

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



A Joyful Voice

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Sue Daniel, Editor

**Plan now
to attend!**

"...I DO BELIEVE...!!!"

Mark 9:24

**Idaho & Western Montana
District Conference 2010**

September 3-5

**Camp Stover
(Meadows, Idaho)**



Moderator: Don Morrison

Guest Leaders:

Mary Jo Flory-Steury,
CoB Executive Director of Ministry

Scott Douglas,
Brethren Benefit Trust

Worship

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Inter-Church participation

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Children/Youth/Family Activities

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Business

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Fellowship

***Deadline for
registration is
August 13.**

***Brochures
and
registration
materials will
be in churches
soon.**

**Chili Cook-Off
& Best Pie Contest**

Each church is asked to prepare their
best pot of chili for a Saturday noon
Chili Cook-Off trophy (and lunch!)

... AND to furnish four pies for the
Best Pie Contest (and dessert!)

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Church Reflections

A time of congregational sharing is
scheduled following the Saturday
morning business session. Please
have a representative of each church
come prepared to share your
congregational reflections.

Congregational Prayer Partner Connection . . .

During the months of **June, July & August . . .**



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

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

National Youth Conference 2010 July 17-22



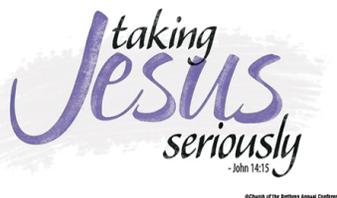
Notice!

All participants going to NYC are invited to meet July 11th at 3:30 p.m. at Harold & Leila Kerschensteiner's home to discuss final plans and arrangements for travel to NYC. There will be a bar-b-q and swimming! Come join the fun!

The District Youth Council asks that our district keep these youth & advisors traveling to Fort Collins, CO, to participate in NYC in prayer from now until their return:

Kera Ames, Nampa
 Bryana Ames, Nampa
 Donny Brooks, Nampa
 Ashley Bausman, Community Twin Falls
 Kelsea Bayes, Fruitland
 Elizabeth Heller, Boise Valley
 Amber Humphrey, Community Twin Falls
 Josh Hunsucker, Nampa
 Josh Mahler, Nampa
 Doug Shoemaker, Nampa
 Troy Wade, Mountain View

Dawn Heller, Boise Valley
 Harold Kerschensteiner, Boise Valley
 Stephen McKinney, Nampa



Annual Conference Delegate Briefing

The 2010 Church of the Brethren Annual Conference will be held July 3-7 in Pittsburgh, PA, with leadership by moderator Shawn Flory Replogle of McPherson, KS.

A briefing of delegates who will represent the Idaho congregations is scheduled for **Thursday, June 17, 6:00 pm, at the Mountain View Church**. Standing committee delegate Mark Bausman will review business items to be considered by the Annual Conference delegate body. Anyone is welcome.

Idaho Delegates to Annual Conference are:

Mark Bausman -- Standing Committee
Warren Eilers -- Boise Valley
Rena Holderreed -- Community Twin Falls
Floyd & Marian Mitchell -- Nampa
Cathy Morrison -- Fruitland

Please be in prayer for traveling mercies, wisdom and discernment for these and others attending Annual Conference.

For more information about the Church of the Brethren Annual Conference, go to www.cobannualconference.org.



Boise Valley:

- On Sunday, May 30, the congregation is honoring Art and Dortha Carlson in celebration of their 70th Wedding Anniversary. The Carlsons were married at the Boise Valley Church on June 1, 1940. As far as we know, they are the only couple in the church to have celebrated 70 years of marriage. It was noted that another long-time member, Mildred Brown, was the soloist for the wedding.
- The Boise Valley board committed to contribute \$200 toward the rental of a U-Haul trailer to transport luggage for those attending National Youth Conference. Two BV advisors and one youth are among those planning to attend.

Bowmont:

- March 14 was our "Birthday Sunday and Kite Flight" with lots of great food, fellowship and you guessed it ... kite flying.
- On April 3 we hosted our Annual "Kids Easter Extravaganza" that is free to the community. We shared the true story of Easter with over 50 kids and their families, made some fun crafts, had homemade cookies and punch, a petting zoo, some fun Easter games and of course a huge Easter Egg hunt with 600 eggs covering the Bowmont lawn!
- May 1st was the 2nd Annual Spaghetti Dinner and Fundraiser to raise money for our new community center and fellowship hall. We had a pie auction and had lots of good fun! The Lord blessed us abundantly!!
- May 22nd the men of the Church hosted "Ladies night out" for all of the ladies of our Church
- June 13th will be our Father's day Bar-b-que, & July 17th is our "Ice cream social and raffle"

Community Twin Falls:

- On March 14th the Pie in the Face and pie auction was held for our youth. For a very strange reason all the jars for the youth, Pastor Mark and David Humphrey had equal amounts of donations, so they all got a "pie in the face". The auction was a huge success as well, with some pies being bought for over \$30.00!
- We served an Easter Breakfast in place of Sunday School to over 60 individuals and everyone staying for the Easter Celebration. Love Feast, communion and foot-washing were held on Maundy Thursday.
- The men of the church treated the ladies to a very special Mother's Day meal. Women were provided with flowers and special awards went to the youngest and oldest mother, most children, and most grandchildren and great grandchildren.
- Rena Holderreed has taken on the task of preparing a monthly newsletter for the church. She is doing a great job!
- Our youth are getting excited about attending Camp Stover and NYC in July.

Fruitland:

- The women are sprucing up the old quilting room so we can once again quilt and sew--repair school uniforms, make nursing blankets and other items for the hospital and those in need.
- On May 19th the Kids for Christ Club met for a BBQ at the Hunsucker's and then traveled to the home of Mildred Whipple to participate in a spring cleanup project with other members of the Fruitland church. The KFCC children earn points by participating in special work projects, scripture memorization and attending Sunday School and KFCC. These points are then redeemed for money toward camp registration fees.
- The Witness Commission members organized a cookie drive to raise money for Haiti. The church participated in making, bagging and selling cookies at the Fruitland Spring Parade on May 8th. A total of \$242.00 was collected.
- The Men's Group hosted a lasagna dinner for Mothers Day; entertainment was provided by The Bean Family.
- On June 2nd, Pastor Don and Cathy Morrison are hosting an evening in the park for the Kid's for Christ Club.
- Josh Morrison and Katie Frank will be married at the Fruitland Church on June 12th. Congratulations, Josh & Katie!

Mountain View:

- There are several activities planned for the summer, and of course, food is involved in many of them. We just enjoyed our Mother Daughter Tea in May along with a Dos de Mayo Potluck (it was held on May 2nd). Coming up will be a Finger Food potluck and in August, our yearly All-Church Picnic.
- Two activities not focused on food are the All Church Free Fishing Day on June 12, and on July 17 at 6:30 P.M., Pat's Car Rally. A car rally is like a treasure hunt in a car. The entire district (adults only) is invited. Last year several cars from Boise Valley participated, and everyone had a great time.
- While we have many fun activities, the focus of our church is on our Lord, saving the lost, and helping the hurting.

Nampa:

- Nearly 100 ladies enjoyed the "Heroism of the Ordinary Woman" themed Mother-Daughter luncheon on May 8, with Dorothy Fillmore being honored as the heroine of the day.
- Our graduating seniors will be recognized at a barbeque in their honor immediately following worship on June 6.
- We'll be embarking on a High Seas Expedition with Vacation Bible School July 26-30 from 9:00 am to noon daily.
- The monthly men's breakfast will be held on June 12 and July 10, 9:00 am, at the Qwik Wok Restaurant.
- June 20th is CAMP STOVER SUNDAY with an informal, outside worship in the gazebo (no 8:30am service).
- July 31st -- Ice Cream Social (7:00pm)



Leadership for 2010 Camp Stover week will include the Church of the Brethren **Youth Peace Travel Team**. Their primary goal is to talk with other young people about the Christian message and the Brethren tradition of peacemaking. Members of the 2010 YPT team are:

Marcus Harden, Miami, FL – currently seeking a degree in Political Science and Government;

Tim Sollenberger Heishman, Harrisburg, PA & the Dominican Republic - attending Eastern Mennonite University and seeking a double major in Biblical Studies and History;

Cambria Teter, Upland, CA – a senior at Manchester College majoring in English with a Literature concentration;

Hannah Wysong, Fort Wayne, IN – a junior at Butler University double majoring in Sociology and History.

Camp Stover Annual Assembly & Fundraiser

Plan now to attend the Annual Camp Assembly & Fundraiser At the Nampa Church. This will be the first time that our annual meeting will not be at Camp.

This is a trial run to see if we should continue in the valley or move it back during Camp Week.

You must be registered during Camp Week to vote.

If you have items for the Auction please contact the Camp Board.

August 14th @ 5:00 p.m.



The position of Disaster Ministries Coordinator for the Idaho district has recently been assumed by **Dennis Daniel**. Along with local Disaster Project Leaders, Dennis has been invited to participate in the 2010 Disaster Response Leadership Seminar in New Windsor, MD, August 28-30, where changes in Brethren Disaster Ministries and in the disaster response community will be reviewed.

Idaho BDM expresses appreciation to **Don Morrison** who recently resigned as the Idaho coordinator.



Each member of the district's six churches have been encouraged to contribute \$5 per quarter (\$20 per year) to help meet the district faith budget.

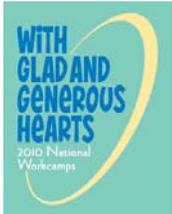
The district exists to support and promote the ministry of its congregations, assisting with resources for members, pastors and leadership, and providing a connection to the denomination and the larger church. Contact a member of the Board of Directors or the Administrative Executive for information regarding the budget. Your gift on the last Sunday of each quarter is appreciated!

A Note of Appreciation . . .

. . . to members of the District Youth Council who have labored prayerfully and diligently the past several months in organizing and promoting district youth activities. Current DYC members are:

Steve Dillehay, Boise Valley
Linda Goering, Bowmont
Becky Goldstein, Mountain View
Nick McKellip, Nampa
Dee Humphrey, Community Twin Falls

Thank you all for your continued service and commitment to our district youth!



Haiti Young Adult Workcamp June 1-8, 2010

Letter from Nick . . .

Dear Church Family,

By the time you all get this newsletter I will probably already be back from Haiti and preparing for another fun and exciting week at Camp Stover. Still, I would like to thank you all for your support through prayer and in the donations made to me. At this point in time I am preparing to go to Haiti and getting really excited. One, because I will get to see one of my best friends from college, and two, because I am going to help people in need. It has been quite the experience preparing for this trip going to all the Idaho district Brethren churches and talking to all of you. Don't worry, I will be back to share my experiences and visit the churches again. I will be taking plenty of photos and learning lots of things to bring back and share.

I never would have imagined that I would get as much financial support as I have. Just so everyone is informed, any extra funds are going to be placed in a scholarship account for people wanting to go to workcamps. Then others wanting to do similar service can have a starting point.

Again, I thank you so much and hope to be seeing you all soon,

Nick McKellip

*"There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit.
 There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord.
 There are different kinds of working, but the same God
 works all of them in all men." 1 Corinthians 12:13*

The Idaho District Board of Directors is seeking a District Youth Council Coordinator

The District Youth Council consists of representatives from each of the Idaho congregations who work together to plan and promote district youth activities. This faithful group of people, under the leadership of Linda Goering, have recently worked diligently to assist and encourage the eleven Idaho youth who will attend National Youth Conference in July.

But their work is not done...and the DYC is seeking a coordinator with gifts, dedication and passion to work with other DYC members. Our youth are among the church's most vital assets, worthy of our time and commitment.

Is God calling you . . .?

Will you serve . . .?

Please contact the Idaho district office
at 442-7260 or email IdahoAE@msn.com



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2010 Calendar of Events



- May 29-31** Annual spring cleaning and opening of Camp Stover
May 30 Fifth Sunday Potluck & Worship @ Camp Stover
June 17 Annual Conference Delegate Briefing @ Mt. View 6:00 pm
June 20-26 Camp Stover 2010
July 3-7 Annual Conference in Pittsburg, PA
July 17-22 National Youth Conference @ CSU, Fort Collins, CO
August 3 District Board of Directors Meet @ Mt. View 6:30 pm
August 14 Camp Assembly Meeting & Fundraiser Nampa COB
Sept. 3-5 District Conference @ Camp Stover
Sept. 25 Camp Stover Water Shut-off
Oct. 31 Fifth Sunday Worship
Nov. 2 District Board of Directors Meet @ Mt. View 6:30 pm

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from congregations or individuals to:

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