

The Dunker

Grossnickle Church of the Brethren

September 2016



CELEBRATING CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



Christian Education and Teacher Appreciation Sunday will be held September 11, 2016 to celebrate and recognize the efforts of both our teachers and our students. During Sunday School, the Christian Education Commission will provide special appreciation for the teachers and students of Grades Pre-K through Senior High. Consecration of Sunday School teachers and students will be held during the worship service. Sunday School students who have had faithful attendance this past year will be recognized and Bibles will be presented to our students entering Grade 2.



We are grateful for our teachers and their dedication to sharing the Good News about Jesus through teaching. Teachers for the younger people in our congregation for the 2016-17 Sunday School year, which begins Sunday, September 4, will be:

Nursery: Jeff Hurwitz, Carol Schroyer

Pre-K: Jennie Leatherman, Karen Riggs, Brooke Smith

Grades 1 and 2: Amy Flook, Kathy Gaver, Donna Myers

Grades 3, 4 and 5: Traci Hanser, Amanda Ahalt, Wayne Wallech

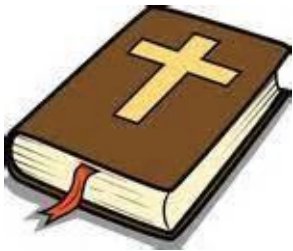
Jr. High: Donna Grossnickle, Tom Jouannet, Christy Kehlbeck

Sr. High: TBA

Young Adults: Patty Hurwitz, Danny Rumpf

MORE NEWS FROM GROSSNICKLE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

PREACHING THE BIBLICAL STORY



As summer draws to a close, we think about heading back to school. Even if it has been many years since we sat in a classroom, this time of year our thoughts turn to learning. For this school year the pastors will be preaching from biblical texts chosen as part of a “narrative lectionary.” The goal is to help us see the individual stories of the Bible as part of the over-arching story of God’s salvation, from Creation through the early Christian church.

In the fall we will focus on stories of God’s dealings with Israel, which will culminate in Advent with the prophets who speak of Messiah’s coming. Between Christmas and Easter we will focus on the gospel of Luke and God’s work through Jesus. After Easter we will follow the outward movement of the resurrection message in Acts and Paul’s letters.

Together, let us focus on God’s story and our place in it.

MUSIC FOR WORSHIP



Our church has the opportunity to tap into music resources we may have been overlooking lately. This summer Mark Hanak became the organist for Frederick Church of the Brethren. So, Mark is no longer able to direct our choir and Mark and Martha are no longer with us to lead praise music on the second Sunday of each month. The Music &

Worship Commission encourages all of us to think of ways to glorify God with music, and identify those with gifts to share. Commission members are Myralee Wiles (chair), Kelly Rumpf, Debbie Bussard, Vicki Linton, Donna Grossnickle. Please speak with them to volunteer or make suggestions.

COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN MUSIC FESTIVAL

WHEN: October 9, 2016 • 3:00 – 7:00 pm

WHERE: Wolfsville Ruritan Park

WHAT: Music for everyone!

WHO: Young & May Novalis • Brethren Sisters

Fertile Soil • Hearts in Harmony • Works in Progress

*Please come and join us in
reaching out to the community!*

Sponsored by the Deacon Fellowship Committee



CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN'S ANNUAL CONFERENCE



REPORT FROM OUR 2016 DELEGATES . . .

The Annual Conference mission statement says the Church of the Brethren Annual Conference exists to unite, strengthen and equip the Church of the Brethren to follow Jesus; we believe it has.

Our journey as two new delegates to Annual Conference in Greensboro, NC was an enlightening one. Days began with Bible study and ended in worship and song; a moving experience listening and joining hundreds of voices singing God's word and praises.

The conference theme this year was Carry the Light. A call to follow Jesus out of the darkness and to be a light, a witness to Christ in our actions and good works. The light was shown to us in many ways; by a long distance trucker who drove many miles just to be at the conference, by a professor who shared his experiences in Ethiopia and invited us to join him, by a man who served in BVS in Germany where he met his wife and told of his adventures, by reuniting of BDM, work camp and NYC colleagues.

Business sessions were scheduled for morning and afternoon with three items of old business and five items of new business. (Actual topics and decisions and can found at www.brethren.org/ac2016) Each delegate table seated 7-8 people all with differing thoughts, demographics, districts and occupations. We looked forward each day to take our place at the table and engage in discussion of denomination issues. While debate on some items was spirited, heartfelt and divided we felt the overall tone was one of respect and love.

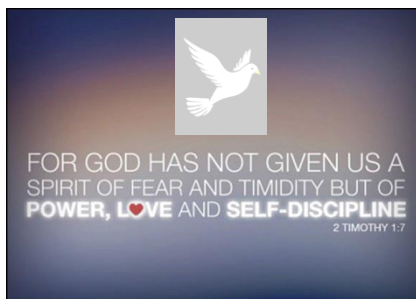
Departing the conference on Sunday morning we left with feelings of accomplishment and peace. We had dealt with many difficult business issues yet we enjoyed a sense that God had guided our journey, leading us to our own call to carry the light back to our church, our community, our world.

We would like to thank Grossnickle COB for allowing us to serve as delegates at annual conference. To quote a song from the Broadway musical, *Wicked*, "Who can say if I've been changed for the better? I **do believe** I have been changed for the better. But because I knew you I have been changed for good."

- Pattie & Dan Hughes, 2016 Delegates

For further information visit www.brethren.org and click on the Annual Conference link.

MID-ATLANTIC DISTRICT CONFERENCE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2016



The 50th annual conference of the Church of the Brethren's Mid-Atlantic District will be a *one* day event this year. 2 Timothy 1:7 is the basis for the 2016 conference to be held Saturday, October 8 at St. Mark's United Methodist Church in Easton, Maryland.

GCOB needs two more people to serve as delegates for the business meeting. If you are willing and able to represent us, please call the church office or contact Church Board Chair, Danny Rumpf.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL WRAP-UP



Where did the summer go? It seems like yesterday we were singing and laughing at VBS and now it's time for school. This year the kids at VBS raised money to support the Nigerian Crisis Fund. I am honored to announce that they collected \$959.09 in just 5 days! We had a church full of kids of all ages having a blast while learning about God. The main reason for that is the amazing staff of volunteers that make VBS possible; crafts, music, teachers, helpers, money counters, audio team, photographers, decorators, trash collectors, and on and on. A special thank you to Secretary Kathie for her help in printing documents and keeping me on track! You all will likely never know the impact you have had, but I guarantee you have made one. Thank you! - Kelly Rumpf

REACHING OUT TO HELP OTHERS... OUR OUTREACH EFFORTS

NEW WINDSOR WORKDAY... Volunteers are once again needed to assist SERRV in New Windsor. Work at the center has increased and they are in need of assistance through the end of the year. Please consider volunteering for this worthwhile cause that assists those in need. Work days are the first Thursday of each month - September 1st, October 6th, November 3rd, and December 1st. To volunteer, please contact Robert Delauter at 301-293-2720 by the Tuesday evening *prior* to the Thursday workday.

ADOPT-A-ROAD... It's cleanup time again! We've hopefully dodged the worst of summer and now can beautify the roads even as the changing leaves beautify the hills. Please lend a hand and two feet on Saturday September 17. With a full crew clean up usually takes only about 1.5 hours. Email MK Barnet (mawyle@gmail.com) or call 404-723-8739 if you are interested.

CENTENNIAL MEAL... Volunteers from GCOB will prepare and serve a meal for Centennial UMC (Frederick) on Saturday, September 17. For additional information and to volunteer, contact Pam Jouannet.

2016 CROP WALK... This year the Wolfsville/Myersville CROP WALK will take place on Sunday, September 25, 1:30 pm. Registration begins at 1:00 at Salem United Methodist Church on Wolfsville Road. Salem also serves as the starting and finishing point for the beautiful 5 mile walk through Wolfsville. This year 25% of all money raised will be split equally between The Religious Coalition for Emergency Human Needs, the Middletown Food Bank, and the Salem UMC Food Pantry. The addition 75% of funds will be used by Church World Service. We are looking for walkers as well as volunteers to help with registration, man check-points, and serve as walker checkers. If you are interested in walking and need a donation envelope or volunteering please see **Katie Rudman** at church or contact her at 301-730-6929 or Katie.rudman@gmail.com. Donations by check should be payable to "CWS/ CROP."

DISASTER RESPONSE TRIP... Currently, for the 2016 Brethren Disaster Ministry trip, Grossnickle Church is scheduled to go to Detroit, Michigan from September 25 - October 1. **We still have space for 5 volunteers** to assist in the project. Work includes drywall repair, painting and basement finishing. There is room for 15 people and an assistant cook. If interested please contact Danny Rumpf at 301.432.4723 or [djrupmf78@comcast.net](mailto:djrumpf78@comcast.net).

FALL CLOTHING DRIVE... Our 2016 Fall Clothing Drive will be Sunday, October 16. As you go through your clothes during the change of seasons and find clothing you no longer need, please plan to bring the items (clean and free of holes) with you to church on Sunday the 16th for this annual outreach project.



ADOPT-A-ROAD



CENTENNIAL MEAL



WOLFSVILLE - MYERSVILLE AREA



DISASTER RESPONSE



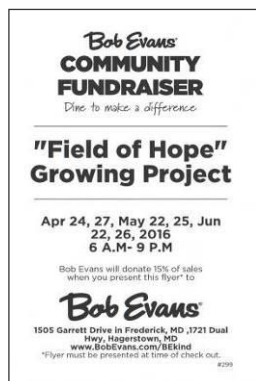
CLOTHING DRIVE

FIELD OF HOPE GROWING PROJECT • FOODS RESOURCE BANK

“FIELD OF HOPE” FUNDRAISER DAYS AT BOB EVANS

Sunday, September 25 and Wednesday, September 28

Enjoy eating out? You can support the “Field of Hope” Growing Project while enjoying a good meal at Bob Evans, “Golden Mile,” Frederick, or Bob Evans “Dual Highway,” Hagerstown.



Pick up a flyer from the church and enjoy a meal with family or friends on the fourth Wednesday and the fourth Sunday of each month at one of the two locations listed above. **Take along the flyer and 15% of your bill will be donated to “Field of Hope” Growing Project.** Flyers also can be e-mailed to you; simply contact the Church Office at 301-293-9516.

Bob Evans Community Fundraiser days will continue throughout 2016. The offer is good all day long on the fourth Wednesdays and Sundays of each month.

Questions may be directed to Patty Hurwitz, Chair of the Growing Project Committee or to Pastor Tim. Thanks to all for your faithful commitment to this effort to walk with the hungry of our world this year in Zambia Northwest. Happy and blessed dining!

2016 HARVEST FESTIVAL

Mark your calendar for Sunday, October 16 and plan to join in for the Growing Project’s annual harvest celebration. It will be a time of fun and thankfulness to God for another bountiful harvest. Watch for additional details in the bulletin and in the October 2016 issue of The Dunker.



FOODS RESOURCE BANK’S ANNUAL MEETING

“Field of Hope” Growing Project serves an umbrella organization, Foods Resource Bank. We are a “Growing Project” of FRB. Five “Field of Hope” folks traveled to this year’s annual meeting of Foods Resource Bank held August 5-6, 2016. Attending the meeting were Dale and Sheila Delauter and Tim Ritchey Martin (GCOB) and Bill Steigelmann and Linda DeLauder (Christ Reformed United Church of Christ).

Here are some interesting reflections on our time together:

- the gathering was held in Sandwich, Illinois just west of Chicago
- some 200 folks attended the gathering
- a silent auction was held including a wool blanket given by Patty and Jeff Hurwitz and a John Deere colored afghan crocheted by Pastor Donna
- the auction raised \$5,500 for Overseas Programs of Foods Resource Bank
- day 2 was all about story telling – stories of Growing Projects – stories of Overseas Programs – stories of other ways to be involved in FRB
- international guests, Noni and Sundar from India told stories of their work in the program there
- Pastor Tim had the privilege of sharing briefly about “Heart of the Hill” – FRB’s effort on Capitol Hill to visit folks in congress and other agencies
- next year the gathering is scheduled to be held for Washington State
- Kelsey Day, known to many in our project, is “expecting” and will shortly be leaving the Foods Resource Bank staff



Annual Meeting is a blessed experience as we meet and share with folks from over 200 Growing Projects across the U.S. and hear from Overseas Program folks supported by the Growing Projects as well as FRB staff.

PRAISING GOD TOGETHER... MUSIC, WORSHIP AND MORE



Join us each Sunday...

9:30 am – Sunday School (nursery through adult)

10:30 am – Worship

**NURSERY HELPER SCHEDULE
September 2016**

04 – Jennie Leatherman

11 – Traci Hanser

18 – Brooke Smith

25 – Doris Grossnickle

To volunteer and for information you may
Contact Carol Schroyer, 301-367-6393 or
carsch57@live.com.



SEPTEMBER 2016 WORSHIP INFORMATION & HELPERS

DATE	SERMON / SCRIPTURE	MESSAGE BY	WORSHIP LEADER	GREETERS	ACOLYTE
04	“Open My Eyes” 1 Kings 3:5-14	Britnee Harbaugh, Guest Preacher	Randy Gaver	Wayne & Karen Grossnickle	Luke Grossnickle
11	“In the Beginning” Genesis 2:4-17, 3:1-8	Donna Ritchey Martin	Tom Jouannet	Denny & Ruby Webb	Hanna Westwood
18	“Counting Stars” Genesis	Tim Ritchey Martin	Kelly Rumpf	Keith & Trina Delauter	Sadie Hinkle
25	TBA	Ed Poling, Guest Preacher	Dale Delauter	Randy & Jeanine Harshman	Lane Routzahn

September Deacons of the Month – Sharon and Marion Leatherman

DEACON NOTE... Deacons will meet Thursday, September 15 at 7:00 pm to go over the Budget and Fall Schedule. Please contact Randy Gaver if questions.

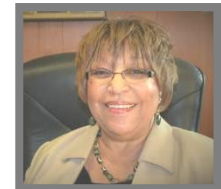
46th Annual Dunker Church Service

Sunday, September 18, 2016 3:00 pm

Antietam National Battlefield Park, Sharpsburg, MD



Restored Mumma Meeting House



Belita Mitchell, Pastor

This service will take place on the 154th anniversary of the Battle of Antietam and commemorates the peace witness of the Brethren during the Civil War. Belita Mitchell, pastor at Harrisburg (PA) First Church of the Brethren, will be the preacher.

The service is sponsored by the Mid-Atlantic District Church of the Brethren and is open to the public. For more information, please call Eddie Edmonds, 304-267-4135; Audrey Hollenberg-Duffey, 301-733-3565 or Ed Poling, 301-766-9005. All are welcome!

M.A.D. Youth Beach Retreat

September 9-11, 2016

Cape Henlopen State Park, Lewes, Delaware

Registration and payment deadline:

September 2, 2016

Additional information and registration forms available on the table in the narthex.



‘HELPING HANDS’

Elvin Stottlemyer, Youth Leader



This segment focuses on the many groups and individuals in the life of the Church who contribute a great deal to our life together. This space is an opportunity to learn more about these “helpers” and what they do.

Elvin Stottlemyer is concluding his service as “Youth Leader” at Grossnickle Church of the Brethren after some 40 years. This month we celebrate this remarkable “love gift” to Christ and the Church. This interview was conducted Monday, August 15.

Who were some of your first youth?

Tina Spade, Brenda Harne, Dave Delauter, Jay Grossnickle, Danny Harne, Larry Beverlin, Walter Bussard, Donnie Grossnickle, and Dwayne and Gary Leatherman. With only a couple of exceptions, I had their kids in the group as well.

How did you come to be Youth Leader?

I was teaching part-time in an adult class in the sanctuary with Cyrus Grossnickle, Stanley Kline, Harry and Albert Harshman, and Ralph Kendall in the class, along with others who were teaching at the time. They were all kind of like mentors to me. An opening for the teacher came in the Senior High Youth class and I was asked to fill it full-time.

How has working with youth changed over the years?

In the early years the kids were calling a lot to ask for directions to a school sporting event or asking for a ride to their game. Now everyone has GPS. In the early years the youth went along to deliver gifts to families who needed help at Christmas, or dinners at Thanksgiving. Now there is much more concern for privacy so most of what we give is delivered to a third party like the school counselor and then delivered to the families. That takes some of the joy and inspiration out of the experience, though it is still meaningful. Basically most of what we do now with the youth is what we did then with the youth. A few things have been added along the way. When Patty Hurwitz began helping with the youth we added the “hunger meal.” I’ve attended the kids’ sporting events, dance recitals, music concerts, and theater presentations. I’ve had a lot of help over the years – Dave Doyle, Patty Hurwitz, my sister-in-law Lana, Nelson Buhrman, Cathie Clemson and others. We’ve gone to King’s Dominion, Six Flags, and Hershey Park. An extreme mountain top experience was attending the 2014 National Youth Conference. When the music started that first evening I was overwhelmed in an arena full of youth. All the details were carefully taken care of by the National Youth Cabinet. Weekly preparation for Sunday School has been part of the responsibility also.

What have been your favorite things to do with the Kids?

Shepherd’s Spring Retreats, Beach Retreat, shopping for families as a group, Hershey Park, King’s Dominion, Six Flags.

What is the best prank that was pulled during your years as Youth Leader?

King’s Dominion had a bungee jump one year. Each person had to pay admission to the park and then if you wanted to bungee jump each person had to pay another \$40.00. Everyone got after Elvin to bungee jump. I said, “I’m not paying extra money to do that.” By 11:00 that morning money was collected among the group to pay for Elvin to bungee jump. Fortunately, when it was almost my turn the jump shut down for maintenance so I didn’t have to jump.



(HELPING HANDS, continued)

Where have you seen God in these years?

In the eyes of the kids as I have seen their joy and their disappointment. At Camp Blue Diamond some years ago when we would go on retreats there in Southern Pennsylvania and National Youth Conference for certain. Those were some mountain top experiences.

What else should we know?

I've been blessed with a wife who was willing to have me be "on the go" with the kids all these years. Also, being Youth Leader does not happen because the Christian Education Commission names a person youth leader. It happens as one becomes a part of the kids' lives, sharing their sporting events, going to their dance recitals, theater performances, sharing life with them. Also I am grateful that in all the years and all the trips we never had so much as a "fender bender."

Any hopes for the future?

I want whatever happens next to unfold in a way that is best for the kids. I want them to be blessed with leaders who will encourage them into closer relationships with Christ. Nothing would make me happier.

On Sunday, August 21, GCOB held a luncheon in honor of Elvin. There is no way to adequately say, "Thank you," for all these years of dedicated, loving, kind service. But in some small way the Church family attempted to put into words our heartfelt appreciation and love for Elvin. We know you will continue to serve God in other ways in the life of this Church. We pray God's abundant blessings on Elvin and Beverly. Blessings!

CELEBRATION CORNER



*Celebration Corner is a monthly column highlighting, with joy, events of the past month. This month we celebrate **July and August** events.*

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28) 'Tis the season of rest. These hot, slower months have been a time for getting away, getting some rest, having a change of pace, doing different, fun and exciting things. We all need the getaways and the change of pace from our day to day lives. Take a moment to celebrate the trip you took, the beach time you shared, the down time you've had relaxing at home. And count it as a blessing. We celebrate the renewal that comes through these times which are a gift.

And we pause to celebrate the willing folks who continued to serve through the summer. We are grateful to a committed core of folks who go every year to Shepherd's Spring to help with the Shepherd's Spring Summer Festival. Diane Moser recruits a dedicated group of folks who help park cars, and primarily serve as the chicken grilling crew. Others help in other ways.

We celebrate the dedication of Dan and Patty Hughes who traveled to Greensboro, N.C. to serve as our representatives, our delegates to Annual Conference. We celebrate Dale and Sheila Delauter who attended the Foods Resource Bank Annual Meeting held in Sandwich, IL just west of Chicago.

Others have been hard at work closer to home. Kevin Leatherman has continued to work with a sign company that created the beautiful new sign along Wolfsville Road and is also going to propose an update to the "Rock Ministry" making it easier to change the words of inspiration up there. There have been leaks to check out, leaves to blow and weeds to whack and Dan Hughes has willingly given time as chair of the Trustees to these projects. Willing musicians, music recruiters, Sunday School teachers, and many others continue to carry out the program of GCOB. James Gang continues its effective/affective caregiving ministry throughout the summer. I'm sure I have missed many.

The Church moves forward in faith. But we give thanks for seasons of rest and renewal. Where did we see God in our time away? How have we been renewed? How will we use that gift of strength and renewal to God's glory and our neighbor's good?

CELEBRATION CORNER PHOTO GALLERY



Photos taken during the Shepherd's Spring Summer Festival held Saturday, August 6, 2016

Notes of Thanks...

THANK YOU... I would like to thank everyone who reached out to us during the loss of our family's patriarch, George Bruchey. The cards, food, prayers and kind words meant so much. George truly loved his family and he will be missed. Thanks again for your sympathy at this difficult time. Blessings, Debbie Bruchey and Family



THANK YOU, Church Family: My summer project was very successful and I got a total of 42 school kits. I want to thank all of you for your support and donations. I never thought I would get this amount of supplies. I was able to sew 5 of the bags with the time I had so a special thank you to Marilyn Gaver and Grace Reeder for having made bags in the past and storing them in the church for me to use. Going to New Windsor to deliver the kits was a great experience. Thank you again for supporting me and what I think is a very worthwhile project. -Madryn Hanser

Our Christian Sympathy to...



The family of **George Bruchey, Jr.** upon his death, July 24, 2016.

Johnny and Linda Graybill upon the death of their sister-in-law, **Ada Graybill**, July 29, 2016.

The family of **Sharon Schrock** upon her death, July 31, 2016.

The family of **Pauline (Wiles) Grossnickle** upon her death, August 11, 2016.

Our Congratulations to ...



Joshua and Morgan (Delauter) O'Neal
upon the arrival of
Wesley Archer O'Neal
Friday, June 24, 2016

We also extend our congratulations to
big brother, Joel, and to
maternal grandparents, Kevin and Lisa Delauter.

Our Congratulations to ...



Bobby and Michele (Oberholzer) Riggs
upon the arrival of
Ryker Winfield Riggs
Sunday, June 26, 2016

We also extend our congratulations to
paternal grandparents, Robert & Karen Riggs, and to
paternal great-grandfather, Ernest Leatherman.

BEYOND OUR WALLS... NEWS FROM OUR ASSOCIATES

FAHRNEY-KEEDY HOME & VILLAGE NEWS

8507 Mapleville Road, Boonsboro MD 21713 • 301-733-6284
Auxiliary's Key Person for GCOB: Glenna Moser

THIS MONTH... F-K Auxiliary's **Food and Bake Sale**, Saturday, September 10, 10:00 am -1:30 pm.



There is a dire need of baked items, particularly PIES. Glenna is looking for 8-10 pies (i.e. fruit, pecan, raisin – nothing with milk). Baked goods should be labeled with ingredients. Please contact Glenna Moser, 240-344-4431, if you can donate PIES and if you need items picked up (late Friday afternoon or evening). Also, plan to attend F-K Auxiliary's huge **Yard Sale**, Friday and Saturday, September 9 and 10, from 8:00 am until 2:00 pm each day. The Yard Sale will be in the lower parking lot immediately in front of the Home to be visible from the road. (Handicap parking near the front door will still be available.) If you have any items for the yard sale, please see Ray and Ruth Hinkle. **Quilt Auction** at 1:00 pm on Saturday for a handmade Wedding Ring quilt.



GOLF TOURNAMENT... The 3rd annual tournament will be held Thursday, October 13 at Beaver Creek Country Club, 9535 Mapleville Road, Hagerstown, MD. Proceeds will benefit Fahrney Keedy's Adult Day Care. For additional information you may contact Fahrney-Keedy Home and Village, 301-733-6284.



SHEPHERD'S SPRING NEWS

P.O. Box 369 • 16869 Taylors Landing Road • Sharpsburg, Maryland 21782-0369
301- 223-8193 • www.shepherdsspring.org
Camp Representative for GCOB: Doris Grossnickle

ADOPTED SUMMER STAFFER... Jeremy Hardy, joined us for worship Sunday, July 31. Thank you to all who supported Jeremy with cards, packages, and prayers.

SEPTEMBER PRAYER REQUEST... Pray for Shepherd's Spring Campers: Ask God to bless past, present, and future campers embarking on a new school year and to provide a sense of hope for all that lies ahead.

THANK YOU... Many hands are needed to keep Shepherd's Spring going. Thank you to everyone who gave willingly of their time this year to support the various activities.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHERN NIGERIA CRISIS FUND

BOOKS FOR CHILDREN... EYN-related schools are in need of books (new or used books in good condition for children ages 6 to 16 years old) for their school libraries and classrooms. Specifically requested are paperback chapter books for children (i.e. those recognized by the Newberry Award; easily found online). Non-fiction books and children's encyclopedias are also requested. All books should be in good condition and published in the last 20 years. Send books to: Books for Nigeria, Brethren Service Center Annex, 601 Main Street, New Windsor, MD 21776. Books should arrive at the Service Center by November 20, 2016.



Photo by Carl & Roxane Hill
Students at a school for displaced children in Nigeria. It is children such as these who may benefit from an initiative to collect "Books for Nigeria."

SEPTEMBER 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><u>Sundays</u> 9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Worship</p>				<p>1 7a – New Windsor Workday</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>4 My Two-Cents Offering BP Screenings (after worship)</p>	<p>5</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  LABOR DAY </div>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 9a – Music & Worship Comm. meeting</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>11 12n – 6p Parish Hall reserved (Ford family)</p>	<p>12 7p – Outreach Commission mtg</p>	<p>13 7p – Ministry Commission mtg</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 7p – Deacons mtg</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 8:30a – Adopt-A-Road 12n – 4p Centennial Meal prep (PH)</p>
<p>18 12n – 5p Parish Hall reserved (F. Ziegler) 3p – Dunker Church Service (Sharpsburg, MD)</p>	<p>19 7p – Growing Project Committee meeting</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 7p – Nominating Committee mtg</p>	<p>22 7p – Church Board meeting</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>25 1:30p – Crop Walk (Wolfsville area)</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	
<p>DISASTER RESPONSE TRIP September 25 – October 1, 2016 ▪ Detroit, Michigan</p>						

Grossnickle Church of the Brethren

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301-293-9516 ▪ <http://www.qcob.org>

Tim and Donna Ritchey Martin, Pastors
SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL – 9:30 am
FAMILY WORSHIP HOUR – 10:30 am

PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS
Monday – Friday
8:00 to 11:30 am

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
Mon-Wed-Thu 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Phone – 301-293-9516
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GIVING THROUGH TITHES & OFFERINGS

*"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."
(2 Corinthians 9:7)*

Offerings to GCOB can be presented in the following ways:

Offering plate – Cash and checks may be placed in the offering plate during worship and Sunday school.

Online – Visit www.gcob.org and click on DONATE.

Mail – Send checks to Grossnickle COB, P.O. Box 575, Myersville, MD 21773. Indicate "offering" on check.

Make checks payable to "Grossnickle COB." Thank you!

Please submit news items for the **October 2016 issue of *The Dunker*** no later than Thursday, September 15. Thank you!

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

