February, 2024

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN Southern Ohio & Kentucky District

District Ash Wednesday Service

You are invited to join your sisters and brothers in the SOKD as we begin the 2024 Lenten Season together. Held at the East Dayton Fellowship, 3520 E Third St, Dayton, OH, this will be a time of fellowship, music, and worship. There will be time of self examination and communal confession as we discover how we may feel disconnected with God, and how we can bring our whole selves into loving connection with God. We will also hear stories from several of our congregations detailing how their church began and how God has seen them through challenging times. Soup and bread will be provided. We encourage you to bring a side dish if you wish. Come enjoy this time of fellowship and the opportunity to visit a church that you may not have been inside. Meal will be served at 5:30pm and the service will begin at 6:30pm.

Brethren Heritage Center invites you to volunteer

The Brethren Heritage Center has volunteer opportunities. In order to achieve the best possible team building success, volunteers need to be engaged with what brings them enjoyment and fits their unique skills. A volunteer interview worksheet has previously been developed by the BHC Board for use in helping potential volunteers get acquainted with the needs of the center and their own interests. Currently, there are opportunities for: scanning photos & documents; tech help (trouble shooting tech issues/helping with website); periodical assistance for our library; sorter/organizer of documents; bookstore assistant; receptionist. If interested, contact BHC at: 937-833-5222 or email dean.garrett@brethrenhc.org

District Game Day

Camping and Retreat Ministries Presents District Game Day. All ages are welcome to attend. This day of fun and fellowship will give you the opportunity to play board games, card games, and table games with others in the SOK District.

> March 16, 2024 10am-5pm You are welcome to come and go as you please. West Charleston CoB 4817 S. St. Rt. 202 Tipp City, OH 45371

Please bring games you wish to play, a snack to share and a monetary donation for lunch. We will be ordering pizza.

Text or email Carrie Drees with games you are bringing, hoping to play, or if you have questions. <u>cdrees23@gmail.com</u> 937-564-7346

Quilting and Crafting Day Retreat

Quilting and Crafting Day Retreat will be held at Happy Corner CoB February 8, 9, and 10 from 9am-4pm each day. Registration is due February 2. The cost is \$20 each day. At this all new day camp, quilters and Crafters will bring projects they are currently working on or projects with which they need help or encouragement. Campers can attend any or all days. Lunch and snacks will be provided. Questions or to Register contact Carrie Drees at <u>cdrees23@gmail.com</u> or 937-564-7346.

Camp Ambassadors Meeting

Camp Ambassadors Meeting will be held February 18 from 3:00-4:30 at Salem CoB 6037 Phillipsburg-Union Rd Englewood, OH. Ambassadors will gather for fellowship, devotion, games, singing, refreshments and will hear about all the upcoming Camping and Retreat opportunities.

Disaster Ministry Updates

Volunteer Opportunities - Serve March 10-16 in Dawson Springs, KY! Nine volunteers are needed to fill the crew. The work is on new builds, as we help with tornado recovery. Transportation, housing, food, tools, and leadership are provided. Call/text Burt Wolf at 937-287-5902 or <u>SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com</u> to join the crew. <u>Click Here</u> for a flyer with the 2024 trip dates.

Intergenerational BDM Trip – New this year! July 21-27 is a BDM trip for adults and youth. It's also an opportunity for grandparents/youth (15 yrs. +), parents/youth (14 yrs.+) to work together rebuilding homes for disaster survivors. The location hasn't been determined yet by BDM, but transportation will be provided. BDM also provides housing, food, tools, and leadership. Call/text Helen Wolf at 937-902-3475 or <u>SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com</u> to join the crew or for more information. Click Here for a trip flyer.

Sewing Bee/CWS Prep – The first sewing bee of 2024 will be held on Saturday, February 25 at 9:00 AM at Greenville COB. Sewers need to bring a sewing machine to make school bags for Church World Service (CWS). Non-sewers will prep items for school kits and cleanup buckets. All are invited to bring a sack lunch. <u>Click Here</u> for a flyer with the 2024 schedule.

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: <u>www.sodcob.org</u>. 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 <u>before the 15th of the month</u>.