

*District of Idaho & Western Montana  
Church of the Brethren*



# A Joyful Voice

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*While we are waiting, come  
while we are waiting, come  
Jesus our Lord, Emanuel  
While we are waiting, come*

*With pow'r and glory, come  
With pow'r and glory, come  
Jesus our Lord, Emanuel  
With pow'r and glory, come*

*Come, Savior, quickly, come  
Come, Savior, quickly, come  
Jesus our Lord, Emanuel  
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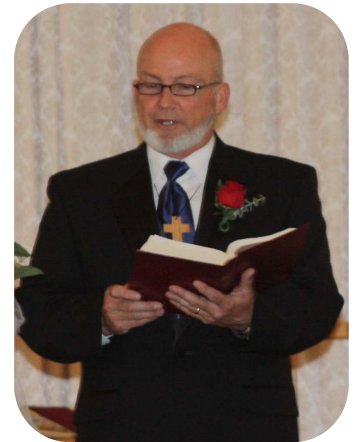


*May the Joy and Peace of Christmas be with  
you now and throughout the new year.*

"...if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it."

1 Corinthians 12: 26b

## *District Prepares to Celebrate Morrison Ordination*



A momentous occasion in the life of an individual, a congregation and a district! Fruitland pastor **Donald S. Morrison** recently graduated from the TRIM program and has completed all requirements for ordination in the Church of the Brethren. Please join Don, wife Cathy, their children, his congregation and the Idaho/W Montana district in a service of ordination, followed by refreshments, fellowship and celebration:

*Ordination Service*

*Sunday, December 12, 2010*

*4:00 P M*

*Fruitland Church of the Brethren*

## District Prayer Partner Connection



During the months of **September, October & November . . .**

**Boise Valley** will be in prayer for **Mountain View**  
**Bowmont** will be in prayer for **Boise Valley**  
**Fruitland** will be in prayer for **Community Twin Falls**  
**Nampa** will be in prayer for **Bowmont**  
**Mountain View** will be in prayer for **Fruitland**  
**Community Twin Falls** will be in prayer for **Nampa**

Please continue to be in prayer for your partner's congregational health and vitality, personal concerns (health, family, relationships, employment issues, etc.), special events in the life of the church, birthday and anniversary celebrations, and opportunities to connect with others in the district.

## 2010 District Conference Highlights:

A special **Thank You** to the Fruitland congregation for hosting District Conference 2010 at Camp Stover September 3-5! The theme, "I Believe," was lived out in various aspects of worship, business and fellowship. Led by Moderator Don Morrison, conference delegates affirmed the following business items:

- \* As a result of discussion with and a proposal received from Colin Douglas, the Idaho district will move forward with further discussion regarding support of a new church plant in Missoula, Montana.
- \* The conference voted to approve an invitation from the Mt. View Church that the Idaho district support recognition of Bethel Ministries as an official ministry of the Mountain View Church of the Brethren.
- \* It was decided to continue our 10-year financial commitment to Sudan and that the funds be held in the district Sudan fund until God opens an opportunity for us to use those funds in ministry to the Sudanese.



Now that 2010 National Youth Conference is a memory, it's time to start thinking about 2014! Church of the Brethren Credit Union can help church youth groups save for NYC with a Brethren Youth Mission Club Account.

CoBCU would like to help you save your money and have a party too! When you open a Brethren Youth Mission Club account, CoBCU will give your youth group a \$50 gift card to use toward the cost of a pizza party!

Since 1938, CoBCU has provided financial services for our denomination. Our Brethren Youth Mission Club accounts offer higher rates than our checking and savings accounts, online access to your account, and the great rates you want with Brethren values you trust. Use the money in your Brethren Youth Mission Club account for service opportunities like:

- Workcamps.
- National Youth Conference.
- Christian Citizenship Seminar.
- Regional Youth Conference.
- Mission trips.

We invite you to send photos from your youth group's Pizza Party to CoBCU, and we will post them on our Facebook Fan page. Learn more about CoBCU by calling us toll-free at 888-832-1383.



## Idaho Brethren Disaster Ministries Meeting

**Monday, December 6**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**Nampa Church Building**

Plans for Idaho volunteers to participate in a Brethren Disaster Ministries work project in January will be discussed. Persons interested in the January trip should plan to attend the meeting and/or contact Idaho BDM Coordinator Dennis Daniel (442-7260 or [srdd24@msn.com](mailto:srdd24@msn.com)).

Mark your calendars:

## District Fifth Sunday Worship

**January 30, 2011**

**5:00 p.m.**



**Bowmont Church of the Brethren**

Come worship and celebrate with the community that is the District of Idaho Church of the Brethren



### Boise Valley:

- Our congregation is praising the Lord for many blessings.
- It was a joy to host 5th Sunday Worship at the McKellip Chapel. We thank Anne for allowing us to worship in this very special chapel. We are especially thankful to the 50 plus people who attended and participated.
- On November 14 we held a Harvest Appreciation Service and Dinner. With 75 friends, neighbors, and family members attending, it was obvious that God has placed many special people in our lives.
- Our congregation is moving ahead with plans for phase one of our building project. We covet your prayers and support as we proceed to develop our plans, apply for permits, and begin site work.

### Bowmont:

- Fall has been a busy but blessed time at Bowmont. We celebrated Caleb and Rosa (Goering) Scott's wedding on September 12<sup>th</sup>. We also had our annual "Sunday School Kick-off" and re-started our Children's Church. We are now up to 14 kids in Children's Church!
- In October we started our weekly Christmas play rehearsals and held our 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Harvest Carnival on October 30<sup>th</sup>. We had 92 elementary kids as well as their families! What a great time of food, fellowship, & fun! Also in October we honored Wes & Bonnie Waggoner during pastor appreciation Sunday and their 20 years at Bowmont!
- We held a "Family Game Night" on Friday November 12<sup>th</sup>. Our "Craft and Baked Good Sale" was held on November 20<sup>th</sup>. This fundraiser will go toward our "Community Center and Fellowship Hall Building Fund". November 21<sup>st</sup> was our Annual Harvest Dinner.
- With hanging of the greens, caroling, outreaches, and the Christmas program in the morning and evening on December 19<sup>th</sup>, December is already fast approaching...

### Community Twin Falls:

- We have been blessed with the addition of families and have been able to start a youth Sunday School in addition to our adult Sunday School. We also have a young adult class that is meeting on Thursday nights and the Bible Study and dinner is still going strong on Tuesday evenings. The Joyful Notes, our small choir, has been resurrected, and is planning specials during the Advent Season and possibly into 2011.
- During October we had our annual Bazaar/Treasure Hunt/Bake Sale, a movie night on October 22<sup>nd</sup>, and a Help the District Meal on Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. All funds donated for the meal, which consisted of potato or beef stew, roll, dessert and a drink were sent to the Idaho District in support of the faith budget.
- We hosted a free community Thanksgiving meal on Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> and we are planning a Live Nativity program for Friday, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>. On Dec 19<sup>th</sup>, a Christmas potluck will precede the council meeting to elect new officers and approve our budget.

### Fruitland:

- Fruitland recently held a soap drive (bath bars) to support a need shared from the LightHouse Christian Mission in Nampa.
- On December 19<sup>th</sup> the children of Fruitland will be presenting their annual Christmas Program. The children will be presenting the Christmas Story through drama and song. Following the program we will host a time of fellowship.
- The "King's Daughters" held their annual Christmas Bazaar at the Olde School on November 20. Baked Christmas goodies, crafts and homemade chicken noodle soup were sold.
- On November 21 we held our annual Ham and Turkey Harvest Dinner. Our worship theme for the day was Thanks-living!
- During Advent we will explore how our **Extraordinary God**, worked through **Ordinary People**, to bring about the greatest miracle ever. We will meet and hear from Zechariah and Elizabeth, Mary, Joseph, the Shepherds and one of God's Angel's. It promises to be a great time of celebration and study.
- On December 3, Pastor Don and Cathy will be hosting "**Dinner and a Movie**" and will serve stuffed pork, potatoes, corn and Whoopie Pies (also known as Gobs) for dessert. After the meal we will be watching "The Nativity".

### Mountain View:

- We at Mountain View have some very good news to share. At our October congregational meeting Tom Warner was overwhelmingly approved as the official part-time pastor for our church. There wasn't a nay vote to be found! We are delighted with Tom and are anxious for everyone in the district to meet him. Along with Tom comes his lovely wife Shelley, who works with special needs students in the Boise School District and they often bring their 4-yr-old granddaughter, Faith.
- We are growing again. Praise God! Our nursery is up and running, and Children's Church is active once more.
- The wonderful season of Christ's birth is upon us! The Deacons always head up a drive to collect funds to provide food and gifts for often 8-10 families who are struggling financially and need some help having a joyous Christmas.

### Nampa:

- On Nov. 21 a special "Thanks & Praise" worship service featured testimonies by Mat Ayers, Matt Pascoe and Bud Fillmore
- Through Advent, NCOB's Junior Youth will collect canned/package food for local food banks.
- A Holiday Craft Show to be held at the church on Dec. 4, 9-3, will feature local artists and vendors selling handmade arts.
- Early Worship Service (8:30am) will resume on Dec. 5; the Secret Sister "reveal" sponsored by Women's Ministries will take place that day following worship, and that evening carolers will meet at church at 6 pm to spread Christmas cheer.
- Dec. 24 -- Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Services at Nampa COB (5:00 pm--Memorial Service for those who've lost loved ones; 8:00 pm--traditional service)



## 2011 Workcamps

### We Are The Body

The 2011 schedule of summer workcamps has been announced by the Church of the Brethren's Youth and Young Adult Ministry. The 2011 workcamp theme is "We Are the Body" (Romans 12:4-5). The week-long service opportunities are for those from age 12 to 100+. Held in the months of June, July and August, this ministry provides an opportunity for spiritual formation through service and simple living in Christian community.

In 2011, 29 workcamps will be offered in diverse locations, including a Senior High Workcamp at our own Camp Stover.

**Online registration opens January 3, 2011 at 7 p.m. CST! The workcamp schedule and registration information can be found at:**  
[www.brethren.org/workcamps](http://www.brethren.org/workcamps)

## Young Adult Conference

**YAC 2011  
Camp Inspiration Hills, near  
Burbank, Ohio**

**May 28 - 30, 2011.**

Plan now to attend Young Adult Conference 2011! This weekend event full of worship, fellowship, singing, and playing is for young adults, ages 18 - 35.



## National Junior High Conference

**"Piece by Piece: Finding Our Place within God's Story"** based on Ephesians 2:19-22 (The Message)

**June 17 - 19, 2011  
Elizabethtown College  
Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania**

**Cost: \$150 per person (between Jan. 10, 2011 and April 15, 2011)**

The late registration cost (after April 15) is \$175.

Registration opens January 10, 2011, 7 p.m. central time.

Travel scholarships of \$175 per person are available for participants who live west of the Mississippi River.

Contact the Youth/Young Adult Ministry Office with questions at 800-323-8039, x 297.


  
**Passion and Purpose**  
 in a **Changing World**  
Romans 12:2

National Older Adult Conference

Save the date -  
**September 5-9, 2011**

Watch for more information  
 in the coming months!

[www.brethren.org/NOAC](http://www.brethren.org/NOAC)  
 (800) 323-8039

  
 Church of the Brethren

NOAC is a Church of the Brethren Conference offering inspiration, renewal, and community for adults age 50 and older.

It's not too early to begin thinking about

*Annual Conference 2011*

July 2-6

Grand Rapids, Michigan

**"Gifted with Promise: Extending Jesus' Table"**

## Camp Stover 2011 Calendar

May 14<sup>th</sup> Water turn on  
 May 27<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> Camp Clean-up  
 June 12-19 Youth Work Camp  
 July 10<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> Camp Week  
 July 15<sup>th</sup> - Annual Camp Meeting  
 Sept. 2-5 District & Youth Fall Retreat  
 Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> - Water shut off  
 Note: This year's fundraiser dates to be announced soon.

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Church the Brethren Idaho District Presents

### CAMP STOVER 2011

New Meadows, Idaho

Date: July 10<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> 2011

**"Got Spirit? Finding God in the Everyday"**

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## Historian needed for Camp



If you are interested in being the Camp Historian please call a Camp Board Member or e-mail [campstover@gmail.com](mailto:campstover@gmail.com).  
 If you have camp memorabilia you would like included please send it to the above e-mail.

## Senior Youth Workcamp Returns to Camp Stover

June 12<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>

We once again will be blessed at Camp Stover to host a National Senior Youth Work Camp. These kids come from all over the Nation, pay \$350 plus Airfare to come to Camp Stover and work hard for us for the week!

Each year we have asked for people in the district to sponsor the kids to send them on a White Water Raft Trip at the end of the week. We would like to do that again this year!

Raft trips this year will be \$45 each.

Please prayerfully consider sponsoring a youth work camp volunteer!

### WORK TRIP TO SUDAN

Athanasus Ungang (known to many of us in the COB Idaho district) is heading up a work camp to Sudan. His anticipated departure date is Jan 8, 2011. Vaccinations are required (check with Center for Disease Control for specifics), airline tickets are about \$1700, and about \$1000 (for two weeks) will be needed for lodging and meals. The stay can be from 2-4 weeks. Two passport-type pictures will also be needed to secure a visa from Nairobi, Kenya into Sudan. Contact Pastor Bill Miller (871-7730) if interested.  
 (A later trip is also planned).

"Good news from heaven the angels bring, Glad tidings to the earth they sing: To us this day a child is given, To crown us with the joy of heaven." By Martin Luther





## *District of Idaho & Western Montana Church of the Brethren*

### 2010-2011 Calendar of Events

- Dec. 6 Idaho BDM Meet @ Nampa, 7:00 pm  
Dec. 7 District Board of Directors Meet @ Mt. View, 6:30 pm  
Dec. 10-12 District Youth Retreat @ Camp Stover  
Dec. 12 Don Morrison Ordination Service @ Fruitland, 4:00 pm  
Jan. 2-8 Idaho Brethren Disaster Volunteers in Chalmette, LA  
Jan. 23-27 Council of District Executives Winter Meeting in FL  
Jan. 30 Fifth Sunday District Worship @ Bowmont, 5:00 pm  
Feb. 25-26 Board of Directors Retreat  
May 27-30 Camp Clean-up @ Camp Stover  
May 29 Fifth Sunday Worship  
June 12-19 National Senior High Workcamp @ Camp Stover  
July 10-46 Camp Stover 2011  
July 2-6 Annual Conference in Grand Rapids, Michigan  
July 31 Fifth Sunday District Worship  
Sept. 2-5 District and Youth Fall Retreat @ Camp Stover  
Oct. 7-8 District Conference @ Twin Falls  
Oct. 30 Fifth Sunday Worship

Check out the Idaho District Website at: <http://www.idcob.org/>

**For Sale:** Camp Stover items  
Contact Byron Holtry (573-9060) for information



**Pump Organ** in great shape. Style #3329 Mason Hamlin #185806 \$500 or best offer



**Wood Cook Stove** - Fully working & in great shape. Monarch Malleable Iron Range Co Style No. 879P \$400 or best offer

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