

# ANE Today



## ATLANTIC NORTHEAST DISTRICT CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

ALL IN: Going. Glowing. Growing. Godly.

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### ANE District Annual Conference Slated for October 7



#### *Transformed Into His Image*

*Romans 12:1-2*

**Come one come all** to the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual ANE District Conference scheduled for Saturday, October 7, 2017, in Leffler Chapel at Elizabethtown College. Join with brothers and sisters in fellowship, worship and learn what God is doing through our commissions, congregations, fellowships and projects. We will receive reports from various agencies and hear how God's Kingdom is touching people's lives. District Conference is always a great time for renewing acquaintances and meeting new people.

The theme for this year's Conference is ***Transformed Into His Image*** – *Romans 12:1-2*. Living amidst our families, churches and communities, we face many pressures each day. Our lives are busy and we encounter challenges,

therefore we need to be presenting our bodies as a living sacrifice, continually transformed in the image of God.

Like the butterfly, we emerge out of our complex struggles and circumstances and choose to commit to Christ's love being empowered by the Holy Spirit to affect our churches, our communities and the world we live in. Our purpose is to promote and share the gospel of Christ using our individual gifts and talents given to us by Our Heavenly Father and thus bringing Him all the praise and honor and glory.

This year, we are honored to have **Brother Musa Mambula** as our worship service speaker. He is a current international scholar in residence at Bethany

Theological Seminary, and recently has been acknowledged by his home country of Nigeria for his contributions toward the betterment of Nigerian society. Mambula was honored with the Custodian of Nigerian Dream Award at the Nigerian Rebirth Conference in Abuja, Nigeria.

Mike Wise from New Beginnings Christian Fellowship designed the logo.

~ Glenn Martin, Moderator

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## Randy Yoder Starts As Interim District Executive

I look forward to fulfilling the call extended to me to be the Interim District Executive for Atlantic Northeast District beginning March 1, 2017. It is a joy to join a strong staff that works with pastors, congregations, and district leadership in providing support, encouragement and resources for the ministries in which, we believe Christ is calling. We celebrate with Craig, a long-tenured role as District Executive, and wish him and Vicki the very best in their retirement.

Transitions, for some, can be difficult, and for others a challenge and opportunity. Whatever the case, I want to be a presence of help and guidance through the process that leads another person being called to serve as District Executive.

When I start at the District Office, I will work with staff and the Executive Committee to determine appropriate office hours for my work with you.

Those hours will be made public as soon as they are determined. My email address is ryoder@ane-cob.org and cell phone number is 847-849-0205. Please feel free to contact me at any time. I strive to answer calls and emails as quickly as possible.

May God be with us all as we enter this new time of building relationships and continuing the work of Jesus.

Peacefully.Simply.Together.

~Randy

ANE INTERIM DISTRICT  
EXECUTIVE, RANDY YODER



BILL WINK,  
MOHRESVILLE COB

## Installation, Ordination and Licensing Services:

ANE celebrates the following ministers! We have been blessed by their willingness to serve.

**Bill Wink** (Mohresville) had his *licensing* service on January 29 by District Director of Witness & Outreach, Mary Etta Reinhart.

**Steve Hess** (East Cocalico) had his *installation* service on February 12 by District Director, Mary Etta Reinhart as well.



STEVE HESS,  
EAST COCLAICO COB



## ANE District Bids Final Farewell

On Monday, February 6, ANE Staff and Board Representatives gathered together to thank Craig Smith, former District Executive and wife, Vicki, for their years of service and dedication to our district.

They were presented with a custom made Eldreth Pottery piece. It is redware pottery with their names enscribed on the front and Luke 6:38 on the back.

*"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down,*

*shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."*

May your cup run over and be blessed abundantly.

CRAIG AND VICKI SMITH ACCEPT  
GIFT FROM THE ANE DISTRICT



## Wanda Rohde Retires

ANE District's Project Manager, **Wanda Rohde**, retires on April 27. She joined the staff, January 2008, and has been coordinating our ANE District Conference since.

She has been such an asset to the office with her great organizational skills, attention to detail and a true get it done attitude.

Wanda plans to continue to travel the world, attend Pittsburgh Pirates games, and volunteer at her church.

We wish her, and Bill many blessings!



**CHURCH OF THE Brethren District Office** seeks part-time Event Planner and office support. Primary focus is planning and managing our annual district conference event. Filing and general office duties are also needed. Having the capability to work independently and without direction; experience with managing detailed projects; and having the ability to provide hands-on involvement with event as well as office tasks are essential; collaborate and relational style a plus. 16 hours a week; Monday through Thursday. Please send resume and cover letter to: ANE District Office, 500 E Cedar St, Elizabethtown, PA 17022, or email: [kbernstein@ane-cob.org](mailto:kbernstein@ane-cob.org)

## New Members in ANE District

**Green Tree— Baptism:** Katie Blain, Al Funke, Eric Pyne, Abby Simon, Emma Smith, Jenna;  
**Letter:** Kathy Bieski, Deanna Robbins.

**Middle Creek — Baptism:** Seneca Breisch, Bryan Fahnstock,

Alex Gladhill, Seth Graybill, Noelle Rohrer, Madison Saylor;  
**Letter:** Caitlyn Ackley, Joanne Lefever, Willis Lefever.

**Swatara Hill — Transfer:** Catherine Eshenour, Dean Lengel, Victoria Lengel, Fred Ratliff.

**Wyomissing — Reaffirmation:** Darlene Dunn, Brian Felker, Jill Felker, Nancy May, Melssia Steif;  
**Transfer:** Deborah Smith, Dorothy Smith.



## Nativity and Social Media

Indian Creek CoB has been putting on a live nativity for a while. This year, we “upped our game”. Visitors entered our Meeting House where they immediately were greeted by the *Census Registrar*, in period costume, who recorded each name on a large parchment.

From there, they entered the *Bethlehem City*, the sanctuary, where *innkeepers*, in costume, welcomed them. Two *travel guides* alternated interacting with the innkeepers using portions of Luke 2 to provide the historical setting.

At one point, *Mary and Joseph* entered, looking for a room, only to be turned away. As the guests pondered their dilemma, the young couple was offered use of a stable outside. The *travel guides* followed up by sharing two *meanwhile* pieces to the story. They were about the wise men in another country and the shepherd just outside of Bethlehem. This led the guests to a sudden realization that the baby being born to the couple outside in the stable could be the very one for whom the wise men and the shepherds were looking!

The guests were then led outside to the stable where they found Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus. As Christmas music played, the Shepherds and Magi arrived. Guests were then invited to the basement of the *Inn* for some refreshment.

This all took place in about 20 minutes and was repeated for a new group every half hour. Living the experience left everyone with a good knowledge of the Christmas story that they were not likely to forget.

Indian Creek has been actively reaching out to our community and especially unchurched millennials. Several years ago, we updated our website ([www.iccob.org](http://www.iccob.org)) so that it provided useful information once



someone wanted to know more about us. Getting folks interested in us has been the challenge. We have discovered the need to establish a relationship before we can offer an invitation people will consider.

Enter Facebook, it's free and a favorite media for millennials. A Facebook boost allows us to reach people who may know nothing about us. With a boost, we are able to select a geographic radius, age and gender demographics. We were very pleased with the results of our Facebook boosted

post advertising our live nativity. We estimate approximately 50% of the folks who came to our nativity had no prior knowledge of Indian Creek and they said they came because they saw our ad on Facebook. The boost cost about \$25. Our Facebook page is: <https://www.facebook.com/indiancreekcob/>

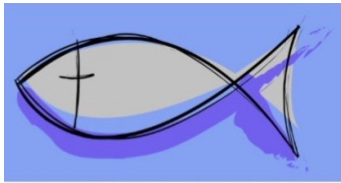
The use of Social media represents a significant step into the worldly community that Brethren are not used to. Great care and time was required to get us from an inward focus to an outward focus. We hope the continued use of Facebook boost will help us share the good news at Indian Creek Church of the Brethren, bringing disciples into the body of Jesus Christ.

I believe Jesus would expect that we use all of the resources at our disposal to share His message. Social media seems to be one of the more effective resource available today.

**Bob Lane**, Chair – Witness and Evangelism Team, Indian Creek Church of the Brethren







## MINISTRY

### ANE's Ministry

#### Emphasis:

Be an ALL IN Church. Be ... Going. Glowing. Growing. Godly. We have designated 2017 *The Year of Glowing!* Let's get Glowing. Let's do this! Let's be the church we are created to be.

### Placement News

- Conewago:** Called Erv Huston as Interim.  
**East Cocalico:** Called Steve Hess. Started 1/23/17  
**Florin:** Galen Hackman serves as Intentional Interim.  
**Green Tree:** Rod O'Donnell serves as Interim. Profile Developing.  
**Hershey**  
**Spring Creek:** Profile Developing; Dennis Garrison retiring 12/17  
**Lititz:** Search Committee Formed; Pastor of Spiritual Formation and Congregational Care  
**Long Run:** Joel Hershey & Bob Spencer serve as Interim Team.  
**Mechanic Grove:** Interviewing. Bob Kettering Interim starting 4/17/17  
**Myerstown:** Negotiation Complete. Vote scheduled. Jack Harpold serves as Interim.  
**Nuevo Amanecer:** Open  
**Parker Ford:** Beginning search for new staff. Search Committee formed.  
**Philadelphia**  
**Geiger:** Open  
**Quakertown:** Interviewing. Sandy Christophel serves as Interim.

## Barnabas Fund

The Barnabas Fund has been established to share the blessing of financial resources with those who express a ministry-driven need. The Fund seeks to encourage the ministry of congregations through a grant-based ministry investment strategy that seeks Kingdom-based ministry results through: shared resources, fiscal accountability, ministry planning, and economic partnering.

### BARNABAS FUND RECIPIENTS

Consideration will be given to congregations whose characteristics include:

- ♦ A verifiable active outreach ministry
- ♦ Located in and serving a community with a significant economically challenged population
- ♦ Limited resources due to circumstances beyond their control
- ♦ Sizeable community needs that surpass the congregation's ability to respond.
- ♦ There must be a clear evidence of Gospel and Mission

Applicants will be contacted within 10 days following the scheduled meeting.

**Please contact the District Office for an Application.**

### 2017 Application Deadlines

January 16, 2017  
April 24, 2017  
July 17, 2017  
October 23, 2017

### 2017 Meeting Dates

January 23, 2017  
May 1, 2017  
July 24, 2017  
October 30, 2017



For more information, please check out our ANE website, or contact Mary Etta Reinhart, Director of Witness and Outreach at [mreinhart@ane-cob.org](mailto:mreinhart@ane-cob.org).

## Disaster Response Coordinators' Meeting

**Saturday, March 11, 2017**

9:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M. (8:30 Coffee and Tea)

Home of Robert Eisemann,  
ANE District Disaster Coordinator  
969 North State Street, Ephrata PA 17522

This meeting is for all Congregational Disaster Response Coordinators and anyone else who wants to know more about ANE's Disaster Response Ministries. We will be discussing the following:

- The structure and procedures of ANE's Disaster Response Ministries
- The various disaster response opportunities available through *Brethren Disaster Ministries* (New Windsor)

There is no charge to attend. However, please RSVP to Kelly Bernstein in the ANE District office [kbernstein@ane-cob.org](mailto:kbernstein@ane-cob.org) no later than March 1.

## Would you like to join "The Call"?



John Neff, President of E<sup>3</sup> Ministry Group, LLC has been leading series of monthly telephone conferences with ANE

congregational church leaders. These calls have focused on bringing a renewed vitality and revitalization to congregations. The focus of the calls in recent months has been on ways our

congregations can include and encourage participation of the "Gen-Xers" in our congregations and communities. These one hour calls have encouraged a significant level of interaction and discussion among participants.

For more than 20 years John was the CEO of a successful contracting business, engaged in community leadership and extensive non-profit board experience. He has transitioned from the business and now devotes his gifts and energy to a calling to the pastoral ministry and revitalizing congregations.



The final two monthly calls will take place on Tuesday evening March 7 and April 4, 2017. For further information and to register to be a part of the phone conferences, please contact Mary Etta Reinhart, Director of Witness and Outreach at by email at [mreinhart@ane-cob.org](mailto:mreinhart@ane-cob.org) or by telephone at 717-808-4306. Or contact the ANE District office at 717-367-4730

## District Calendar

### March

- 04** Women's Spring Fellowship, Harrisburg First  
**16** **OFFICE CLOSED**  
**17/18** Senior High Lock In, Lancaster CoB  
**23** District Board Meeting, Mechanic Grove CoB  
**30** Lancaster Senior Adult Spring Luncheon, Middle Creek CoB

### April

- 08** Stewardship University, Calvary Church  
**08** Youth Service Project, Harrisburg, Lancaster, Philadelphia  
**20** Harrisburg/Lebanon Senior Adult Spring Luncheon, Hershey Spring Creek  
**22** Children's Ministry Training: Spring Planting in God's Sacred Garden for Children, Lancaster

### May

- 03** Philadelphia Sr. Adult Spring Luncheon, Peter Becker Community  
**06** Beyond The City Limits, Lancaster COB



**BELOW:** PASTOR SANDY CHRISTOPHEL, CHAIR—CHURCH DEVELOPMENT & EVANGELISM, VISITIS AND PREACHES AT IGLESIA LOS CIELOS ABIERTOS PROJECT, READING PA ON JANUARY 29.

**RIGHT:** DON MITCHELL, DIRECTOR—CHURCH DEVELOPMENT & EVANGELISM FELLOWSHIPS WITH RENACER FELLOWSHIP, LANCASTER PA AFTER SERVICES.



## Youth Scholarship Fund

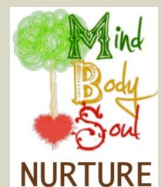
If your youth group is planning to attend one of the Church of the Brethren workcamps and an individual or group is in need of some financial assistance, you may submit an application for this fund. This fund was established in 1983, in memory of a number of Church of the Brethren members killed in a plane crash.

Please contact Jess at [jross@ane-cob.org](mailto:jross@ane-cob.org) for an application. Applications will be accepted through March 31, 2017. The Nurture Commission will then disperse monies as the fund allows. We will work to give as much as requested, however it may be less depending on how many applications we receive.

## Mandated Reporter Training

**Save the date!**

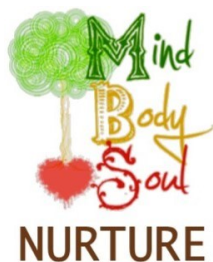
Saturday May 13, 9 am - noon



Ephrata Church of the Brethren.

Presented by Pennsylvania Family Support Alliance

This on-site, instructionally designed training is for individuals who have direct contact with kids through work or who accept responsibility for kids as a volunteer. Participants will receive resources and reference materials to take with them after training. This training will review the elements of child abuse, including the legal definitions of a child, perpetrator, and categories and indicators of abuse. The training provides an overview of mandated reporting obligations, including how to make a report, protections for those who report, and the liability for failing to report.



By Jess Ross

DISTRICT  
SENIOR HIGH  
YOUTH AT  
CAMP  
SWATARA FOR  
RETREAT



## Senior High Retreat Recap

Hello, my name is Jamie Walmer. I am a junior at Donegal High School, and I am an active member at the Palmyra Church of the Brethren. My first district retreat was this year. The memories I made, and the things I learned make me wish I would have attended the previous retreats. On Friday, the day of arrival, I instantly made new friends.

The sessions Eric Landram held were phenomenal. We learned how to differentiate between our true self and our fake self. We learned how society tries to change us and compares us to "good looking" people. In addition to the main sessions,

we also had the opportunity to choose two insight sessions. I chose the body image and self-portrait sessions. In the body image session we listened to a model talk about how looks aren't everything but how society makes it seem that way. In the self-portrait session we painted a head and had a different list of positive traits that we could correlate to paint colors to paint our portrait. In the midst of these amazing sessions, we enjoyed harmonious music performed by Mr. and Mrs. McBride.

This new experience at the ANE 2017 District Retreat was life

changing. It made me realize my self-worth, how unique every individual is, and how beautiful we all are because God created each and every one of us. I'm am so blessed I was able to experience this opportunity, make new friends, and become closer to God. I'm looking forward to attending the district retreat next year.

-Jamie Walmer



### Senior High Lock In

Date: March 17 & 18

Location: Lancaster CoB

Cost: \$5

### Junior AND Senior High Service Project

Date: April 8, 2017

Location: Choose from, Lancaster, Harrisburg and Philadelphia

No cost!

Registration Deadline: March 30, 2017

Working with Church 2 Church!





# Stewardship University

Save the date!



**Saturday, April 8, 2017**  
**Calvary Church**  
**Registration begins at 8 a.m.**

## Keynote Speaker

**John Pletcher, lead pastor of Manor Church**—Gears, grease and glory; joining God's mission in your daily work

## You can count on

- Workshops that offer practical, relevant, useful information
- A wide variety of workshops to choose from
- A biblical, Christ-centered, Anabaptist focus for the event

## More than 30 workshops focusing on holistic stewardship, including:

- **Business as mission: Transformational leadership in the workplace**—Keith Blank of Lancaster Mennonite Conference, Tony Hunt of LEFC, John Pletcher of Manor Church with marketplace leaders
- **Being a Sabbath-keeper**—Jim and Kaylene Derksen of Eastern Mennonite Missions
- **Bioethics and the church**—Ken Nafziger of Evangelical Seminary
- **Following Jesus in befriending Muslims**—EMM's Christian/Muslim Relations Team
- **Nutrition and fitness**—Janelle Glick and Erica Kauffman
- **Welcoming refugees**—Christine Baer of Church World Service
- **Aging in place**—Anabaptist Providers Group (APG)
- **Estate planning**—Tem Shawaryn of Brubaker Connaughton Goss and Lucarelli LLC
- **Ethical wills**—Sophie Penny of Foxdale Village
- **Restoring women from trafficking and exploitation**—Jen Sensenig of North Star Initiative
- **Hunger and homelessness**—Lancaster County Council of Churches
- **Financial education and budgeting**—Lutheran Social Servies
- **Alzheimer's and dementia care**—Home Instead

## For more information, contact:

Kevin Nofzinger, Church and Member Relations Representative  
kevin.nofzinger@everence.com, (717)653-6662

You can also register online at **StewardshipUniversity.com** starting Thursday, Dec 1



## Beyond The City Limits

Where are the City Limits in the ministry efforts of your congregation?

May 6, 2017  
Lancaster CoB



### Where are the City Limits in the ministry efforts of your congregation?

Any congregation can expand their ministry in spite of their perceived limitations. The location of your congregation is the least significant factor in sharing the good news.

There is a need today for people who are aware of many different ways to connect with our world. Let's move out of the mindset of the attractional model for church growth – waiting for the community to find us - and move into a more missional minded model of church growth.



**Chris Johnson**, Keynote Speaker: Chris Johnson is the founder and lead pastor of Divine Unity Community Church based in Harrisonburg, VA. He is a graduate of Eastern Mennonite Seminary with a Master of Divinity and received ordination credentials through New Branch Baptist Church. Currently, he is pursuing his Doctorate of Ministry from Asbury Theological Seminary. Having experience of preaching the Word domestically and internationally, Pastor Chris holds great passion for seeing the spiritually dead alive, revived, and actively serving.

**WORKSHOP LEADERS:** Belita Mitchell, Harrisburg First CoB; Joel Peña, Alpha & Omega CoB; Brian Messler, Ephrata CoB; Ron Tilley, Executive Director—bcmPEACE; Cherelle Johnson, Divine Unity Community Church.

9:00am– 4:00pm Up to .4 CEUs available

More information regarding this event is located on the ANE website under the Registration menu.

### BEYOND THE CITY LIMITS REGISTRATION

Please register online on our website [www.ane-cob.org](http://www.ane-cob.org) under the Registrations menu. If you are unable to register online, you may use this form.

Costs: Early Registration (before 4/9/17): \$30/person; Group rate for 3 or more from same church \$25/person  
Late Registration (4/10/17 or after): \$40/person; No group rate available

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CHURCH: \_\_\_\_\_ CEUs: YES NO (please circle)

Guest 1 Name & Email: \_\_\_\_\_ CEUs: YES NO (please circle)

Guest 2 Name & Email: \_\_\_\_\_ CEUs: YES NO (please circle)

Make check out and mail to: Atlantic Northeast District

Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_



## SPRING PLANTING in GOD'S SACRED GARDEN for CHILDREN

It's all about **WORMS!** Introducing **WORMS** into your Church's Sacred Garden of Children's Ministries is one of the many 'gardening tips' you'll want to learn more about!

God's good plan for your Children's Ministry is a Plan of **GROWTH** so come and discover the healthy soil mix that will empower your Children's Ministry Team to offer engaging, relevant, Jesus-centered programs for children in your church and community.

Join others who share your passion to cultivate, nurture and grow healthy disciples for Jesus Christ. We'll swap stories of celebration as well as share stories about those pesky challenges that often creep into our sacred gardens for children.

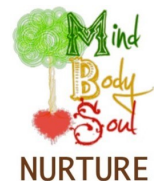
Explore fun, creative ways to be about **WORMS**, a model that allows you to tap into the spiritual gifts and talents of your Team and is rooted in a healthy sensitivity to children's various learning styles. Bring along your ministry celebrations and your challenges to share with others - it's always a joy to share 'gardening tips' with one another for the building up of God's Kingdom.

**Saturday, April 22, Lancaster CoB**

9:00am-12:00pm

\$15/per person; \$45 Cap for 4 or more from one church

Register online at the ANE website, under the registration menu by 4/19



### **ANE Today Goes Green**

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Save the Date:

**2017**

**Women's Camp**

August 20-22  
Camp Swatara



## Senior Adult Opportunities

# Senior Adult Area Luncheons

### Lancaster

Thursday, March 30  
Middle Creek CoB  
12:00 pm—\$15.00/person

Menu:

Assorted Green Salad  
Roast Turkey w/gravy  
Potato Filling  
Peas  
Cherry or Apple Pie w/ Ice Cream

**Eleanor Isaacson**

“How to Be a Vibrant Senior”

Growing up in Hitler’s Germany, Eleanor, has used her past as a positive stepping stone for productive service to her community.

Registration Deadline: 3/15

### Harrisburg/Lebanon

Thursday, April 20  
Hershey Spring Creek CoB  
12:00pm— Price TBD

Menu:

TBD

Look for more information mailed to your church representative in March.

**Cliff & Wendy Flick**

“Tribute to Fred Waring”

Cliff & Wendy toured with the Waring Team during 1981-82. They will be sharing music from the tour, (via video clip and songs).

Registration Deadline: 4/6

### Philadelphia

Wednesday, May 3  
Arbor Conference Center,  
Maplewood Estates, Peter Becker  
Community  
12:00pm— \$14.00/person

Menu:

Buffet

Tossed Salad  
Sandwiches & Wraps  
Potato & Pasta Salads  
Cookies & Brownies

Entertainment:

TBD

Look for more information mailed to your church representative in March.

Registration Deadline: 4/20

## Senior Adult Area Luncheon Registration

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Church: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Location: (circle one) Lancaster Harrisburg/Lebanon Philadelphia

Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail to: ANE District, 500 E Cedar St, Elizabethtown, PA 17022. You may also register online on our website under the Registrations menu.





## 11th Annual Adult Trip to Acadia, Maine: September 2017

**Camp Swatara** is sponsoring a trip to Acadia National Park and the surrounding area from September 8-17. Ray and Judy Powell, who have co-led this trip for the past ten years, have more than 30 years of experience exploring the Park. Activities include nature discovery walks, boat rides, as well as a carriage ride through the Park. Park Ranger presentations are included on several of these discoveries. Sightings of deer, eagles, seals and beaver are common. (Sorry, no moose, but you never know.) There is a stop at the famous Jordan Pond House to eat popovers and time to explore the shops of Bar Harbor. The estimated cost is \$975 per person. For additional information, contact camp directly (717-933-8510) or contact Ray and Judy at [jmprkp@comcast.net](mailto:jmprkp@comcast.net) or 717-669-7403.



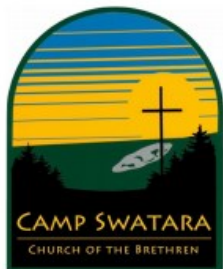
### Camp Swatara

#### Taizé Lenten Retreat



March 10-11, 2017

West Retreat



Friday Night Worship service 7pm

For Adults ages 18- 118

### Senior Adult Trip Opportunities

**April 5** – One Day tour to the American Treasures, two hours with lunch on the Spirit of Philadelphia ship, a coach ride to the historic district of Philadelphia. Cost per person all inclusive, \$115.

**May 9** – Lancaster County Amish and Farm Tour visiting Alpaca farm, Kreider farms, dinner in Amish home and visit to Amish enterprises. Cost per person all inclusive \$60.

**May 23** – Mystery Tour. Like to be surprised? Cost is \$93 per person and includes lunch, transportation, driver and guide gratuity

**June 5 – 7** – Three day to Niagara Falls in Canada. Passport required; view the falls from Table Rock, cruise under the falls, etc. Cost per person is \$698 double occupancy.

For more information, e-mail [evzieg@gmail.com](mailto:evzieg@gmail.com) or call **Earl Ziegler** at 717-560-6488.

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

The First Aid Office at Annual Conference in Grand Rapids 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. Dr. Rosalie McBride of Northern Indiana District is coordinating the First Aid Office this summer in Grand Rapids and would be glad to hear from willing volunteers! Please contact her at: [rosalie.l.mcbride@gmail.com](mailto:rosalie.l.mcbride@gmail.com).



## Benefit Pork Roast Dinner

**Chiques Church of the Brethren** will host a Benefit Pork Roast Dinner on Saturday, April 22, 2017. The Haiti Medical Clinic Program and The Nigeria Crisis Fund will receive 100% of the proceeds. The drop in meal is by donation and will be served from 4 - 7pm. There will be theme baskets by silent auction and a craft table. Following the meal, Andy Murray, a Church of the Brethren musician, ordained minister and professor will perform a musical program with his wife Terry. Everyone is invited and any additional questions call Sandy at 717.665.3466.

## Choral Concert

On Sunday, March 12, 2017, the Adult Choir of the **Lititz Church of the Brethren** will host the musicians of the Moravian Congregation of Lititz. The choir of each church will present several of its favorite anthems. Additional music will be provided by soprano soloist Lisa Huber, the Lititz Church of the Brethren Men's Quartet and a string ensemble from the Moravian Congregation. The program will conclude with five selections by the combined choirs.

Please join us for this fourth concert in the Music at Mid Month Concert Series, beginning at 3:00pm. A free will offering will be received to support further concerts. The church is located at 300 W. Orange Street, Lititz, across from Warwick High School.



# SPIRITUAL RENEWAL SERVICES

## March 05, 2017

Spiritual Renewal Services will be held on Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>. Bob DeSalvio of the Amwell Church of the Brethren will be bringing us the message and providing Special Music at both the 10:00 am and the 7:00 pm services.

- 10:00 am: *"A LIFE WITHOUT GOD"* based on Philippians 2:5-11
- 7:00 pm: *"YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE"* based on Philippians 4:8-13

*Bob Desalvio is the Pastor at the Amwell Church of the Brethren in Stockton, NJ. He has a radio ministry that airs at 7:30 Sunday mornings on WDVR 89.7 FM (WPNJ 90.5 FM in Easton).*



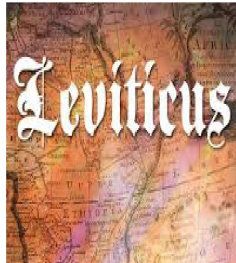
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## Annual Conference

### Transportation & Room

Ken Kreider is again offering transportation and room reservations for Annual Conference in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Leaving from Ephrata, Brethren Village, Lancaster, Elizabethtown, Carlisle, and Bedford on June 27, we will return home on July 3, 2017. For information and reservations please contact Ken at kreiderk@etown.edu or 1300 Bear Creek Road, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.



Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center

Continuing Education Series

## Ten Plus Reasons to Love Leviticus

ELIZABETHTOWN COLLEGE • Susquehanna Room

### BOB NEFF, Keynote Speaker

Bob Neff is an Old Testament scholar, President Emeritus of Juniata College, and former General Secretary of the Church of the Brethren

APRIL 24, 2017

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
(Registration at 8:30)

#### Other speakers:

Christina Bucher (sexuality in Leviticus from different faith perspectives)

David Leiter (social justice and Leviticus)

Frank Ramirez (the Brethren and Leviticus 19)

Brody Rike (atonement and orientation to God)

*Leviticus is a book for our time. Leviticus challenges us to lives of integrity seven days a week by: respecting our elders and the marginalized, resolving our feelings and disputes with our neighbor, protecting the rights of the alien, addressing economic and social inequity, care for the environment, the appropriate preparation of food and its consumption, living from the perspective of the Holy One. This study unlike most book investigations will not follow chapter by chapter but will begin in the center of the book with chapter 19 and the directive, "You shall be holy, as I am Holy." Leviticus invites us to lead a holy life that is strikingly relevant to our lives today.*

Cost: \$60 (includes light breakfast, lunch, and 0.6 CEUs)

Registration due to SVMC by April 10, 2017



Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center presents:

### Cultivating Conversations . . . ... Navigating Elder Care Challenges

May 8, 2017, Cross Keys Village, New Oxford, PA

8:30 am - Registration

9 am - 3 pm - Workshop

Registration: \$60 (Includes light breakfast, lunch, and 0.5 CEUs). Please register by April 24, 2017.

As caregivers and pastors, we may feel at a loss for words as we interact with family members dealing with elder care issues. This informative workshop will provide helpful information related to advance care planning and of legal documents, differences between palliative medicine and hospice care, and management of the difficult conversations surrounding elder care issues.

#### Topics/Presenters:

##### Legal Matters:

Clayton Lingg, Elder Care Attorney

##### Comfort and Care When Needed Most:

Joan Groh, Community Relations Liaison for Hospice & Community Care

##### Managing Difficult Conversations:

Jennifer Holcolm, Kimberly Korge, Kathy Staub, Memory Care Support Team Members, Cross Keys

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