

Working Together . . .
Empowering Disciples



July, 2022

In Person District Conference will “Celebrate God’s Abundant Goodness”

Your Program and Arrangements Commission has been actively planning the 2022 Southern Ohio/Kentucky District Conference. They are planning an in-person conference at the Happy Corner Church of the Brethren on October 7 & 8, 2022. The theme will be "Celebrate God's Abundant Goodness". The Trotwood, Good Shepherd, New Carlisle, and Lower Miami Congregations will assist Happy Corner by providing volunteer support.

This year's conference will be unique in many ways, one of which is that there will be a time on Friday afternoon when all will participate in a service project. Some of these projects will be onsite, and others will be at a different location. Once this list is finalized, you will be able to view it on the website, and choose which project you want to be involved in when you register for conference.

A second way we plan to unite to serve our communities is by a special offering of items needed for outreach projects within the various communities of the congregations who are helping with conference this year. A list of items we are asking for will be posted on the district website once it is finalized.

The Program and Arrangements Commission is looking at various other ways to celebrate God's Abundant Goodness such as an ice cream social after worship on Friday evening and sharing of many, many stories of God's Goodness. This conference promises to be fun and meaningful for everyone, not just for church leaders.

We look forward to an in-person conference and to celebrating all the ways God has been abundantly good to us in Southern Ohio/Kentucky District. Registration will be open the end of July.

Camp Sugarwood 2022 Family Picnics

There will be one more Sunday afternoon picnic on July 31 beginning at 4 PM. We have the opportunity to just be together to enjoy games, activities, and time of friendly conversations at Salem Church of the Brethren's park-like setting with its ballfield, playground, and picnic shelter. A free, light supper will be provided. Our evening will end after a vesper service and an ice cream bar.

Southern Ohio/Kentucky Disaster Ministries Updates

Join a BDM crew! – Volunteers are needed for July 17-23, and Sept. 4-10 in Waverly, TN. The recovery is from flash flooding in August 2021. In addition to rebuilding, there may be opportunities for cleanup. Transportation, housing, food, and tools are provided. To volunteer, contact

Burt Wolf at SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com or call/text 937-287-5902.

Sewing Bee/Prep CWS Items – A Sewing Bee/CWS Prep will be held on Sat., July 23 at 9:00 AM. Come to Greenville COB, 421 Central Avenue. Sewers need to bring a sewing machine for making bags for CWS school kits. Non-sewers will prepare items for school kits. All are invited to bring a sack lunch. Contact Barb Brower (937-336-2442) for more information.

Ice Cream Social – The BDM Ice Cream Social will be held on Saturday, August 6, 4:00 – 7:00 PM at Happy Corner Church of the Brethren. Plan to come to this annual fundraiser for supper, pie, ice cream, fellowship, and music! Donations of homemade pies are needed. If you are willing to make a pie, please call Paula Connerley (937-266-7171). All proceeds support S. Ohio/KY BDM as we help disaster survivors through rebuilding homes and with Church World Service kits.

Golf Scramble – The annual Golf Scramble will take place on Saturday, Aug. 20, at 8:00 AM at Beechwood Golf Course. Registration and hole sponsorships are due on Aug 14. A registration and/or sponsorship form are available on the district website, or ask in your church office. Contact Kevin Dull at montpres57@gmail.com or call/text 937-604-3285 with questions. Proceeds support S. Ohio/KY BDM and the Camping and Retreat Ministries of our district.

Upcoming Events:

School Kit Assembly, Aug. 18, 6:30 PM, at Bullen Ultrasonics
Parking Fundraiser at Darke County Fair, Aug. 19 – Aug. 27, at Orthopedic Associates
(Volunteer to park cars, contact Burt Wolf, call/text 937-287-5902)
Cleanup Bucket Assembly, Sept. 22, 6:30 PM, at Bullen Ultrasonics

*For more information on what is happening in Southern Ohio as well as more details on these events contact your church office, email the Southern Ohio/Kentucky District (sodcob@brethren.org) or visit our website: www.sodcob.org. In addition to this publication, we also email a monthly newsletter. To request a newsletter simply email your request to the same email address. If you would like to add your event to either the website, this publication, or the monthly newsletter please email your information to sodcob@brethren.org **before the 15th of the month.***