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January, 2023



Camp Sugarwood Winter Blasts Right Around the Corner

You still have time to register for Camp Sugarwood's upcoming Winter Blasts!

Elementary (K - 5th) Winter Blast is the weekend of January 13-14, with a paying adult. Middle School, Junior High, and High School (6th - 12th) is the weekend of January 20, - 21. Registration forms can be found on the district website, or contact your church's ambassador or church office.

The cabins and Schweitz Center are all waiting for us to come back to Cricket Holler for a lot of fun and fellowship. All the arrangements for swimming have been made for a great pool time. Movies, games, activities, devotions, crafts, and much more are planned for everyone's enjoyment during this special time together!

Send in your reservation for this winter getaway to Karen Dillon at 756 Old Springfield Rd, Vandalia, OH 45377 as soon as possible.

Southern Ohio/Kentucky Disaster Ministries Updates

New BDM Site – Starting January 8, 2023 a new BDM rebuilding site opens in Dawson Springs, KY. The work will primarily be on building new homes as 400 of the 1,200 housing units in town were destroyed during the December 2021 tornado. Our partners are Habitat for Humanity Pennyrile Region, who are providing housing at their warehouse/office location in Madisonville. S. Ohio/KY volunteers will do bunkroom renovations to be ready for the January 8 opening, which is another S. Ohio/KY crew.

Rebuilding Trips in 2023— Demonstrate Christ's love by putting faith into action! Reserve your slot on a BDM rebuilding crew working in Dawson Springs, KY. Transportation, housing, food, tools, and leadership are provided. A flyer with the 2023 trip dates is available on the district website or contact your church office. Call/text Burt Wolf at 937-287-5902 or SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com to join a crew.

Sewing Bee/CWS Prep – In 2023 Sewing Bees will be held February through October on the fourth Saturday of the month at 9:00 AM. They will alternate between Greenville COB and Eaton Community Church. Volunteers will sew school bags for Church World Service (CWS) school kits. Non-sewers will prep items for school kits and cleanup buckets. A flyer with the 2023 schedule is available on the district website, or contact your church officew.

2022 Data – Support to S. Ohio/KY BDM was given in many forms: as a rebuilding volunteer, CDS volunteer, sewing school bags, assembling CWS kits, helping with fundraisers, financial contributions, and prayer. All are greatly appreciated as together we bring hope and share God's love with disaster survivors.

- **Rebuilding** -10 trips with 86 volunteers to Bayboro, North Carolina and Waverly, TN at a cost of \$6,900
- Church World Service (CWS) 528 Cleanup Buckets, 2,012 Hygiene Kits, and 2,705 School Kits were assembled for \$43,000. At nine Sewing Bees, 100 participants sewed bags for school kits or prepped items for CWS buckets/kits. 201 Volunteers worked at the Kit/Bucket Assemblies.
- **Children's Disaster Services (CDS)** 3 volunteers served in Uvalde, TX and N. Fort Myers, FL.

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.