



**Southern Ohio District  
Church of the Brethren**  
*Working Together . . . Empowering Disciples*

April, 2013

### **Interim Directors of Outdoor Ministry Called**

We are pleased to announce the calling of Karen and Tom Dillon as our Interim Directors of Outdoor Ministries. The Dillons are members of the Salem Church of the Brethren and bring unique gifts and talents to Outdoor Ministries in the Southern Ohio District. Karen is a retired elementary school teacher and currently serves at Salem as Christian Education Director. She brings great interpersonal skills and works well with people of all ages. She will be a real asset in promoting Outdoor Ministries to the churches of our district. Tom Dillon has many talents related to the management and maintenance of property. He will be a great help to those who promote and work hard with the upkeep of the camp property. Karen and Tom will now begin the process of providing leadership and helping Outdoor Ministries with upcoming plans for the church camping season this summer. Please keep Karen and Tom (as well as all those who serve with Outdoor Ministries) in your prayers. You may contact them via email [adom@sodcob.org](mailto:adom@sodcob.org).

### **Summer Camp Updates**

Registration for summer camp is underway and there is room for many more campers. If you would like more information about dates and cost, please visit the Outdoor Ministries section of our website at [www.sodcob.org](http://www.sodcob.org).

We do not want any child to be prevented from attending a church camp due to financial hardship. There is a lot of scholarship money available. You can find more information about how to apply on the above website.

### **Southern Ohio Disaster Ministry News and Updates**

**In anticipation of the spring flood season, the Southern Ohio District has set a goal of assembling 400 Clean Up buckets.** If you would like to donate money to this project, send checks to S. Ohio District, 2293 Gauby Rd., New Madison, OH 45346. Mark "Bucket Project" on the memo line. Or you may donate online at [www.sodcob.org](http://www.sodcob.org). (credit card required). We will assemble the buckets at the Eaton COB, Barron St. facility on May 16, 2013 at 6:00 PM. On May 9, 2013 at 6 PM we will meet at the Eaton Church to prepare for assembling.

**Volunteers Are Needed for These Upcoming Trips:** May 5-11 to Prattsville, NY; May 26-June 1 to Holton, IN; June 16-22 to Prattsville, NY Contact Burt Wolf 937-287-5902; Helen Wolf 937-902-3475; Dick and Pat Via 937-681-3143 or email [southernohiodm@gmail.com](mailto:southernohiodm@gmail.com) for more information.

**The Brethren Disaster Ministries' Appreciation Dinner is planned for Saturday, April 13, 2013 at 6PM, at the Eaton COB (Barron St.).** This is the annual event where we "thank" those dedicated folks who support BDM in any way. Our guest speaker for this event is Zach Wolgemuth, Associate Director of BDM. If you would like to join us for dinner and an evening of inspiration and fellowship, please RSVP to Mary Weikert - Telephone: 937-667-8155 Email: [maryweikert@frontier.com](mailto:maryweikert@frontier.com)

### **The New Inglenook Cookbook**

Since 1901, the *Inglenook Cookbook* has been a tradition passed from generation to generation. The success of the series was its appeal to common people those who embody principles of simple living and value wholesome food, tastefully prepared. *The New Inglenook Cookbook* follows in that same tradition by bringing together over 350 of the best recipes from today's kitchens. A contemporary cookbook that reflects our rich Brethren heritage, upholding the values we share, and representing the tables of those who choose to live simply. You can find more information about how to pre-order your copy on the Brethren Press Website: [www.brethrenpress.org](http://www.brethrenpress.org).

### **Strengthening Your Small Church Conference**

Southern Ohio District plans to take a group of folks to this training event. We have reserved a few rooms at Camp Mack for those who may wish to travel Friday evening and spend the night at camp. If you would like to go, please contact Dave Shetler as soon as possible so we can reserve these rooms and potentially arrange for car-pooling or other transportation. The cost for lodging and breakfast will be \$17.50 per person; the event itself costs \$50 for the first person from a congregation and \$25 for each additional person, this cost includes lunch. Scholarships are available through the District Board if needed. More information is available on both the District's Website and the Denomination's website.

### **His Hands and Feet Deacon Training**

*Saturday, May 4, 2013 9 AM-3 PM (Registration begins at 8:30 AM)*

*White Cottage Church of the Brethren*

*Registration Deadline April 29, 2013*

Donna Kline, Denominational Director of Deacon Ministries will present three workshops relating to Deacon Ministry: *What are Deacons Supposed to Do, Anyway??*; *The Art of Listening*; and *Beyond Casseroles: Offering Support Creatively*. The White Cottage congregation would like to invite any deacons who wish to grow in their ability to do this important ministry to participate.

### **Save the Date--A District Pentecost Celebration**

*Sunday, May 19, at 4:00 p.m. at Happy Corner CoB*

The Southern Ohio District will gather for a celebration the entire family will enjoy. You won't want to miss this inter-generational, intercultural experience.

4:00 p.m. A performance by *Yurtfolk*

5:00 p.m. A carry-in meal. For the dinner, please prepare and bring your favorite ethnic recipe (African, African-American, Appalachian, German, Italian, PA Dutch, Spanish, etc.) to share.

5:45 p.m. Games and fun for folks of all ages

6:30 p.m. A closing vesper service.

All activities will conclude by 7:00 p.m. Mark your calendar and plan to attend!

*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](mailto:sodcob@brethren.org)) or you can always visit our website: [www.sodcob.org](http://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](mailto:sodcob@brethren.org) before the 15th of the month.*

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