

# District Highlights

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Please send **all**  
Highlights information  
to the District Office by  
the **10th**.

*"The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you: He is Christ the Lord!" - Luke 2:10-11*

As we enter into the Advent Season and then the Christmas Season, we celebrate how the words of the prophets of Israel about the coming of the Messiah were fulfilled. They were fulfilled in the birth of Jesus our LORD.

On the night Jesus was born, a host of angels celebrated, sharing their joy with a small group of shepherds tending their sheep in the fields outside of Bethlehem. One mighty angel had told the shepherds that the birth of their Messiah had happened close to the very place they were working. For them to hear and know that their long-awaited Messiah was now here, among them, was indeed "good news of great joy!"

The fact that Jesus was born, that the Son of God came among us, is still "good news of great joy!" We know this joyous news, and it has changed our lives. We know that our God is not unknowable, far removed from us, but rather is "God with us – Emmanuel!"

However, many people whom we know, work with, or go to school with have not heard this good news. For more and more people around us, "Jesus as the Savior" is not an idea that they are familiar with. This should make us think about how we can celebrate the birth of Christ by sharing the good news. Our Advent and Christmas seasons can be for us joyful times of telling others about Jesus.

So I want to give you just a few ideas of how you might celebrate Christmas this year by doing what the mighty angel did:

Tell the good news about the Savior's coming!

- 1) Send a Christmas card that has a Christ-centered, gospel message to an unsaved person
- 2) Give a modern translation Bible as a Christmas gift to someone who does not have one
- 3) Invite an unsaved person to Christmas Eve services
- 4) Ask the Witness Committee of your church to drop off copies of the JESUS FILM video in the homes around your church building. You can order the videos at (800)675-6980. Include with the videos a card of invitation to your church
- 5) Before you open gifts on Christmas Eve or Christmas Morning, read the account of Jesus's birth together as found in Luke 2:1-20. Share the good news with your children and grandchildren!

May you find great joy this Christmas by telling the good news.

Merry Christmas!  
**Bill Wenger**

## District Office/Local Church News

### **LEADERSHIP**

#### **Ordained**

**Russ Peruso** — Pleasant Hill

#### **Licensed**

**Jessica Webster** — Pleasant Hill

### **HOSPITALIZED**

- Continue to pray for **Carole Horner** and her ongoing recovery. She has recently returned to HealthSouth Harmarville for continued treatment.

Dear Friends,

Words can never express the deep appreciation to those who have shown their love, concern, prayers, monetary gifts, meals, and participated in fund raising.

We would also like to thank those individuals who provided labor and materials to renovate our home, so that it can handicapped accessible.

It is through these acts of kindness that enable Mearl and I to face each day knowing we have the support of so many people.

May God abundantly bless you!

With sincere appreciation,  
Mearl and Carole Horner

### **NEED YOUR HELP**

If your congregation will produce a new directory in **2019**, please drop off or send a copy to the District Office, 115 Spring Road, Hollsopple, 15935.

It is very helpful to the District Office staff to have updated information from all the churches we serve.  
Thank you!

### **February 2019**

#### **Highlights Deadline**

**January 10, 2019**

**Please send all Highlights information to the District Office for this next issue.**

### **NEW MEMBERS**

#### **Canaan Congregation**

- Kyle Fox
- Katlyn Fox
- Gregory Fox

#### **Montgomery Congregation**

- Chris Magas

#### **Windber Congregation**

- Harold Robert Ingraham
- Suzie Moss
- Jason Rex
- Maya Barrick
- Michael Smith



**AbbsTract****December '18 / January '19**

It was just another ordinary day of shepherding.

Moses led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and into some highlands at Horeb, the Mountain of God. Before he knew what was happening, a shrub caught fire in a strange way. The fire was otherworldly and the shrub did not burn. Soon, he heard God's voice, which must have added to his terror.

"Moses, Moses!" he heard, "Stop right there. Take off your shoes. You're standing on holy ground." God formally introduced Himself as the One who had been worshiped by Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Moses was afraid and hid his face. God continued: "I've seen the suffering of my beloved people, and I'm sending you to do something about it. You're going to deliver my people out of bondage, Moses, and you're going to lead them to a bountiful land of freedom."

Moses was never the same after that.

It was just another ordinary day of shepherding.

Some rugged shepherds were spending the night in the hills just south of Jerusalem, their sheep all around them. Before they knew what was happening, an angel of the Lord, glowing with His glory, appeared to them and spoke.

"Calm down, guys, it's okay. I come with great news – not just for you – but for everyone! Your Messiah, your Deliverer, was born today – He came for you! He's snuggled up in a manger down in David's City."



Now, one angel was apparently not enough for this announcement. Soon, the sky was lit up and filled with otherworldly beings, all of them shouting and singing praise to the Most High God! The bewildered shepherds hurried into town to stand on holy ground around the new little family. They were never the same after that.

It was just another ordinary day of shopping, baking, decorating, cleaning, scrambling to get everything done in time. You were basting the bird in the kitchen when you got that phone call, and you stood on holy ground.

You were out on the ladder, rigging up the lights, when your neighbor came over to ask a question about faith, and you stood on holy ground.

You were in a busy restaurant in the mall when you noticed your waitress crying. You asked if you could pray with her right on the spot, and you stood on holy ground. You were never the same after that.

This season, look for extraordinary moments in the ordinary days. Look for holy ground!

Christmas Blessings,

:) Abby

## Local Church/District News



**Salisbury COB  
Faith Factory**  
153 Union Street  
Salisbury, PA 15558

Sunday, December 16, 2018 and  
Monday December 17, 2018  
at 7:00 pm.

**Do you have a passion for leading youth  
to a life-changing walk with the Lord Jesus  
Christ?**

**If so, then read on:**

The congregations of the Rummel, Scalp Level and Windber Church of the Brethren are searching for a youth director to lead their combined youth groups. (This has been a successful program for 11 years.)

Qualifications for this position shall include a clear testimony of salvation, a life of high moral and spiritual standards, honesty, trustworthiness, an ability to work with youth, and an ability to design and administer a youth program (youth from sixth to twelfth grade).

More information can be given to interested persons by submitting a cover letter and resume to Pastor Ruby Mader at:

[rummelcob@verizon.net](mailto:rummelcob@verizon.net)



### Free Choir Robes—Scalp Level COB

- Gently Used
- 20 zipper front ER Moore gray choir gowns  
Most are in good condition  
Dry clean only
- 16 pink/white reversible stoles
- 16 purple/green reversible stoles
- 15 zipper front MURPHY red choir robes With G clef embroidered on white yoke on left chest  
Most are in fair condition  
Machine washable

For more information: please call NORMA CREAGER  
814-241-2200

(If not needed for choir, consider other uses- use your imagination!)



## Denominational News

go to [www.brethren.org](http://www.brethren.org) for the most complete and up to date news from the Church of the Brethren



### National Older Adult Conference

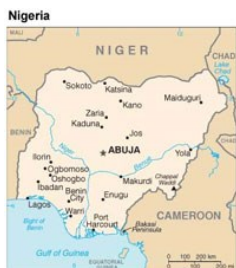
**September 2—6, 2019**

**Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center in the beautiful mountains of western North Carolina**

NOAC is a Spirit-filled gathering of adults who love learning and discerning together, exploring God's call for their lives and living out that call by sharing their energy, insight, and legacy with their families, communities, and the world.

[www.brethren.org/NOAC](http://www.brethren.org/NOAC)

**Job Openings:** If you are interested in job opportunities through the Church of the Brethren, open positions can be found at <http://www.brethren.org/about/employment.html>



**Please continue to pray for the situation in Nigeria.**

Remember them daily as we all pray for peace to come to that devastated region.

Visit [www.brethren.org](http://www.brethren.org) for more information.



## Workcamps 2019

So don't lose a minute in building on what you've been given, complementing your basic faith with good character, spiritual understanding, alert discipline, passionate patience, reverent wonder, warm friendliness, and generous love, each dimension fitting into and developing the others. With these qualities active and growing in your lives, no grass will grow under your feet, no day will pass without its reward as you mature in your experience of our Master Jesus.

*2 Peter 1:5-8 The Message*



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Paradise Church of the Brethren—before

California's Camp Fire, so named because it started along Camp Creek Road, is the deadliest wildfire in California's recorded history. It began on the morning of November 8, 2018 and quickly engulfed the town of Paradise, destroying all but a very few buildings. Residents had to flee for their lives. A total of 52,000 people were evacuated from the fire area. One week

later the fire was only 45 percent contained but had already covered 142,000 acres and destroyed nearly 12,000 structures, most of which were single-family homes. The death toll as of November 15 was 63, that has since grown to 79 and the list of missing people has reached 699. One of the structures destroyed in the fire was the Paradise Church of the Brethren along with its other buildings, including the parsonage. The



Paradise Church of the Brethren—after

pastor and his wife were able to evacuate but their home and belongings were destroyed. Brethren Disaster Ministries and the Pacific Southwest (PSW) District of the Church of the Brethren are working closely together to respond to this disaster. Children's Disaster Services was requested by the State of California Emergency Services to serve the Camp Fire survivors in a Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) in Chico, Calif. Eight volunteers were deployed on November 16 to provide childcare for families who visit the DRC in search of assistance to begin their process of recovery.

The American Red Cross is providing some support to CDS on this deployment. Brethren Disaster Ministries is communicating with PSW District Executive Russ Matteson and with partner agencies on the ground to determine how it might respond in other ways. A long-term response, including rebuilding, will be needed. The Pacific Southwest District is collecting funds to provide direct support to the pastor and other members of the Paradise Church of the Brethren as they recover from the Camp Fire.

Contributions can be sent to:  
Pacific SW District Church of the Brethren (PSWD COB)  
PO Box 219  
La Verne, CA 91750  
Please note "Paradise Fire".

As the fire rages on, and in the months of recovery following, please continue to lift up in prayer the survivors of this devastating event as well as the first responders, including CDS volunteers.

Donations to support the Children's Disaster Services response and Brethren Disaster Ministries' in Paradise, Calif., and other areas in northern California impacted by the Camp Fire, can be sent to:

Emergency Disaster Fund Church of the Brethren  
1451 Dundee Ave.  
Elgin, IL 60120  
Please note "Camp Fire Response"

# **Pastoral Care & Crisis Intervention III**

## **Congregational Care**

### **Hello Pastors...**

Enclosed here is information on a new series of continuing education opportunities that the Western PA District Pastor and Parish Team will be offering over the next year. Let me tell you about them. But first, let's discuss a few things. It is all too common that what affects one person will usually affect a number of others, usually their families and close friends. How could it not? However, what do we do when the crisis now is so monumental that it is having a large impact upon the entire congregation, not just one or two people or even a family?

That is why I am sending this to you and trust that you will take a moment to read this carefully. I have found over the last 27 years that many pastors, deacons and counselors truly struggle with what to say or do for people they are helping when the disaster strikes. This is why I urge you to read further and why we are offering this series of continuing education opportunities.

Over the next year, we will offer parts three and four of our four-part series on Pastoral Crisis Intervention. These one-day courses will begin with the most basic of skills needed by pastors to begin to offer spiritual support and comfort to persons in their care and will build upon the previous trainings as we make our way through the series.

### **Pastoral Crisis Intervention III**

This course will begin immediately where **Intervention II** ends and will be building upon those basic skills. This training will now move the pastor into utilizing those skills within the larger context of the Congregational and Large Group setting. This course will explore:

- Vocabulary and Congregational/Group Dynamics during Crises
- Listening Skills
- Biblical Foundations
- Understanding Large Group Dynamics
- Congregational/Group Interventional Practice

Whether you are new to Pastoral Care or would enjoy refreshing those skills with new methods and skills, please consider attending these events. We will be offering these events on two dates to accommodate persons working. **Pastoral Crisis Intervention I and II** are not prerequisites.

## **Pastoral Crisis Intervention III**

March 09, 2019

Dale Leverknight, Instructor

Rummel Church of the Brethren, Windber, Penna.

Registration @ 8:30 a.m.

Deadline to register is February 25, 2019

Course will run from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Cost is \$10.00 **and includes your** 0.5 ceu's from SVMC, workbook, a continental breakfast and a hot lunch

### ***and again on...***

March 21, 2019

Greensburg Church of the Brethren, Greensburg, PA

(all other information is the same)

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For further information or to ask any questions, please feel free to call Dale Leverknight at the Montgomery Church of the Brethren at 724-254-9720, 814-541-3684 or email us at [pastor@montgomerycob.com](mailto:pastor@montgomerycob.com).

Detach and mail your \$10.00 check or money order made out to "SVMC"

To: Dale Leverknight

Montgomery Church of the Brethren

5227 Purchase Line Road

Commodore, Penna. 15729

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## **Pastoral Crisis Intervention III**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_



# CAMP HARMONY

A ministry of the Church of the Brethren

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<http://www.campharmony.org>

(814) 798-5885 FAX: (814) 798-2225

*"Inviting all people to experience the wonder of  
creation, and find harmony with God, with nature, and  
with one another"*

## **2018 "52 GOD BLESS YOU TEAM"**

As more and more families are blessed they contribute \$1.00 a week or \$52.00 to Camp so that the ministry can bless others. The original premise was that if all the families in the District contributed \$52, the debt could be eliminated. At the present the 2018 team totals 40 families and groups donating \$4,300

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## **LOOKING AHEAD - see attached flyers**

Faith Promise Dinner – December 1

Children's Christmas Party – December 8

Junior Winter Retreat (Grades 2 – 6) – January 25-27

Teen Winter Retreat (Grades 7 – 12) – February 1 - 3

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## **VOLUNTEERS**

A very special thank you is extended to our many volunteers who have been working at Camp. They have been very busy working in the programming, on construction, in the kitchen, during our festivals and banquets, and with our summer feeding program. Camp couldn't operate without your help. Thank you so much. If you are sitting at home wondering what to do worthwhile with your life – contact Camp. We have a place for you.....

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## **CLIMBLING WALL OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Last winter, Camp started a program called Open Climb, which is the community coming to use the inside climbing wall to practice their skills. This will be happening again this winter now that the weather has changed. Our trained staff and other experienced community leaders are always available to facilitate the climbs. Children and adults are welcome to take part. Anyone under age 18 requires adult supervision. The cost to climb is \$10.00 per person. Rental of equipment is an additional cost of \$2.00 unless you have your own. These will take place from 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM on the following dates:

December 28, January 11 and 25, February 1, 8, and 15, March 8, 15, 22, and 29

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A special thank you is extended to all those who helped with the Auction and took part in the bidding. A great time was had by all.

# PARTICIPATE IN WHAT GOD IS DOING AT CAMP HARMONY

## 2018 FAITH PROMISE DINNER SATURDAY DECEMBER 1, 5:00 PM

Individual Donation - \$50 or \$95 Challenge Amount

(\$1 FOR EVERY SUMMER OF OUR MINISTRY, 1924-2018)

Reserve your space now for the 7th annual Faith Promise Dinner on Saturday December 1st, at 5:00 pm in Faith Hall. Join with other Camp supporters as we enjoy a delicious dinner, hear about a great summer camp season and spend an evening with other friends of Camp! We will share updates on building projects and events happening at Camp as well as encourage one another with fellowship and entertainment. For more information, contact us at (814) 798-5885 or to reserve a seat, return the registration form on the back of this flyer!



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BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE**

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find harmony with God, with nature and with one another."

# FAITH PROMISE REGISTRATION

Please detach and return by  
November 29, 2018

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest names: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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OR

Help Camp Harmony reach 100 years of ministry  
"And they fell heir to what others had toiled for....Psalm 105:44

# FAITH PROMISE CHALLENGE 2018

Since I am unable to attend the dinner, I am sending a donation of  
\$\_\_\_\_\_ or pledging \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month/quarterly

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Your gifts are tax deductible. THANK YOU!  
*Camp Harmony Inc. is a 501c3 nonprofit organization, Federal Tax ID# 25-1041249*



# CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY CAMP HARMONY

SATURDAY DECEMBER 8, 9 AM - 3 PM

AGES 5 - 12

## SCHEDULE:

9:00 AM REGISTRATION  
9:30 AM CHRISTMAS SONGS  
10:00 AM GAMES IN GYM  
10:30 AM REPTILE ENCOUNTER!  
12:00 PM LUNCH  
12:45 PM CHRISTMAS STORY  
1:30 PM GAMES & CRAFTS  
2:45 PM CHRISTMAS SONGS  
3:00 PM PICK-UP

## WHAT IS PROVIDED:

SUPERVISED FUN FOR YOUR KIDS  
A HEALTHY LUNCH  
A TAKE-HOME CRAFT  
THE CHRISTMAS STORY  
THE LOVE OF JESUS  
MEET & GREET REPTILES  
TIME FOR PARENTS TO GO SHOPPING



REGISTRATION ON BACK!

1414 PLANK ROAD  
HOOVERSVILLE, PA 15936  
814-798-5885

HARMONY@CAMPHARMONY.ORG

\$10 PER CHILD

PRE-REGISTER BY DECEMBER 3, PAY AT THE DOOR

REPTILE



ENCOUNTERS

# CAMP HARMONY 2018

## CHRISTMAS PARTY REGISTRATION

Please use a separate form for each individual registering



### General Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade/Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Church Attending (name & town): \_\_\_\_\_

### Emergency Information

Health Concerns: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies (food, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Medications: \_\_\_\_\_

Restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Phone #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Phone #2: \_\_\_\_\_

### Payment Options (if you would like to pay in advance)

Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check \_\_\_\_\_

MasterCard \_\_\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_\_\_ Discover \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_

Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Card Holder Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### Release Information

In signing this application, I grant permission for my child to attend Camp Harmony and for Camp Harmony to use images (photo, video, etc.) of my child and members of my family in camp publicity (print ads, internet, etc.). I waive the right to inspect or approve photos for such purpose.

I understand that although Camp Harmony staff will make every reasonable effort to minimize exposure to known risks, not all dangers and hazards can be foreseen (i.e. cuts, bruises, scrapes, fractures, dislocations, fatalities, etc.). I am aware that certain risks and dangers exist in the activities that are beyond the control of Outdoor Ministry employees.

I understand that I have the right and the responsibility to limit my participation in any activity that I believe will compromise my safety, and agree to notify a Camp Harmony employee if I have safety concerns. Camp Harmony practices the "Choose Your Challenge" philosophy. This means, if I choose to physically participate in any of the activities, I voluntarily assume all risks associated with such participation.

I understand that Camp Harmony staff has the right to deny my participation and that it is my responsibility as a participant to follow the instructions, guidelines and procedures established by the Facilitator(s)/Trainer(s). If, at any time, I do not understand or have not heard specific instructions given by the Facilitator(s)/Trainer(s), I realize that it is my responsibility to ask for clarification and/or assistance before any participation.

In consideration of Camp Harmony allowing me to participate in these activities, I hereby release, discharge, waive, disclaim, and relinquish all claims, actions, or causes of action for personal injury, wrongful death, or property damage against Camp Harmony arising as a result of my participation in these activities, my use of Camp Harmony equipment, or any activities incidental to the activity. I also agree to defend and indemnify Camp Harmony and hold it harmless for any personal injury, death, or property damage arising from my conduct.

### Parent/Guardian

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2 YOUTH WEEKENDS!

JUNIOR WINTER CAMP - GRADES 2-6

**JANUARY 25-27**



TEEN WINTER CAMP - GRADES 7-12

**FEBRUARY 1-3**



CAMP HARMONY  
P.O. Box 158  
1414 PLANK ROAD  
HOOVERVILLE, PA 15936

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WINTER  
CAMPS**



**2019**

**2 YOUTH WEEKENDS!**

**CAMPHARMONY.ORG  
814.798.5885**

# WINTER REGISTRATION FORM

CAMPER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

GENDER: \_\_M\_\_F BIRTHDATE: \_\_\_\_\_ CURRENT GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN(S) NAMES: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

IS THIS YOUR FIRST TIME @ CAMP HARMONY? \_\_\_Yes\_\_\_No

## WHICH RETREAT ARE YOU REGISTERING FOR?

JUNIOR (GRADES 2-6)

TEEN (GRADES 7-12)

☐ JANUARY 25-27

☐ FEBRUARY 1-3

PLEASE COMPLETE IF YOUR CHURCH IS PAYING A PORTION OF THE FEE:

CHURCH NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

THE CHURCH WILL BE PAYING \$\_\_\_\_\_ OF THE REGISTRATION FEE.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE (REQUIRED; PASTOR OR CAMP REP)

\_\_\_\_\_

IN SIGNING THIS APPLICATION, I GRANT PERMISSION FOR MY CHILD TO ATTEND CAMP HARMONY AND FOR CAMP HARMONY TO USE IMAGES (PHOTO, VIDEO, ETC) OF MY CHILD AND MEMBERS OF MY FAMILY IN CAMP PUBLICITY (PRINT ADS, INTERNET INCLUDING SOCIAL NETWORKING SITES, ETC.). I WAIVE THE RIGHT TO INSPECT OR APPROVE IMAGES FOR SUCH PURPOSES. I ALSO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT, BY THEIR VERY NATURE, OUTDOOR AND CAMPING ACTIVITIES INVOLVE SOME RISK OF INJURY. I UNDERSTAND ALSO, THAT ALTHOUGH THE CAMP HAS TAKEN PRECAUTIONS TO PROVIDE PROPER SUPERVISION, INSTRUCTION, TRAINING, AND EQUIPMENT FOR EACH ACTIVITY, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE CAMP TO GUARANTEE ABSOLUTE SAFETY. I FURTHER UNDERSTAND THAT PARTICIPATION IN THESE ACTIVITIES IS VOLUNTARY AND WAIVE ANY CLAIM THAT MAY ARISE AGAINST THE CAMP AND/OR EMPLOYEES AS A RESULT OF PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM, EXCEPT FOR THOSE THAT ARE A DIRECT RESULT OF GROSS NEGLIGENCE OF THE CAMP OR ITS EMPLOYEES.

PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE

# ABOUT THE WEEKEND RETREATS

IF YOU CAN'T WAIT UNTIL NEXT SUMMER TO COME BACK TO CAMP, THIS IS THE RETREAT FOR YOU! DURING OUR WINTER RETREATS AT CAMP HARMONY, WE DO MANY OF OUR FAVORITE ACTIVITIES FROM SUMMER INCLUDING CRAFTS, WORSHIP, GAMES AND BIBLE LESSONS. PLUS WE'LL GET TO GO SLEDDING AND PLAY IN THE SNOW! EACH WEEKEND IS DESIGNED TO STRENGTHEN YOUR FAITH IN CHRIST AND GROW IN YOUR WALK WITH HIM. WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU AT CAMP HARMONY!  
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**REGISTRATION:** FRIDAY EVENING 7-8 PM

**PICK UP:** SUNDAY AFTERNOON 2 PM

**COST:** \$100 PER CAMPER

## HOW TO REGISTER

MAIL YOUR COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM (ONE PER CAMPER) AND A \$25 NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT TO:



CAMP HARMONY WINTER RETREATS  
P.O. Box 158  
1414 PLANK ROAD  
HOOVERVILLE, PA 15936



PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE BY CASH, CHECK OR CREDIT CARD. WE RECOMMEND FULL PREPAYMENT TO REDUCE TIME IN REGISTRATION LINE. REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED LESS THAN ONE WEEK FROM BEGINNING OF RETREAT DATE WILL BE CHARGED A \$15 LATE FEE.

## THINGS TO BRING

BEDDING, MONEY FOR STORE & OFFERING, TOWEL & TOILETRIES  
SEASONAL CLOTHING INCLUDING EXTRA SHOES AND SOCKS, BIBLE  
ALL OF YOUR FRIENDS!!!!

HAVE QUESTIONS OR NEED MORE INFORMATION?

814.798.5885

PROGRAM@CAMPHARMONY.ORG



# **B-D-M** **NEEDS** Your Help !



Since it is becoming increasingly more difficult to secure a crew of eleven volunteers via telephone, with the help of the District, I will be using email to communicate with churches and individuals to line up the necessary people to make the program work. This system, I hope, will streamline the process and eliminate missed calls and phone messages that sometimes go unreturned. Missed calls and unanswered messages requires another time consuming telephone call, sometimes with the same results! After the receipt of an email, and after checking the printed schedule please consider giving a day or a week out of your busy schedules toward this very rewarding, worthwhile ministry. Contact your church disaster coordinator to volunteer. If your church does not have one PLEASE contact Herb Ewald at [hjewald@atlanticbb.net](mailto:hjewald@atlanticbb.net) or (814) 539-8530.

**THANK YOU!!**

## New Windsor Day Trips

February 7, 2019  
February 19, 2019  
April 4, 2019  
April 23, 2019  
June 6, 2019  
June 25, 2019  
August 8, 2019  
August 20, 2019  
October 10, 2019  
October 15, 2019  
December 5, 2019

## Week Trips

*March 3 – 9, 2019	Carolina Pro#1
*May 5 – 11, 2019	Project #2
*July 14 – 20, 2019	w/Mid. Project #1
*Sept. 15 – 21, 2019	w/Mid. Project #2
*Oct. 27 - Nov. 2, 2019	Project #1
*Dec. 8 – 14, 2019	w/ANE Project #1

\*Denotes location not yet determined

## AVAILABLE SPEAKERS LIST – December 2018

### ORDAINED

ABRAHAM, FARREL – 4315 Seton Dr, Pittsburgh, 15227-1245 – 412-979-0067  
BEACHLEY, RONALD D. – PO Box 723, Davidsville, 152928-0723 – 814-479-4802  
BERKEBILE, WES J. – 4285 State Route 208, New Wilmington, 16142 – 724-901-7058  
DERR, AMELIA – 1202 Roberts Street, Nanty Glo, 15943-1325 – 814-749-0262  
DERR, HORACE - 1202 Roberts Street, Nanty Glo, 15943-1325 – 814-749-0262  
EASH, JOHN E. - 131 Friendship Ln, Hollsopple, 15935-6732 - 814 629-0206  
HOUGHTON, JAMES E. - 124 Lindberg Ave, Johnstown, 15905-3019 -814 243-0534  
HOUGHTON, SALLY M. - 124 Lindberg Ave, Johnstown, 15905-3019 -814 243-6448  
KABLER, ERIC P. - 126 Clermont St, Johnstown 15904-2132 - 814 266-2734  
KENSINGER, JAMES M. - 329 Spackman St, Seward, 15954-3117 - 814 446-1088  
MANGES, JOHN W. – 137 Catskill Ln, Johnstown, 15904-7523 814-539-3332  
MARSHALL, HOMER H. - 369 W Church Ave, Masontown, 15461-1651 -724 583-7073  
MARSHALL, PATRICIA M. - 369 W Church Ave, Masontown, 15461-1651 -724 583-7073  
MOSORJAK, GARY N. – 1337 Roxbury Avenue, Johnstown, 15905-1224 – 814-619-4238  
PETERMAN, SANDRA M. – 110 Windy Ridge Lane, Apt. 3., Shelocta, 15774 – 724-354-6026  
RUMMEL, DALE E. - 6171 Greenville Pike, Grampian, 15666-1959 732-809-9013 (seasonal)  
RUPERT, JACK - 409 State St, Johnstown, 15905-2642 - 814 322-7786 New Day – 814 535-8202  
SHAFFER, ABBY R. - (office) 115 Spring Rd, Hollsopple, 15935-7412 - 814 479-2181  
SMITH, A. HARRISON -506 Sciandro Dr, Greensburg, 15601- 724837-4491  
STEIN, ROBERT R. - PO Box 375, Chalk Hill, 15421-0375 - 724 438-2226  
SWICK, MICHAEL R. - 4127 Greenville Rd, Meyersdale 15552-8518 -814 634-8158  
WALKER, JUDY M. -425 Morningside Ave, Jeannette 15644 - 724 522-5260  
WALKER, LARRY E. - 425 Morningside Ave, Jeannette 15644 - 724 522-5260  
WESTLAKE, ELVA JEAN -436 Pony Farm Rd, Kittanning, 16201-4639-724 548-4901  
WILLOUGHBY, CAROLYN S.-207 Churchill St, Johnstown, 15904-814 266-9758  
YOST, ERIC W. – 1009 First Street, Windber, PA 15963 – 814-241-7753

### LICENSED

HILER, GARY W. - 228 Baltzer Bridge Rd, Friedens, 15541-6320 - 814 267-6722  
PARFITT, STEPHEN – 12 Mohawk Drive, Greensburg, 15601 – 724-832-3457  
PERUSO, RUSSELL J. – 151 Blackner Road, Johnstown, 15905 = 814-242-0549

### LAY SPEAKER

RAMER, DONNA L. -102 Franklin Dr, Greensburg, 15601-1305-724 836-0594

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- 2 - FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
- 8 - *CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY* – Camp Harmony – *more information to come*
- 9 - SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
- 16 - THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
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- 1 - HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!
- 6 - EPIPHANY
- 18-25 - WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY
- 25-27 - Junior Winter Retreat, 7 pm Friday to 2 pm Sunday at Camp Harmony – Grades 2 - 6

## FEBRUARY 2019

- 1-3 - Teen Winter Camp, 7 pm Friday to 2 pm Sunday at Camp Harmony – Grades 7 - 12
- 7 - Core Leadership Team, 6 p.m., District Office
- 16 - District Leadership Team, 9 a.m., TBA

## MARCH 2019

- 1 - WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
- 6 - ASH WEDNESDAY
- 10 - **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS (Turn clocks *AHEAD* one hour)**
- 10 - FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
- 10 - ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
- 17 - SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
- 24 - THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
- 30 - Pancake breakfast benefiting District Disaster Team, 7 am – 10 am, Maple Spring
- 31 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

## APRIL 2019

- 7 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
- 7 - Tithing Sunday
- 8 - Financial Resource Team (District Auction), 6:30 pm, District Office
- 14 - PALM SUNDAY
- 18 - MAUNDY THURSDAY
- 19 - GOOD FRIDAY
- 21 - ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN!
- 22 - Earth Day

### **MAY 2019**

- 2 - NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
- 4 - Pastors Prayer Retreat, Camp Harmony
- 5 - *NATIONAL YOUTH SUNDAY*
- 9 - Core Leadership Team, 6 p.m., District Office
- 12 - HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!
- 18 - District Leadership Team, 9 a.m., TBA
- 27 - MEMORIAL DAY
- 30 - ASCENSION DAY

### **JUNE 2019**

- 1 - Annual Conference Briefing, TBA
- 9 - HAPPY BIRTHDAY, CHURCH! (Pentecost Sunday)
- 16 - HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

### **JULY 2019**

- 3 - ANNUAL CONFERENCE (begins), Greensboro, NC
- 4 - INDEPENDENCE DAY
- 7 - ANNUAL CONFERENCE (concludes), Greensboro, NC
- 18 - Core Leadership Team 6 p.m., (District Conference Business)
- 26 - District Leadership Team, 6 p.m., TBA (District Conference Business)

### **AUGUST 2019**

- 18 - Stewardship Sunday

### **SEPTEMBER 2019**

- 2 - LABOR DAY
- 5 - Core Leadership Team, 6 p.m., District Office
- 14 - District Leadership Team, 9 a.m., TBA
- 21 - DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE
- 20-21 - Harmony Fest, Camp Harmony

### **OCTOBER 2019**

- 6 - WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
- 19 - District Conference, 9 a.m., Camp Harmony

### **NOVEMBER 2019**

- 2 - FOURTEENTH ANNUAL DISTRICT AUCTION, 9 a.m., Camp Harmony
- 3 - **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS (Turn clocks *BACK* one hour)**
- 7 - Core Leadership Team, 6 p.m., District Office
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- 28 - HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!

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