



Western PA

DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

June 2019 Vol. 19 No. 5

For the Lord is the Spirit,
& wherever the Spirit
of the Lord is, there is
FREEDOM.

2 CORINTHIANS 3:17 NLT

Much has been written in recent years about the difference between a “maintenance church” and a “missional church.” A maintenance church is fixated upon taking care of what the church already has – members, money and buildings. There is little thought put into mission beyond the current program of the congregation. A missional church, on the other hand, sees its whole existence in terms of its mission under God to reach its community and the world for Christ. This kind of church models itself after Jesus in His mission to touch lives with the healing and redemption of God the Father. There is an intense desire for the anointing of the Holy Spirit for outward mission.

Moving from “maintenance” to “missional” involves seeking a new experience of spiritual freedom through the presence and empowerment of the Holy Spirit. “Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.” As we seek the face of God, as we cry out to Him for a new work of spiritual freedom for our church, we position ourselves rightly for mission. It is out of the joy and miraculous presence of God in our midst that mission is born.

What new freedom does the Spirit bring as we seek afresh His anointing? One thing is this: We are freed from being locked into the idea that “pastor and programs” are the source of all effectiveness in the life of the church. A church that centers on its pastor for spiritual effectiveness and a church that focuses on keeping all of its current structures and programs in place is not free to experience the liberation of the Spirit unto new mission. This “pastor/program” mindset hinders a church from seeing the fact that mission effectiveness comes from the Spirit of God. The Holy Spirit brings new insights, new joy, new creativity. And all of the members of the church will come to know that they are on mission for God. They sense that they are caught up in God’s great plan to reach the world for Christ, to bring the good news and care to the lost and hurting.

If you believe that your church is locked into “maintenance” with its pastor/program mindset, if you would like to see your church be alive in the mission of God, I suggest you do three things: 1) seek the face of God in committed prayer, asking the Holy Spirit to flood your church with spiritual freedom; 2) look to see where this freedom creates a new passion for mission among your people; and 3) allow a Spirit-inspired creativity to be the basis for your plans and decisions as a church. Allow for God to move in and through your people unto a new creative, missional outlook.

“Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.” What a joyful thought! A thought, a reality, laden with possibilities for your church’s life and mission!

Peace to you!
Bill Wenger

District Office Notes

July 2019 Highlights Deadline

June 10, 2019

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

tlehman@brethren.org



The NEXT issue will be a double issue for August/September.

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!



The **District Library and Resource Room** at the District Office is open and available during District Office hours. Please feel free to stop in and check out, Sunday School resources, group Bible studies, church history, and many others. The District Spiritual Formation Team is currently working on updating the book list and will have more to share in the near future.

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WEBSITE:

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday ~ Friday

8:00 am ~ 4:00 pm

Financial Clerk is in

Tuesday & Thursday

9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Secretary is in

Monday ~ Thursday

8:15 am to 3:15 pm

Friday's until Noon

*Voicemail and Email
checked daily*

District Church News

HOSPITALIZED

- Continue to pray for **Carole Horner** and her ongoing recovery.

SYMPATHY

To **District Treasurer Carol Walker** and her family as her father-in-law passed away in April.

NEW MEMBERS

Meyersdale Congregation

- Paige Beal
- Blake Marteney
- Kenneth Marteney

Pike Run Congregation

- Wilmer Barron
- Sally Barron
- Betty Lavan
- Bradley Lavan
- Samantha Lavan
- Patricia Lavan



DISTRICT DIRECTORY UPDATES

Please make this change in your directory copies, thanks!

Page 18—**EMAIL CHANGE:** Penny Hoffman,
penhoff@verizon.net



Thank you for all who sent get well wishes and the tons of prayers. I truly appreciate it. God bless you all. - Cheryl Marszalek



Annual Conference Briefing

June 2, 2019 3:00 pm

Joyful Fellowship

2524 Garrett Shortcut Road, Garrett PA

If you are attending Annual Conference this year, be sure to attend this information Session.

District Church News

Events at the Penn Run Christian Outreach Center

(located directly across the street from the
Penn Run Church of the Brethren)

Church Yard Sale

Saturday, June 1, 2019

8:00 am to 2:00 pm

10' X 10' spaces available to rent

Please contact Lori Fackler for more
information at 724-349-2929 or e-mail her
at lorieffackler@yahoo.com.

Annual Holiday Craft Show

Saturday, November 9, 2019

9:00 am to 2:00 pm

There will be numerous silent auction
baskets to bid on, homemade soup,
Sandwiches, and other goodies as well as
a pie auction at noon.

District Women's Ministries:

Calendar of Events 2019:

June 6, 2019 Camp Day

August 10, 2019 Tea @ Walnut Grove COB

September 13 & 14, 2019, Fall Retreat @ Camp

October 3, 2019 Fall Rally TBA

*Mark your calendars,
more information to follow!*

Strawberry Festival

Shade Creek Ridge Church of the Brethren

1623 Ridge Road Hooversville PA

June 1, 2019

4:00 pm to ?

Free will donations

Proceeds benefit
Honduras Orphanage



Roxbury COB will be
hosting their
Summer Yard Sales
at the
Roxbury Church
Grove on the
Somerset Pike

June 8, 2019

July 13, 2019

August 3, 2019

Contact the church for more information
814-536-6716

The **Beachdale COB** is seeking a motivated spiritual leader(s) to coordinate and implement children's activities that foster and nurture Christian faith in visible and fruitful ways in children. The primary focus of this position is to educate followers of



Jesus according to God's Holy Word and foster relationships with children, parents, and caregivers by His will and direction.

Must be 18 years of age or older and able to provide/obtain required clearances. Paid part-time position of approximately 10 hours per week. Interested individuals may contact Beth Hoover at 814-279-7857.

District Church News



South Penn Crossing Bluegrass Band

June 9, 2019 6:00 pm
Moxham COB

South Penn Crossing started playing together in October of 2016 and they are made up of a group of people that love praising God through bluegrass music. They are from the Somerset, Johnstown, and Berlin areas of southwestern Pennsylvania.

Brethren Bible Institute—Summer Term Sponsored by the Brethren Revival Fellowship

July 22—26, 2019

On the Campus of Elizabethtown College,
Elizabethtown PA

Cost for dormitory students—\$300.00 for the week. Cost for commuting students is \$125.00.

For Application Forms, write to: Brethren Bible Institute, 155 Denver Road, Denver, PA 17517

**Applications must be completed
by June 25, 2019**

SAVE THE DATE - Geiger COB

"Heavenly Harvest Hoedown" There are some new surprises in store for those attending our annual hoedown for 2019. This fun evening will take place on September 21. More details will be furnished as the date draws near.



Faith Night at the Ballpark

June 22, 2019 at 4:05 pm
PNC Park
Pirates vs Padres

Following the game, you'll hear Pirates players and their coaches share their personal experiences on how their faith has impacted both their careers in baseball and their lives overall.

The Pirates annual Faith Night has become one of the highest-attended games each season. Get you tickets early!

Groups of 10+ call 1-800-BUY-BUCS to reserve a block of seats. Individuals may order online at pirates.com/faithnight

PLAY BALL!



District Church News

**ALL SCRIPTURE IS
GOD BREATHED**

2 Timothy 3:16 & 17

Mark your calendars!
2019 District Conference
October 19, 2019
Camp Harmony
Please be sure your church is
represented!



Traveling to Annual Conference?

District Disaster Coordinator Herb Ewald is willing to drive the District Disaster Van to Greensboro, NC for this year's Annual Conference.

If you are interested, please contact Herb at 814-539-8530. There are only 11 spaces available so let him know soon!



B-D-M **Needs Your** **Help!**

Brethren Disaster Ministries needs your help. If you are interested in being a part of future mission trips please contact Herb Ewald for more information at 814-539-8530

or [hjeward@atlanticbb.net](mailto:hjewald@atlanticbb.net)

Other than the day trips to New Windsor all weeklong trips will be announced as the information becomes available.

THANK YOU

2019 Schedule

Day Trips

June 6
June 25
August 8
August 20
October 10
October 15
December 5

Week Trips

July 14—20
w/Mid. Project #1

September 15—21
w/Mid. Project #2

Oct. 27—Nov. 2
Project #1

December 8—14
w/ANE Project #1

congratulations
GRADUATES

Congratulations to the Class of 2019 Graduates in the Western PA District and beyond.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord,
"plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give
you hope and a future."

Jeremiah 29:11

Free Resources in the District

Free Resources available at the Locust Grove COB

30 Day Church Challenge Kit—
4 DVDs with Daily Guide +13
Daily Guidebooks



Kyle Idleman “Not A Fan” -
DVD small group study for adults

Rick Warren studies:
“God’s Answers to Life’s Questions” -
4 DVDs + 12 study guides
“40 Days of Purpose” - 16 VHS tapes
“The Purpose Driven Life” - 16 hardcover books
“40 Days in the Word” - 3 DVDs + 11 workbooks

John Ortberg “Soul Keeping” -
3 DVDs + 9 books + 32 study guides

Louie Giglio “Goliath Must Fall” -
4 books + 16 workbooks

Ron Luce “Re:Create” - 6 workbooks + 4 books

Mark Batterson “The Grave Robber” (1 kit) - 12
books + 19 study guides + 9 student edition study
guides

Max Lucado “Fearless” -
12 books + 7 kits (DVDs, small group leader guide)
+ 13 study guides

Todd Phillips “Keep Climbing” -
1 DVD + 16 workbooks

Chris Seay “Prodigal Perspectives”-
1 kit + 15 workbooks

Jim Cymbala “When God’s People Pray” - 5 DVDs

Please Contact Roxanne Penrod 814-539-2258 or
the Locust Grove church 814-539-6826 if you are
interested in any of these studies.

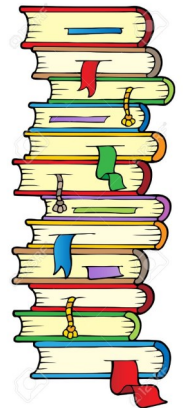
Free Books at Rummel COB

Greek for the Rest of Us,
by William D. Mounce - Zondervan,
2003

A Reader’s Greek New
Testament, 2nd Edition - Zondervan,
2007

Basics of Biblical Greek, 3rd Edition,
by William D. Mounce - Zondervan,
2009

Contact Rummel COB (467-5050)
or Abby Shaffer (abramash10408@gmail.com)



Locust Grove Choir has numerous older
Easter & Christmas cantata's, some with
cassette's, FREE to anyone interested.
Also FREE, several books with CD's & one
with cassette for Sunday morning music.

Contact Elaine Fyock, 467-9725 or 410-9776,
for more information.



Denominational News

Go to www.brethren.org for the most complete and up-to-date news from the Church of the Brethren



Annual Conference 2019

July 3–7, 2019

Greensboro, NC

Sheraton/Koury Convention Center

Registration is now open!



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.

ARE YOU A DR, NURSE PRACTITIONER, RN, LPN, OR EMT?

The First Aid Office at Annual Conference in Greensboro is looking for DR.'s, RN's, LPN's and EMT's who would be willing to volunteer a few hours during Annual Conference this summer. Jane Laprade is coordinating the First Aid Office this summer in Greensboro and would be glad to hear from willing volunteers! Please contact her at: d.laprade@b2xonline.com



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 for more information.



Workcamps 2019

<http://www.brethren.org/workcamps/>

Annual Conference

Go to www.brethren.org/ac/2019 for more information

Message from the Moderator

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation. –2 Corinthians 5:17-18

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

I'm excited to welcome you to Greensboro, NC this July 3-7 for our 233rd Annual Conference where we will focus on the proclamation of Jesus Christ—the One in whom we live and move and have our being, the One who stands at the center of our life together. As we together proclaim Christ, may we reclaim passion for Him our Divine Teacher, Savior and Redeemer, Lord and King. In that proclamation it is my hope and unceasing prayer that through the power of the Holy Spirit's work among us we will reclaim passion for our life together as gathered believers called Church of the Brethren and return to our first love as His bride, the church.



The proclamation of Christ brings a message of "New Creation!" through a daily dying to self and living for Him who died for us. When God's Spirit is at work in us, seeds are produced for ongoing transformation yielding fresh blossoms of passion for the Kingdom throughout our lives. May we each embrace Christ's transformation and open our spirits to how we together are called to be transformed as His Church in today's world.

This year we will be turning our attention away from the usual many items of business toward the hard work of in depth conversations around the discernment of a Compelling Vision. These conversations will take place during our usual business sessions when delegates, along with those non-delegates who have registered to be part of the process, will be led through extended conversation around deep questions that address foundational aspects of our identity, purpose, and covenant together. If you are registered as a *non-delegate* and have not signed up to be part of the Compelling Vision process during the business session you may still do that by contacting Chris Douglas, Conference Director, and she will add that to your registration.

The themes for our discussion during these conversations have been generated as a result of previous conversations held during Annual Conference 2018 and within the districts over recent months. Through those conversations we have begun to peel back the many layers of who we are as a people formed by our history, our governance, our relationships, and our various perspectives of faith and culture. It is my prayer that from this deeper understanding of who we are that we will find a renewed vision for how we will best fulfill Christ's mission for the Church.

I invite all to be in prayer for Annual Conference and especially for the Compelling Vision process. A prayer calendar which guides us to a scripture and prayer focus for each day is available for you to use beginning Sunday, May 5 and continuing through the week of Annual Conference. I believe there is great power in many participating in prayer together around the same purpose, and I hope you will join with this effort. You may download a prayer calendar at this link: www.brethren.org/compellingvision

Many of you are coming with various expectations surrounding our work at this Annual Conference. I encourage us to suspend all expectations except this one: that the Holy Spirit will move among and through us in miraculous ways as we come together to proclaim Christ through our worship, our study, our fellowship, and our intentional conversation about the future of the Church of the Brethren. May it be so!

With enthusiastic expectancy for the movement of God's Spirit,

Donita Keister

Annual Conference

Go to www.brethren.org/ac/2019 for more information

Witness to the Host City



Annual Conference will again be partnering with Backpack Beginnings in Greensboro for our Witness to the Host City as we did in 2016. The mission of Backpack Beginnings is to provide children in need with nutritious food, comfort items, and basic necessities.



The organization was started in 2010 by Parker White, a young mother who wanted to help children in need in her community. From a few boxes of food on her dining room table, this organization has grown to a multi-program organization that now serves over 4,000 children. **The organization is staffed 100% by volunteers!**

How you can help

The Annual Conference has asked Backpack Beginnings what their most needed items are that Conference attendees can donate. Here's what is needed (in order of need):

- Canned soups
- Canned Chef Boyardee meals
- Canned Chicken and Tuna
- Grits and Oatmeal
- Healthy Snacks
- Washcloths
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste
- Activity Books
- Gently used khaki/navy pants for boys and girls, sizes 8-14
- Gently used jeans for boys and girls, sizes 2T, 3T, 4, 5, 6, 6X and 7/8
- Gently used children's athletic shoes, size 10-13 and 1-5

To learn more, visit [BackPack Beginnings](http://www.backpackbeginnings.org)

Blood Drive

Give blood in Greensboro!

Plan to donate blood in Greensboro during our Annual Conference blood drive.

The Greensboro Red Cross will be taking donations on **Friday and Saturday from 8:00am to 5:00pm** in the Cedar Room of the convention center. Sign up onsite at the table in the registration area.

For more information contact Sharon Franzen at sfranzen@brethren.org or 410-635-8731.



Volunteer Opportunities



Annual Conference appreciates those who volunteer to help be a **caregiver or chaperone in the Age Group Activities, Usher, Teller, stuff Delegate Packets, help in Registration, and more.**

To sign up go to :

<http://www.brethren.org/ac/2019/activities/volunteer-signup.html>

Thank you!



Photo by Jean Bily Telfort

A total of **250 farmers in 10 communities in Haiti** are working together as part of a soil conservation and income generation project of Eglise des Freres d'Haiti, the Church of the Brethren in Haiti, in collaboration with Global Food Initiative and Growing Hope Globally. The farmers have built terraces for soil conservation (shown above), planted beans (for short-term income), raised small livestock or planted plantains (for medium-term income), and prepared to plant trees (for long-term income).

Etienne Nsanzimana reports on seven years of potato farming ministry with the **Batwa people in Rwanda**, supported by the Global Food Initiative: "...much has been achieved. The Batwa learned a skill of raising potatoes and peas... they are feeding themselves and being accepted socially, step by step. Spiritually, 36 of the adult Batwa accepted Christ and joined a church. They also formed a choir named Makerbui, or Cherubim, and are committed to spreading the love of Christ through their songs.

"Child malnutrition among the Batwa people has decreased dramatically, and income has increased. Today the Batwa people we work with have built a good foundation for a better future. Children attend school and recently three students graduated from high school (a first for their community) with hopes of going to college.

Read more about these projects, plus others in Nigeria and the Dominican Republic in the latest [Global Food Initiative E-news](#)

"Thanks for joining us in this ministry."



AVAILABLE SPEAKERS LIST – June 2019

ORDAINED

ABRAHAM, FARREL – 4315 Seton Dr, Pittsburgh, 15227-1245 – 412-979-0067
BEACHLEY, RONALD D. – PO Box 723, Davidsville, 15928-0723 – 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
GREEN, GARY – 4589 Somerset Pike, Hollsopple, 15935-8217 – 814-915-0227
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
MYERS, GUY L. – 1271 Killiwhat Street, Johnstown, PA 15902-1224 – 814-536-2404
PERUSO, RUSSELL J. – 151 Blackner Road, Johnstown, 15905 = 814-242-0549
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
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
YOUNG, FRANK P. – PO Box 251 Jerome, 15937 – 814-418-5930

LICENSED

HILER, GARY W. - 228 Baltzer Bridge Rd, Friedens, 15541-6320 - 814 267-6722
PARFITT, STEPHEN – 12 Mohawk Drive, Greensburg, 15601 – 724-832-3457
PISARSKI, STANLEY – 511 Thrasher Street, Johnstown, 15909 – 814-410-3685

LAY SPEAKER

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

*The District Women's Ministries
would love for you to join us at*

Camp Harmony for
"CAMP DAY"

on June 6, 2019

Registration begins at 9:15 am

Our program will be presented by Jen Vickroy

Come meet our new Camp Director

"Fullness of Christ,"

You will not want to miss the afternoon fun.

The Country Store will open before lunch.

Please bring goodies to be sold. From food to.....??? love offering

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CAMP DAY - JUNE 6, 2019 Registrations due MAY 31

Congregation _____ # Att. _____ names on back

Cost \$12.00 each Check enclosed \$ _____

Make checks out to: District Women's Ministries

to: Arbutus Blough 1-814-629-9279

845 Speigle Road, Hollsopple, PA 15935-9505



JOYFUL CHURCH

Spring Bazaar **June 8th—8am to 4pm**

2524 Garrett Shortcut Road, Garrett PA

(former Piney Run Golf Course)

YARD SALE

ITEMS

LIVE MUSIC

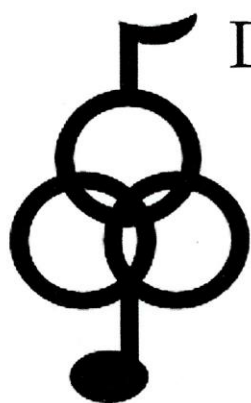
10am—4 pm

VENDORS

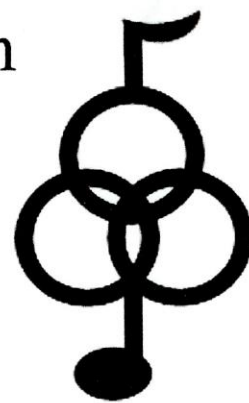
CRAFTS

FOOD

For Information Call 814-521-3917



District Youth Choir Reunion



When: July 7th 12:30-4:30 (We can hang out after if we want.)

Where: Camp Harmony- Pavilion by the pool

(In case of bad weather or too many people, we can use the old dining hall.)

Who: All choir members, advisors, directors,
and their families

(One tour or 18, first ever tour or last tour so far or somewhere in between.

You can even come if you went to camp with choir people and wanted to
come to choir but couldn't.)

What to Bring:

- Covered Dish
- Swim stuff (pool open 2-4)
- \$2 per person who is swimming
- Donation for Camp for letting us meet there and for
being awesome!
- Choir photos and memorabilia for everyone to look at
(Be sure your name is on it so it doesn't get lost.)
- Music or instruments if you want to "jam" with old
friends

Please pass this on to all of your friends via facebook, e-mail, telephone,
snail mail, carrier pigeon, pony express, or whatever you need to do. Don't

let anyone get left out! That's what choir's all about!



CAMP HARMONY

1414 Plank Road, PO Box 158
Hooversville, PA 15936
www.campharmony.org
Phone: (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"

Greetings from Camp Harmony!

*Warm weather has brought opportunities to continue to restore camp facilities. The swimming pool is almost up and ready to go, the campground is open, and the grounds are being beautified.

*We are gearing up for campers! Our summer staff is hired, and training begins. The adventure team was here this past week for climbing wall, low ropes/high ropes course training. We have a new zipline on the high ropes course this year that is longer, so twice the zipping fun! Counselor training starts at the beginning of the month.

*Camp participated in the Highmark walk on Saturday, May 18 to raise money for the camper scholarship fund and programs. Our goal for 2019 was \$10,000, and we have exceeded it with over \$13,000 currently raised!! This has been made possible with the generous donations of many individuals, organizations and businesses. Our partners include: Interim Healthcare, Eastern Elevator, Somerset Trust, Krause's Soft Freeze, JWF Industries, Meyersdale COB, Windber COB, Bear Run COB. We want to thank all that have supported us in this endeavor to raise money to help send campers to camp to get outside and experience the love of Jesus!

*Camp is once again providing transportation to the National Older Adult Conference (NOAC) in Lake Junaluska in North Carolina. Our trip will take place Sept. 1-7 and the cost for travel expenses is \$250. Participants will need to register for the conference separately and more information is available if you contact Camp.

*Although we are gearing up for summer, our thoughts and planning continue to look forward to fall. The Fall Gospel Music Festival is set for August 30-Sept 2 and Harmony Fest is set for September 28-29. Plan to join us for these great family and community events with lots of great fellowship and fun.



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NOAC 2019 Travel Available provided by Camp Harmony

We are excited to provide transportation to Lake Junaluska, NC for the National Older Adult Conference (NOAC) September 1-7, 2019. The cost of the trip will be **\$250.00**. The cost includes transportation, lodging (one night to NC and one night from NC) and one meal will be provided each way.

Itinerary

We will be leaving Camp Harmony at 1 pm. on September 1, 2019 traveling to Beckley, WV. Dinner will be included when we arrive. We will stop for the night at Microtel Inn by Wyndham Beckley.

On September 2nd, breakfast will be provided at the Microtel Inn. We will depart the inn at 8 am. We will plan on arriving at Lake Junaluska approximately 2 pm. A stop will be planned for lunch as we travel (paid for on your own).

Homebound departure will be following the noon meal on Friday, September 6th. Dinner will again be included when we arrive to Beckley, WV. Our night's stay will again be at the Microtel Inn. Breakfast will again be at the inn with leaving time at 8:30 am. Arrival back at camp will be approximately 1 pm with a stop for lunch (paid for on your own).

Price Includes

The price includes transportation to and from NOAC, two nights lodging, two dinners and two breakfasts.

The price listed above **DOES NOT** include registration for the conference. You must register separately for the conference through the Church of the Brethren at www.brethren.org/noac.

Registration with Camp Harmony must be made by August 1, 2019 and is only
guaranteed with full payment to Camp Harmony by this date.

2019 District Events and Meetings

This calendar will be updated as we receive dates from your groups, please send your important dates to the District Office ASAP to insure they will be on the District Calendar. Thank you.

EVENTS ARE CODED AS...

- District Events open for anyone in the District to attend - CAPS
- Meetings such as District Leadership Team, Camp Board, Home Trustees, and events beyond the District - small print
- Youth and Children's Activities - *ITALICS & CAPS*

SUGGESTIONS FOR USE...

- **KEEP FOR REFERENCE WHEN SETTING LOCAL CHURCH DATES.**
- Each month check this page in District HIGHLIGHTS for changes/additions.
- Keep *your* calendar updated.

JUNE 2019

- 2 - Annual Conference Briefing, 3 pm, Joyful Fellowship
- 6 - DWM Camp Day at Camp Harmony
- 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
- 15 - DWM Cabinet Meeting, 1 pm, District Office
- 18 - Core Leadership Team 6 p.m., (District Conference Business)
- 26 - District Leadership Team, 6 p.m., TBA (District Conference Business)

AUGUST 2019

- 10 - DWM Tea at Walnut Grove
- 10 - SVMC Class, District Office
- 18 - Stewardship Sunday
- 19 - DWM Cabinet Meeting, 1 pm, District Office
- 24 - SVMC Class, District Office

SEPTEMBER 2019

- 2 - LABOR DAY
- 5 - Core Leadership Team, 6 p.m., District Office
- 13 - DWM Fall Retreat at Camp Harmony
- 14 - DWM Fall Retreat at Camp Harmony
- 14 - District Leadership Team, 9 a.m., TBA
- 21 - DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE
- 21 - SVMC Class, District Office
- 28-29 - Harmony Fest, Campy Harmony

PLEASE NOTE

Dates will be added or changed as needed. If your District group, team, or committee has additions or changes to this calendar, please contact the District Office as soon as possible. Your help is much appreciated!

OCTOBER 2019

- 3 - DWM Fall Rally, TBA
- 6 - WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
- 12 - Blood Screening, 7:00 am to 9:00 am, Way of Hope Fellowship
- 12 - SVMC Class, District Office
- 19 - District Conference, 9 a.m., Camp Harmony
- 26 - SVMC Class, District Office

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
- 11 - DWM Cabinet Meeting, 11 am, District Office
- 16 - District Leadership Team, 9 a.m., TBA
- 28 - HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!

DECEMBER 2019

- 1 - FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
- 8 - SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
- 14 - *CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY* – Camp Harmony – *more information to come*
- 15 - THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
- 22 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
- 24 - Christmas Eve
- 25 - MERRY CHIRSTMAS!!
- 31 - NEW YEAR'S EVE