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September, 2025

## **Southern Ohio/Kentucky District Conference**

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**"Embracing our Imperfections"**

**September 26 & 27, 2025**

**Oakland Church of the Brethren**

Our 2025 District conference is just around the corner. Your Program and Arrangements Commission has been busy planning and now all we need is you!! Four videos that illustrate how we are already living into this concept have been created and are available for viewing and/or downloading on the district website. You are encouraged to hop on the website and check them out, then share them with your congregation members in as many ways as you have available. We encourage all to attend district conference. We want it too be an inspiring time of fellowship and worship with others in the SOKD. Check the website for more information including the schedule, CEU events, reports and business and service project.

All are welcome to attend all, or any part of the conference. If you plan to only attend the Friday evening worship, there is no need to register. Otherwise, delegates and non-delegates will need to register. You may register for the entire conference on any part of the conference online. Registration fees: Friday only-\$45; Saturday only-\$30; Entire conference-\$65.

## **Camp Sugarwood Updates**

**Camp Sugarwood Save the Dates!**

Fall Sewing and Crafting Day Retreat: October 20-22 at Oakland  
Women's Retreat: October 31-November 1 at Bergamo Retreat Center  
Fall Family Gathering: November 14-16 at Cricket Holler  
Elementary Winter Blast: January 9-10 at Cricket Holler  
Jr and Sr High Winter Blast: January 16-17 at Cricket Holler  
Winter Sewing and Crafting Day Retreat: February 5-7 at Happy Corner  
Information for these events can be found at [sodcob.org](http://sodcob.org) or from your camp ambassador after October 5.

**Camp Ambassadors Meeting**

*Camp Ambassadors meeting will be held at Salem CoB on October 5 from 3:00-4:30.* Camp Ambassadors come to find out what Camping and Retreat events are happening this Fall and Winter. In addition to event information, we will have a time of devotion, play a game, have snacks, fellowship, and perhaps sing a song or two.

**Thank you!**

Thank you to all the individuals, groups, and businesses that donated to the BDM/CRM Golf Scramble. Your support through this fundraiser is vital for the flourishing of our collective ministries. Thank you.

Thank you also to all the volunteers that took part in making the Golf Scramble a success! Thank you, thank you. May God bless you through the work of your hands and hearts.

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

**With Appreciation** – August was fundraising month for S. Ohio/KY BDM. There were about 285 people in attendance at the Ice Cream Social, raising about \$8,000. The Golf Scramble that was held with Camping & Retreat Ministries had 26 teams, and we're awaiting the amount raised. The Darke County Fair parking at Orthopedic Associates had proceeds of nearly \$3,000. We appreciate the support of the S. Ohio/KY District!

**Rebuilding in KY** – Flood recovery continues in KY, as we partner with HOMES, Inc. Houses are being built in Chestnut Ridge, a higher ground property in Knott County. We'll have crews working here Sept. 7-13 and Nov. 9-15. There are openings on both crews.

**Volunteers Needed Oct.12-18 in TN** - A new short-term site will be open for eight weeks this fall in Johnson County, TN for Hurricane Helene recovery. BDM will be partnering with International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC). Volunteers are needed Oct. 12-18. Housing will be at the First Christian Church in Mountain City, TN. To join a crew call/text Helen Wolf at 937-902-3475 or [SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com](mailto:SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com).

**Sewing Bee** – On Sat., Sept. 27 come at 9:00 AM to Eaton Community Church, 813 Camden Road to sew school bags. The bags are already cut out, so sewers just need to bring their sewing machine. Bring a sack lunch and come for a time of service and fellowship. This month there will not be work prepping items for Church World Service kits.

**Save the Date!**

Cleanup Bucket Assembly – Thurs., Oct. 23, 6:30 PM, Bullen Ultrasonics, Eaton

Appreciation Dinner, Sat., Nov. 22 at 6:00 PM, Troy Church of the Brethren

## **Pittsburg Church hosts "Biblical Exploration" Event**

Mel Menker will be leading a weekend conference on "Biblical Exploration" at Pittsburg Church of the Brethren on October 10th and 11th. The cost is \$30 before October 1st and \$35 after that date. The opening session begins at 3:00 pm on Friday. for more info go to [www.pittsburgcob.org](http://www.pittsburgcob.org)

*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 VVthe 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.***