



Church of the Brethren Annual Conference
Journal
 Greensboro, North Carolina, Wednesday—June 29, 2016



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to collate and assemble 850 delegate packets immediately following the worship service this evening at 8:45pm. This will take place in the Biltmore Room located in the hallway behind the stage. This usually only takes an hour or so if we have enough volunteers. Please stop by and participate in this needed work and wonderful time of fellowship. We need your help.

- **ARE YOU A DR, NURSE PRACTITIONER, RN, LPN, OR EMT?**

The First Aid Office at Annual Conference in Greensboro is looking for DR.'s, NP's, RN's, LPN's or EMT's who would be willing to volunteer for a few hours. Please stop by First Aid in the Moorhead Room on the first floor and talk to Jane Laprade, coordinator of First Aid this year.

PRAYER SHAWLS OFFERED IN PRAYER ROOM

Dale and Lois Wolgemuth are offering a very limited number of Prayer Shawls on a first come, first served basis in the Prayer Room located on the Third floor, Tanglewood room.

By The Numbers—2016

Registrations as of
 June 28, 2016 @ 9:00p.m.

Delegate: 696
 Non-Delegate: 1532
 Total 2228



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INTERNATIONAL CIVIL RIGHTS CENTER & MUSEUM



The Museum opened on February 1, 2010— more than five years ago. During this short time ICRCM has garnered a stellar reputation for promoting an understanding of the struggles for social justice and equality in the United States and across the world. In fact, through ICRCM, we link Greensboro to the world. We thank you for standing beside us, boosting our morale, and providing much needed financial support. And we ask that you continue this journey with us in the coming months and years. Greensboro was the location of the first lunch counter sit-ins that eventually led to black people being able to eat inside restaurants, instead of having to go to the back door to get take-out.

The Church of the Brethren Annual Conference will offer bus trips to this amazing museum on Friday afternoon. Tickets should be purchased in advance from the Conference Office located in the Sawgrass Room near the Exhibit Area on third floor. Onsite ticket availability cannot be guaranteed. Buses leave from the Lobby Entrance "F".



Annual BBT 5K Fitness Challenge

Join over 100 Brethren for the Annual BBT 5K Fitness Challenge on Saturday, July 2, in beautiful Country Park. The race is two loops, starting and finishing at the same place. This park is approximately eight miles from the Sheraton and about a 20-minute drive. You will be responsible to secure your own transportation. Start time for this 5K run/walk is 7:00 a.m. sharp. Participants will need to arrive no later than 6:30 a.m. in order to begin the race on time and to have sufficient time to return for the start of business. The fee to register is \$25 for individuals and \$60 for families of four or more. This registration fee covers the cost of a T-shirt and post-race refreshments. Stop by the BBT booth to sign up and receive your T-shirt and a cool gift (while supplies last) and a bib number with a chip to be worn during the race. Registration is open until 10 p.m. on Friday and at the race location on July 2 from 6-6:30 a.m.

A Visit With Lybrook

A visit with Lybrook in Sandpiper Room on the third floor is scheduled for Thursday from 1:00 to 2:00p.m. Lybrook Community Ministries and Tokahookaadi Church of the Brethren invite you to this open discussion. How do these ministries meet the needs of the community they serve?

Worship and Business Sessions Translated

"Hola, mi nombre es Erick Flores. Soy del condado de Orange en California en una ciudad predominantemente hispana llamada Santa Ana. Trabajo tiempo completo como un técnico certificado de farmacia. Me gradué este año en la Universidad Estatal de California,



Fullerton y obtuve mi licenciatura en bioquímica. Estoy involucrado en mi congregación Príncipe de Paz. Soy el bajista en nuestro ministerio de alabanza, el secretario en nuestra congregación, traductor del español al Inglés para nuestros visitantes, y estoy involucrado como un joven-adulto en la Junta de Política. Soy bilingüe en Inglés y Español. Me gusta conocer a nuevos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo, así que no tenga miedo de acercarse a mí. Bendiciones."

"Hello, my name is Erick Flores. I am from Orange County in California in a predominantly hispanic city called Santa Ana. I am currently employed full-time as a Certified Pharmacy Technician. I graduated this year from California State University, Fullerton and earned my bachelor's degree in biochemistry. I am involved in my congregation Principe de Paz. I am the bassist in our worship group, a secretary in our congregation, translator from Spanish to English for our visitors, and am involved as a young adult in the Policy Board. I am bi-literate in both English and Spanish. I liked to meet new brothers and sisters in Christ, so do not be afraid to approach me."

AACB Needs Quilters



We have thread, needles and quilts...now, we need you! Stop by the AACB exhibit and stitch with us. The quilts are auctioned off at the close of business Saturday to benefit projects that alleviate hunger around the world.

Children's Activity Pages

Activity pages for children in grades K-5 are available before each worship service. Pick up the pages, crayons, and pencils where worship bulletins and Conference Journals are located. Please return the crayons and pencils to the baskets after each service so they are available for the next service. The packets are sponsored by Congregational Life Ministries with resources provided by other Church of the Brethren related agencies.



"Llano Grande" Growing up as a Missionary Child in Ecuador

Brethren Press is pleased to welcome Jeanne M. Smucker to the Conference Bookstore on Thursday at 2:00p.m. for a book signing. Stop by and meet the author for a special Thursday afternoon book signing. Stop by to meet this interesting sister and have your personal copy of her book autographed. Don't miss this unique opportunity.

Authors Alan Cross, Jeanne Smucker, Peggy Reiff Miller and Annual Conference moderator/folk artist Andy Murray will also appear at the Brethren Press bookstore this week.

Watch the *Journal* for more information.

PASSPORT

The 2016 Annual Conference invites you to take a journey this week through our Exhibit Area. Located on the third floor of the Sheraton/Koury Center over 37 exhibitors provide opportunity to learn and participate in the work of our denomination. Nine of the exhibitors are new to conference this year. Pick up your "Passport" on the information tables or in the Exhibit Area and follow the instructions to earn your "Passport to Ice Cream." One ice cream bar will be awarded for completed passports. Additional ice cream may be purchased for \$4.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL—FRIDAY 2:00-3:30 in EXHIBIT AREA



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Look for a full review of the 2016 Annual Conference in the next regularly scheduled issue of Newsline, to appear on July 5.

A wonderful display of program and sales exhibits can be found in our Exhibit Area on third floor. While you are there you may enjoy the Hospitality area, prepared for us by our hosts of the Virginia District.

WITNESS TO THE HOST CITY

Witness to the Host City items can be dropped off anytime before Saturday at Registration Desks 5 and 6 outside Guilford Ballroom.