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More information on Disaster Ministry and Camp Sugarwood and other announcements, including complete schedules, registration forms, etc can be found on the district website: [www.sodcob.org](http://www.sodcob.org).

## 2024 SOK District Conference Registration open September 27 & 28, 2024

at Prince of Peace Church of the Brethren  
800 E David Rd, Dayton, OH 45429

With District Conference now being less than a month away, all we now need is you! Please register as soon as possible. Deadline is September 15, 2024.

## Ted and Co Benefit Performance for On Earth Peace - September 28 - at Bridgewater Church of the Brethren and streaming online

Join On Earth Peace for its 50th Anniversary celebration with a performance by Ted & Co TheaterWorks entitled, "Just Give 'Em the News." For 50 years "On Earth Peace" has been advancing the joyful vision that accompanied the birth of Jesus by developing and walking with leaders working for justice and peace. Ted and Co use humor and professional storytelling to talk about issues of faith and social justice, provoking both laughter and reflection, as all good comedy does. This show, "Just Give 'Em the News" is an original, delightfully askew, musical take on the first Christmas, when the good news of "on earth peace" was proclaimed. For more information and to purchase tickets, use this link: [Ted & Company Benefit Performance](#)

## Camp Sugarwood Updates

**Camp Ambassadors Meeting**—The Fall Camp Ambassadors Meeting will be held September 8 from 3:00-4:30 pm at Salem CoB 6037 Phillipsburg Union Rd. Englewood, OH 45322 Ambassadors will gather for fellowship, hear news of the many exciting upcoming events, and enjoy refreshments.

**Women's Retreat** — Registration is Open for Women's Retreat, and they are due September 4. Women's Retreat will be held September 20-21 at Bergamo Retreat Center 4400 Shakertown Rd. Beavercreek, OH 45430. This year's theme is *The Lord's Prayer: Discovering Jesus' Plan for Transformation* and is being led by Barbara Menke. Please see the registration form for more details. Scholarships are available. Please contact Carrie Drees for questions: [cdrees23@gmail.com](mailto:cdrees23@gmail.com) or 937-564-7346.

**Golf Scramble** — The Golf Scramble was held August 17 at Beechwood Golf Course near Arcanum. Thank you to everyone who participated either by golfing on a team, providing door prizes or hole sponsorships or volunteering your time to make the Golf Scramble fundraiser a success. Your generosity greatly benefits Brethren Disaster Ministries and Camping and Retreat Ministries. A special thank you to Happy Corner Women's Fellowship for providing lunch for the day.

**Mark your Calendars** — District Game Day will be held October 5 from 10am-5pm at West Charleston CoB 4817 S St Rt 202 Tipp City, OH 45371. 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. You are welcome to come and go as you please. Bring games you wish to play, a snack to share and a monetary donation for lunch. We will be ordering pizza. For questions, contact Carrie Drees at [cdrees23@gmail.com](mailto:cdrees23@gmail.com) 937-564-7346.

**Fall Family Gathering** will be November 1-2 at Cricket Holler 6444 Frederick Pike, Dayton, OH 45414. A new camp for families of all sizes. Gather your family for a weekend of spiritual growth and fun. Registration opens September 9.

## Disaster Ministry Updates

**With Appreciation** – August was fundraising month for S. Ohio/KY BDM. There were 330 people in attendance at the Ice Cream Social, raising about \$9,100. The Golf Scramble that was held with Camping & Retreat Ministries had 23 teams, and we're awaiting the amount raised. The Darke County Fair parking at Orthopedic Associates had proceeds of \$3,000. We appreciate the support of the S. Ohio/KY District!

**Rebuilding Sites** – A new long-term BDM rebuilding site opens in September in Letcher County, KY. This is in southeastern Kentucky, where flooding occurred in July 2022. BDM is partnering with HOMES, Inc., an organization that was already working on affordable, sustainable housing prior to the flooding event. BDM will build new homes and do repairs on ones that were flood damaged. We'll have crews working Sept. 8-14 and Nov. 17-23. Volunteers are needed for the November crew.

The short-term site that will be open for ten weeks this fall is in Dawson Springs, KY. BDM has already served here and will now be completing homes that we started, as well as build two more. Volunteers are needed Sept. 15-21 and Oct. 13-19. Transportation, housing, food, and tools will be provided. To join a crew call/text Helen Wolf at 937-902-3475 or [SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com](mailto:SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com).

**Sewing Bee/CWS Prep** – More sewers are needed for sewing school bags! Come at 9:00 AM on Sat., Sept. 28 to Eaton Community Church, 813 Camden Road. The bags are already cut out, so sewers just need to bring their sewing machine. Non-sewers will prep items for Church World Service (CWS) kits. Bring a sack lunch and come for a time of service and fellowship.

## Save the Date!

Cleanup Bucket Assembly – Thurs., Oct. 10, 6:30 PM, Bullen Ultrasonics, Eaton

Appreciation Dinner, Sat., Nov. 16 at 6:00 PM, Trotwood Church of the Brethren

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](mailto:sodcob@brethren.org)) or visit our website: [www.sodcob.org](http://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](mailto:sodcob@brethren.org) **before the 15th of the month.**