



Church of the Brethren

3402 Plantation Road, NE, Roanoke, VA 24012



August 13, 2019

Dear Pastors, Interim Pastors, and Congregational Contact Persons/Chairs,

Enclosed is your congregation's District Conference pre-registration packet. ***This is the only mailing we will have prior to conference, and it is limited to one per congregation.*** Please make sure that each enclosed form is passed along to the proper person(s) in your congregation. Many of our events have deadlines for food vendors, child care, and overnight reservations, so please make sure you make note of these dates and pass the information along in a timely manner.

Enclosed are the following:

1. District Conference information page/bulletin insert
2. Delegate Pre-registration Form and the CoB Yearbook Guideline for Delegate Allowance
3. Invitation to Minister&Spouses Pre-Conference Dinner, 5 PM November 8
4. Saturday Lunch Reservation Form for Delegates and Non-delegates, 12 PM November 9
5. Age Group Activities Flyer and Registration Forms

All enclosed forms can also be found online. The Virilina District website has electronic copies of all forms and registrations. Forms can be downloaded and shared or printed by visiting <http://virilina.org/district-conference.html>.

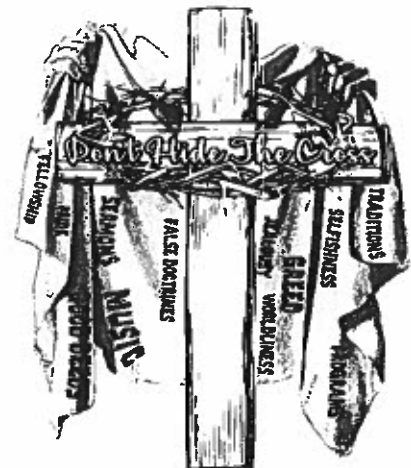
The copy of the September Headliner will outline some of the enclosed information as well. Conference booklets will be mailed to delegates in October.

If you have any questions, please email virilina2@aol.com or call the District Office at (540) 362-1816 or (800)VIRILINA.

I am excited to be directing my first District Conference with you on November 8-9, 2019. The Nominating and Personnel Committee, the Program and Arrangements Committee, our Moderator- Elect, Cathy Huffman, and our Moderator, Roy Turpin, have been in prayer for this conference all year. Please encourage your congregation to be involved in prayer and presence as we conduct our district business under the theme of "Don't Hide the Cross."

In Christ's Service,

Mary S. St.John



"For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God."

1 Corinthians 1:18

2019 Virilina District

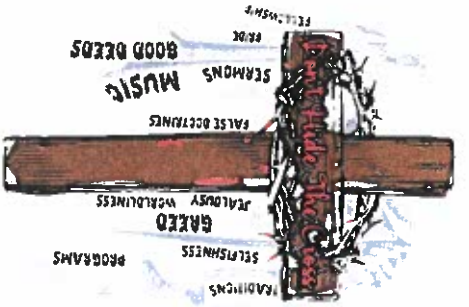
Conference

Grandin Court Baptist Church
November 8th & 9th
2660 Brambleton Avenue
Roanoke, VA 24015

Gain it!

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-1 Corinthians 1:18 (KJV)



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• FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8 •

Ministers & Spouses Dinner

Registration - 4:30 p.m.

Meal in Hammer Hall - 5:00 p.m.

Catered by Country Kitchen, Christiansburg, VA

Program by Nancy Heishman, Director of Office of Ministry

Childcare provided.

(Reserve by October 25th.)

All-Conference Registration, Hospitality & Exhibits

5:00 p.m. - 6:50 p.m.

(No food service at this time. Please plan accordingly.)

Hymn Singing and Worship

7:00 p.m.

Speaker: Dana Cassell, Pastor of Durham, Peace Covenant CoB

Childcare provided.

Directly after Worship.

Light Refreshments for All in Hospitality Area in the Gym.

Young Adult Ice Cream Social and Discussion in Hospitality Area.

Youth leave for Camp Bethel with accompanying chaperones.

• SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10 •

Registration, Hospitality & Exhibits

Opens at 7:30 a.m.

These areas are also open during lunch and breaks.

Childcare, Children's Activities & Youth

Childcare (infant-preK): during worship and business
Children (K-5th): Saturday, 8:00 a.m. - end of business
Youth (6th-12th): Friday, 8:30 p.m. - end of business

(More information is available online, in the Headliner newsletter,
and in the packet sent to each congregation.

Age groups must pre-register by October 25th!

Hymn Singing and Worship

8:15 a.m.

Speaker: Nancy Heishman, Director of Office of Ministry,

Church of the Brethren General Offices

Lunch

12:00 - 1:15 p.m.

Box Lunches provided by the Roanoker Restaurant

(Off-site restaurants are also an option.

The on-site lunches must be pre-ordered.

Reserve yours by October 25th!

Newly Elected and Returning District Board

& Outdoor Ministries Committee members

reorganize during this time.

Business Sessions

9:10 a.m. - 12:00 noon & 1:20 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Moderator: Roy U. Turpin

Moderator-Elect: Cathy Huffman

Clerk: Pam Clark

Forms and information are available online!

<http://virilina.org/district-conference.html>

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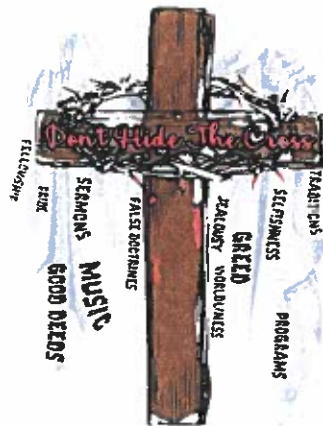
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PRE-REGISTRATION FOR DELEGATES

(Due: September 28th)

Name of Congregation: _____



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Please print clearly.

Step 1: Let us know who your 2019 District Conference delegates are!

(Please refer to the back of this sheet to determine how many delegates to send.)

Pastor (Automatic Delegate) _____

Chair of Board (Automatic Delegate) _____

3rd Elected Delegate _____

4th Elected Delegate _____

5th Elected Delegate (251+) _____

If your congregation has to send an alternate delegate in a registered delegate's place, please alert the District Resource Office of this change as soon as possible. Call (540) 362-1816

Step 2: Send in this form and payment.

The registration fee is **\$25.00** per delegate. This helps to pay for conference expenses. We urge each congregation to pay this fee for their delegates. **Registration forms and payments are due by September 28th.** This registration form will help determine how many conference booklets are printed. Mail this form and payment (checks made payable to **Virlina District**) to:

Virlina District Resource Center, 3402 Plantation Road NE, Roanoke, VA 24012.

Registration Cost: _____ (delegates) X \$25.00 = \$ _____

Congregations: If you plan to cover the cost of meals for your ministers and/or delegates, and only want to send one check, please send all forms in one envelope with the check by **September 28th**. This makes the in-office registration process much easier. *Thank you!*

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2019 Virlina District Conference
MINISTERS' AND SPOUSES' DINNER
Grandin Court Baptist Church
2660 Brambleton Avenue, Roanoke, VA 24015

*You're invited to a special dinner for Virlina
Ministers and Spouses!*

When: Friday, November 8th. Registration will begin at 4:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 5:00 p.m.
Free childcare will be provided for Infant-Grade 5 during the dinner and program.

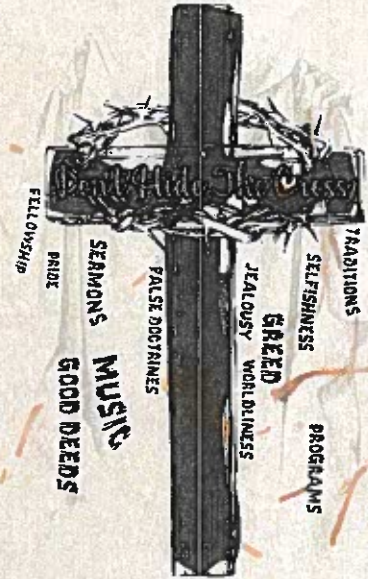
Where: Grandin Court Baptist Church's remodeled Hamner Hall

Cost: \$16.00 per meal

Caterer: Country Kitchen, Christiansburg

Menu: Pan fried Chicken, beef tips & gravy, baked ham, green beans, baked apples, mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, broccoli and cheese, squash casserole, cole slaw, potato salad, tossed salad, assorted desserts, coffee, tea, lemonade

Program: Nancy Heishman, Director of Office of Ministry, CoB General Offices



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2019 Reservation Form for Ministers and Spouses Dinner

Name(s): _____

Name(s) of children: (Please include ages. Children will have pizza during the Ministers' dinner.)

If you need more room to list your children's information, please use the back of this form.

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Congregation: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

**Mail this form and payment (made payable to Virlina District) by October 25th to
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MEAL RESERVATION FORM

Due: October 25th

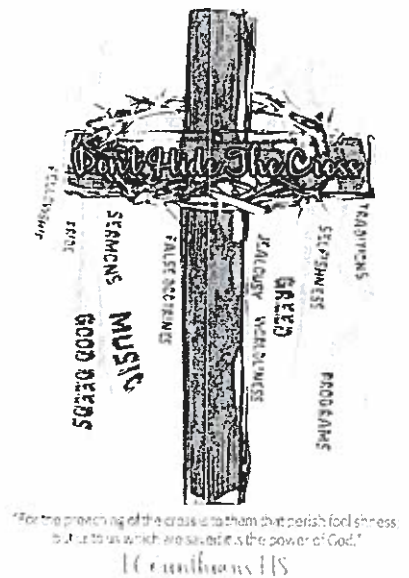
- **When:** Saturday, November 9th 12:00 noon
- **Where:** Lower level gym/hospitality area
- **Cost:** \$10.00 per person (no refunds after registration deadline)
- **Caterer:** Roanoker Restaurant
- **Menu:** Box lunch of chicken breast, ham biscuit, potato salad, brownie. Fresh fruit and vegetables served on the side. Tea, Lemonade and Water
- **Tickets** will be distributed on Friday evening and Saturday morning at the meal ticket table. No extra tickets will be sold at District Conference.
- **Registration Deadline:** October 25th.

Nearby restaurants turning right on Brambleton include the Roanoker Restaurant, McAllisters, Chipotle, Starbucks, etc. Turning left on Brambleton is Burger King, El Rodeo, Taco Bell, Country Cookin', etc.

To Register:

1. Complete the Meal Registration Form below. Save this top part for information, if you wish.
2. Mail the below form and payment (payable to Virlina District) by October 25th to: Virlina District Resource Center, 3402 Plantation Road NE, Roanoke, VA 24012.

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2019 Virlina District Conference Lunch Reservation Form

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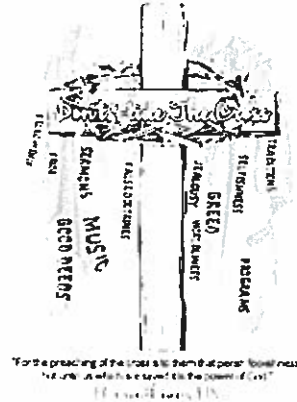
Total number of lunches: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

~AGE GROUP ACTIVITIES at DISTRICT CONFERENCE~

CHILDCARE: Infants – Pre-K

Childcare will be available for infants and toddlers during the Ministers and Spouses Dinner, during Worship Friday (6:45-8:30 PM) and during Business Sessions Saturday (8:00 AM – 12:00 noon and 1:15 PM – 4:15 PM.). Please fill out an on-line/mailed registration form and return it to the District Office by **October 25!**



CHILDREN: Kindergarten – 5th Grade

The Children's Cabinet will be leading the children in crafts, conference theme devotions, and a field trip to the nearby Roanoke County EMS Fire and Rescue station. They will spend time exploring the station, meeting fire and rescue personnel and local police officers, while getting close up and personal with the trucks, ambulances and cars of our emergency responders. There will also be a few surprise souvenirs given to each participant. Please dress children suitable for outdoor and indoor play. Booster/car seats must be provided! *The cost is \$7.00/child or \$20.00 for 3 or more family members.* Registration forms are available online or through your congregation. Please register **by October 25!**

MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH: 6TH – 12TH Grade

Following 7:00 PM worship on Friday evening all registered youth will be participating in an overnight trip at Camp Bethel. On Saturday, participants will play games, go on a short hike, and rake leaves and other outdoor jobs for Camp Bethel. Breakfast and lunch are included. Please bring appropriate clothing for being outdoors, socks and shoes, gloves, a sleeping bag, pillow, toiletries, and a snack to share on Friday evening. *The cost is \$20.00/participant.* Leaders from each participating church are needed to help drive and chaperone. Registration forms are available online and have been sent to each congregation. Deadline to register is **October 25!**

YOUNG ADULTS ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Young Adults of Virgina are invited to the reserved tables in the hospitality section for ice cream following worship. Join in a discussion with Joy Murray, the new Coordinator of Children, Youth and Young Adults, and tell what your congregation does to invite and excite young adults in your church. Be a part of the future plans for Virgina's Young Adults!

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2019 District Conference Age Group Activities Registration Form
 Due: October 25th | Only 1 form per family

Name of Child/Youth	Age	Childcare for Infants-PreK		Grade	Children's Activities (\$7)	Youth Activities (\$20)
		Fri.	Sat.			
<i>Sample -- Alexander Mack</i>	8			2 nd	✓	
<i>Sample -- Anna Beahm</i>	13			7 th		✓

Total Registration Cost: _____

Contact Information :

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____ Congregation: _____

Any food, allergy, or behavioral issues we need to be aware of: _____

If you have children or youth participating in the activities at Camp Bethel, we need the following information from you!

Emergency Contact (besides parent/guardians listed above):

_____ Relationship to child: _____ Phone: _____

I, the parent/guardian, understand that there are risks involved in an off-site trip and in hiking and other outside activities. I understand that I will be contacted if there is an emergency, but I indemnify and hold harmless the Virlina District Board - Church of the Brethren, Inc. and its staff, officers, and volunteers from any and all liability, claims, damage, injury or illness sustained by my child or children.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____

Date _____

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BRETHREN Disaster Ministries

2019 Virginia District Conference

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

The **Brethren Disaster Ministries** and **Church World Service** are in need of Emergency Clean Up kits. Please consider sending a fully constructed kit with your delegate as part of our Service Opportunity. If your congregation is able, we also will gladly accept parts of kits, with items taken from the list below. After items are collected, we have congregations who are willing to complete the items in buckets. Please do not put money in the buckets or supplies. Congregations can write a check *made payable to Church World Service* to help pay the Processing Fee. Delivery will be taken care of by the District Office.

- One five-gallon bucket with resealable lid (If bucket has been used, clean well but do not use if it has held chemicals of any kind.)
- Four scouring pads
- Seven sponges, including one large
- One scrub brush
- Eighteen reusable, lightweight dry cleaning towels (e.g. Handi wipes)
- One 50 oz. or two 25 oz. bottle(s) of liquid laundry detergent
- One 16-28 oz. bottle of liquid disinfectant dish soap
- One 12-16 oz. bottle of household cleaner that can be mixed with water (no spray bottles)
- One package of 48-50 clothespins
- Clothesline, two 50 ft. or one 100 ft.
- Five dust masks
- Two pairs heavy-duty, waterproof dishwashing gloves (latex-free, non-surgical)
- One pair work gloves, cotton with leather palm or all leather
- 24-28 heavy duty or contractor type 30-45 gallon trash bags on a roll and removed from carton
- One 6-9 oz. bottle of non-aerosol **insect repellent**

All cleaning items must be new – all liquid items must be capped and securely tightened. Place all items into the bucket, making sure they are packed securely to avoid damage during shipment. Snap the lid on tight and seal with packing tape.

Value: \$75.00

Processing fee: \$3.00 per bucket

Shipping of the kits to their final destination is expensive. Costs include renting space on trucks, boats and planes, paying for gas, for the insurance of each shipment and for other delivery fees. We ask that our donors help cover a small amount of this cost. You can cover these fees online here.