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Empowering Disciples



April, 2025

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. or check with your church office.

Camp Sugarwood Updates

It's time to register for Camp!

Find the registration form online at sodcob.org. To hear more about camp this summer watch the promo video on Youtube. Search for campsugarwood2025. A complete listing of camps and registration forms can be found on the district website.

Camp Volunteers are the Heart of Camp!

Volunteers are needed in various areas from Kitchen helpers to counselors, mentors, camp set up, leading vespers, workshop leaders or other areas.

If you would like to volunteer please contact Carrie Drees at cdrees23@gmail.com, 937-564-7346 or Charlene Foster at charbyclark@aol.com, 937-572-2882.

Camp Sugarwood Scholarships Sought

Have a heart for the camping ministry, for children, and teens but cannot volunteer? Would you be able to support our camping ministry by contributing to scholarships needed for many of our campers? About ten to twelve campers each year need your help to experience the life-changing impact of our summer camps and Winter Blast. While some churches offer partial scholarships, many families cannot afford the remaining cost. Your donation will directly support these children, providing them with opportunities for spiritual growth, personal development, and unforgettable memories. Please donate today at sodcob.org or mail your gift to SOKD CoB Camping and Retreat Ministries PO Box 785 Greenville, OH 45331. Thank you for your generosity!

Camp Sugarwood Wishlist

There are several items that Camp Sugarwood would like to have to make it easier for preparing meals in the kitchen as well as a few items for workshops and activities for the camps. If you would like to help us with these purchases, the items are listed here: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/17UUZ989BSJ4D?ref=wl_share

Thank You to all who have already made purchases from the Wishlist! We greatly appreciate your generosity.

CIT (Counselor in Training) Sessions

Camping and Retreat will be hosting two Counselor in Training sessions. These sessions are for those 16 years old and up who are interested in learning to be a camp counselor with the possibility of counseling for Buddy Camp and Adult

Vacation Bible School. The dates will be May 4 and May 17. More info will be available soon. If you are interested or would like more information, contact Carrie Drees at cdrees23@gmail.com or text 937-564-7346

Disaster Ministry Updates

Intergenerational BDM Trip – Don't miss out on the July 20-26 Intergenerational BDM Trip to Letcher County, KY. It's an opportunity for grandparents/parents/youth (15 yrs. +) to serve together. Youth who are 14 years old, must come with a parent. (Adults and youth 15 yrs. or older may come without another family member.) Sign up now! Call/text Helen Wolf at 937-902-3475, SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com

Volunteer Opportunities – Volunteers are needed for rebuilding trips to Letcher County, KY. Names can be added to the waiting list for May 4-10. Join the July 20-26 Intergenerational Crew. The fall trips have openings for many volunteers. The work is flood recovery, which includes working on damaged homes and new builds. Here's a link to a video about the site. <https://youtu.be/gmKy5PDf4PE>.

Transportation, housing, food, and tools are provided. Call/text Helen Wolf at 937-902-3475 or SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com to join a crew. [Click Here](#) for a flyer with all the 2025 trip dates.

Sewing Bee/CWS Prep – Come to sew school bags or to prepare items for Church World Service (CWS) kits. The next sewing bee is on Saturday, April 26 at 9:00 AM at Greenville COB. Sewers need to bring their sewing machine. All are invited to bring a sack lunch.

Fabric Needed - Do you have fabric that could be donated for making school bags? We need fabric that is heavier than plain cotton, such as denim, duck cloth, corduroy, etc. Bring it to the sewing bee! If that doesn't work for you, contact Helen Wolf 937-902-3475, SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com. We'll work out a plan for getting the fabric.

Save the Date! A Brethren Heritage Center Event

When – the date: Saturday May 3, 2025

What: Flying to Greater Heights ; Hear Vince Lewis tell events from his life story that led him to change from a military career to become a non-resistant Brethren

Where: Brookville Grace church building and Brethren Heritage Center

When: – the times 9:00 – 11:30 at Brookville Grace

What: – two formal presentations

When: – the times 1:00 – 3:30 at the Brethren Heritage Center

What: – informal conversations with Vince, Charlette, and friends

Details about topics Vince will discuss are coming in a Press Release soon.

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.**