website where you can view any information on the Adam's County Property including a blog page where you can ask questions or join the discussion.

**New District Mailing Address** Due to safety concerns, we've decided to no longer have our mail delivered to a rural mail box. Our new mailing address is P O Box 785 Greenville, OH 45331. Please make adjustments to your data base to reflect this change.

## **Camping and Retreat Commission updates**

It's not too late to register for summer camp!!!! Camps are not full. Contact your church office or pastor for more information

#### Summer Bike Ride

You are invited to join fellow bikers on a leisurely bike ride on July 19. It begins at the Yellow Springs bike hub at 2:00 PM and ends at Young's Dairy. There is no registration fee but you will want to bring money for a sweet treat at the end of the ride! The event is sponsored by the Camping and Retreat Commission. Click here to download a flyer with all of the details.

#### **Golf Outing**

Our Camping and Retreat Commission will sponsor their annual golf outing on August 8, 2015 at Beechwood Golf Course. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Camping ministry of Southern Ohio District. If you don't golf, you can still support the ministry by sponsoring a hole. Please join us to make this our most successful Golf outing yet!

Plan ahead for the Women's Retreat on August 28 & 29 at Bergamo Center. The theme is *Feeding your Body, feeding your soul.* The speaker will be Kris Ankeney. Registrations will be mailed on June 2.

## Nigerian Women's Choir

We are excited to welcome the EYN Women's Choir to the Southern Ohio District for a performance at the Salem Church of the Brethren on June 29 at 7:00 PM. An opportunity for fellowship will be given after the concert. A part of the hospitality we hope to extend includes providing overnight housing for these approximately 30 women/girls. Would you be willing to share your home with one or two of our Nigerian sisters? You will also be expected to provide transportation from the Salem church to your home the night of the 29th as well as return them to the church on the 30th. Email Judy Boles at 45344jsb@gmail.com for more details if you are willing to offer lodging. **The Bear Creek Church** will host the bluegrass band HOMEBOUND from Springfield, OH on Sunday evening, May 31 at 6:30 PM. Admission is free with refreshments to follow.

# **Disaster Ministry Updates--**

*New Windsor Trip* - Have you helped with CWS Kits or Clean Up Buckets and want to see the next step in the process? Now is the time to register for the October 26 – 30, 2015 trip to the Brethren Service Center in New Windsor, MD. Three days will be spent working with Church World Service kits and for SERRV. Lodging and meals will be in Zigler Hall. Please click here for more information and a registration form. Registration deadline is July 17.

**Sewing Bee** – June 13 at 9:00 AM at Eaton COB, 1407 N. Barron Street. Sewers bring your sewing machine for sewing school bags. Others may bring scissors to cut out gowns for baby kits. Lunch will be served.

**Be a BDM Volunteer!** – Come join the July 18-26 crew in Greeley, CO. Major repairs are needed following the severe flooding of September 2013. Transportation is provided and costs are covered by BDM. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Burton Wolf at 937-287-5902 or click here to email.

**Hygiene Kits Needed** - With the recent earthquake in Nepal, Church World Service needs hygiene kits. S. Ohio BDM plans to respond to this need. Congregations and individuals are invited to contribute, so that items can be purchased in bulk. Donations may be given through the Southern Ohio [sodcob.org] website. Checks may be sent to: District of Southern Ohio Church of the Brethren, PO Box 785, Greenville, OH 45331. Please designate that the gift is for hygiene kits.

*Ice Cream Social Fundraiser* – August 1 at Happy Corner COB from 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM. Save the date!

**Congregational Visits** - Would your congregation like to learn more about Brethren Disaster Ministries? We welcome the opportunity to come to your church to share about BDM. We are available for programs of varying lengths. For more information or to schedule a visit, please contact Burton Wolf at 937-287-5902 or SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com

## 2015 Annual Conference Sunday!

Join congregations and individuals from around the country as we worship together as one virtual church on Annual Conference Sunday--July 12, 2015. All congregations are invited to come together in celebration during the Sunday morning worship service at Annual Conference by sharing in the worship webcast. You can broadcast the service live to your church and worship with thousands of other Brethren! Discover how as well as find other information on how to get the most from your conference experience at www.brethren.org/ac .

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) or you can always 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.