

E-HEADLINER

COORDINATOR OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES SOUGHT

The Virlina District Board - Commission on Nurture is seeking an energetic person to serve as the Coordinator of Children, Youth and Young Adult Ministries. The Coordinator will plan district activities and promote denominational events for Virlina's young people, as well as coordinate volunteers, district leaders and a calendar of events. It is an excellent opportunity for a Church of the Brethren member to support and encourage others in the faith and the gospel throughout the Virlina District.

This is a part-time position requiring an average of 10 hours per week, with an annual compensation of \$6,000. Some weeks require more hours and some a lesser time investment. Office space will be provided at the District Resource Center. If you would like a job description, please contact Mary St. John at (540) 362-1816 or (800) VIRLINA or by e-mail at virlina2@aol.com. Interested persons should send a letter of interest and a resume.



KINGDOM BUILDING - AN EVANGELISM CONFERENCE - MAY 31 - JUNE 1, 2019

Kingdom Building - An Evangelism Conference will be held on May 31 - June 1, 2019. Moderator Elect for the 2020 Church of the Brethren Annual Conference, Paul Munday, will be the keynote speaker. Brother Munday was formerly the pastor of the Frederick Church in Mid-Atlantic District and was denominational staff for evangelism and church growth. He was instrumental in the design and implementation of the "Passing on the Promise" process in the late 1980's.

The preliminary schedule of this event is as follows:

Friday, May 31

3 - 6 p.m.	Pre-Session for Leaders	"The Person I Must Become"
7 - 9 p.m.	Session One	"Announcing the Reign of God"

Saturday, June 1

9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Session Two	"One Size Doesn't Fit All"
1 p.m. - 3 p.m.	Session Three	"If Jesus Be Lifted Up"

Sponsored by the Good News Team of the Virlina District Board - Commission on Witness, this event **will be held at the Rocky Mount, First Church of the Brethren** located at 405 Tanyard Road in Rocky Mount, Virginia. Early registration, received by May 10, will be \$15 (groups registering five persons will get the sixth person free). From May 11 until the event, registration will be \$20. For ordained ministers seeking Continuing Education credit, add \$10. This event provides 1.0 CEU from the Christian Growth Institute. **Continuing Education credit requires attendance at all four sessions. Any one may attend the "pre-session for leaders."** Registration forms and a poster may be found at www.virlina.org and are attached to this e-mail.

NATIONAL JUNIOR HIGH CONFERENCE - JUNE 14-16, 2019

The National Junior High Conference of the Church of the Brethren will be held June 14-16, 2019 at

Elizabethtown College in Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania. The theme of the conference will be "Strong and Courageous" based on Joshua 1:9. National Junior High Conference is for youth who have completed 6-8 grades and their advisors. Sing, laugh, worship, make friends from all over the country, and spend time with God!

Registration is \$210 per person. A non-refundable deposit of \$100 is required within two weeks of submitting your online registration to hold your spot. For more information go to <http://www.brethren.org/yva/njhc/>.

GILLIGAN'S ISLAND DINNER "CRUISE" - A MEN'S EVENT - JUNE 15, 2019

For all you sea-dreaming sailors out there (father's/sons/grandfathers/brothers/brothers-in-all). The S.S. Minnow will be setting sail for a GILLIGAN'S ISLAND DINNER "CRUISE" on Saturday, June 15 at 5:30 p.m. at the Copper Hill Church of the Brethren. Be ready to get on board for this delightful dinner theatre experience and meet the Skipper, Gilligan and the rest of the gang! This "Men's Retreat/Fathers' Day Event" is the Third Annual All Men's Event sponsored by the Spiritual Development Retreat Committee of the Virginia District - Commission on Nurture. Further details will be forthcoming but MARK THE DATE NOW on your calendar so you don't miss the boat!!! We expect sunny skies and smooth sailing!!!

DISTRICT RESOURCE CENTER TO BE CLOSED FOR ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The District Resource Center will be closed for Annual Conference beginning at 6 p.m. on Friday, June 28, and re-opening on Monday, July 8, at 9 a.m. David K. Shumate, District Executive Minister, will be participating in the meetings of the Council of District Executives and the Annual Conference during the week.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN GREENSBORO, NC - JULY 3-7, 2019

Annual Conference 2019 will be a very different event this year, according to Conference director Chris Douglas. Instead of a usual business schedule, the delegate body will spend much of its time in compelling vision conversations. Non-delegates may reserve seats at tables during the business sessions in order to fully participate in those conversations. And the Conference will hold a love feast for the first time in decades. Annual Conference 2019 takes place July 3-7 in Greensboro, N.C., at the Sheraton/Koury Convention Center, led by moderator Donita Keister. "Proclaim Christ; Reclaim Passion" is the theme, inspired by 2 Corinthians 5:17-18. Online registration and hotel reservations are now open at www.brethren.org/ac.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE LOVE FEAST HELP NEEDED - JULY 6, 2019

Eric Reamer, senior pastor of the Buffalo Valley Church of the Brethren in the Southern District of Pennsylvania, is coordinating the Love Feast service at Annual Conference. He asks that our congregations provide materials and volunteers to help with the Love Feast, which will be held on Saturday at Annual Conference. A letter outlining the need has been sent to pastors and contact persons.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE USHERS NEEDED - JULY 3 - 7, 2019

Approximately 40 ushers will be needed for each of the nightly worship services and during the closing worship on Sunday. Help at any or all of the worship services would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Garland and Rena' Brown at <gebrwb@gmail.com> or by text at (540) 525-8726 to let them know of the times you would be available. It would be wonderful to have all the Wednesday spaces filled before the first night of conference.

ARE YOU A DR, NURSE PRACTITIONER, RN, LPN, OR EMT?

The First Aid Office at Annual Conference in Greensboro is looking for DR.'s, RN's, LPN's and EMT's who would be willing to volunteer a few hours during Annual Conference this summer. Jane Laprade is coordinating the First Aid Office this summer in Greensboro and would be glad to hear from willing volunteers! Please contact her at d.laprade@b2xonline.com.

CIVIL RIGHTS MUSEUM BUS TOUR IN GREENSBORO - JULY 4, 2019

The Annual Conference is arranging a bus trip tour to the International Civil Rights Center and Museum in downtown Greensboro on Thursday, July 4, 2019. This trip is for non-delegates only since it takes place during a busi-

-ness session. The bus leaves at 8:45 a.m. and returns at 11:30 a.m.

The International Civil Rights Center and Museum is an archival center, collecting museum, and teaching facility devoted to the international struggle for civil and human rights. The Museum celebrates the nonviolent protests of the 1960 Greensboro sit-ins that served as a catalyst in the civil rights movement.

The museum is housed in the original F.W. Woolworth building where the "Greensboro Four" sit-in movement began. The guided tour showcases numerous films, enactments, interactive displays, live narration, and civil rights artifacts that include the original lunch counter where the sit-in occurred.

Tickets are \$17 per adult, which includes museum admission and bus. Tickets may be purchased online when you register online for Annual Conference. Seating is very limited and tickets may not be available onsite in Greensboro. To purchase tickets if you have already registered for Annual Conference go to: www.brethren.org/ac/store. To register for Annual Conference and also purchase a ticket to go on the tour go to www.brethren.org/ac/nondelegates.

For more information about the museum go to www.sitinmovement.org.

WORLD HUNGER ORGAN CONCERT – JULY 14, 2019

Please join us at the Antioch Church of the Brethren on Sunday, July 14, starting at 4 p.m. to enjoy a very entertaining program of advance organ compilations by Franklin County's own Jonathan Emmons. This entertaining event will be followed by a delicious dessert fellowship. Be sure not to miss this wonderful afternoon of music and fellowship.

CHRISTIAN GROWTH INSTITUTE – ROANOKE CENTER – BEGINNING AUGUST 4, 2019

The next class to be held at the Roanoke Center will be CHURCH LEADERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION, taught by David K. Shumate. Textbooks and resources for the class are: [Becoming Barnabas: The Ministry of Encouragement](#). Paul Moots, The Alban Institute, 2004, [Foundations for Purposeful Church Administration](#) by Alvin J. Lindgren, Abingdon, 1965 (1988 edition – two new copies available at the DRC for \$10 per copy) and the [Church of the Brethren Manual of Organization and Polity](#) found on the internet at <http://www.brethren.org/ac/ppg/>.

The Sunday afternoon classes will be held on August 4, August 18, September 8 and September 22, 2019 from 2 - 6 p.m. at the District Resource Center, 3402 Plantation Road, NE, Roanoke, VA. Tuition for the class will be \$75.00 (except that it is free for Virginia students living more than 75 miles one-way from the DRC in Roanoke) and students are responsible for purchasing the necessary textbooks.

For more information or to obtain a registration form, please contact Gary L. Basham, Director of Ministry Formation by telephone at (540) 890-3818 or by electronic mail at gb0247@cox.net. Make checks payable to the VIRGINIA DISTRICT and send with the registration form by July 26, 2019 to: Gary Basham, 2526 Parkview Drive, Vinton, VA 24179-1612. CEU credit is available for ordained ministers taking the class.

WORLD HUNGER AUCTION - AUGUST 10, 2019

The World Hunger Auction will be held on Saturday, August 10, 2019 starting at 9:30 a.m. This is the culmination to our year-long fund-raising activities, the World Hunger Auction, is held each August at Antioch Church of the Brethren, 2996 Callaway Road, near Rocky Mount, VA. The auction includes the sale of crafts, quilts, toys, produce, baked and canned goods, special services and much more. Come early for the best selection. Let the highest bidder win, for doing what we can opens the door for God to do much more.

PRACTICE OF MINISTRY DAY - ETHICS IN MINISTERIAL RELATIONS - AUGUST 3, 2019

The 2019 Practice of Ministry Day will be Saturday, August 3, 8:30 a.m. to 4:10 p.m. at the Cloverdale Church of the Brethren. The focal point of this year's event will be the new ethics training curriculum written by Jim Benedict, former pastor of the Union Bridge Church in Maryland. Both the basic unit for ministerial students and for

-sed ministers, as well as the advanced unit for commissioned and ordained ministers will be available.

Ethics training is mandatory for all ministers and students in the Christian Growth Institute and other ministry training programs. This will be the only basic unit offered in our district other than online sessions. The Brethren Academy is offering a training session on Saturday, June 1, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., with the new ethics material, Ethics for Set-Apart Ministry: Basic Course, created by James Benedict. This webcast training is for newly licensed ministers and others seeking basic clergy ethics training. The webcast will be held June 1 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with a break for lunch. Registration forms for the online course are available by e-mail at nuchurch@aol.com.

NATIONAL OLDER ADULT CONFERENCE (NOAC) – SEPTEMBER 2-6, 2019

National Older Adult Conference (NOAC) is “a Spirit-filled gathering of adults who love learning and discerning together, exploring God’s call for their lives and living out that call by sharing their energy, insight, and legacy with their families, communities, and the world” It is scheduled for September 2-6, 2019 at Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center located in the mountains of western N.C.

Registration will open online on May 1. The cost per person is \$195 if you register before July 15. After that date the cost will be \$225. First time attendees will get a \$20 discount. Your registration fee does not include housing or meals. After you register you will be able to go to the Lake J housing reservations website to make your lodging reservations. Details about NOAC registration, lodging and meals are found at <http://www.brethren.org/noac/>.

BY CHARTER COACH TO NATIONAL OLDER ADULT CONFERENCE

The Mid-Atlantic District will be chartering a motor coach to the National Older Adult Conference (NOAC) in Lake Junaluska, NC on September 2-6, 2019. The cost of the motor coach transportation will not exceed \$165 per person round trip (based on 30 passengers as a minimum). If and as the number of registrants increases, the cost of the bus will be shared and the per person cost will decrease.

The motor coach will depart from the Union Bridge Church of the Brethren in Maryland on September 2 at 6:00 a.m., pick up at Frederick Church in Maryland at 6:30 a.m., the Manassas Church in Virginia at 7:45 a.m. and the Bridgewater Church at 9:45 a.m. There will be a passenger pick up and stop for lunch in the Roanoke, Virginia area at approximately 12 noon. Arrival at Lake Junaluska, NC should be in time for afternoon registration. The return trip departs Friday, September 6 at the conclusion of the morning session, arriving home Friday night.

Reservations for the coach will be accepted thru July 1 on a first-come-first-served basis, with a deposit of \$50 per person. Checks should be made payable to Mid-Atlantic District. You will be notified in July of the balance due on August 1 (this is dependent upon the number of passengers). Deposits may be refunded up to August 1. Please contact Pat Ecker or Brenda Palsgrove at (410) 259-6677 or brendapalsgrove@gmail.com with any questions. You may contact Mary St. John at virlina2@aol.com to receive a flier by email.

“TUNE MY HEART TO SING THY GRACE” – CHOIR FESTIVAL – SEPTEMBER 13-14, 2019

“Tune My Heart To Sing Thy Grace” is the first-ever Virlina District Choir Festival. It will be held on September 13-14, 2019, at the Central Church of the Brethren in Roanoke, Virginia. The guest director will be S. Reed Carter, IV. Carter serves as Minister of Music at the Salem Presbyterian Church and as director of the Salem Choral Society. Robert “Bob” Iseminger, instrumentalist of the Central Church, will serve as our accompanist.

We will learn and rehearse four or five anthems on Friday evening and Saturday. The festival will conclude with a service of worship filled with music and the Word at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday. It will be open to the public. We hope to have 100% participation from the Church of the Brethren Choirs (and all others who love to sing) in the area! You’ll be able to take your anthems home to share with your congregation!

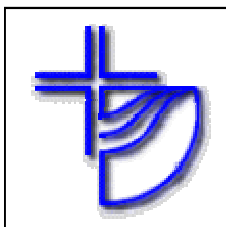
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If you live out of the Roanoke area, and would like the blessing of staying in a Church of the Brethren family host home overnight Friday, let us know!! A schedule and fee information (to cover music and food) will be shared soon! If you have questions or need more information, please contact Carol Elmore by e-mail at carol@oakgrovecob.org or by telephone at (540) 774-3217! This event is planned and sponsored by the Spiritual Development Retreat Committee of the Virlina District.

ROANOKE - FIRST RETIREMENT CELEBRATION FOR JIM WOOD - MAY 11, 2019

On Saturday, May 11, 2019 at 2:00 p.m., there will be a retirement celebration will be held for Jim Wood at the Roanoke, First Church of the Brethren (located at 2001 Carroll Avenue, NW in Roanoke, VA). Jim recently retired as the organist after 54 years. We will honor Jim as he moves forward. We want to celebrate the many ways he has been a positive influence in so many of our lives. You are invited to come and be a part of this special day. For more information, contact Pastor Dava Hensley at dhensley212@cox.net.

BRETHREN BIBLE INSTITUTE - JULY 22 -26, 2019

The 46th Annual Brethren Bible Institute will have their summer term July 22-26 on the campus of Elizabethtown College. For a packet of information outlining the 2019 Summer Bible Institute (which includes application), write to: The Brethren Bible Institute, 155 Denver Road, Denver, PA, 17517.

2019 EVANGELISTIC, REVIVAL AND RENEWAL SERVICES

If your congregation is planning a revival, renewal or evangelistic meeting during 2019, please advise us of the dates and speakers. We would like to know and advertise those. Send information to <EHeadliner@aol.com>.

Date	Location	Speaker
May 15-19	New Bethel, VA	Dava C. Hensley
May 19-22	Henry Fork, VA	Various Speakers
May 19-23	Smith Chapel, WV	Various Speakers
June 2-5	Troutville, VA	Ed & Emma J. Woodard
June 9-12	Burks Fork, VA	The Gregory's
August 18-20	Bethlehem, VA	Ronald D. Coleman
August 25-27	Cedar Bluff, VA	David K. Shumate
September 15-18	Oak Grove South, VA	Timothy H. Emmons
October 6-9	Topeco, VA	David K. Shumate
October 7-10	Pulaski, First, VA	Marvin D. Wade
October 20-23	Beaver Creek, VA	Cecil Brown