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ANNUAL CONFERENCE WRAP UP VIDEO IS AVAILABLE

The District Resource Center has one copy of the 2019 Annual Conference Wrap Up DVD available for loan. This is the perfect resource for delegate reports to congregations. Please contact Mary Sink St. John to reserve your slot at virlina2@aol.com.

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 29, 2019 from 2:30 - 6:30 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 Virlina 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 VIRLINA DISTRICT and send with the registration form 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 9:00 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.

Throughout the three decades of the World Hunger Auction, the purpose has been to provide as much funding as possible to those facing hunger-related issues. With the exception of some expenses, all the money that is raised goes to organizations working toward that goal. The ten congregations of the Church of the Brethren that sponsor the auction are blessed with the opportunity to serve. However, they do not receive any of the funds. The money is distributed between Heifer International for international and domestic programs, Roanoke Area Ministries, the Church of the Brethren Global Food Crisis Fund, and Heavenly Manna, a food pantry in Rocky Mount, Virginia. You are invited to take part in this opportunity to touch those in need. Let the highest bidder win! Doing what we can opens the door for God to do much more.

ETHICS TRAINING IN AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2019

Ethics training is mandatory for all ministers and students in the Christian Growth Institute and other ministry training programs. Both the basic unit for ministerial students and licensed ministers, taught by Janet Ober-Lambert, as well as the advanced unit for commissioned and ordained ministers, taught by Jim Benedict, will be available at Practice of Ministry Day at the Cloverdale Church on August 3. This will be the only basic unit offered in our district.

Advanced sessions for ordained and commissioned ministers, as well as licensed ministers who are serving as pastors and have previously had the basic unit, will be held as follows:

September 14	Charlottesville	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
September 15	Linville Creek	3 p.m. - 8 p.m.
September 16	Coulson	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
September 17	Collinsville	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
September 18	Lynchburg	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Registration forms are available by contacting us at <nuchurch@aol.com>.

TRANSITIONS: MAINTAINING FAMILY LIFE - AUGUST 17, 2019

"Transitions: Maintaining Family Life - The Cycle of Your Sanity," sponsored by the Commission on Nurture of the Virgina District Board, is a family-life workshop to be held at the Troutville Church of the Brethren on Saturday, August 17, 2019 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Moving out-moving back in...It has become a new rhythm in family life, one that extends across the generations. Adjusting to the changing family dynamics can result in a variety of feelings, leaving one to wonder—Am I still sane? What are my roles when we are different generations living together? Do I really need a curfew...I'm 40?! Do I have to go to Sunday School...I'm 25?! Come join us for a frank discussion of the realities as well as some tools for surviving any type of intergenerational co-habitation.

This family life event will include individual and group opportunities to lament and celebrate the good, bad, and ugly of launching children into arenas of independence only for them to have a life crisis requiring they move back in. Alternatively, adult children find themselves needing to move in or share their own home with aging parents. Come seeking advice or to find a support group of others who are experiencing the same "How do we live together?" dilemma.

For more information, please contact Patricia A. Ronk by telephone at (540) 798-5512 or by electronic mail at Trish1951.pr@gmail.com. For a registration form, please contact Mary Sink St. John at (540) 362-1816 or virli-na2@aol.com.

CAMP BENEFIT GOLF TOURNAMENT - AUGUST 21, 2019

Golfers and sponsors needed on Wednesday, August 21 for our 2019 Golf Tournament and Banquet. Tee off is at 12:30p.m. at Ashley Plantation Golf Course, and \$75 per person includes green fees, cart and dinner at camp. Go to www.CampBethelVirginia.org/golf.

CAMP BETHEL PEP! 5K RUN/WALK - AUGUST 24, 2019

Come and enjoy the Camp Bethel Pep! 5K Run/Walk on Saturday, August 24, for "the PEPPIEST gang around!" \$32.50 entry includes a race t-shirt, pre-and-post-race snacks, fully stocked water/aid stations, prizes, and fun. Registration is from 7:00 - 7:45 a.m. with an 8:00 a.m. start time. Please note that sponsor packages are available. For more information, go to www.CampBethelVirginia.org/5K.

September 2-6, 2019 at Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center located in the mountains of western N.C.

Registration cost is \$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/>.

"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!

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!! There will be a fee of \$25 per participant to cover music and food. A schedule 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.

CHILDREN'S DISASTER SERVICE TRAINING – SEPTEMBER 20-21, 2019

The next Children's Disaster Services (CDS) workshop is scheduled for September 20-21 at Oak Grove Church of the Brethren. CDS trains volunteers to provide specialized childcare in disaster assistance centers. To register for this workshop or find out more about CDS, visit the CDS website at <http://www.brethren.org/cds/> or contact Sharon Flora at s.flora@live.com or (540) 427-2233.

PRAYER FOR PEACE SERVICE - SEPTEMBER 22, 2019

The Annual Day of Prayer for Peace Service will be held at the Germantown Brick Church of the Brethren on Sunday, September 22, 2019, at 3 p.m. This service is sponsored by the Virlina District's Peace Affairs Committee. Check out www.virlina.org for more information as we finalize other details.

HERITAGE DAY FESTIVAL - OCTOBER 5, 2019

The Heritage Day Festival at Camp Bethel will be Saturday, October 5, 2019. Please encourage everyone in your congregation to participate and help in this vitally important fund raiser for Camp Bethel. Tell your friends and help us advertise. Heritage Day forms, fliers and information are available at <www.CampBethelVirginia.org/Heritage-Day>, or from your Pastor or Camp Representative.

BRETHREN HERITAGE BUS TOUR – OCTOBER 19, 2019

Our Brethren Heritage bus tour is planned for Saturday, October 19, 2019. This year's fall foliage outing, sponsored by the Historical Committee of the Virlina District, will include visits to a number of congregations in central Virginia. Among those visited will be Lynchburg, Bethel, West Richmond, Hopewell, Wakefield Chapel and New Covenant. Several historical presentations will be a part of this tour and (0.6) continuing education credits will be available for ordained ministers.

The cost, including continuing education credit, transportation and the luncheon meal, is a bargain at \$49.99. The tour will depart from the District Resource Center in Roanoke at 7:00 a.m. The luncheon meal will be provided by the West Richmond Church. We plan to be back in Roanoke by 6:30 p.m. This will be a great opportunity to learn about Brethren life in the Piedmont of Virginia!

Please contact Betty M. Wills at the District Resource Center to reserve your spot and make your check out to Virlina District Board – Church of the Brethren (put “Heritage Tour” in memo spot).

DISASTER VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER - OCTOBER 20, 2019

The annual Disaster Response Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will be held at the Antioch Church on Sunday, October 20, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Invitations will be mailed to volunteers, but all persons interested in disaster response or those who have supported disaster response through making kits, financial aid, or prayers are invited to attend. 2018-2019 volunteers will be recognized as part of the program. To reserve your place, contact Mary Sink St. John at the District Resource Center at (540) 362-1816 or <virlina2@aol.com>.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE - NOVEMBER 8-9, 2019

Virlina District congregations gather annually to worship, fellowship, learn, and handle business items. The 2019 Virlina District Conference will be held on November 8-9 at the Grandin Court Baptist Church (2660 Brambleton Avenue, Roanoke, Virginia). The theme will be "Don't Hide the Cross" with the scripture focus "For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God." I Corinthians 1:18 (KJV)

Dana Beth Cassell, pastor of the Peace Covenant Church in Durham, NC, and Nancy Sollenberger Heishman, Director of Ministry for the Church of the Brethren, Inc. will be our preachers. Nancy will speak at the Ministers and Spouses Dinner and preach at the Saturday morning worship service. Dana Beth will preach at the Friday evening worship service. Some original pieces of music will liven our services.

The following are our conference officers: Roy U. Turpin, Moderator, Cathy S. Huffman, Moderator-Elect, and Pamela K. Clark, Clerk. The District Conference Committees, Program and Arrangements and Nominating and Personnel, are busy making preparations for conference and for the ballot respectively. Further information and registration forms will be in the September 2019 HEADLINER. For information or questions, please call Mary Sink St. John, Director of District Conference, Nurture and Witness, at (540) 362-1816 or by e-mail at Virlina2@aol.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS WITH OUR MINISTERS AND CONGREGATIONS

Funeral services for **Evelyn Huffman** will be held on Saturday, July, 27, 2019 at 10 a.m. at the Central Church of the Brethren. Evelyn was a member of the Central Church and formerly of the Williamson Road Church.

Robin C. Naff, co-pastor of the Hiwassee Church of the Brethren in Pulaski County, Virginia, will undergo surgery on Friday, July 26. Please pray for Robin, Lee and their family.

Cesia Salcedo-Morrison will be licensed to the Gospel Ministry on Sunday, July 28, at 4 p.m. at the Iglesia Cristiana Nueva Vida located at 621 Alum Ridge Road in Willis, Virginia.

Johnny L. Thompson will be installed as pastor of the Peters Creek Church of the Brethren on Sunday, August 4, at 10:30 a.m.

The **Collinsville Church of the Brethren** will celebrate their 60th Anniversary on Sunday, September 15, beginning at 10:30 a.m.

The **Hollins Road Church of the Brethren** in Roanoke, Virginia is having a “Special Spiritual Renewal Service” on Sunday, September 22 at 6:30 p.m. The speaker will be Jonathan Falwell.

BEAVER CREEK MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CONFERENCE – AUGUST 24, 2018

Beaver Creek Church of the Brethren invites all who are able to attend their annual Men and Women's Conference, which will be held on Saturday, August 24 from 8:00 a.m. until noon. There will be food, skits, music and

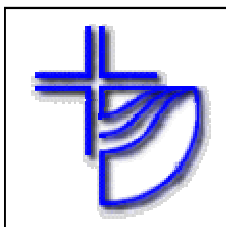
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teaching. Beaver Creek Church is located at: 409 Ridgeview Road, NW in Floyd, Virginia, 24091. Please contact Ernie Martin by telephone if you plan to attend at (540)763-9573 or (540)230-3583.

FREE WORKSHOP ON DEMENTIA & SPIRITUALITY - SEPTEMBER 7, 2019

The Smith Mountain Lake Community Church is offering this free workshop for the public on Saturday, September 7 from 10am to noon. The presenter, Heddie Sumner, a member of the Daleville congregation, is a retired nurse who specializes in care for patients with dementia and their families. She will talk about what dementia is and how it affects people and their families, as well as how it affects a person's faith. For more information or if you have questions, please contact Tabitha Rudy: <smlccobpastor@gmail.com> or 540-721-1816.

LARGE INDOOR/OUTDOOR YARD SALE - SEPTEMBER 20-21, 2019

The Smith Mountain Lake Community Church will be having their annual indoor/outdoor yard sale on September 20th and 21st, from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Items to be sold include furniture, clothing, jewelry, tools, books, and many other items - including food! We will also be happy to take any items others wish to donate. All proceeds help send our children and youth to Camp Bethel. For more information or if you have questions, please contact Tabitha Rudy: <smlccobpastor@gmail.com> or (540) 721-1816.

YOUTH LEADER NEEDED AT TOPECO CHURCH

The Topeco Church of the Brethren, six miles west of Floyd, Virginia, is seeking to employ a Youth Leader to work 12-15 hours a week. For more information and a job description contact the church office at (540) 789-7339.

REVIVAL, RENEWAL AND EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS

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
August 18-20	Bethlehem, VA	Ronald D. Coleman
August 25-27	Cedar Bluff, VA	David K. Shumate
September 5-8	Pleasant Valley, VA	Greg Cox
September 8-10	Bassett, VA	Ted M. Turner, Jr.
September 15-18	Oak Grove S., VA	Timothy H. Emmons
September 16-18	Bethel, VA	Carroll Martin, Jr.
September 22-25	Red Oak Grove, VA	J. Michael Varner
Sept. 29-Oct. 2	Smith River, VA	J. Michael Varner
October 6-9	Duncan Chapel, VA	Craig Reed
October 6-9	Topeco, VA	David K. Shumate
October 7-10	Pulaski, First, VA	Marvin D. Wade
October 13-16	Eden, First, NC	Dava C. Hensley
October 20-23	Beaver Creek, VA	Cecil Brown