THE HIGHLIGHTS

Western PA District Church of the Brethren

May 2021

FROM THE DISTRICT MINISTER

The last 50 years have seen the worst persecution of Christians worldwide in all of church history. We are familiar with the severe persecution of the Church under Communist, Socialist, and Muslim governments. Hundreds of Church of the Brethren Christians in Nigeria, for example, have been repeatedly attacked and their churches and homes destroyed by the Muslim terrorist group Boko Haram. Boko Haram's goal is to establish an Islamic state under Sharia law in Nigeria.

These persecuted brothers and sisters have suffered deeply. Many suffer ongoing emotional trauma due to the attacks and pressures they have experienced. Yet they persist in their faith and continue to express their love for Jesus.

When I read or hear of these types of things, it causes me to pause and reflect on the fact that I have suffered very little abuse at the hands of anyone because of my faith. In fact I cannot think of a single instance of such happening to me. Perhaps your experience has been similar to mine.

But then I remember the Apostle Paul's words to Timothy in II Timothy 3:12 that say that "everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted." Does this mean that I have not been bold enough in my faith to have ever challenged and shaken up the powers of darkness? Have they never used physical abuse at the hands of men to attack me because they had little cause to do so? I hope that has not been the case. I hope that I have not been so docile in my faith.

Maybe it is a case of you and I having lived in an environment where the attacks on us due to our faith have not been ones of physical abuse but rather unseen spiritual attacks on our souls. It may well be that in our setting many Christians have fallen away from Christ due to the lure and temptation of money and riches or of sexually immortality.



But whether physical or spiritual attacks, the end result is the same. Some fall away due to trials.

This calls for great vigilance on our part and for us to pray for the ability to persevere in our faith. "He who endures to the end shall be saved," Jesus said. In the final analysis, we want to receive the crown of life from the LORD because we have loved Him to the end.

We serve a wonderful Savior, and He is worthy of every ounce of our enduring love and devotion. May our souls be strengthened for "every trial and temptation." Let us step forward every day in bold and confident faith, trusting in the Lord for His help and deliverance!

May the peace of the Lord be with you! *Bill Wenger*

Western PA District Church of the Brethren

115 Spring Road, Hollsopple, PA 15935



CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Western PA District,

Peace to you in the name of the LORD! As you may have heard through official Church of the Brethren communications or are observing in the letter from the COB Office of Ministry here in this issue of the Highlights, I have decided to resign my positon as District Executive of our Western Pennsylvania District. My last day in the position will be October 31, 2021.

I believe very much in the words in the book of Ecclesiastes that say "there is a time for everything and a season for every activity under heaven," and I sense the LORD telling me that the season He planned for me to be District Executive is to soon come to an end. I believe He has a new commission for me in the service of His kingdom, although I do not yet know exactly what that will be.

I have enjoyed my work as District Executive these past four years. I have appreciated very much working with the pastors, church leaders, and various members of the churches as I have gotten to know all of you. While the work, in many ways, has been challenging, it has also been rewarding.

If I were to isolate the main reason for my decision, I would say that it is due to my feeling that I do not possess the visionary and entrepreneurial leadership gifts needed to help the district move forward into the future in a successful way. The challenges and circumstances relative to future church life will require leadership who can put together new and dynamic solutions to meet the spiritual and administrative needs of our churches. My gifts have always been centered on teaching and personal one-on-one pastoral encouragement. These gifts have served well for a season, but now other gifts are needed.

I want to thank everyone in our District with whom I have worked over the past four years. I have truly been blessed and encouraged by everyone's faith, diligence, and desire to see Christ's Church thrive.

May the LORD bless us all as we look to the future. He can do mighty things through those who have courageous faith!

Bill Wenger

FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE

The Highlights deadline for the **JUNE 2021** issue is

May 10, 2021

Please send your information to <u>tlehman@brethren.org</u>.

DISTRICT STAFF:

William Wenger, District Executive

Amy Bowman, Financial Clerk

Tina Lehman, District Secretary and Highlights Editor

DISTRICT OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Financial Clerk is in Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

CONTACT US:

115 Spring Road Hollsopple, PA 15935 814-479-2181 866-279-2181 toll free 814 479-2506 fax www.westernpacob.org

2021 DISTRICT DIRECTORY

The 2021 District Directory has been sent out via email. If you would like a paper copy of the 2021 District Directory, please contact Tina at <u>tlehman@brethren.org</u> or 814-479-2181

REQUEST FOR DIRECTORIES

It is very helpful to the District Office staff to have <u>updated</u> information from all the churches we serve. If your congregation has a new directory for **2021** please send one to the District Office, 115 Spring Road, Hollsopple, 15935 Thank you!



ACROSS THE DISTRICT

LEADERSHIP

<u>Ordinations</u> Dan Rhodes— Moxham Mark Murchie—Scalp Level

<u>Pastoral Changes</u> Linda Beachley—resigned, Nanty Glo Eric Kabler—part time interim, Locust Grove

NEW MEMBERS

Congregation

Meyersdale — Frank Bero Jr., Sally Bero, Kristen Beeman, Rachel Fazenbaker, Jimmy Kretchman, Lonny Murray, Natalie Paul, Christina Shaulis, Cody Wedge

PRAYERS FOR HEALTH CONCERNS

For everyone in the District who has been diagnosed with, is recovering from, or knows someone with COVID-19.

VIRTUAL SERVICES

Walnut Grove COB Sunday Services on Facebook at 10:00 am https://www.facebook.com/Walnutgrovecob

Geiger COB Sunday Services are on Facebook at 10:30 am https://www.facebook.com/ groups/1709517105945633

Salisbury COB Sunday Services on Facebook at 10:30 am <u>https://www.facebook.com/Salisbury-Church-of-</u> the-Brethren-211422968870314

Scalp Level COB Sunday Services at 10:30 am Scalp Level Church of the Brethren - YouTube Scalp Level Church of the Brethren | Facebook

Windber COB Sunday Services at 10:30 am https://www.facebook.com/WindberCOB

**If your congregation is sharing services online, please contact the District Office and Tina will list the information in upcoming Highlights.





ACROSS THE DISTRICT

EVENTS AT THE PENN RUN CHRISTIAN OUTREACH CENTER

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

Pasta Bar

Saturday, May 1, 2021 from 4:00 pm—6:00 pm Eat in or take out is available. Cost is \$10/meal. No preorders will be taken.

Annual Indoor Yard Sale

Set-up Friday June 4, 2021 Yard Sale Saturday, June 5, 2021

Call 724-463-0420 for event info and to order meals.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

The District is looking for someone who can help with the former Church of the Brethren Home files. After the sale of the Brethren Home, the District inherited 2 storage lockers near the District Office full of records. There were 3 volunteers working with these records but it has been difficult as some of them live in the Pittsburgh area and some also have full time jobs. Volunteers would be needed to help with requests for the following:

Former employees that: a) are seeking new employment b) are applying for retirement benefits

A confidentiality statement will need signed. Please apply to: District Office 115 spring Road, Hollsopple, PA 15935-7412 814-479-2181 Skills: Preferable medical background. Sleuth. Patience.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE



Mark your calendars! District Conference will be held on **October 16, 2021** at Camp Harmony

PART TIME SECRETARY NEEDED

MAPLE SPRING CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN Part time position, 20 hours per week Monday – Friday. Hours are 9:00 am – 1:00 pm Hourly wage of \$12 - \$15 negotiable Must be available on a part time basis and have a working familiarity with MS Word and Excel as well as email programs. Be willing to learn other software programs as needed. Have a general knowledge of pc's printers, copiers and other office equipment. Have excellent typing, telephone, communication and grammar skills. Must be neat and professional in casual dress appearance. Must project a positive attitude, especially when dealing with others. Ability to manage and update various software in use in the church. Ability to accurately update electronic media communication including the website and social media sites.



SOME GOOD NEWS!!

HEALTH UPDATE

Good News from the Indiana COB!

Pastor Kirt Anderson had quite a life threating event in November 2020. He spent 1 month at UPMC hospital in Pittsburgh where, due to blood clots in his right leg, the leg had to be amputated. God was by Kirt's side and with his family's faith in God he came back to church in December and preached his first sermon on January 17, 2021 from his wheelchair. Good news continues for Kirt as he will be getting a new prosthetic leg soon. Nothing is stopping Kirt he continues his devotion to God and his church and all the outreach he does in our community. God is good all the time!



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SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

In 2020, during the pandemic, Camp Harmony provided over 14,700 meals throughout Somerset County which was a **103% increase** from the years before. These meals are provided to children who live in areas within the poverty level. The cost of the meals are then reimbursed by the PA. Department of Education Nutrition Department.

Each summer, Camp Harmony operates this "ministry within a ministry" as it seeks to feed not only the children at Camp, but also many children in the surrounding communities. Camp does this through the help of Pittsburgh Food Bank, PA. Department of Education, Helping Hands Food Bank in Jennerstown, Somerset Boys and Girls Club, Mary S. Biesecker Library, Somerset County Library System, Jenners Learning Lamp, Stadium Terrace, and Shade School District.

In order for this outreach to keep going, volunteers are needed as drivers to transport the food to the various sites. If you are interested in volunteering for this ministry, please call Janice Kaltenbaugh at 814-279-4498. Thank you for considering this opportunity to help!

CALL FOR GOOD NEWS

We can all use some good news now and again right? I'm going to start sharing a page like this in every issue of the Highlights. So please send me good news to share; milestone birthdays, milestone anniversaries, academic achievements, etc. I look forward to hearing and sharing more good news from the District! Thanks! Tma tlehman@brethren.org

SERVING IN THE DISTRICT AND BEYOND

EL HOGAR DE NIÑOS ENMANUEL SHOE PROJECT FUNDRAISER



We currently have 3,175 pairs of shoes packed and ready to ship at the ICA building. We will not be shipping until after the first week in May, so anyone who still wants to drop off shoes may do so at the district office during business hours. We are thankful to everyone who has been able to donate! Remember that the weight of our shipment determines the profits for the orphanage, so each pair of shoes donated makes a big difference.

There is still time to join in!

Remember, its easy to participate. Simply collect gently worn pairs of shoes, boots, slippers or sandals at your church and place a rubber band around each pair.

You can deliver your shoes to the ICA building at 1929 Penn Avenue in Jerome on the packing day, OR to the District Office during business hours before the April 12th.

Thanks for your support!

For further information, please contact:

Marie Camut, 814-266-3010, April Mackell, 814-536-1589 Karen Nagyvathy,814-244-5977

HOW TO HELP

Lots of people are wondering about ways they can help in their communities during the pandemic. One absolute need in our District and beyond, is food. There are many food banks and pantries in our region, such as:

Walnut Grove Food Pantry https://www.facebook.com/Walnutgrovecob/

Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank https://www.pittsburghfoodbank.org/

Please consider donating food to these or any other groups in our area as well as possibly your time as you feel comfortable. Anything you can do would be appreciated.



SUPPORT FOR HONDURAS



HELP THE CHILDREN OF Hogar Enmanuel by HOSTING A TABLE* for the



Tri-annual Fund Raising Event at Camp Harmony This year's theme: **NOAH'S ARK**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2021

*HOSTS CAN BE Family, group of friends, Sunday School Class, Church, or Organization and will decorate a table for the theme by choosing an animal of your choice and sell tickets to the event for your table.





CONTACT RONA HEMMINGER TO CHOOSE AN ANIMAL. Hemminger@verizon.net or 540-649-3111

(Already taken: tigers, flamingos giraffes, hummingbirds, doves, sheep)

CONTACT NAME: _____

Phone Email

Animal choice: _____

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CALLING THE CALLED



6 Again the Lord called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." -1 Samuel 3:6

Questions or to register, please contact your district office.

Atlantic Northeast District: 717-367-4730 Mid-Atlantic District: 443-960-3052 Southern PA District: 724-875-0958 Middle PA District: 814-643-0601 Western PA District: 814-479-2181



DISCERNMENT DISCIPLESHIP DIRECTION

"God's call is complex. It comes to a diverse group of people and individuals for a wide range of purposes and results. It often comes in unexpected ways, with serious consequences. As we look at three examples of God's call (the prophet Isaiah, the Samaritan woman, and the Great Commission), we see a God who challenges, empowers, and guides us into the good work that we are called to do." ~ Steve Schweitzer



Calling the Called is an event organized by the Atlantic Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, Southern PA, Middle PA and Western PA Districts. It is an intentional time away from the routine of life to discern what it means to be called by God to the set-apart ministry.

Whether you are someone actively exploring the possibility of ministry or someone unsure of God's calling this will be a helpful time of discernment and discovery.

Come and hear personal call stories, come and wrestle with biblical call stories, come and learn about the process of entering the set-apart ministry in the Church of the Brethren. Discover what it means to be a people called by God.

DENOMINATIONAL NEWS



February 2021

 To: Pastor, Moderator, or Church Representative
 Re: Delegate Registration for the 2021 ONLINE Church of the Brethren Annual Conference June 29-July 4, 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Registration for both delegates and non-delegates for the Church of the Brethren Annual Conference will open at 12:00 Noon Central Time on Tuesday, March 2, 2021. The delegate registration fee is \$305 per delegate. Registration will stay open through the end of conference.

Delegate registration fees provide each delegate with a Conference booklet and the business materials packet. Each congregation registering a delegate will also receive a copy of the 2021 Annual Conference minutes.

Please note: Unique to this year's ONLINE Annual Conference, each delegate MUST HAVE THEIR OWN PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS, A COMPUTER OR TABLET, AS WELL AS ADEQUATE WIFI SERVICE IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN CONFERENCE. *Please ensure that your selected delegate meets these requirements to participate so that your congregation can be fully represented at Annual Conference.*

We are aware that some congregations do not have much access to the Internet and we hope delegates from those congregations will be able to participate. Perhaps your district office will have counsel as to how you can obtain individual Internet connections for each of your delegates.

One online site will be used for all business, insight sessions, networking groups, concerts, Bible studies and more. A link and password for access to the site will be emailed to each registrant in the days prior to the start of Conference. Training sessions will be provided in the weeks before Conference begins for those wanting to learn how to navigate the site. The many details of the event will be frequently updated on www.brethren.org/ac. Please check back often! Also watch for weekly emails sharing information about all that Annual Conference will have to offer online.

Registering a Delegate

Beginning Tuesday, March 2, at 12:00 noon Central Time, congregations may register their delegates online at <u>www.brethren.org/ac</u>. Click the "Registration" button and then choose "Delegate Registration." Payment options include paying by credit card or sending a check. Each delegate's complete name, address, email, and phone contact are required. **Please use the delegate's own email address, not the church email!** If you need assistance, call the Annual Conference Office at 800-323-8039 ext. 366, or 847-429-4366.

Delegate Eligibility and Allotment

Delegates must be full members of the Church of the Brethren. The number of delegates for each congregation is based on the membership statistics as reported in the 2020 Church of the Brethren Yearbook. The number allowed is as follows:

Up to 200 Members	1 delegate
201-400 Members	2 delegates
401-600 Members	3 delegates
601-800 Members	4 delegates

Non-Delegate Registrations

Non-delegate registration opens the same day as delegate registration. When registering anyone other than a delegate, click on the "Non-Delegate Registration" button. This year's reduced price of \$99 for non-delegates provides access to the business sessions, insight sessions, networking groups, concerts, Bible studies and more.

All five worship services will be available free of charge to all registered and non-registered persons.

New Delegates

Please encourage delegates who have never been or have not recently been to Annual Conference to attend the New Attendee Orientation session, online at 3:30 p.m. Central Time on Wednesday afternoon, June 29.

Online Information

Please check out our webpage at <u>www.brethren.org/ac2021</u> for more information about Annual Conference, including leadership, themes, schedule, concerts and much more. New information is added regularly so check back often.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding registration.

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Debbie Noffsinger, registration coordinator Annual Conference Office Church of the Brethren 1451 Dundee Avenue Elgin, IL 60120 Dial direct: 847-429-4366 Toll free: 800-323-8039, x366 dnoffsinger@brethren.org



Global Mission Prayer Guide

Brazil

Suely Inhauser, Church of the Brethren mission worker, asks for prayer for her Family Counseling Ministry. The requests for counseling have grown during this COVID period. The appointments also provide an opportunity to share the love of Jesus Christ with others. Please keep Suely and her ministry in your prayers.



Dominican Republic

The Haitian-Dominicans held an Annual Conference on March 20-21st (photo above). A delegation from Eglise des Freres d'Haiti was present at the conference and met with both the Haitian-Dominicans and the Dominican Iglesia de los Hermanos leaders to encourage reunification of the two church groups. Please pray for the leaders of both groups as they navigate the way forward.

Spain

The Iglesia de los Hermanos church in Leon is once again experiencing difficulties with their neighbors who have contacted police saying that the weekly church services are too loud. Please pray for the church in Leon and its neighbors during this difficult time.

Global Food Initiative

The following reports were received as follow up to various GFI grants awarded around the world. All the organizations expressed their sincere thanks for these grants. We praise God for his faithfulness and provision.

TraumaHealingandReconciliationServices(THARS) inBurundiwas able to use theadministrativegrantfrom the GFI for replacementof stolen chairs, a staff retreat, vehicle maintenance,staff salaries, and assistance to the Batwa childrenschool lunch program.

Fundacion Brethren y Unida (Brethren & United Foundation) in **Ecuador** used the funds to pay the salary and social security for the executive director and the farm manager, who had not been able to take a salary for the last few months of 2020. The executive director, Alfredo Merino, was especially thankful as he had been struggling spiritually and news of the gift gave him a much-needed lift.

Bittersweet Ministries in Tijuana, **Mexico**, through Gilbert Romero shared that the funds were given to several key staff members in the daycare center and others involved with the various Bittersweet Ministries. The funds were used for medical bills, to purchase a ventilator for a relative with COVID, and to buy snacks for children who come to the afterschool program.

Proyecto Aldea Global (Project Global Village PAG) in **Honduras** through Chet Thomas said that the COVID grant was used to purchase new computers/ laptops for one of their offices as well as Internet service. This will benefit their Pastoral and Youth Scholarship Program, as many of their scholarship beneficiaries cannot afford to purchase an electronic device and do not have Internet available to continue their studies from home. In Honduras, all public schools remain closed with only virtual learning. Pray for the work of PAG in Honduras.

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2021 SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE

Youth Camp Pre-K Camp Junior Camp #1 Day Camp #1 Jr. High Camp #1 Junior Camp #2 Day Camp #2 Day Camp #3 Youth Adv. Camp

 \leftarrow \rightarrow Grades 7-12, overnight Ages 3-5, 9 am - noon Grades 2-5, overnight Grades K-6, 9 - 4:30 Grades 5-8, overnight Grades 2-5, overnight Grades K-6, 9 - 4:30 Grades K-6, 9 - 4:30 Jr. High Camp #2 Grades 5-8, overnight Grades 7-12, overnight

June 4-8 June 7-11 June 13-18 **June 21-25** June 27 - July 2 **July 4-9** July 12-16 July 19-23 July 25-30 July 25-30

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If your congregation, committee, or group would like to have information listed on the District Calendar, please send it in to the District Office by the 10th of each month. Thanks!

<u>MAY 2021</u>	
2	- NATIONAL YOUTH SUNDAY
6	- NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
6	- Core Leadership Team, 6:00 pm, District Office
8	- SVMC Class, District Office
9	- HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!
13	- ASCENSION DAY
15	- District Leadership Team, 9:00 am, Uniontown COB
22	- SVMC Class, District Office
22	- Pancake Breakfast, 7:00 am, Maple Spring COB
23	 HAPPY BIRTHDAY, CHURCH! (Pentecost Sunday)
31	- MEMORIAL DAY

<u>JUNE 2021</u>

5	- SVMC, District Office
6	- Annual Conference Briefing, 3:00 pm, TBA
19	- SVMC, District Office
20	- HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!
30	- ANNUAL CONFERENCE begins, Virtual Conference

<u>JULY 2021</u>

- 4 ANNUAL CONFERENCE ends, Virtual Conference
 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY
 22 Core Leadership Team 6:00 pm, (District Conference Business)
- 31 District Leadership Team, 9 am, TBA (District Conference Business)

AUGUST 2021

- 14 SVMC, District Office
- 28 SVMC, District Office

SEPTEMBER 2021

6	- LABOR DAY
9	- Core Leadership Team, 6:00 pm, District Office
11	- SVMC, District Office
18	- District Leadership Team, 9:00 am, TBA
21	- DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE
ТВА	- Harmony Fest, Camp Harmony

OCTOBER 2021

3	- WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
9	- SVMC, District Office
16	- District Conference, 9:00 am, Camp Harmony
23	- SVMC, District Office

NOVEMBER 2021

5	- Core Leadership Team, 6:00 p.m., District Office
6	- FIFTEENTH ANNUAL DISTRICT AUCTION, 9:00 am, Camp Harmony
7	- DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS (Turn clocks BACK one hour)
13	- District Leadership Team, 9:00 am, TBA
20	- SVMC, District Office
25	- HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!
28	- FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 2021

- 5 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
- 12 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
- 19 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
- 24 Christmas Eve
- 25 MERRY CHIRSTMAS!!
- 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE

PRAYER CALENDAR

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