

- ◆ What is God's purpose for the existence of the Nettle Creek Church of the Brethren congregation?
- ◆ In what ways am I benefiting from that purpose? And in what ways am I helping to fulfill that purpose?

While keeping in mind the answer to question one, let us prayerfully answer the following two questions without compromising God's purpose for our congregation

- ◆ How can we meet our short-term financial obligations?
- ◆ In what ways can we change our financial situation over the next 12 months?

Read the Presentations from the Gathering Held in Kokomo on May 3

Jeff Bach and Bill Eberly now have their remarks posted on the S/C Indiana District website. If you were unable to attend on May 3, but would like to read their presentations regarding “Annual Conference Authority” and “Disagreement With Annual Conference Decisions, go to <http://www.cob-net.org/church/isc/May3Bach.pdf> or <http://www.cob-net.org/church/isc/May3Eberly.pdf>.

South/Central Indiana Church of the Brethren District Conference will be held at Camp Alexander Mack, September 12 & 13. The theme of the conference will be “In Jesus’ Name.” Registration Friday begins at 6:00 p.m., Hymn Sing at 6:45 p.m. Worship at 7:00 p.m., Business at 8:10 p.m. and a Bonfire and popcorn following worship. Overnight lodging available in Sarah Major, Ulrich House, or cabins. See the bulletin board for more details. **Registration is due by July 18.**

Annual Conference in Boise, Idaho



Pastor Carol and Curtis Heaton will be attending Annual Conference July 5-9. Curtis is our delegate. The Conference theme will be “In Jesus’ Name.” To keep informed check out the Internet daily for updates of the day’s denominational business, news, and activities. You may find the information at www.brethren.org and look under Annual Conference. If you haven’t seen a ballot, go to <http://www.brethren.org/ac/Boise/ballot.pdf>

We Have Been Invited to an Upcoming Workshop on Conflict Transformation for Congregational Leaders

Saturday, August 23, from 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. OH time, there will be a workshop for pastors, deacons, board and committee chairs, and all people in roles of congregational leadership. This training will build and reinforce skills in communication and conflict transformation. Topics include:

- Understanding conflict dynamics
- Centered speaking and listening
- Transformation in a conflict setting
- Being a “non-anxious presence”
- Handling power

Leadership will be:

- Matt Guynn, Program Associate with On Earth Peace/Ministry of Reconciliation
- Jim Moore, Coordinator, Southern Ohio Discipleship and Reconciliation Committee
- Liz and Greg Bidgood-Enders, Co-pastors, Mack Memorial CoB in Dayton Ohio.

Cost is \$20.000 for materials and tuition, including a simple lunch.

0.6 Continuing Education Units (C.E.U.s) are available for Church of the Brethren pastors.

To register, contact:

