43rd Annual Mid-Atlantic Disaster Response Auction www.madcob.com/disaster-response-auction

















May 4, 2024

Carroll County Agricultural Center - Shipley Arena Westminster, Maryland

Sponsored by the Church of the Brethren Mid-Atlantic District

Public Auction Saturday, May 4, 2024 - 9:00 a.m. Rain or Shine

Handmade Quilts, Comforts, Baby Quilts & Quilted Wall Hangings

Patterns such as:

Garden Wedding, Glowing Stars, Amazon, Brick Snowman, River, Fruit Parade, Dresden Plate, Irish Chain Star, Hosta, Huggy Bear, Blue Cross Stitch, Fun in the Sun, Double Irish Chain, Ocean, Flowers & Stars, Foundations, Four Patch, Dragonflies, Merrily Snowflakes, Yes He Loves Me, My Heart, It's a Snap, Whose Zoo, and many more!

Plus

Handmade crafts, baked goods, folk art, glassware, furniture, garden and hand tools, small appliances, antiques, collectibles, pictures, toys, books, and more!

General Auction – 9:00 a.m. Specialty Auction – 9:30 a.m. Tools in General Auction – 10:00 a.m. Quilt Auction – 12:15 p.m.



Look for these Special Auction Items

The Escape Cabin Rental, Handturned Maple Bowl, Beary Cute Gift Basket, Charcuterie Board, Welcome Baby Tote, Edison Phonograph, Red Moose Lodge Rental, Vintage White Milk Glass Collection, Hess Miniature Trucks, Moravian Star, Gardening Happiness Gift Basket, Continuing the Work of Jesus Calligraphy, Quilt Rack, Cherry Candle Stand, Snack Attack! Gift Basket, Animated Goofy Phone, and more!

Food Service

Breakfast 7:00-9:30 Lunch 10:30 All other food booths open at 10:00 a.m.

Homemade Pies, Donuts, Ice Cream, Soups, Hot Dogs, Vegetable and Fruit Salads, Turkey Barbeque and Country Ham Sandwiches, Dessert Stand, Bake Table, Drink Stands, Food Service, etc.

All proceeds from the auction go to: The Church of the Brethren Emergency Disaster Fund and the Mid-Atlantic District transportation fund for disaster response.

Terms: cash, check and credit card.

Church of the Brethren Mid-Atlantic District, Robert Wilson, Sales Manager ATM Machine located in Shipley Arena.

Not responsible for any accidents on premises.

Cover photos by (starting top, clockwise) Benjamin Hoffmann, Eglise des Freres au Congo, courtesy of EYN, and Toni Custer.

Thank You! \$20,560 was raised through this booklet for the Disaster Response Auction.

Thank you to the churches, businesses, organizations and individuals that placed listings or ads in our Auction Booklet. We very much appreciate your support of the Disaster Response programs in this way.

Please bring your own chair, seating is limited! Mark your calendar for next year's Auction on May 3, 2025

Child Care Available

Hours: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Be sure to pick up your children for lunch! We appreciate prompt pickup at 3:00 p.m. so the caregivers can clean up. Thank you!



Can you help? Auction Day Volunteers Needed!!

If you want to help at the auction, call Jeff McKee at 443-547-5958 to make arrangements in advance, or, on auction day, go to the information booth to be assigned a task.

Many hands make the work light. Thanks!

Please visit our sister districts' Disaster Relief Auctions

Shenandoah District Disaster Ministries Auction & Sale – May 17 & 18, 2024 Rockingham County Fairgrounds, Harrisonburg, Va www.shencob.org/disaster-auction-and-sale

Brethren Disaster Relief Auction in PA – Sept. 27 & 28, 2024 Lebanon Valley Expo Center, Lebanon, Pa www.brethrendisasterreliefauction.org

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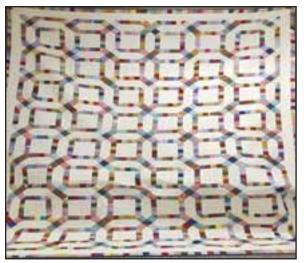


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The work of Brethren Disaster Ministries is made possible by the generosity of individuals and churches who support the Emergency Disaster Fund. Our prayer is that, through our combined efforts, more and more vulnerable people in helpless situations will be touched by heavenly grace as our vision and stewardship grow.

—Roy Winter, Executive Director Service Ministries

Please stop by the Brethren Disaster Ministries booth to see the full scope of their ministry.



#100 Garden Wedding 90 x 114 - Multi



#101 Amazon River 101 x 109 - Green, White



#102 Dresden Plate 88 x 104 – Green, Red, Beige



#103 Irish Chain Star 100 x 112 – Purple, White



#104 Hosta 115 x 120 – Green



#105 Double Irish Chain 88 x 95 - Pink, Blue

KING AND QUEEN QUILTS (OVER 80" X 100")

Lot#	Pattern	Size	Color	Quilter(s)/Donor	Bid\$
100	Garden Wedding	90 x 114	Multi	Union Bridge Nimble Thimbles Donor-Debbie Offutt Piecer-the late Lucille Weed	
101	Amazon River	101 x 109	Green, White	Eve Griner Sponsor-Ed & Brenda Palsgrove	
102	Dresden Plate	88 x 104	Green, Red, Beige	Union Bridge Nimble Thimbles Piecer-Amy Clark Sponsor-Ed & Brenda Palsgrove	
103	Irish Chain Star	100 x 112	Purple, White	Brownsville Sponsor-Joan & Jeff McKee	
104	Hosta	115 x 120	Green	Union Bridge Nimble Thimbles Sponsor-Thurmont & Nimble Thimbles	
105	Double Irish Chain	88 x 95	Pink, Blue	Long Green Valley	
106	Ocean	103 x 117	Multi	Union Bridge Nimble Thimbles In memory of Naomi Dotterer	
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What Size Quilt Do You Need?

The following sizes are a guide. Please remember that beds differ in height, so make allowances for a higher bed.

Coverlet Sizes

To be used with a dust ruffle
Twin68 x 86
Double76 x 86
Queen86 x 92
King86 x 104

Bedspread Sizes Reach nearly to the floor Twin......81 x 110 Double......96 x 110 Queen102 x 120 King.....118 x 120

How To Care For Your Quilt

Please realize that quilts should not be stored in plastic bags. It is recommended that they be stored either in a large pillowcase, a sheet, or with tissue paper. New quilts may be washed with care if necessary, but be aware that some dark colors may bleed. Machine wash in cold water, with mild soap and on delicate cycle. Either line dry or use your dryer on air fluff only. Do not use heat settings on the dryer.

FULL AND TWIN QUILTS (BETWEEN 68" X 86")

Lot#	Pattern	Size	Color	Quilter(s)/Donor	Bid\$
200	Foundations	63 x 76	Multi	Ruth Carr	
201	Yes He Loves Me (hearts & crosses)	64 x 84	Lavender, Green	Brownsville	
202	Glowing Stars	54 x 66	Blues	Brownsville	
203	Brick Snowman	60 x 72	Blue, White	Brownsville	
204	Blue Cross Stitch	85 x 85	Blue, White	Grossnickle Church-Betty Grossnickle	
205	Flowers & Stars	84 x 84	Red, Cream	Designer and Donor: Pat Sloan (internationally known)	
206	Splendid Sampler	66 x 82	Multi	Designer and Donor: Pat Sloan (internationally known)	
207	Gallery 2003 Sampler	80 x 84	Beige, Red, Green	Designer and Donor: Pat Sloan (internationally known)	
208	March 2007 Shamrock	80 x 84	Greens	Designer and Donor: Pat Sloan (internationally known)	
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#106 Ocean 103 x 117 – Multi



#200 Foundations 63 x 76 - Multi



#205 Flowers & Stars 84 x 84 - Red, Cream



#206 Splendid Sampler 66 x 82 - Multi



#208 March 2007 Shamrock 80 x 84 – Greens

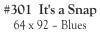


#207 Gallery 2003 Sampler 80 x 84 – Beige, Red, Green





#300 My Heart 84 x 84 - Pinks





#302 It's a Snap 70 x 70 – Blue, Cream



#305 Squares 58 x 78 – Blue, Gold, Cream



#400 Fruit Parade 34 x 41 - Multi



#401 Fun in the Sun 32 x 37 - Multi

COMFORTERS

Lot#	Pattern	Size	Color	Quilter(s)/Donor	Bid\$
300	My Heart	84 x 84	Pinks	Frederick	
301	It's a Snap	64 x 92	Blues	Frederick	
302	It's a Snap	70 x 70	Blue, Cream	Frederick	
303	Big Block	74 x 89	Brown, Green, Cream	Frederick	
304	Plaid & Checks	64 x 77	Red, White, Blue	Frederick	
305	Squares	58 x 78	Blue, Gold, Cream	Frederick	
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An Auction of a Different Kind

"Bids from the Heart" Sometime during the quilt auction, we will take a few minutes to give those who don't have a need for a quilt or other auction items an opportunity to donate a monetary amount. The process is simple, the Auctioneer will start with \$1,000 and go around the room asking for bidders who wish to donate that amount; then repeat the process for amounts of \$500, \$250, \$100, \$50 and \$25. In just a few minutes it is amazing how much we raise together to support Emergency Disaster Relief work. Last year's "Bids from the Heart" raised \$6,350!!! By giving a donation without receiving any goods or services, your donation is tax deductible. We encourage you to consider this different way of helping people rebuild their lives in difficult times.

BABY QUILTS & COMFORTERS

Lot#	Pattern	Size	Color	Quilter(s)/Donor	Bid\$
400	Fruit Parade	34 x 41	Multi	Jean Dippery	·
401	Fun in the Sun	32 x 37	Multi	Jean Dippery	
402	Four Patch	39 x 39	Multi	Jean Dippery	
403	Whose Zoo	32 x 36	Multi	Jean Dippery	
404	Huggy Bear	41 x 56	Multi	Jean Dippery	
405	Squares & Kittens (Comforter)	30 x 39	Pink, Blue, Green, Yellow	Frederick	
406	Squares & Nursery Rhymes (Comforter)	35 x 58	Pink, Blue, Green, Yellow, Cream	Frederick	
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#**402 Four Patch** 39 x 39 – Multi



#403 Whose Zoo 32 x 36 - Multi



#**404 Huggy Bear** 41 x 56 - Multi



#405 Squares & Kittens (Comforter) 30 x 39 – Pink, Blue, Green, Yellow



#501 Baskets 34 x 34 – Multi Pastels

#406 Squares & Nursery Rhymes (Comforter) 35 x 58 – Pink, Blue, Green, Yellow, Cream



#502 4 Square 9 Patch (lap robe) 43 x 56 - Multi



#503 Flower Beds (lap robe) 41 x 50 - Multi



#504 Light in the Windows (lap robe)

41 x 42 - Green, Yellow



#505 Crosses 41 x 53 – Brown, Orange



#506 Friendship Star 40 x 40 - Multi



#507 Picker's Patch Spring Flowers 46 x 56 - Green, Blue, Pink

WALL HANGINGS AND LAP ROBES (30 X 30 AND OVER)

Lot#	Pattern	Size	Color	Quilter(s)/Donor	Bid\$
500	M.A.D. Logo	48 X 48	Red, White, Blue	Mary Bruckhart	
501	Baskets	34 x 34	Multi Pastels	Union Bridge Nimble Thimbles	
502	4 Square 9 Patch (lap robe)	43 x 56	Multi	Ruth Carr	
503	Flower Beds (lap robe)	41 x 50	Multi	Ruth Carr	
504	Light in the Windows (lap robe)	41 x 42	Green, Yellow	Ruth Carr	
505	Crosses	41 x 53	Brown, Orange	Ruth Carr	
506	Friendship Star	40 x 40	Multi	Amy Ziehm	
507	Picker's Patch Spring Flowers	46 x 56	Green, Blue, Pink	Amy Ziehm	
508	Merrily Snowflakes	42 x 60	Red, White	Designer and Donor: Pat Sloan (internationally known)	
509	Dragonflies	42 x 44	Blues	Designer and Donor: Pat Sloan (internationally known)	
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SMALL WALL HANGINGS, TABLE TOPPERS AND MISC. ITEMS (UNDER 30 X 30)

Lot#	Pattern	Size	Color	Quilter(s)/Donor	Bid\$
600	Garden Window	23 x 25	Black, Green	Connie Welsh Designed by the late Doris Albaugh	
601	Pumpkin	14 x 14	Orange, Green	Dolores Richardson-Arlington	
602	Vegetables (Runner)	11 x 33	Green, Gold	Dolores Richardson-Arlington	
603	Candy Corn (Runner)	18 x 41	Black, Orange	Dorothy Fravel-Arlington	
604	Fall	24 x 24	Fall Colors	Arlington	
605	Honey	16 x 32	Multi	Jean Dippery	
606	Love One Another	18 x 20	Multi	Jean Dippery	
607	Tulips	17 x 22	Pink, Green	Jean Dippery	
608	Music	8 x 11	Black, Brown	Jean Dippery	
609	Miss Primrose's Garden	15 x 18	Multi	Jean Dippery	
610	Four Birds	18 x 19	Pink, Blue	Jean Dippery	
611	Birds and Dogwood	16 x 17	Multi	Jean Dippery	
612	Flowers and Bows (table runner)	14 x 36	Multi	Jean Dippery	
613	Maple Leaf	16 x 16	Yellow, Fall	Arlington	
614	Snowflakes & Cups of Cheer	21 x 21	Red, Aqua	Amy Ziehm	
615	Butterflies	20 x 20	Pastels	Amy Ziehm	
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#508 Merrily Snowflakes 42 x 60 - Red, White



#509 Dragonflies 42 x 44 - Blues



#600 Garden Window 23 x 25 - Black, Green



#601 Pumpkin 14 x 14 – Orange, Green



#602 Vegetables (Runner) 11 x 33 - Green, Gold



#603 Candy Corn (Runner) 18 x 41 - Black, Orange



#**604 Fall** 24 x 24 – Fall Colors



#605 Honey 16 x 32 - Multi



#606 Love One Another 18 x 20 - Multi



#607 Tulips 17 x 22 – Pink, Green



#608 Music 8 x 11 – Black, Brown



#609 Miss Primrose's Garden 15 x 18 - Multi



#610 Four Birds 18 x 19 – Pink, Blue



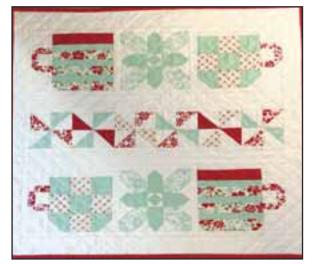
#612 Flowers and Bows (table runner) 14 x 36 - Multi



#611 Birds and Dogwood 16 x 17 - Multi



#613 Maple Leaf 16 x 16 - Yellow, Fall



#614 Snowflakes & Cups of Cheer 21 x 21 - Red, Aqua



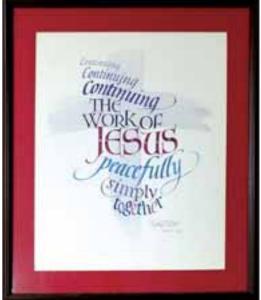
#615 Butterflies 20 x 20 – Pastels

VINTAGE OR PRE-OWNED ITEMS (MAY SHOW WEAR AND/OR STAINS) (ANY SIZE)

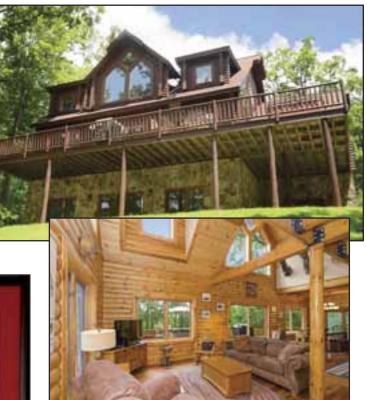
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Animated Goofy Phone by Disney Donated on behalf of Welty COB



Framed calligraphy – 20" x 23" Donated by Miller and Connie Davis



Red Moose Lodge

Enjoy a week (including one weekend) at Red Moose Lodge in beautiful Western Maryland in the Deep Creek Lake Resort area. The lodge includes 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, a large deck with hot tub and gas grill, a well-equipped kitchen, large living areas with 2 gas fireplaces and TVs and a pool table. Package also includes membership to Community Aquatic Recreation Center for use of its indoor swimming pool and fitness center during your stay. Lodge accommodates up to 10 people. Package good year-round, excepting July and August, and holiday weekends.

Donated by Ed and Betsy Beachley, Hagerstown COB



Welcome Baby Tote Donated by Charlotte Bernard, Union Bridge COB



Round Cherry Table Created by Ernie Rice, Westminster COB



Hickory, Walnut, and American Holly Charcuterie Board – 19.75" x 13.625" Created by John Laudermilch, Union Bridge COB



Hess Miniature Trucks from 1999-2004 - mint condition Donated by Bruce Hollenberg, Union Bridge COB



Beary Cute Gift Basket Donated by Arn & Ann Platou, Hagerstown COB





Annual Conference Minutes 1923-1944 (2 copies) & 1945-1954 Conference Songbook, 1917 Green Hymnal, 1925 Red Hymnal ©1951, printed 1959 Donated by Miller and Connie Davis Westminster COB

Framed "A Seed Sown..." print with description on back – 22" x 27" Donated by Miller and Connie Davis, Westminster COB



The Escape

Delight in a week (including one weekend) at The Escape, a mountain getaway, overlooking an 18-hole golf course with snow skiing, boarding and tubing, as well as boating, hiking and more in the 4-season Bryce Resort area of Virginia's Shenandoah region. Cabin includes 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, equipped kitchen, a gas fireplace, TV, pool table, pingpong table, Fooseball table, and two large decks. Cabin accommodates up to 8 people. Nearby are Luray, Shenandoah and Endless caverns, several wineries, and Lake Laura, with canoe and paddleboat rentals. Package good year-round, excepting week of Christmas through New Year's.

Donated by Diana and Terry Shepherd, Hagerstown COB.





Maple Bowl with Inlaid Band and Walnut Foot 9.25" x 2.75" Created by John Laudermilch, Union Bridge COB





Snack Attack! Gift Basket Donated by Middletown Valley Bank

Cherry Table Created by Ernie Rice, Westminster COB



Solid Cherry 21" candle stand Donated by Gene Gaver, Grossnickle COB





Vintage White Milk Glass Collection with Grapevine Pattern Donated on behalf of Welty COB



Edison Phonograph and Record Cup Board with Records Donated by Don Wilson, Union Bridge COB



Painting of Jesus, 21.5" x 17.5" Donated by Miller and Connie Davis Westminster COB



History and Doctrines of the COB ©1919, 2nd printing 1920 Sidelights on Brethren History ©1962 Two Centuries of the COB ©1908, 2nd printing 1909 The Eternal Verities, First edition 1902 Donated by Miller and Connie Davis, Westminster COB



16 Piece Walnut, Maple, Cherry, Purple Heart, Hickory, Mahogany, Sassafras, and Spalted Maple Bowl – 11.25" x 3" Created by John Laudermilch, Union Bridge COB



"Faces of Brethren Service" Print on Canvas with Certificate of Authenticity Donated by Miller and Connie Davis, Westminster COB



Gardening Happiness Gift Basket Donated by Christine Ellis, Hagerstown COB



Antique, Wood Folding Card Table with Poppies Donated by Linda Baker, Hagerstown COB



Quilt Rack – 31" x 28" Handcrafted by Doug Yingling Donated by Sandy & Dale Yingling, Union Bridge COB



18" Moravian Star light Donated by Miller and Connie Davis, Westminster COB



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Primitive Stool Made of Tree Trunk and Branches Created by Ernie Rice, Westminster COB



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Thank You from the Auction Chair

Our sincere thanks to everyone who has made this 43rd annual Disaster Response Auction possible: those who serve on the Auction Committee, work at the auction, make and donate sale and food items, and the attendees who purchase the food and items offered. Together you make the day a success and provide funds to continue the work of Brethren Disaster Ministries (BDM) to those in need.

We thank the many people that supported BDM through the Walk-a-Thons, Pretzel Jars, Booklet and Patron Ads, generous donations, and purchases at the May 2023 Auction. Thanks to your generosity, a record \$85,000 was donated to disaster response in 2023! To see the many ways your financial support is used to help those in need, please see the letter in this Booklet from Roy Winter, BDM Executive Director for Service Ministries.

We rely on donations and encourage people to bring items to be included in the Auction to the Carroll County Agricultural Center, Shipley Arena, on Friday, May 3, 2024. The Auction Committee will be at the Shipley Arena from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Friday to receive donations. This allows more time to arrange the items before the Saturday rush. We will open the Agricultural Center Shipley Arena at 6:30 am on Saturday, May 4, for those who cannot deliver items on Friday. All sale items should be at the Shipley Arena before 8:30 a.m. Saturday, since the sale begins at 9:00 a.m. Stop by and have breakfast in the dining hall starting at 7:00 am Saturday morning! PLEASE read the Auction Donation Guidelines on the next page for items that can and cannot be donated. Thank you!

The Committee thanks all those who make this Auction a success: the auctioneers, clerks, cashiers, quilters, cooks, bakers, gardeners, food providers, volunteers, and those who purchase the many items offered. We also want to recognize all those individuals, businesses, and churches that purchase ads and make the booklet a major source of income. This year's booklet brought in \$20,500, the highest amount ever!

The Committee is always in need of volunteers and would welcome new members to help plan and carry out the Auction. There are many areas where volunteers are needed to make the Auction happen. We can also use help the day before to set up, and the day of the Auction to set up, clean up, and help move auction items.

A big thank you to everyone who helps make this year's Auction a success! Your contributions make a difference!

See you at the Auction on May 4, 2024!

Jeff McKee, Chairperson, Mid-Atlantic District Disaster Response Auction Committee

Mid-Atlantic District Disaster Response Auction Record

Grand Total given to the Emergency Disaster Fund over the last **43 years...\$2,205,616**

1981\$17,986	1990\$33,700	1999\$64,000	2008\$64,900	2017\$60,000
1982\$15,336	1991\$38,553	2000\$51,500	2009\$58,000	2018\$68,000
1983\$17,129	1992\$32,000	2001\$68,500	2010\$63,500	2019\$60,000
1984\$22,118	1993\$34,000	2002\$70,000	2011\$61,500	2020\$36,000
1985\$31,480	1994\$33,655	2003\$62,000	2012\$67,000	2021\$72,000
1986\$32,046	1995\$33,561	2004\$65,000	2013\$66,000	2022\$73,000
1987\$29,150	1996\$33,800	2005\$60,000	2014\$65,000	2023\$85,000
1987\$29,150	1996\$33,800	2005\$60,000	2014\$65,000	2023\$85,000
1988\$44,165	1997\$43,800	2006\$73,000	2015\$58,000	
1989\$44,637	1998\$62,000	2007\$72,600	2016\$62,000	

The Disaster Response Auction needs your donations, but please read this first...

The Mid Atlantic District Disaster Response Auction Committee is deeply grateful for the many generous donations that make each year's auction possible and profitable. We know that those who give have a sincere desire to contribute to a greater good. However, there are times when what is donated is not sellable. All leftover items must be disposed of and this costs the auction money-money that could go to Disaster Relief. The following lists will give you an idea of what/what not to donate.

Items to Donate:

- Antiques
- Collectibles
- Coins
- Hand-crafted furniture
- New or like new household items
- Theme baskets
- "Brethren-related" items
- Services [i.e., voice lessons, spa treatment]
- Vacation home rental
- Ltd. ed. Artwork [especially local interest]

- Hand & power tools [power equipment marked with tag "WORKS"]
- Vehicles, tractors, mowers, campers [in running condition with as much info as possible]
- Lawn & garden items
- Hunting gear/clothing [no guns/ammo]
- Toys
- Furniture [no upholstered furniture]
- Small household appliances [i.e., mixers, blenders, microwaves, but only if they are new in boxl

Contact Robert Wilson, Auction Manager, rwilsonauctioneer@gmail.com or 240.344.3573 regarding your specialty item or with any questions concerning donations.

Items that CANNOT be accepted:

- Appliances [i.e., washers/dryers, refrigerators, freezers]
- Tires, wheels, unidentified automotive parts
- Pianos/organs
- Upholstered furniture
- Mattress sets
- Yard sale "leftovers"
- Exercise equipment

- Chipped, stained, or incomplete sets of china/glassware
- Blinds, drapes, window treatments
- Car seats, playpens, cribs
- Electronics [unless less than two years old and in box with all original manuals and parts]

NOTE: All items donated should be clean, complete, and in good condition. Please no soiled, stained, damaged, broken/in pieces, or incomplete items.

We need to be able to refuse any item(s) that we deem unacceptable or unsellable. By reserving this right, we will make the auction more enjoyable. But, most importantly, it will be more cost effective and, therefore, more beneficial for those who need it most. -Thank you from the Mid-Atlantic District Disaster Response Auction Committee

If at all possible, please bring donations in on Friday, May 3, between 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. On Saturday. May 4. please bring donations before 8:30 a.m.

- Paints, stains, household chemicals
- - Guns and ammunition



Let's keep this *rolling!!!*

Stop by the **Pretzel Jar Booth** and we will give you a large jar of pretzels **FREE... IF** you take them to your church, Sunday School class or job to share; leave the jar out all year to collect money for disaster response;



and return it to next year's Mid-Atlantic District Disaster Response Auction on May 3, 2025. Please total the contributions that you've collected and bring a check, payable to Mid-Atlantic District Disaster Response Auction.



Please keep this fund raiser going for Brethren Disaster Ministries and Disaster Response!!!

Church of the Brethren

Dear Sisters and Brothers of the Mid-Atlantic District,

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. (Romans 15:13, NIV)

Responding through volunteers and partners in the US and globally, Brethren Disaster Ministries relies on the power, strength, joy, and peace of God to bring hope and healing to brothers and sisters caught up in the chaos of both natural and human-caused disasters. In 2023, BDM supported relief and recovery from tornadoes, floods, wildfires, and a typhoon in the United States and its territories, and to natural disasters, war, and other humanitarian crises around the world, by walking side by side with survivors as they rebuilt their lives.

And yet, it is not only disaster survivors who are blessed when BDM responds to a need. Those who serve are also blessed—indeed, some are changed forever. One volunteer who served on a rebuilding site in Kentucky commented that "an unexpected experience was the overwhelming presence of the Spirit of God. I expected the experience to be faith based, but it was an amazing week for me." Another declared, "I came home with my cup running over, what an experience, I am ready to go again."

In 2023, Children's Disaster Services (CDS) faced back to back challenges responding to disasters in the Pacific, both at the invitation of partner Red Cross. Typhoon Mawar caused destruction and displacement of people when it hit the US Territory of Guam in May. A team of six volunteers traveled to Guam, serving in shelters for three weeks and caring for 563 children. In August, when a devastating wildfire destroyed much of the town of Lahaina on Hawaii's island of Maui, CDS volunteers were called there to care for children in assistance centers. Over a six-week period, three teams of volunteers made 457 child contacts. While the typical CDS volunteer serves for two weeks at a time, these two groups of volunteers served for three weeks each, due to the distance and other logistical concerns.

CDS responded to seven other disasters in 2023, including an apartment fire, a home explosion, and tornadoes. They also cared for children of asylum seekers. In October, a team of CDS Critical Response Childcare (CRC) volunteers, who are specially trained to support traumatized children and families after mass casualty events, traveled to Lewiston, Maine, following a mass shooting there. The need for peace and hope in all of these situations was great and CDS volunteers brought their calm and reassuring presence as a beacon to the children and their families. A total of 44 CDS volunteers engaged with 1,185 child contacts during the year.

The BDM Rebuilding Program project sites in 2023 were located in two areas of Kentucky. BDM partnered with Habitat for Humanity of the Pennyrile Region for the entire year to support the rebuilding of the town of Dawson Springs, which had suffered through deadly and destructive tornadoes in December 2021. As groups of BDM volunteers helped to build houses for first-time homeowners who had lost so much when their rental properties were destroyed, they wrote Bible verses and messages of support and hope on the lumber framing the structures and prayed for the

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Brethren Disaster Ministries, 601 Main Street, P.O. Box 188, New Windsor, Maryland 21776-0188 410-635-8731 800-451-4407 Fax: 410-635-8739 families who would eventually live there. This project site is scheduled to continue until at least June 2024.

In partnership with the Eastern Kentucky Conference of the United Methodist Church Disaster Response, BDM volunteers spent a total of 12 weeks during 2023 in Eastern Kentucky rebuilding and repairing homes damaged during massive flooding that occurred in July and August of 2022. A total of 708 volunteers and project leaders served 52 families in 2023 on these two Kentucky sites.

The BDM Global Response supports relief and recovery for vulnerable people around the world facing war, violence, floods, earthquakes, and other disasters and humanitarian crises. In partnership with the Global Churches of the Brethren (CoB) and other international agencies, the challenge to respond is matched by the knowledge that Emergency Disaster Fund (EDF) grants bring hope and joy where both may be hard to find. In 2023, these EDF grants equaled \$695,700. The majority of these grants were in response to conflicts in the countries and communities of the Global Church of the Brethren family. This includes the Democratic Republic of Congo (\$94,500), Haiti (\$60,200), South Sudan (\$40,000), and Nigeria (Nigeria Crisis Response, \$220,000). An additional \$220,000 was granted to three partners serving populations displaced by the Russia-Ukraine war.

The Nigeria Crisis Response continues as a partnership with Ekklesiyar Yan'uwa a Nigeria (EYN, Church of the Brethren in Nigeria), which celebrated it's 100th anniversary in 2023 and remains strong amidst continued violence in the country. The response program includes continued support for internally displaced people, food distributions, medical assistance, livelihood training centers for widows and orphans, distribution of seeds and fertilizer, new wells for drinking water, education assistance for orphan children, trauma workshops, and home repairs for the most vulnerable.

The total BDM programmatic expenses in 2023 were \$1,103,235. This includes the expenses from EDF allocations that support specific programs such as \$184,064 for U.S. responses (Rebuilding, CDS, etc.); \$237,447 for the Nigeria Crisis Response; \$305,424 for other Global CoB partners; and \$376,300 for all other global responses, including the Russia-Ukraine war and the Turkey-Syria Earthquake Response.

Brethren Disaster Ministries and all whom we serve are forever grateful for the steadfast and faithful support of the Mid-Atlantic District and the Disaster Response Auction, as well as the tireless and persistent work of the many volunteers without whom the event could not happen. Our ministry supporting hope and healing is but an extension of the compassion and love that comes from God and is demonstrated by each person who serves in God's name. It is the result of the body of Christ coming together to share God's blessings with survivors of disasters and with each other. We thank you for your part in this work!

It is our prayer that through our ministry, with your support, God's glory will be known.

Key Winter

Roy Winter, Executive Director for Service Ministries On behalf of BDM staff: Jenn Dorsch-Messler, Sharon Franzén, Kim Gingerich, Carolyn Neher, and Michael Scalzi

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Sunday School 9:30

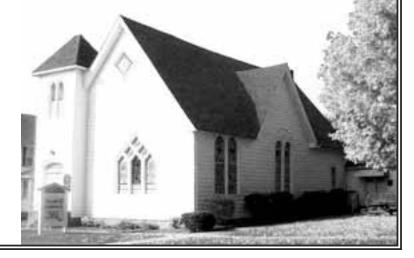
Worship Service 10:40

91 School Street, Farmington, DE. 19950 phone 302-398-3481 bethanychurchofthebrethren.com

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WELTY CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

Interim Pastor: Alan Smith

13465 Greensburg Rd Smithsburg, MD 21783 Phone: 301-824-3941 weltycob@hotmail.com



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Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. Morning Worship: 10:00 a.m. weltycob.com



Johnsontown Church of the Brethren

PO Box 278, Hedgesville, WV 25427 Ph:304-754-8668



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Pastor: Dennis Rhoe

304-267-2388

Church School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m.



Locust Grove Church of the Brethren

13356 Glissans Mill Road Mt. Airy, MD 21771-8514 (301) 829-2100 LocustGroveCoB@gmail.com

Pastor Greg Quintrell

9:30am Sunday School (for all ages)

10:30am Morning Worship

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Bush Creek Women's Fellowship

Join us for quarterly luncheon and meeting - 2nd Wednesday of March, June, Sept., Dec. All Ages Welcome

Activities throughout the year include: Service projects & Disaster response Health & School Kits

Cleanup Buckets Prepare & serve funeral luncheons

Bake sale at our Turkey/Ham/Oyster dinners - October & March

Annual Bazaar 2nd Saturday in November

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Bush Creek Church of the Brethren 4821A Green Valley Road, Monrovia, MD 21770



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2736 Marston Road New Windsor, Maryland 21776



Hours of Worship

Sunday School....9:30 a.m. Worship......10:30 a.m.

Pastor: Paul N. Leatherman, Jr. Assistant Pastor: Billy Horton 11306 Mt. View Road Damascus, MD 20872 Home Phone: 301-253-5469

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Downsville Church of the Brethren

8228 Dam #4 Road Williamsport, MD 21795

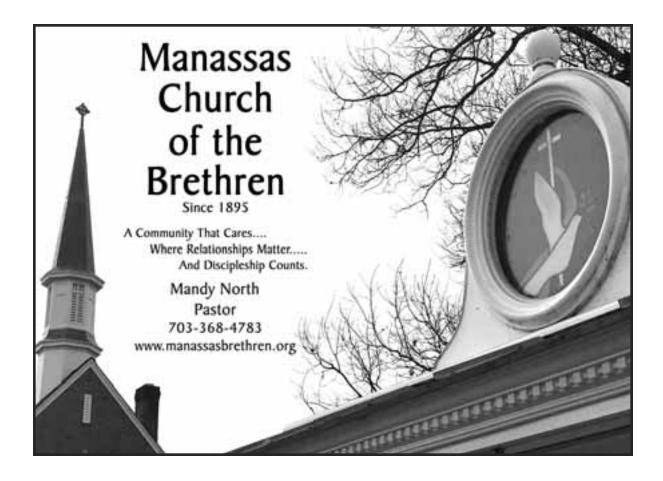
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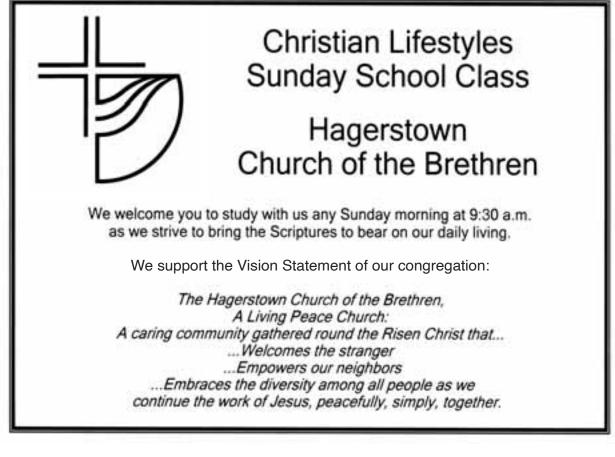
Wilkie Nunn, Pastor

9:30 a.m. Church School 10:15 a.m. Coffee & Conversation 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

Our congregation is active in community outreach programs including the wider work of our denomination.

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Ridgely Church of the Brethren

Second & Park Avenue Ridgely, Maryland 21660 (410) 634-1103



Sunday Service: 10:30 AM



District Disaster Coordinator's Corner

Galatians 5:13 "...serve one another in love"

Thanks to all the volunteers who have given of their time and talents supporting Brethren Disaster Ministries (BDM) over the years at many sites around the country! Your willingness to help with child care, rebuild homes, provide household support, cook meals, or help support BDM and its volunteers through your prayers, encouragement, donations, auction purchases, or by any other means, have made a tremendous difference to those whose lives have been impacted by natural and man-made disasters.

A special thanks to those who volunteered, many over several weeks, to repair or rebuild the homes and enable owners to return to their homes. The Mid-Atlantic District (MAD) Church of the Brethren continues to be well represented by its volunteers working on BDM rebuild project sites in Dawson Springs, KY (tornado response) and Eastern KY (flooding response), having served approximately 370 volunteer workdays. MAD volunteers also served another 58 workdays in Crisfield, MD, during January 2023 repairing a home damaged by the October 2021 storm, which caused extreme high tides and resulted in numerous homes being flooded in Dorchester and Somerset Counties. There is still a need to repair/rebuild homes on the Eastern Shore of Maryland and there may be volunteer opportunities in the future.

Brethren Disaster Ministries provides help to people in need of assistance to regain use of their home after it has been damaged or destroyed by natural disasters. The program provides a helpful and safe environment for volunteers to assist in repairing or rebuilding homes and to provide childcare and hope to the homeowners. This is a great opportunity for people to use their talents and gifts, to teach others construction and household skills, to learn new skills, all while enjoying the comradery of fellow volunteers and helping those who are hurting and in need. Volunteer housing is provided, often at local churches or community buildings, where weekly volunteers and leaders stay, eat, and become more connected with the community. Volunteers DO NOT have to be Church of the Brethren members and DO NOT need to be skilled construction craft people. If you have a heart for service and Disaster Relief or a desire for a new challenge, please contact us and we can acquaint you with what to expect during a volunteer week and get you started toward a very rewarding experience.

If you wish to volunteer or be notified of upcoming volunteer opportunities, please contact your church Disaster Coordinator or me at my contact information below. More information on BDM and current work locations may be found online at: www.brethren.org/bdm or by calling 800-451-4407.

We still have the following weeks listed below to fill in 2024. We are also taking requests from groups as back-ups in case a currently scheduled group cannot participate. Full groups are limited to 15 volunteers, half groups are limited to 7 volunteers. Weeks not listed below have already been assigned, but there may be openings for individuals or small groups within those weeks. If you have the desire to volunteer for a specific week, please let me know and I'll check on availability.

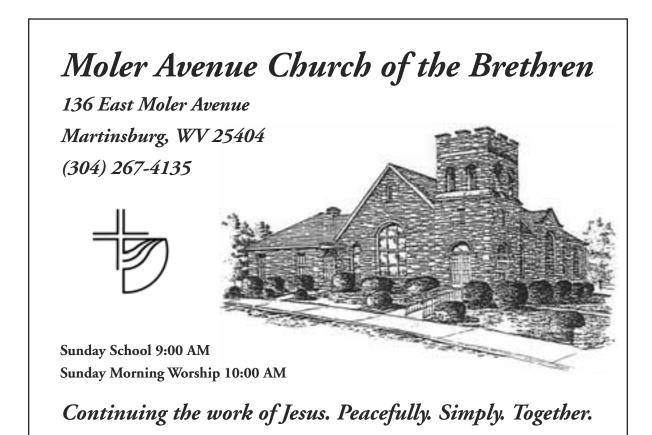
Date	Group	Location
May 26 - June 1, 2024	Half Group	Dawson Springs, KY
July 7 - 13, 2024	Half Group	TBD
September 1 - 7, 2024	Full Group	TBD
September 15 - 21, 2024	Full Group	TBD
November 10 - 16, 2024	Half Group	TBD
December 8 - 14, 2024	Half Group	TBD

For opportunities to volunteer with Children's Disaster Services, please call 800-451-4407, email cds@brethren.org, or check out the CDS website for information and training www.brethren.org/cds

Jeff McKee, Mid-Atlantic District Disaster Coordinator Cell: 443-547-5958 Email: jamckee26@msn.com

LONGMEADOW CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN Pastor Paul Leatherman III







Bush Creek Church of the Brethren 4821A Green Valley Road Monrovia, Maryland 21770 301-865-3013

Pastor Dawn Weller

office@bushcreekchurch.org - Church office

http://bushcreekchurch.org/ - website (can view worship service live streamed)

https://www.facebook.com/BCCoB1855 - (Facebook live each Sunday - past or present services)

Sunday School - 9:30 - 10:15 am (children & adults)

Worship - 10:30 am - 11:30 am (Children's Church Worship weekly)

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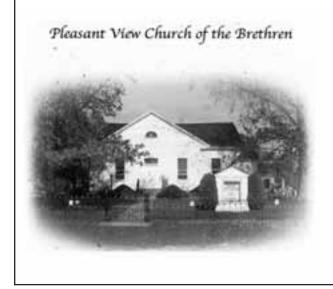
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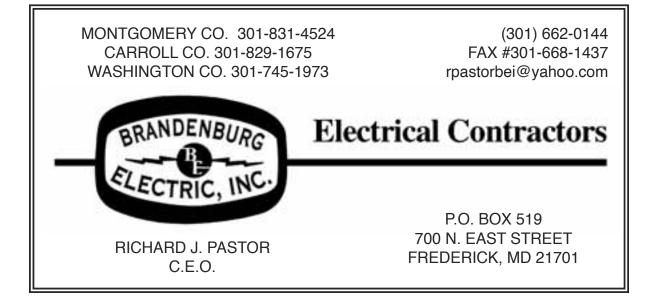
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Christian Education 9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

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Westminster Church of the Brethren



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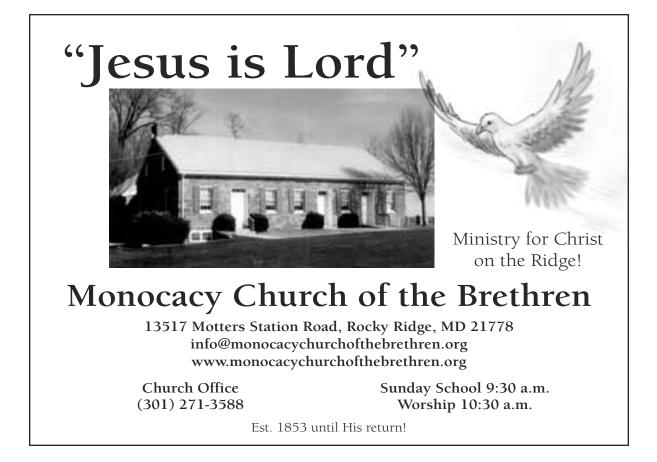
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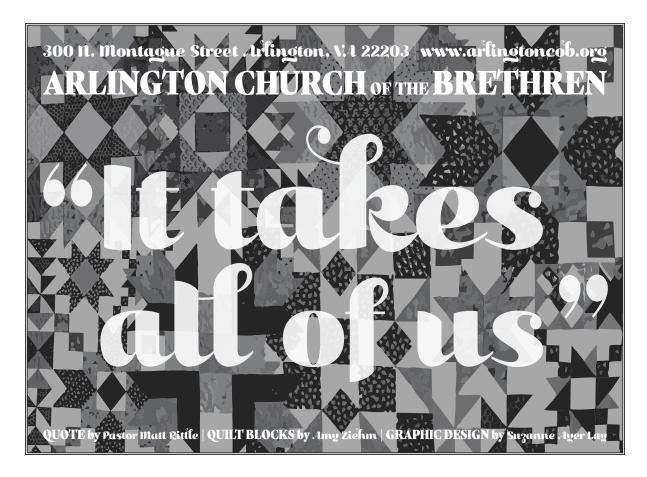
We are a biblically grounded community committed to Continuing the work of Jesus. Peacefully. Simply. Together. By: -creatively worshiping God with a unified Spirit; -expansively studying what it means to be Christian; -willingly reaching out to others in service, locally and globally; -intentionally supporting each other; and -honoring Christ's call to be peacemakers.

WORSHIP INFORMATION

Worship – 9:30am Morning Mingle – 10:30am Sunday School – 11:00am Elevator accessible Electronic assistance for hearing impaired

Come, worship, learn and serve with us!





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THANKS DONORS ... \$10,140 raised for Disaster Response this year. Your gifts make a difference!

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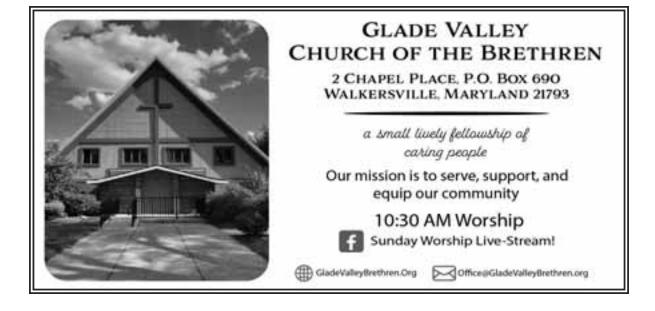
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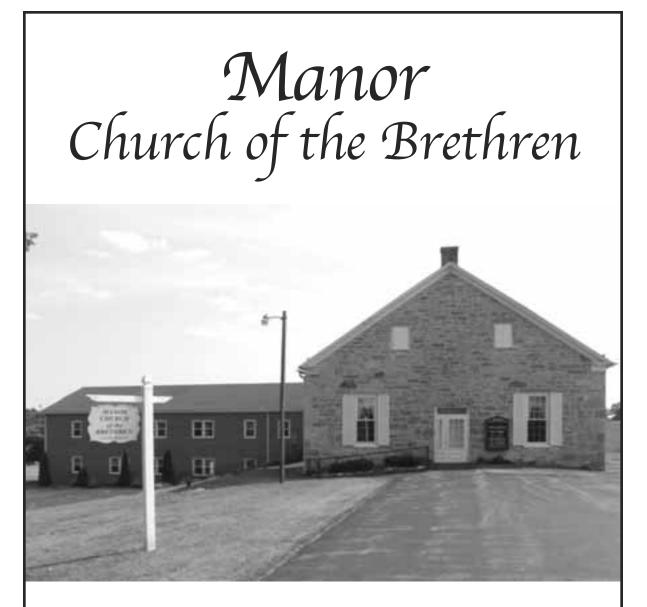
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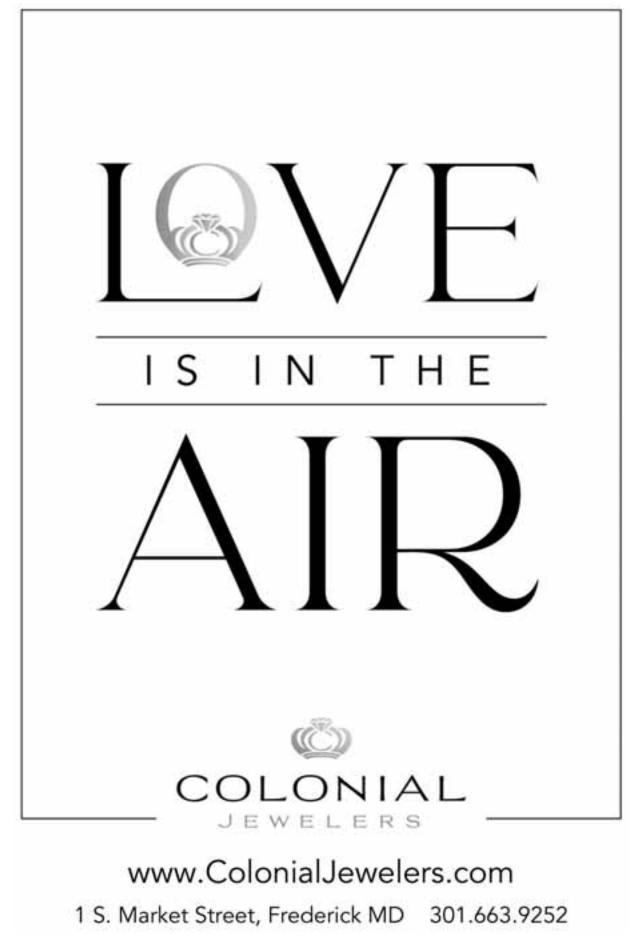
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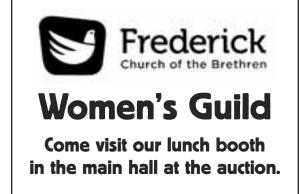
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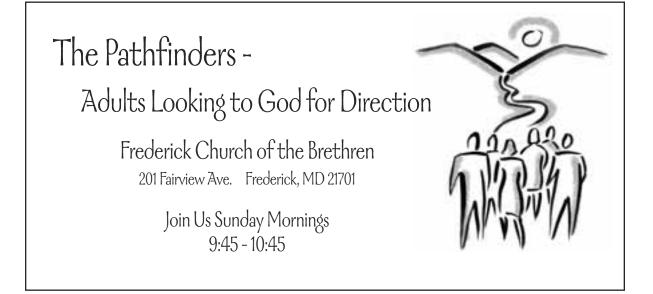
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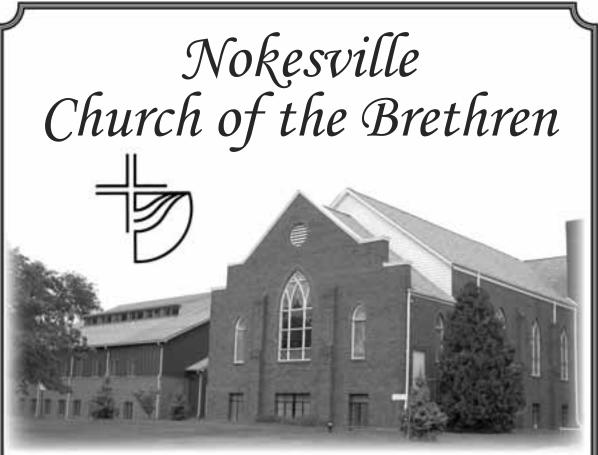


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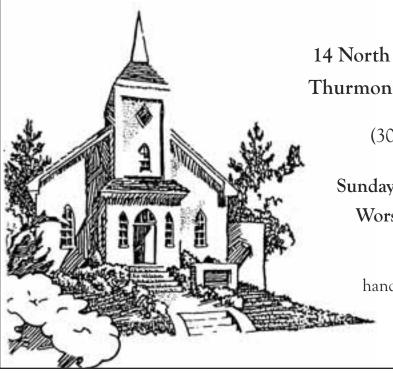
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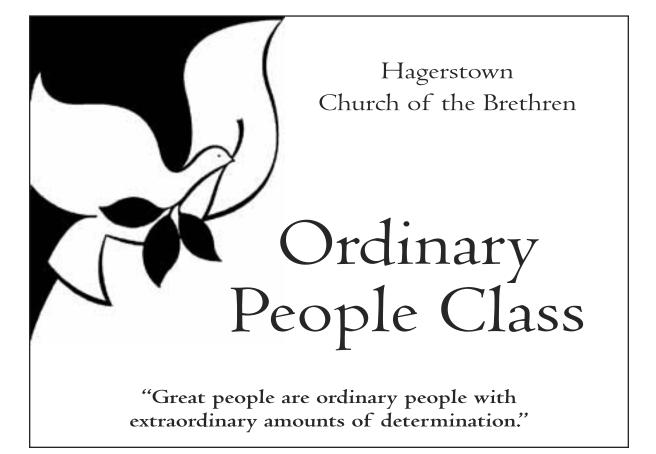


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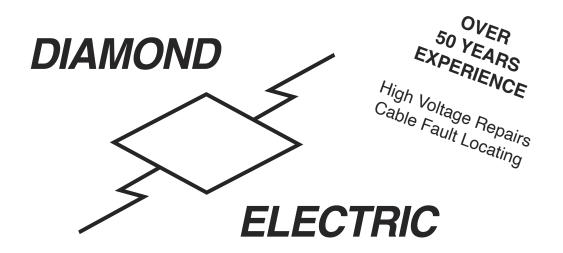
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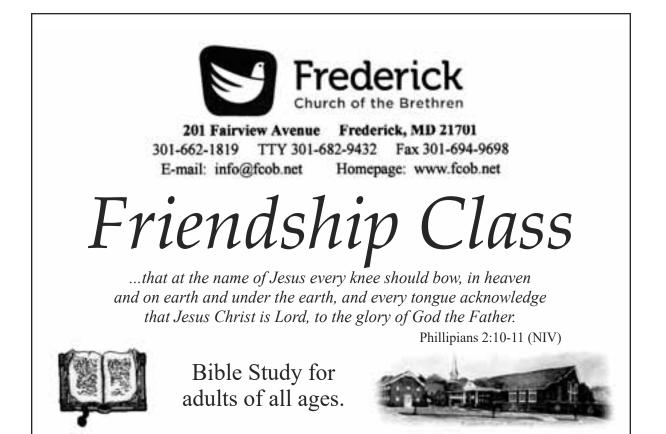
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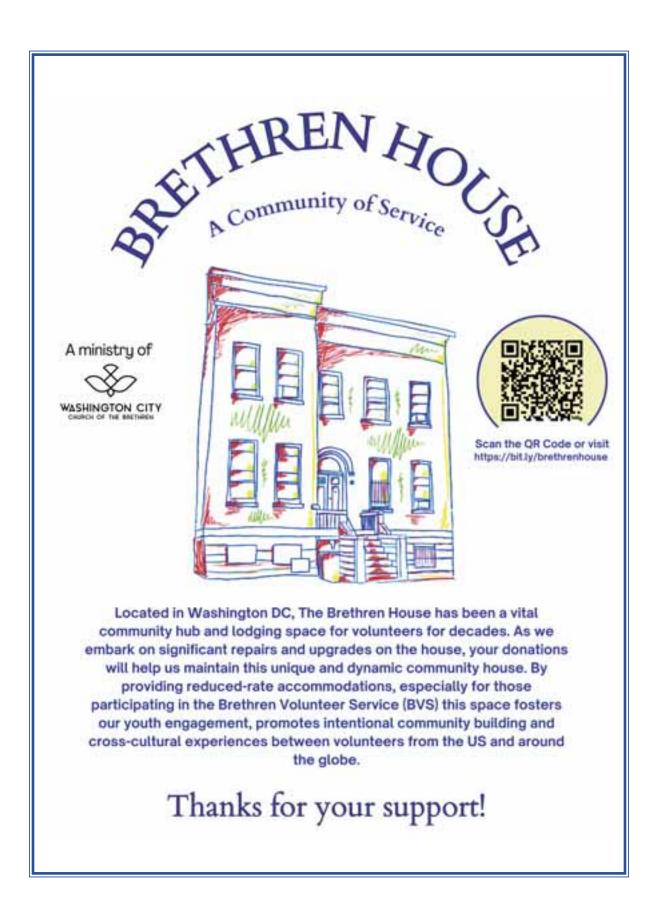
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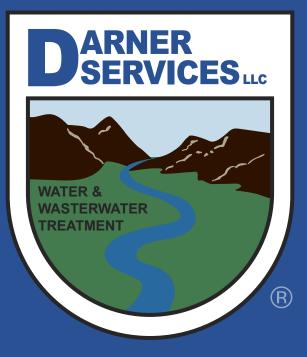






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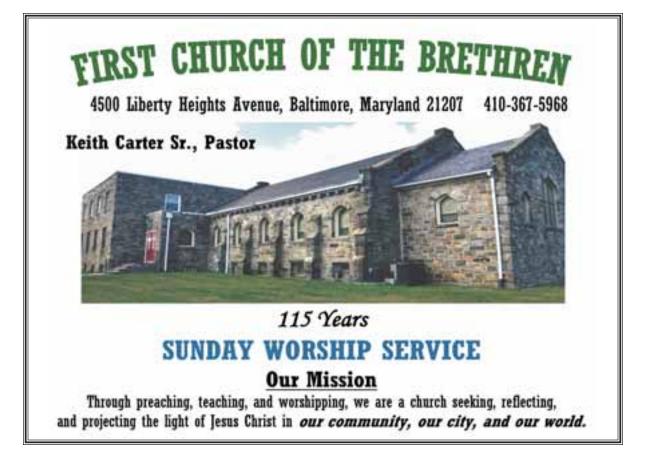
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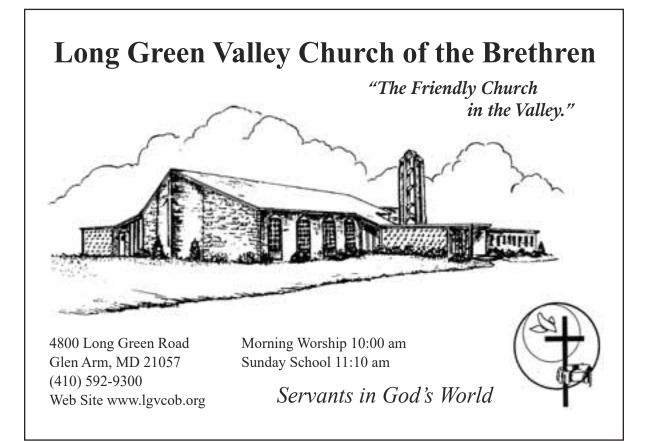
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Servant Leadership: Do You Hear the Call?

The programs of Brethren Disaster Ministries (BDM) and Children's Disaster Services (CDS) cannot function without volunteers. The hands, hearts, and faith of volunteers are the lifeblood of the programs and ministry that transform the lives of those who are served. The BDM/ CDS staff help to facilitate and coordinate these ministries, but it is the volunteers that give this mission its wings.

One of the keys to the remarkable impact of these programs are the volunteer servant leaders who support and encourage other volunteers to accomplish this amazing program and ministry. Leaders help to create efficient and effective programs in the midst of chaos and foster meaningful volunteer experiences. They are usually recognized and encouraged by other volunteers who see servant leadership skills in someone with whom they have served. A committed and prayerful discernment process helps to identify those who are and are not a good fit for a BDM/CDS leadership role.

A servant leader provides good communication and coordination of activities and may attend meetings representing the program area. They facilitate this ministry with a servant's heart. A person does not need leadership experience or to be a member of the Church of the Brethren to be called as a leader. All leaders are given experiential training, internships, support from the BDM office, and the tools to be successful in their role.

Since the COVID-19 pandemic, volunteerism has decreased for most programs in the US. The programs of BDM and CDS, as well as the fundraising auctions, all need more volunteers. The need for volunteer leaders is even greater. Identifying additional servant leaders is the greatest challenge BDM and CDS face today.

Ways to Serve in Leadership:

BDM Rebuilding Program Leadership

Disaster project leaders (DPLs) provide the foundation of hosting on the Rebuilding Program sites, enabling the projects to offer a great volunteer experience while also delivering highquality construction work to communities. Construction DPLs prepare the job sites and materials for each group that arrives and strive to have meaningful work ready each day. They are also skilled in construction work and can help to train unskilled volunteers, providing the opportunity for each volunteer to participate and serve. Household DPLs serve and lead in hospitality at the volunteer housing location, providing two meals a day and lunch supplies for packing as well as managing the upkeep of the facility.

The work of the DPL teams goes beyond swinging hammers and large group cooking, however. These leaders are the long-term presence in the community and the main contact with our partners, providing strong relationships that are built and nurtured over time. They share their skills and life, and hold all the pieces together to make the BDM sites successful in serving families and volunteers.

The terms of service for DPLs range from a month at a time to a year or more. Brethren Volunteer Service (BVS) volunteers may also serve with BDM during their one-year term. Each future leader is recognized and recommended for training by current leaders on the sites, and goes through a training and discernment process.



Mid-Atlantic District disaster coordinator Jeff McKee (c) wears many leadership hats in support of BDM's ministries. Photo by Jim Hollen

CDS Leadership

CDS disaster project managers (DPMs) serve on disaster sites, coordinating the CDS volunteers and facilitating the ministry to children and families, in consultation with the CDS office. The DPM also makes connections with the CDS partner agency, such as Red Cross or FEMA, and will likely attend daily disaster response briefings. A key role is coordinating with the manager of the shelter or assistance center where services will be provided and making sure the space is safe



Household disaster project leader Doretta Dorsch (l) serves on rebuilding sites several times a year for a month at a time. Photo courtesy Ephrata CoB

and appropriate for giving care to children. Project managers facilitate daily debriefings

and self-care for the whole CDS team and for individual volunteers.

District Disaster Coordinator

The role of the district disaster coordinator (DDC) is very integral to the ministries of BDM. It is a critical part of the relationship between BDM staff and the districts, as well as between volunteers and BDM staff. DDCs are appointed by their specific district office and report to the district. They help to build and maintain a disaster response network within the district: recruit volunteers for disaster response projects and CDS; promote disaster preparedness and mitigation; and increase awareness in the district about CDS, the BDM Rebuilding Program, and the Emergency Disaster Fund (EDF). DDCs may coordinate and/or lead local district responses. They may also attend their state VOAD (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster) or local long-term recovery group meetings, where they represent BDM and their districts, including sharing and gathering information and connections.

Disaster Relief Auctions

Three major auctions, facilitated by individual districts or boards, provide critical fundraising support for BDM programming. They are very much in need of volunteers to join the auction leadership, to manage key parts of the auction, and to help set up for and clean up after the auction. These major auctions are the Brethren Disaster Relief Auction (Southern Pennsylvania & Atlantic Northeast districts in Pennsylvania), the Mid-Atlantic District Disaster Response Auction (Maryland), and the Shenandoah District Disaster Ministries Auction (Virginia).

Call for Help

Volunteers, especially volunteer leaders, are needed in all of these program areas. Is the time right for you, or someone you know, to prayerfully and persistently consider answering this call to serve?

For more information, please contact BDM at bdm@brethren.org or 1-800-451-4407 or any staff member.



CDS project manager Melodie Bernhard (third from left) led the CDS team serving in Guam (August 2023) through many challenges.

Photo courtesy of Melodie Bernhard



CDS project managers liaise with other agencies. Here, Crystal Baker (c) speaks with staff of partner agency Red Cross about the CDS care center. Photo courtesy of Crystal Baker

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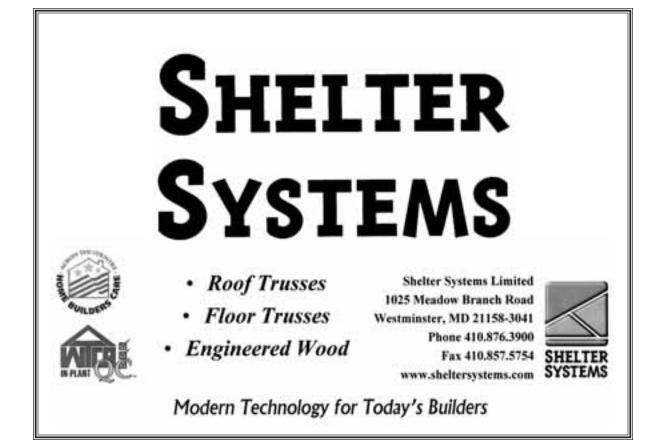
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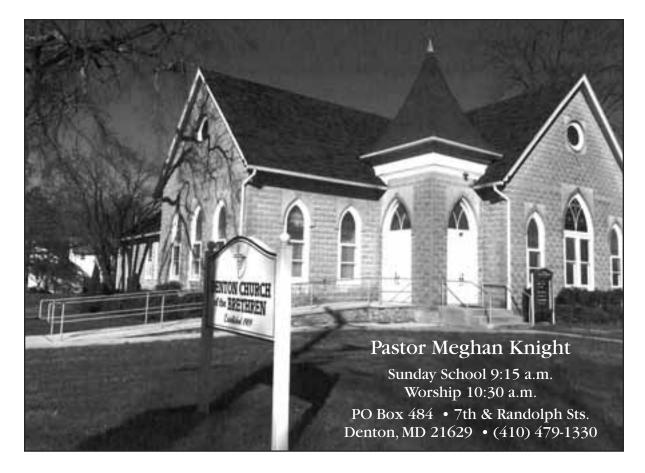
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Nigeria Crisis Update: A New Direction in 2024

Following the celebration of the 100th anniversary of Ekklesiyar Yan'uwa a Nigeria (EYN, the Church of the Brethren in Nigeria) it would be wonderful to announce the end of systemic violence in Nigeria. However, that is not the case. In the last few years, the unrest has spread from the Northeast to involve much of Nigeria, and includes continued attacks by Boko Haram/Islamic



Some communities continue to experience violent attacks, including loss of crops, and are still in need of food assistance. Photo courtesy of EYN

State West Africa Province (ISWAP) and Fulani tribesmen. This has resulted in little or nonexistent security; abductions for ransom; the killing and injuring of civilians; and the ceaseless destruction of property, including homes, businesses, and churches. These circumstances foster a constant state of fear and trauma, and the continued new and secondary displacement of affected populations, while also preventing those already in displaced person camps from returning to their homes.

Some displaced families try to support themselves by renting farmland or by going back to their own lands to farm while hiding out in the wilderness. However, they face questions of safety and other difficulties. Habila John, the chairperson of a displaced persons camp in Maiduguri, said, "Some of us used to go out to farm in fear, but like during last year, Boko Haram allowed us [to plant and tend the farm] until harvest time, then they chased people away and harvested [the food themselves]."

Even with all these challenges, the Nigeria Crisis Response (NCR) made good progress in 2023 by feeding those who are hungry; repairing homes and helping families resettle back on their own land; providing fresh water by drilling eleven new wells and installing hand pumps; and by providing seeds and fertilizer to farmers who are able to resume farming.

In 2024, the new direction for the NCR is an increased focus of the \$230,000 budget resources on the long-term goal of self-sufficiency—helping families to rebuild and recover from the crisis so they can support themselves again—and less focus

on feeding programs. There will be a greater emphasis on livelihoods projects, seed and fertilizer programming, wells for safe drinking water, and support for the education of orphan children. The response will also include the resettlement of refugees returning from Cameroon.

This year is also the beginning of a phasing out of the crisis response programming. Current plans are for a reduced budget in 2025, and a further reduction in 2026. At the end of 2026, the formal joint Nigeria Crisis Response program of BDM and EYN will end. EYN will still be welcome to submit Emergency Disaster Fund (EDF) grant requests for specific disaster response programs.

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CDS Servant Leadership: Responding to the Call

"... whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve..." Mark 10:43-45

Children's Disaster Services (CDS) is a ministry that serves children and their families after disasters. CDS trains, certifies, equips, and supports volunteers to travel to disaster-affected areas, often arriving soon after an event, to care for the youngest disaster survivors amid the chaos of those early days. A vital and necessary link in the ability to provide this service are specially trained CDS volunteer servant leaders, such as project managers, center leads, and trainers.

Project managers and trainers are experienced volunteers who have displayed their leadership skills and deep understanding of Children's Disaster Services, and have undergone specialized training. Before they are invited to participate in the additional training, they must be recommended by other leaders and CDS staff. These leadership positions are not taken lightly and the entire discernment process is completed prayerfully and diligently.

Children's Disaster Services leaders help volunteers achieve the knowledge, confidence, and skills needed to work as a team when serving on assignment with CDS. Trainers provide potential volunteers with foundational knowledge of CDS as well as basic training on caring for children who have experienced the trauma of a disaster and are in the process of recovery. They get to know workshop participants and will ultimately recommend those who will be asked to consider becoming a volunteer.

Project managers (PMs) are specially trained to manage the operation of a care center, including

relating to partners and others. Working closely with the CDS associate director and staff. PMs determine the needs of the volunteer team, both as a group and as individuals, so that they serve the children and their parents in the best way possible. They have ultimate responsibility for the security and well-being of all children in CDS centers and provide management support, encouragement, coaching, and emotional and spiritual care to the volunteers. Volunteers who serve as center leads are experienced child caregivers who support the project manager and provide coordination and support to volunteers in a CDS center. Leads are selected by the PM from among the volunteer team on site and may rotate from day to day.

The CDS servant leaders who manage responses on-site have a significant impact on the children and families served as well as on their fellow team members. These leaders must be good listeners and keen observers. They need to be well organized and be able to respond quickly and calmly in delicate and stressful circumstances. They must also model flexibility and be willing to learn from others.

CDS leaders work to lift up team members to be the best that they can be. One recent volunteer praised their project manager for being "a great team member that contributed her cheerful personality to [the] response", saying they loved "being able to deploy with her and learn from her". Another volunteer commented that "project managers worked above and beyond expectations to arrange [physical and logistical] support" for the team. A volunteer who was part of the response in Lewiston, Maine in October 2023, stated, "I felt well supported by my experienced team members

> and project manager. I learned a lot while realizing each situation is different. I am always proud of the small but important role CDS fills in disaster recovery."

Children's Disaster Services is grateful for all those who accept the call to become servant leaders. Their leadership enables CDS to respond after a disaster to provide the calm, safe, and reassuring presence for children and their families for which it is well recognized.



CDS project manager Tom Cooper (c) managed this very busy care center in a school in North Carolina following Hurricane Florence in 2018. Photo by Erin Myers

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A planned gift to the Church of the Brethren helps sustain our missions and ministries, such as Brethren Disaster Ministries, into the future. One planned giving strategy to consider is a **Qualified Charitable Distribution** (QCD). It is a direct transfer of funds from your IRA custodian to a qualified charity.

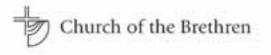
Changes were made to the Secure Act. Ask your Financial Advisor if the updates affect your planned giving strategy.



In addition to supporting a charity, a QCD is unlike regular withdrawals from an IRA because it excludes the amount donated from taxable income and can reduce the impact to certain tax credits and deductions, including Social Security and Medicare. QCDs can also be counted toward your Required Minimum Distributions (RMD) for the year if:

- Your age is 70 ½ or older,
- the amount of the QCD does not exceed what would be taxed as ordinary income, which excludes non-deductible contributions,
- the sum of all annual QCDs does not exceed \$100,000, AND
- the RMD deadline for the current year is met (generally December 31).

If a Qualified Charitable Distribution sounds like a favorable move for you, we invite you to prayerfully consider the Church of the Brethren as one of your charitable organizations of choice. To learn how to specify support for Brethren Disaster Ministries, contact the Office of Mission Advancement.



Office of Mission Advancement MA@brethren.org 1-800-323-8039 ext. 370

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Rebuilding Updates

Dawson Springs, Ky., Tornado Response and Anniversary

One of the commitments of the Brethren Disaster Ministries Rebuilding Program is to support communities impacted by disaster with their long-term recovery. While BDM may not be the first to serve survivors in an area, it is often on the ground providing volunteers for years after an event when families are still in need of rebuilding. Due to its long-term presence in these communities, BDM leaders and volunteers may be present during the annual anniversaries of the events that caused the need. With an understanding that such times can be very traumatic for those who lived through the disaster, they walk with the survivors and join in commemorative events and services.

BDM opened its current project site in the town of Dawson Springs, Ky., in January 2023. In December 2023, the town marked the date two years prior when homes, businesses, and the lives of 19 individuals were lost during a tornado. BDM volunteers attended a commemorative event where disaster project leader Cliff Kindy was invited to share remarks on behalf of BDM. Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear, whose extended family is from this small town, was also present. Jason Greene, a volunteer from Western Pennsylvania District, served during the week of the anniversary and shared, "To be there on Monday morning [Dec.] 11, two years to the day [of the tornado], and imagining what the people from Dawson Springs woke up to, is mind boggling to me. Looking over the city from the rafters that



Dawson Springs, Ky.: This memorial to the community members whose lives were lost in the 2021 tornadoes can be seen from many of the homes that BDM is working to build back in the town Photo courtesy BDM



Volunteers on the Eastern Kentucky rebuilding site built decks for families whose homes were damaged by flooding. Photo by Benjamin Hoffmann

morning will be an image stamped into me forever. It still sends chills to me thinking about it."

After a brief break for Christmas, the site reopened in January 2024 and is scheduled to continue for the groups on the schedule for Project 1 through at least the end of June. The future location of Project 1 is still being researched and developed by BDM staff and will be shared as soon as it is determined.

Eastern Kentucky Project Completion

Just before Thanksgiving 2023, BDM completed a 10-week flood recovery rebuilding project in Breathitt County in Eastern Kentucky, where homes had been damaged in summer 2022 flooding. BDM had previously served in this area during a two-week short-term project in April 2023. Volunteers returned to support the work of our partner, the Eastern Kentucky Conference of the United Methodist Church Disaster Response. During this fall project 19 families received help from BDM teams and leaders who traveled to serve there.

Some of the families whose homes were repaired have owned the properties for generations, dating back to the late 1700s. They welcomed and appreciated BDM's presence and work. The daughter of one homeowner, who had been scammed by a previous contractor, told a group of BDM volunteers that they were "the nicest people [she] had ever met." BDM's partner wrote that they "wanted to take a moment to thank [BDM] for your faithfulness to God and your servant's heart. We, as a team, thank you for giving of your time to be with us and assisting us in meeting the needs of so many people in our community."



Volunteers from Living Peace Church (Michigan District) removed flood-damaged carpet and other items from this house in Detroit.

Detroit Local Response

A group of five volunteers from Living Peace Church (Michigan District) participated in a Fall Clean-up Blitz in Detroit, Mich., on Saturday, Oct. 4, 2023. BDM staff connected the church with the After the Storm-Metro Detroit Flood Recovery Project for this local response. This organization is working with survivors of flooding from a June 25-26, 2021 storm which brought six to eight inches of rain during a 24-hour period. Many stormwater pumps were not working due to power outages, causing basement backups and flooding. A case manager for After the Storm decided to reach out to BDM because she had been on staff with the local partner for the BDM Michigan Rebuilding site which was open from March to December 2016. The October volunteers, led by Wendy Russell, served in four homes needing repairs to basement handrails and stairs, as well as some mucking out and carpet removal.

Project Leadership Training

A Disaster Project Leadership training was hosted on the BDM Dawson Springs, Ky., site at the beginning of 2024. The training was a partial ecumenical collaboration between BDM and the Week of Compassion, which is a ministry of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). After two days of virtual training over Zoom, participants received on-site training from Jan. 31 to Feb. 7. Trainees included seven on the construction path and two focused on household leadership. Trainers included veteran BDM disaster project leaders, many of whom have served as long-term leaders. Staff from BDM and Week of Compassion also facilitated portions of the training. Following the classroom and workshop portion of this event, trainees who move forward will complete a one-month internship on a project, shadowing experienced leaders for additional training.



Volunteers pray for future homeowners and often write prayers, Bible verses, and messages of hope on the lumber framing the structure. Photo by BDM

Would you like to receive the Brethren Disaster Ministries Bridges newsletter?

If you would like to receive Bridges by mail or email, you may contact us at bdm@brethren.org, or give us a call at 800-451-4407. Bridges is also available online at www.brethren.org/bdm/updates.





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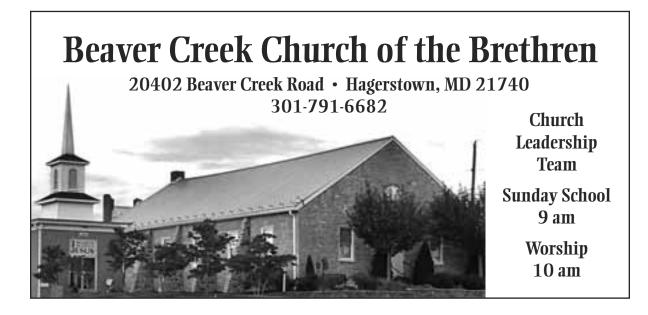
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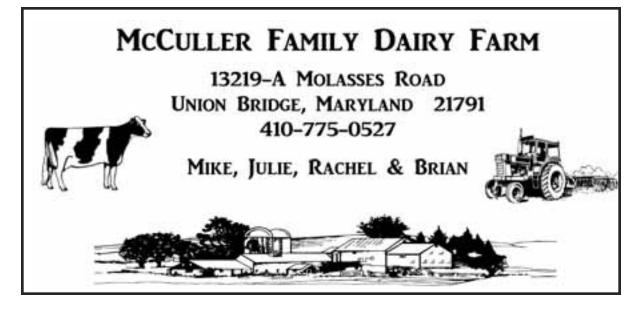
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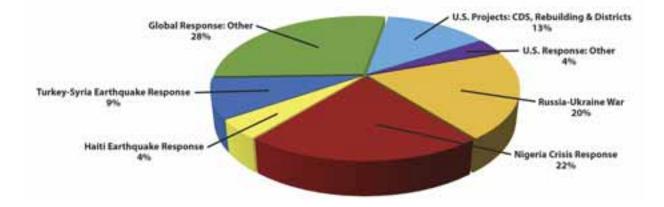
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Status	U.S. Projects	Amount
Active	International Orthodox Christian Charities–Marshall County, Ky., 2021 tornado response	\$30,000
Active	BDM–Kentucky December 2021 tornado response	\$109,393
Completed	Washington City Church of the Brethren–asylum seeker support	\$4,515
Completed	BDM–Eastern Kentucky 2022 summer flooding response	\$29,702
Completed	Somerset County Long-Term Recovery Group–Chesapeake Bay (Md.) 2021 tidal flooding	\$1,704
Completed	Child Life Disaster Relief–local team capacity building	\$8,750
	U. S. Total	\$184,064
Status	Global Projects	Amount
Active	Bittersweet Ministries–Tropical Storm Hilary recovery in Mexico	\$6,300
Active	Lutheran World Relief—Turkey-Syria earthquake response	\$25,000
Active	Lebanese Society for Education and Social Development (LSESD)–Turkey-Syria earthquake response	\$75,000
Active	Rwanda Church of the Brethren–aid for street children and DR Congo refugees in Rwanda	\$10,600
Active	Church of the Brethren in DR Congo–humanitarian aid to families displaced by violence	\$99,500
Active	BDM/Haiti Church of the Brethren–humanitarian response to multiple crises in Haiti	\$60,200
Active	L'Arche International–displaced Ukrainians with disabilities	\$25,000
Active	International Orthodox Christian Charities–Russia-Ukraine war and humanitarian crisis	\$120,000
Active	Church World Service–Russia-Ukraine war and humanitarian crisis	\$75,000
Active	Church of the Brethren South Sudan Mission–humanitarian aid for flooding and displaced families	\$40,000
Active	BDM/Haiti Church of the Brethren–2021 Haiti Earthquake Response	\$49,624
Active	BDM/Church of the Brethren in Nigeria–Nigeria Crisis Response	\$237,447
Completed	Church of the Brethren in DR Congo–emergency flood relief	\$5,000
Completed	Rwanda Church of the Brethren—emergency flood relief	\$23,500
Completed	Dominican Republic Church of the Brethren–Hurricane Fiona response	\$17,000
Completed	Proyecto Aldea Global (PAG)–Hurricanes Eta and Iota response in Honduras	\$50,000
	Global Total	\$919,171



Brethren Disaster Ministries 2023 Project Funding & Grants

Emergency Disaster Fund (EDF) Total Nigeria Crisis Fund (included in EDF Total) \$1,884,770

CDS Program Grants (not included in EDF) Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Grant

\$15,000

Brethren Disaster Ministries 2023 Rebuilding Responses								
Project locationDisaster typeWeekly volunteers*Work daysHours servedValue of service**Fan ser								
Rebuilding Projects								
Dawson Springs, Ky.	Tornadoes	538	3,827	30,616	\$973,588.80	27		
Eastern Kentucky	Flooding	140	880	7,040	\$223,872.00	19		
BDM Short-term Responses								
Eastern Kentucky	Flooding	30	186	1,488	\$47,318.40	6		
Totals		708	4,893	39,144	\$1,244,779.20	52		
* Includes repeat volunteers **Estimated Va	lue of Volunteer Service for 2023 i	s \$31.80 per Indeper	dentSector.org	•				

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Children's Disaster Services 2023 Responses

Location	Disaster type	Volunteers*	Total work days	Hours served	Value of service**	Children served
Monroeville, Pa.	Fire	2	2	16	\$508.80	5
Marble Hill, Mo.	Tornado	3	10	80	\$2,544.00	14
Little Rock/Jacksonville/Wynn, Ark.	Tornado	5	29	232	\$7,377.60	80
Guam (US Territory)	Typhoon	6	133	1,064	\$33,835.20	563
Baring-Edina, Mo.	Tornado	2	2	16	\$508.80	6
Maui, Hawaii	Wildfires	13	294	2,352	\$74,793.60	457
Plum, Pa.	Explosion	4	4	32	\$1,017.60	0
Lewiston, Maine†	Mass Shooting	5	35	280	\$8,904.00	9
Oak Park, Ill.	Asylum Seekers	4	16	128	\$4,070.40	51
Total: 9 responses	44	525	4,200	\$133,560.00	1,185	
*Includes repeat volunteers **Estimated Value of V	olunteer Service for 2023 is \$	31.80/hr per Indepen	dentSector.org †C	Critical Response	Childcare	

Children's Disaster Services 2023 Training Workshops						
Date	Location	Type of training	Participants	Trainers*	Volunteer trainer	Value of service**
3/17/2023	Bradford, Ohio	Level 1	12	2	40	\$1,272.00
4/14/2023	Newark, Del.	Level 1	9	3	60	\$1,908.00
4/15/2023	La Verne, Calif.	Level 1	14	2	40	\$1,272.00
4/28/2023	Portland, Ore.	Level 1	13	3	60	\$1,908.00
10/20/2023	Bridgewater, Va.	Level 1	10	3	60	\$1,908.00
10/27/2023	Kalamazoo, Mich.	Level 1	14	3	60	\$1,908.00
Totals	6 Trainings		72	16	320	\$10,176.00
* Includes repeat trainers ** Estimated Value of Volunteer Service for 2023 is \$31.80/hr per IndependentSector.org						



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Sunny Meadows Garden Center near Boonsboro, Md.

Sunnycrest Farm & Home Center near Smithsburg, Md.

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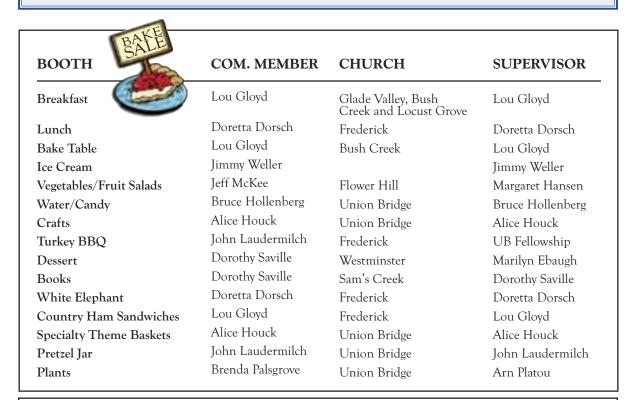
Please label each plant, including a photo of it at maturity, if you have that. And, suggest a price. Bring all to the Ag Center before noon Friday, May 3, or early a.m. Saturday, May 4. **THANK\$!!!**

Questions? Email Arn Platou at Arnwrite@myactv.net

In Memory of

Barbara Joan Coolidge

Lifelong member of the Church of the Brethren and member of the Thurmont Church of the Brethren, Thurmont, MD. She was a long-time member of the District Disaster Response Auction Committee helping to organize Auction activities, serve smoothies and pretzels at the annual Auction, and help raise funds for disaster response.



Thanks To These Volunteers

A special word of thanks to a dedicated group of people who year after year help make this auction run... Ruth Aukerman, Jim Benedict, Kathy Benedict, Debbie Bittle-Wilson, Lori Black, Esther Boleyn, Lester Boleyn, Nancy Burral, Amy Clark, Marvin Curtis, Earl Dibert, Lisa Dibert, Martha Domer, Roy Domer, Sherri Duvall, Linda Eyler, Larry Eyler, Dani Gesford, Wendell Grove, Mary Guthrie, Ann Heishman, Irv Heishman, Matthew Hodgdon, Patrick Hoffmaster, Jim Holsinger, Margie Legg, Tom Legg, Skyler Lehman, Ed Leiter, Marcia Leiter, Debbie Offutt, Ed Palsgrove, Ruth Pfaltzgraff, Dan Replogle, Kevin Rice, John Roop, and Caleb Wilson.

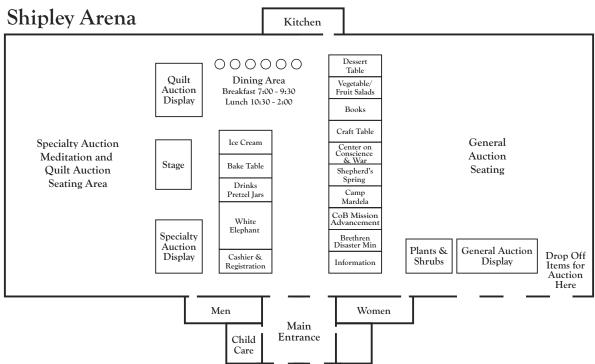
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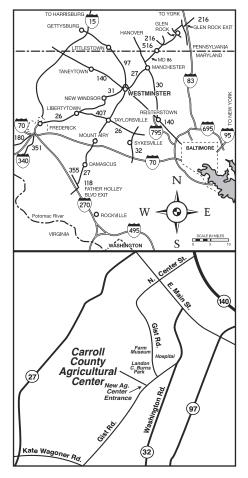
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Auction Floor Plan



Driving Directions to the Auction



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(directions given from Hanover, PA to the Ag Center) Take Rt. 94 South (becomes MD Rt. 30 at the state line). Follow 30 to Manchester and turn right on Rt. 27. Follow Rt. 27 to Rt. 140 East (in Westminster). Turn left onto the ramp to 140 East and travel to the first traffic light. Turn right onto Center Street. Take Center Street through two traffic lights to Gist Road. Turn right on Gist Road and follow signs to new entrance. Turn right onto Ag Center drive.

From the South:

Take Interstate 270 North to Rt. 27. Follow Rt. 27 to Kate Wagner Road. (Kate Wagner Road intersects Rt. 27 before you reach the city of Westminster.) Make a right onto Kate Wagner Road (which intersects Rt. 27 at a traffic light) and follow approximately 1.2 miles. Turn left onto Gist Road. Continue on Gist Road until you reach Smith Ave at stop sign. Continue on Gist Road about 1/2 block and make left at Ag Center entrance,

From the East:

From Baltimore Beltway 695, take Interstate 795 north toward Westminster. Follow the signs onto MD 140 and take 140 into Westminster. Turn left onto Center Street. Take Center Street through two traffic lights to Gist Road. Turn right on Gist Road and follow signs to new entrance. turn right onto Ag Center drive.

From the West:

Take I-70 East to the Mt. Airy/Route 27 Exit. Head North on Rt. 27 toward Westminster for approximately 15 miles. Make a right onto Kate Wagner Road (which intersects Rt. 27 at a traffic light) and follow approximately 1.2 miles. Turn left onto Gist Road. Continue on Gist Road until you reach Smith Ave at stop sign. Continue on Gist Road about 1/2 block and make left at Ag Center entrance.



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