

**Msy, 2024**  
**Southern Ohio/Kentucky District Newsletter**  
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*More information on Disaster Ministry and Camp Sugarwood including complete schedules, registration forms, etc can be found on the district website: [www.sodcob.org](http://www.sodcob.org).*

## **Camp Sugarwood Updates**

The school year is swiftly coming to its end, and summer will be here before you know it. Are you ready for summer fun? Our excitement is building at Camp Sugarwood, and we can't wait to know who is going to join us at camp. Please send in your registration by May 10 so that we may be prepared for your arrival. Registration forms can be found at [www.sodcob.org](http://www.sodcob.org). We have many exciting adventures to share in learning how we are Linked by Love! If you have questions or would like a registration form emailed to you send me a message at [cdrees23@gmail.com](mailto:cdrees23@gmail.com).

**Adult/Child Camp June 6-9**

**Sewing and Crafting June 10-13**

**Junior Discovery June 16-18**

**Junior Creative Arts June 16-22**

**Senior Creative Arts June 23-29**

### **Camp Counselors are needed!**

Please consider volunteering during camp in June. We are in need of 2 counselors (one male and one female) for Senior Creative Arts Camp, June 23-29. As a counselor you have the chance to be a positive, godly influence in the lives of our junior high and senior high campers. Please consider giving one week of your time at camp, mentoring, having fun, and helping to develop the spiritual lives of our youth.

Senior Creative Arts Camp is held at Cricket Holler in Dayton.

For questions or to volunteer contact Carrie Drees [cdrees23@gmail.com](mailto:cdrees23@gmail.com) 937-564-7346 or Charlene Foster [charbyclark@aol.com](mailto:charbyclark@aol.com) 937-572-2882

## **Southern Ohio/Kentucky Disaster Ministries Updates**

**BDM Site Updates** – Tornado recovery continues in Dawson Springs, KY until mid-August, as we partner with Habitat for Humanity. Homes are being built for tornado survivors whose rental properties were destroyed. They are now blessed to become first-time homeowners. A second BDM site was open for one week in April. It is in southeastern Kentucky and is being checked out as a possible long-term site for September. The work is recovery from the flooding of July 2022. Call/text Helen Wolf at 937-902-3475 or [SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com](mailto:SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com) to join a crew.

**Intergenerational BDM Trip** – Here's a new opportunity! Serve this summer on a BDM trip with family members or with someone from your church. July 21-27 is a trip for adults and youth. Youth who are 14 years old must come with a parent or legal guardian. Youth 15+ may serve with or without a family member joining them. The location is Dawson Springs, KY, and transportation will be provided. BDM also provides housing, food, tools, and leadership. Call/text Helen Wolf at 937-902-3475 or [SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com](mailto:SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com) to join the crew or for more information.

**Sewing Bee/CWS Prep** – On Saturday, May 25 there will be a Sewing Bee/CWS Prep at 9:00 AM. Come to Eaton



Community Church, 813 Camden Road. Sewers need to bring a sewing machine to make school bags for Church World Service (CWS). Non-sewers will prep items for school kits, hygiene kits, and cleanup buckets. All are invited to bring a sack lunch.

**Brethren Service Center Trip** – Join the Oct. 21-25 crew going to New Windsor, MD to work at the Brethren Service Center! Monday is travel in the BDM bus/van or on your own. Tuesday through Thursday is processing school and hygiene kits for Church World Service. Return is on Friday. Initially we're planning for a group of ten with others on the waiting list. The group size will be determined later based on the number of kits that need to be processed. Volunteers pay for their lodging, meals during travel, and suppers while at New Windsor. Lodging is at Best Western in Westminster, MD. The trip leader is Tony Price, pastor of Cedar Grove COB. To sign up or for more information, contact Helen Wolf at 937-902-3475 or [SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com](mailto:SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com).

### Save the Dates

Ice Cream Social – Sat., August 3, Happy Corner COB

Golf Scramble – Sat., August 17, Beechwood Golf Course

### Prayer Needs

A very important way we can be supportive of each other is to lift each other up in prayer. The 2024 Prayer List for Congregations is available on the district website.

-John Edwards— heart issues

-Joice Bernhard and the Bernhard family on Fred's passing.

-Amy Hager and husband Chris Combs - Amy is a member of the District Board and both are members of the Beavercreek COB, they were visiting family in Pennsylvania when Chris fell from a balcony. He is in ICU with a brain bleed, a broken neck and they've had to remove his spleen. He currently has a trach and is awaiting pelvic surgery.

-Our prayers and sympathy to Jim and Karen Chronister and family on the sudden passing of their daughter Shannon Collins on Monday, January 22.

-Burt and Helen Wolf - Burt is feeling better and slowly getting his strength back

-For **the people in the Indian Lake area** mourning the loss of loved ones, for all the injured around the area and state, and for those who have lost homes and barns due to the tornadoes last Thursday.

-For the **violence and war in the Middle East**. May the God of peace prevail and lead those on both sides to ending the conflict.

-**The Standing With People of Color Annual Conference study/action committee** as they continue their important work.

May we remember those congregations in pastoral transition -

- ◆ **White Cottage** continues their agreement with a neighboring congregation to supply pastoral services during a time of transition and discernment.
- ◆ **New Carlisle**--Tara Hornbacker, Interim.
- ◆ **Prince of Peace**--John Sgro, Interim.
- ◆ **Trotwood**-- Rusty Curling, Interim
- ◆ **Donnells Creek**-- Jim Chronister, Interim
- ◆ **Pleasant Hill**— open position
- ◆ **Trinity**-- John Edwards, Interim
- ◆ **Eversole**-- Mark Bowman retired, April 30, 2023
- ◆ **Circleville**--Roger Crusier retired Dec. 31, 2023



- There are many issues and situations continuing to face us as we minister in our respective locations, including those who are serving in interim situations and others who are in discernment regarding placement or are considering a move. There are others facing health issues, please keep these situations in prayer.

Please contact Nick if you know of prayer situations of which we should be aware. May we lift each other in prayer as we work to continue the work of Jesus, peacefully, simply, together.