



# The Herald

## *District Conference Issue*

NORTHERN OHIO DISTRICT CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

**JUNE 2015**

**Join us for District Conference July 24-25, 2015**

**at the Mohican Church of the Brethren**

**The Conference Theme is:**

**Hear His Voice . . . Seek His Face . . .**

**Answering the Call of Jesus**

Did you hear that?

How many times have we encountered a situation where we felt the call to react or step up, to help someone, only to rationalize that we don't have the time or the expertise to do what is needed?

We have all been in this situation and after the fact have felt ashamed that we did nothing. We may even call to mind the acronym that many of us grew up with: WWJD?

As we come together for Northern Ohio District Conference July 24 and 25, this is one of the questions we will explore. As a people; as children of the Most High, we will look at recognizing the Voice of God and considering our own response to His voice; His call.

At our conference we will hear from some who have heard the Call and learn about their response. My prayer is that we all learn to react to our own hearing of the Call



of God. I pray we will also learn to recognize the gifts and call of those around us and learn to encourage others in their own response.

I encourage all pastors and church leaders to attend the Pre-Conference Workshop that begins at noon on Friday where we will explore our own Spiritual Gifts and recognition of Spiritual Gifts in others as well as ways to encourage the development of those gifts. Pastors will earn contact hours for continuing education but all are encouraged to come and share.

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### Mark Your Calendar

June 25, 7 p.m.  
EYN Women's Fellowship Choir  
Appreciation Concert  
Maple Grove CoB  
Ashland, Ohio

June 28, 3-5 p.m.  
Annual Conference Moderator  
Reception & Delegate Briefing  
Mansfield First CoB  
Mansfield, Ohio

July 11-15  
Church of the Brethren  
Annual Conference  
Tampa, Florida

July 24-25  
Northern Ohio District Conference  
Mohican Church of the Brethren  
West Salem, Ohio

***Hear His Voice... Seek His Face...***

*Continued*

We begin conference Friday evening hearing from Carl and Roxane Hill as they share their call and where it has led them in their service. They will share their involvement with the Nigerian Disaster Response in an insight session after dinner. Roxane and Carl will then lead us in our opening worship that evening.

Our Friday evening worship offering will be going to Nigerian Crisis Fund along with a gift from the District Board. I ask that each congregation in the District consider taking a special offering for the work in Nigeria that can be brought to conference and added to the gift. We have all heard the reports of kidnaping, murder and destruction carried out by Boko Haram in Northern Nigeria and neighboring countries. We have heard of the devastating impact Boko Haram attacks have had on the Nigerian Brethren, the largest Christian group in Northern Nigeria. Here is an opportunity for us to help in the effort to encourage and support those at the front of the effort for peace and renewed faith in the region.

As we prepare to gather for Conference this summer let's keep in mind the admonition found in Psalms 105:4 **"Seek the Lord and His strength; Seek His face evermore!"**

The Lord's Blessings upon each of you,  
Mike Zellers

**2015 Conference Schedule**

**Friday, July 24**

- 12:00-5:00pm Preconference workshop for pastors and church leaders
- 3:00pm Registration Begins
- 3:00pm Exhibit Set-up Lobby
- 3:00pm Peace Auction Set-up Around Fellowship Hall
- 5:00pm Dinner
- 6:15pm Insight Session in Sanctuary  
Carl & Roxanne Hill, Co- Directors for Nigerian Crisis Response
- 7:30pm Gather for Worship – Transition from Sanctuary to Fellowship Hall
- 9:00pm Ice Cream Social & Entertainment

**Saturday, July 25**

- 8:00am Business Session Begins
- 11:50am Lunch
- 12:30-1:30pm Insight Sessions
- 1:40pm Business Session Resumes
- 3:40-5:10pm Insight Sessions
- 5:15pm Dinner
- 6:30pm Worship/Installation of New Officers

**Pre-Conference Workshop**  
*Thrive: Living Your Spiritual Gifting and Strengths*

People want to be part of something larger than themselves. We want to know what God has gifted us to do. How God has gifted us, and who and where to serve.

You have a unique combination of spiritual gifts, strengths, personality, and passion and life experience. God created each of us for a purpose. Discovering your spiritual gifting encourages you to live out your unique purpose, and serve so that the Body of Christ may be built up (Ephesians 4:12).

The "Thrive" workshop integrates interactive activities demonstrating spiritual gifts and strengths in action. You will be amazed at how much you can learn in an afternoon.

**Guest Speaker: Stan Dueck**

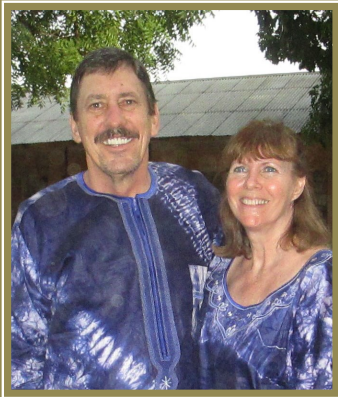
Stan Dueck is Director for Transforming Practices with Congregational Life Ministries of the Church of the Brethren. An ordained minister, Stan having pastored two congregations, both started in 1724 Stan is a coach, consultant, mentor, and teacher. He has developed resources and presented workshop topics pertaining to church leadership, congregational vitality, transitional ministry, strategic planning, evangelism, coaching and emerging missional church movements. Stan has a passion for cultivating healthy congregations and developing effective leaders.



Stan has been instrumental in the development of the congregational vitality process known as Vital Ministry Journey (VMJ). He produces webinars for pastors and congregational leaders, hosted by the Church of the Brethren.

Stan is a graduate of Fresno Pacific College (Fresno, CA) and Lancaster Theological Seminary (Lancaster, PA). In recent years, Stan has completed extensive training with the Center for Parish Development, Multiple Health Systems and the College of Executive Coaching, attaining certification with the International Coaching Federation as a leadership and personal coach.

## Friday Evening Insight Session with Carl & Roxanne Hill, Co-Directors for Nigerian Crisis Response



Carl has an M.Div. and is an ordained minister with pastoral experience. He is a people person with a passion for learning and teaching about Jesus.

Roxane is a “Missionary Kid” who grew up in Nigeria. She is the detail/numbers person behind Carl. She has been a teacher, bookkeeper, and Children’s Director at a large church in California.

Both Carl and Roxane are McPherson College graduates; they have been married for 37 years. They are the parents of three grown children and five grandchildren. Through their 2 years teaching at Kulp Bible College, they have come to love the Nigerian people. News of the destruction of the EYN (Ekklesiyar Yan’uwa a Nigeria) area (where they lived) is heart-wrenching. The two of them recently took the position as Co-Directors for Nigeria Crisis Response.

They feel privileged to serve Church of the Brethren, both in Nigeria and America.

### WORSHIP TIMES & SPEAKERS

*Friday Evening—7:30pm*

*Carl & Roxanne Hill, Co-Directors for Nigerian Crisis Response  
Church of the Brethren General Offices, Elgin, IL*

*(See bios above)*



*Saturday Evening—6:30pm*

*Mike Zellers, Pastor of Freeburg Church of the Brethren, Paris, OH  
and 2015 District Conference Moderator*



Mike is a retired high school math teacher and has been in the pulpit at Freeburg for 20 years. He grew up in the church at Freeburg CoB and was called to serve after being licensed for ministry and filling the pulpit during a pastoral vacancy for several months. He served on the District Board, one year as chair and is the 2015 District Conference Moderator.

He is married to his wife Connie for almost 36 years, they have 3 grown children and 6 grandchildren. He enjoys hunting and fishing but spends more time now reading and watching his grandkids grow.

### Ice Cream Social, Friday 9pm



Please join us Friday evening for an Ice Cream Social. Cost is included with your registration fee. Make your own sundae and have a time of fellowship with your brothers and sisters while enjoying musical entertainment.





## Insight Sessions

### Friday Evening, 6:15pm

**“Nigerian Crisis Response”** Speakers: Carol & Roxanne Hill (Co-Directors for Nigerian Crisis Response, Church of the Brethren). Through their 2 years teaching at Kulp Bible College, they have come to love the Nigerian people. News of the destruction of the EYN (Ekklesiyar Yan’uwa a Nigeria) area (where they lived) is heart-wrenching. The two of them recently took the position as Co-Directors for Nigeria Crisis Response. They feel privileged to serve Church of the Brethren, both in Nigeria and America. They will share the story of the Nigerian church’s struggle to be faithful and continue in ministry during this time of crisis for the church and their country.

### Saturday Afternoon, 12:30-1:30pm

**“Destiny Rescue, Working Against Human Trafficking in Thailand”** Speakers: Alison Bartholomew (Mohican CoB) & Rachele Nicholson (Mohican CoB). Details to follow on District Website.

**“Report on Mission Trip to Sudan”** Speaker: Bruce Jacobsen (Pastor, Mt. Pleasant CoB). Details to follow on District Website.

### Saturday Afternoon, 3:40-5:10pm

**“Presentation By Brethren Benefit Trust”** Speaker: Loyce Borgmann (Assistant Director of Client Relations, Brethren Benefit Trust). Details to follow on District Website.

**“Transforming Conflict”** Speaker: Rick Polhamus (Conflict Transformation Trainer, Volunteer On Earth Peace). In the Epistle of James, we are admonished to be “quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger.” Learn how to use these dynamics to work through conflicts faithfully and successfully. The session is planned for deacons and church leaders as well as anyone else who has ever been touched by conflict.

## Pastoral Placement Calendar

**Akron Eastwood** – Paul Bozman called as pastor on April 19, start date August 3. Cindy Peel serving as interim.

**Akron First** – Search Committee conducting pastoral interviews. Tobin Crenshaw serving as interim.

**Akron Springfield** – Search committee preparing congregational profile. Tom Michaels serving as interim.

**Baltic** – Congregation arranging pulpit supply.

**Bethel** – Woody Johnson retiring as pastor effective May 31.

**Center** – Paul Bozman resigning as pastor effective July 26.

**Chippewa** – Congregation arranging pulpit supply.

**East Nimishillen** – Search Committee preparing congregational profile. Matthew Reed serving as interim.

**Lake Breeze** – Congregation arranging pulpit supply.

**Lick Creek** – Search Committee preparing congregational profile. Dr. Nancy Berkheiser serving as interim.

**Maple Grove** – Search Committee reviewing pastoral profiles and résumés for associate pastor.

**Marion First** – Rick Hicks serving as interim.

**Owl Creek** – Charles Barnhill serving as interim.

**Painesville** – Interims John and Sondra Bocchieri called as pastors May 31. Installation date to be scheduled.

**Richland** – Search committee conducting pastoral interviews. Jim Frado serving as interim.

**Ross** – Keith Stoller serving as interim.

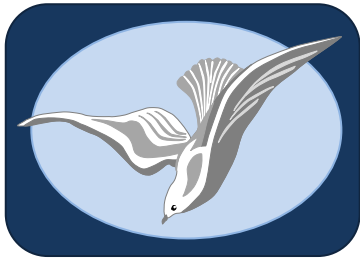
**Sugar Creek West** – Search Committee preparing congregational profile. Dr. Byron Hawbecker serving as interim.

**Swan Creek** – Congregation arranging pulpit supply.

**Woodworth** – Mitch Funkhouser serving as interim.

# Coming At the 2015 District Conference!

Northern Ohio District Conference; July 24-25, 2015, West Salem, Ohio



## A Silent Auction For the Peace Endowment Fund

*Support District Peace Education Efforts!*

The Silent Auction at District Conference is organized by the Peace Task Team to raise money for the District Peace Endowment Fund. This fund supports peace education efforts in the District.

As one of the Historic Peace Churches, we are committed to teaching Christ's message of peace – peace within ourselves as we make our peace with Jesus; peace within our families, our congregations, and with our friends; peace in our communities; and peace in the world between nations and factions within nations. The Peace Endowment Fund was established in 1988 to support efforts in the District to teach the things that make for peace!

### DONATIONS ARE NEEDED!

**We need you** to bring handmade items and goodies for the auction!

#### Donate:

Handcrafted items  
Artist's Work  
Homemade Food

Take part in the Peace Auction. Have a little fun donating to a good cause! Take home something special too!

#### How to Donate Items:

- Please bring your donated items to the Exhibit Area Friday, July 24 by 5 p.m.
- Give us an estimate of their value
- Please note what a minimum starting bid should be

**We appreciate all those who contribute item for the Auction!**

**We also need you** to come prepared to bid on the donated items in the auction!

#### How the Auction Works:

- The Silent Auction runs from 5 p.m. Friday to 6:30 p.m. Saturday.
- The person with the highest bid on an item at 6:30 p.m. Saturday takes the item home in return for their contribution to the Peace Endowment Fund!
- All items should be picked up on Saturday evening.

**We appreciate all those who contribute to Peace Endowment Fund peace education efforts by bidding on items in the auction!**

**Come, contribute generously, and take home a hand crafted item or two!**

# Children of All Ages ARE Welcome!

## Child Care



for infants through kindergarten is provided during worship.

**Diane Johnson (Mohican CoB)**  
is in charge of Child Care

## Children's Activities



for children in 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grades are provided during business sessions on Saturday.

**Frankie Graber (Hartville CoB)**  
is in charge of Children's Activities

Please fill out the Children's Registration Form to register your child!

# Adult Registration Form

July 24 – 25, 2015 Northern Ohio District Conference

**YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER BY JULY 17 IF YOU WANT TO ORDER MEALS.**

**IF YOU ARE REGISTERING CHILDREN SEE BACK**

**Send Registration Forms and checks to: ( Make checks out to "Northern Ohio District")**

**Ginny Herbert 7082 State Route 97, Mansfield, O. 44903 419-462-3203 cherb7082@gmail.com**

**Send Authorization forms without payment to: Jeanene Pifer 3546 Denise Dr., Toledo, O. 43614 419-344-4006**

To save printing cost and trees, only a limited number of conference books will be printed.

Conference materials can be printed from the District Website: [www.nohcob.org](http://www.nohcob.org).

REGISTER BY **JUNE 29** AND CHECK YES, IF YOU WANT A PRINTED BOOK

**Adult 1 Are You a Delegate? Yes  No**

**Adult 2 Are You a Delegate? Yes  No**

Congregation Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ M/F \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ M/F \_\_\_\_\_

Address (Street) \_\_\_\_\_

Address (Street) \_\_\_\_\_

(City, State, zip code) \_\_\_\_\_

(City, State, zip code) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Is this your first conference? Yes

Is this your first conference? Yes

Do you want a printed Conference Book? Yes  No

Do you want a printed Conference Book? Yes  No

**Delegate Fee \$25.00.** (\$35 to register on site)

The Delegate charge includes authorization & registration to cover printed materials & program costs.

**Non-Delegate Adult Fee \$25.00** (\$35 to register on-site.) Non-Delegates fees cover program costs including name tags, printed materials & conference expenses.

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| Meal Plan                                        |                              |         |       |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------|-------|
| 3 meals (Friday dinner, Saturday lunch & dinner) |                              | \$24.00 |       |
| Sat. lunch only                                  |                              | \$8.50  |       |
| Vegan?                                           | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |         | Total |

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| Vegan?                                           | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |         | Total |

**Housing at Camp Inspiration Hills**

| Housing at camp | Adult \$25.00 each                                    | Family \$50.00           | Breakfast \$7.00              | Total |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-------|
| Friday          | M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Sat. <input type="checkbox"/> |       |
| Saturday        | M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Sun <input type="checkbox"/>  |       |
| Tent            | Yes <input type="checkbox"/>                          |                          |                               |       |

Please bring your own pillow/ bed linens. If tent camping, please bring your own tent.

**For those seeking other housing**, there are hotel and bed & breakfast options in the Ashland Wooster area. See a list of some options on the district website: [www.nohcob.org](http://www.nohcob.org). You will need to make arrangements with a hotel or bed & breakfast on your own.

**There is an Ice Cream Social Friday after worship.**

**The cost is included in registration fees. Will you attend?** Yes  No

**Please add together your registration fee, meal and housing costs: Total costs: \_\_\_\_\_**

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# Child Under 12 Under Registration Form

July 24 – 25, 2015 Northern Ohio District Conference  
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**IF YOU ARE REGISTERING ADULTS, SEE PAGE ONE**  
**Make checks out to "Northern Ohio District"**

Send registration forms to: Ginny Herbert, 7082 State Route 97; Mansfield, Ohio 44903. Phone (419) 462-3203.

## Child 1

Congregation Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name                      M/F                      Age/Grade

Address (Street, City, State) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Phone Number  
 Is this your child's first conference?    Yes

Parent's contact information at conference \_\_\_\_\_

Who will pick up children from their activities?  
 Children under 12 do not pay registration fees.

| Child Under 5 Meal Plan                      |         |  |
|----------------------------------------------|---------|--|
| Three meals (Fri Dinner, Sat Lunch & Dinner) | \$10.50 |  |
| Sat. Lunch Only                              | \$4.25  |  |

| Child Over 5 Meal Plan                       |         |  |
|----------------------------------------------|---------|--|
| Three meals (Fri Dinner, Sat Lunch & Dinner) | \$24.00 |  |
| Sat. Lunch Only                              | \$8.50  |  |

**SEE ADULT FORM FOR HOUSING INFORMATION**

There is an *Ice Cream Social* Saturday after worship. The cost is included in registration fees.

Will your child attend?    Yes     No

**Preschool Children:** Child care is provided during worship on Friday and Saturday & during Saturday business sessions. Register children who will be in Child Care.

Will your child be in Child Care during Worship or Business Sessions?    Yes     No                       **Check When Below**

| Friday Worship           | Saturday Business        | Saturday Worship         |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**Grade School Children:** Children's activities are provided for children in grades 1 through 6 during the Saturday business sessions. Register children who will participate in Children's Activities. Will your child attend Children's Activities on Saturday?    Yes     No

**Does your child have any special needs, food allergies, etc?**    Yes     No     Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please add together your child's Meal Cost: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Costs: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Child 2

Congregation Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name                      M/F                      Age/Grade

Address (Street, City, State) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Phone Number  
 Is this your child's first conference?    Yes

Parent's contact information at conference \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent or Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please add together your child's Meal Cost: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Costs: \$ \_\_\_\_\_



## Northern Ohio District Church of the Brethren

### 2015 DISTRICT CONFERENCE DELEGATE AUTHORIZATION FORM

**Mail the form to:**

Jeanene Pifer  
 3546 Denise Dr.  
 Toledo, Ohio 43614

**Please do not include any payments with this form.**

**All payments should be sent with the Registration Form along with any choices for meals and lodging.**

**CONGREGATION NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

|                          |                 |
|--------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Delegate 1</b>        |                 |
| Name                     |                 |
| Complete Mailing Address |                 |
| Phone Number:            | E-mail Address: |
| <b>Delegate 2</b>        |                 |
| Name                     |                 |
| Complete Mailing Address |                 |
| Phone Number:            | E-mail Address: |
| <b>Delegate 3</b>        |                 |
| Name                     |                 |
| Complete Mailing Address |                 |
| Phone Number:            | E-mail Address: |

**Delegates Authorized by: (Pastor, Clerk, or Moderator)                      Sign below, name and title**

**Number of Delegates:** District Polity says: "There shall be two (2) for each member church or fellowship with 200 or fewer members. Larger churches shall have one (1) delegate for each additional 100 members or fraction thereof. One delegate should be a church board member. No elected delegate shall serve more than two years in succession, except in those congregations where the average weekly worship attendance is (35) or less.

# Nigerian Women's Choir and BEST Group Coming to Northern Ohio!

**When:** June 25, 7pm

**Where:** Maple Grove Church of the Brethren

**What:** An Appreciation Concert to express EYN's appreciation for all the support given by the American Brethren during a time of persecution, violence, and hardship in Nigeria.

**Come**

**Join Us!**

Meet Brothers and Sisters  
from the Nigerian Church.

Hear their stories.

Listen to the Women's Choir.

Enjoy Christian fellowship  
together.



*photo by Cheryl Brumbaugh-Cayford  
(This is a cloth worn by the ZME women's group  
of the Church of the Brethren in Nigeria)*

The two groups coming are from Ekklesiyar Yan'uwa a Nigeria (EYN, the Church of the Brethren in Nigeria): the Brethren Evangelism Support Trust (BEST), a group of business people and professionals; and an EYN Women's Fellowship Choir.

BEST regularly sends groups to visit with the American Brethren. They invite the EYN Women's Fellowship Choir to join them. The choir will be performing 28 "Appreciation Concerts" during their three-and-a-half-week U.S. visit.

## Annual Conference

**Online Advanced Registration and Housing Reservations end June 10!** If you have not registered for the Church of the Brethren Annual Conference now is the time to do so! Advance registration ends on June 10.

The next time to register will be on-site where the registration fees increase. Annual Conference will be held July 11-15 in Tampa, Florida. [Click here](#) or go to [brethren.org/ac](http://brethren.org/ac) and follow the steps to complete your registration.

Dave Sollenberger has produced a DVD containing information about the business of Annual Conference this summer in Tampa. The Northern Ohio District has a copy available for loan. However, please note that a link to this DVD is also posted on the Annual Conference homepage [brethren.org/ac](http://brethren.org/ac).



## Annual Conference Moderator District Visit



Photo by Glenn Riegel

*Sunday, June 28, 2015,  
First CoB Mansfield  
Worship, 10:30 a.m.  
Speaker, David Steele  
Reception & Delegate Briefing,  
3 p.m.-5 p.m.*

Annual Conference delegates, pastors and church members from across the district are invited to meet Annual Conference Moderator David Steele, learn about all that's going on in the Church of the Brethren in America and around the world, and chat about the 2015 Annual Conference and business items to be considered.

## District Prayer Calendar

**May 31—June 6**, Reading CoB (Pastor Larry Bradley) and Richland CoB (Interim Jim Frado)

**June 7—June 13**, Ross CoB (Interim Keith Stoller) and Silver Creek CoB (Pastor Terry Baldwin)

**June 14—June 20**, Sugarcreek East CoB (Pastor Dick Marshall) and Sugar Creek West CoB (Interim Byron Hawbecker)

**June 21—June 27**, Swan Creek CoB (Pastoral Vacancy) and Water Street CoB (Pastor Denny Fox)

**June 28—July 4**, Woodworth CoB (Pastor Mitch Funkhouser) and Zion Hill CoB (Pastor Jason Harsh)

## Special Thanks

The District Office gives special thanks and shout outs to Mike Zellers, Linda Fry, Ginny Herbert and John Ballinger for providing content and editing for The Herald, District Conference Issue 2015. Your contributions and dedication are very much appreciated!

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