



# Covington Church of the Brethren Weekly News



Tuesday, May 2, 2023

**Carolyn** (sister-in-law of Sylvia Warner) was recently taken to the hospital with AFIB and very low blood pressure. She lives in Florida.

**Erin Gibson** (Marilyn Helman's grand-daughter) was recently transferred from Troy's Kettering Hospital to the Veteran's Administration Center in Dayton due to having heart enzyme issues.

**Griffin Hobbs** 12-year-old grandson of Dan & Jayne Hobbs, and son of Travis & Brianna Hobbs. Griffin fell and broke his arm at the elbow and also dislodged his elbow. He would be seeing an orthopedic surgeon soon.

**Lois Newman** underwent post testing last Friday, April 28th, today at Cleveland Clinic. The testing was a follow-up to the aneurysm procedure she went through a few years ago. Lois appreciated your prayers for accurate results and good news as a result of the testing.

**Dollie Hurley** (sister of Sylvia Warner). Dollie was released from the hospital, Tuesday 4/04, but returned to the hospital on Thursday 4/06. Her recent ablation did not work. Her heart rate had gone up to 159, which is very serious. Continued prayers for Dollie, Carolyn, Sylvia, and family would be greatly appreciated.

**Marcy (Wolfe) Hartman** (daughter of Ed & Carolyn Wolfe and wife of Randy Hartman) - Please continue prayers for Marcy and her family. Marcy will be beginning a long journey back to health that starts on May 1st with chemotherapy cancer treatments for 4 months, followed by surgery, and then radiologist. Marcy, Ed & Carolyn thank everyone for your prayers.

**Venus Hurt** (Pat Lentz' sister) and family. Venus has stopped her cancer treatments and is entering Hospice Care. Pat & Dave appreciate your continued prayers.

**Pat Lentz** is doing better every day following her recent surgery. She is very thankful for all the cards, prayers, and calls for her surgery and continued healing.

**Dave Lentz** was recently released from the hospital and is healing at home. Dave & Pat are thankful for your prayers and continued prayers for healing.

**Sherry & Rick Lavy** - Rick's surgical procedure May 1, 2023 at Kettering Hospital, Troy went well. Rick & Sherry and family are thankful for your prayers.

**Pat & Rich McMaken and family.** Pat's recent surgery at Miami Valley Hospital went well and she is healing at home. Rich & Pat are thankful for your prayers for the surgery and would appreciate prayers for healing.

**Grace Miller** (Cindy Miller's mother) - Mom is healing at home from her recent knee replacement surgery. We are thankful for your cards, texts, emails and prayers. Please keep her in your prayers as she heals and gets back on her feet.

**Kathy Miller** - Following her most recent test results, Kathy will begin a new cancer treatment consisting of IV drugs. Please pray for successful results and strength for Kathy as she goes through her treatment. Thank you.

**Jessie Milligan** (daughter of Bonnie Seitz) is awaiting results of a recent outpatient procedure.

**Linda Newman** (Carol Minnich's best friend) recently underwent surgery at South View Hospital. Prayers for a successful surgery and strength for Linda, Carol and the family would be appreciated.

**Robin Reck** (niece of Bill & Jean Bitner) has cancer and needs our prayers.

**Brenda & Reverend David Rusk** - Brenda was born with a liver condition that has recently deteriorated. She is now in liver failure and needs a transplant, that their insurance does not cover. Brenda & David would appreciate your prayers.

**Brooks Smith & family** - Brooks is making progress with his life challenges. He continues to need prayers for guidance and life direction as he moves forward in taking the next steps in his life. Brooks' step-mother is Angie Smith (Wayne and Sharon Marshall's daughter). Brooks' father is Angie's husband, John Smith. The Smiths and the Marshalls greatly appreciate your prayers.

More Prayers.....

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### Continued Prayers:

**Norman & Virginia Wolfe** both recently fell when leaving our church. They are very thankful for all the prayers and well wishes in their healing.

**Sam Woods'** implanted back stimulation device has been scheduled to be adjusted. Sam is thankful for your continued prayers.

**Steve & Donna Wright** were recently thrown from their motorcycle when a deer ran into them. Donna was Careflighted to a hospital with a broken collarbone and head injuries that are very troubling. Steve suffered a broken collarbone and also ribs but was treated and released. They are the maternal grandparents of Aiden Adams (who is a paternal great-grandson of Marilyn Helman). Thank you.

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### Our love, prayers, and sympathy are expressed to:

Martha (sister) & Dean Nevin, Jack Williamson (husband), Brittany (daughter) & Jed Dyer, grandchildren, many family and friends at the death of Pam Williamson, who passed away

Tuesday, April 25, 2023 after a brief battle with cancer. Pam resided in Florida but was originally from Piqua.

A service to honor her life will begin at 10:00 a.m. Friday, May 5, 2023 at the Jamieson & Yannucci Funeral Home with Pastor Mike Yingst officiating. Visitation will be held from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

To read the entire obituary:

<https://www.jamiesonandyannucci.com/obituary/PAMELA-WILLIAMSON>

### Ongoing Prayers:

*(In an effort to keep this continual prayer list active, we ask for your help in sharing prayer updates for your love ones and friends every 30 days.)*

**Kelly, Rick & Scott Alexander** (Mike Alexander's sister, uncle and brother)

**Brenda Baker** (daughter of Norman & Virginia Wolfe)

**Beverly Beckner** (friend of Bernice Davis)

**Dave & Linda Berrett** - Dave is doing better.

Linda needs our prayers for issues due to a medical condition.

**Kim Bridges (Brodrick)** graduated with Melody Richardson (daughter of Mel & Peg Longendelpher)

**Roberta Brock** (relative of Pastor Mike & Belinda)

**Linda Dearth** (sister of Lea Ann Stevens)

**Chad Davis, Courtney & their baby boy**

(great-grandson of Bernice Davis)

**Nan Meyer Gibson** (friend of Kay McKinney & Kathy Miller)

**Tyler Lambert** (in the military) (Grandson of Wayne & Sharon Marshall)

**Carol Minnich**

**Larry & Laura Minnich** (Terry Minnich's brother)

**People of Ukraine**

**Dwane & Rose Ann Runyan**

**Mike & Carol Sawyer** (relative of Nancy Mack)

**Ryan Stackhouse** (son of Don & Ann Stackhouse)

**Marie Stanfield** (Carol Minnich's friend)

**Dave Thomas** (Bernice Davis's neighbor)

**Mark & Roz Yantis** (sister of Carol Minnich)

**Sheron Zimmer** (Peggy Zimmer's sister-in-law)

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**Covington Church of the Brethren**  
**Morning Worship Service**

[https://www.covingtoncob.org/  
livestreaming-worship](https://www.covingtoncob.org/livestreaming-worship)

**The Weekly News**

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## A Note of Thanks

Rich and Pat McMaken would like to thank our church family for all the cards, phone calls, and texting for our 65th anniversary. "IT WAS JUST ANOTHER DAY IN PARADISE." Also THANKS for the GET WELL CARDS. I love and appreciate them. ♥

## Looking Ahead

As we celebrated the resurrection of Christ on Easter Sunday, we also entered into the season of Easter. Easter season, also known as Eastertide, is a 50 day period that takes us all the way to the birth of the Church, Pentecost Sunday. Throughout Eastertide, we will continue to be reminded that we truly are Easter people, children of the resurrection!

5-7-23 – John 14:15-21

"The Spirit that Abides"

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## Southern Ohio/Kentucky Board of Disaster Ministry

May 7-13 S. Ohio/KY BDM will be working on tornado recovery in Dawson Springs, KY. There are openings for three volunteers on this crew. Help bring hope to disaster survivors! To volunteer, call/text Burt Wolf at 937-287-5902.

### Please Note:

If you have any Repair & Maintenance concerns for the church please contact one of the following people:

#### Trustees

Carolyn Wolfe  
Home# (937) 526-4852  
Cell# (937) 418-3034

Mel Longendelpher  
Home# (937) 753-1198  
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Terry Minnich  
Home# (937) 473-5183

## Mid-Week Reflection

Please join us for Pastor Mike's weekly morning website video (e-mailed Thursday's at 9:00 a.m.). It will generally take 12 minutes or less to watch.

**The Southern Ohio District Office** encourages us to be in prayer this week for Beaver Creek Church of the Brethren.

**To Receive Prayer and Church Message** via Text Message to your cell phone, please contact covingtoncob@gmail.com or call Cindy at (937) 448-0100. Thank you, Cindy (*This is very simple to set up and you will receive the messages as soon as posted.*)

## To Share Prayer Updates:

Please contact Cindy at (937) 448-0100 or e-mail covingtoncob@gmail.com. Thank you.



## Thank you so much for thinking of me for Administrative Professionals Day!

The many unexpected heartfelt messages I received from beautiful cards in the mail, texts, e-mails, phone calls and gifts were so much appreciated! At this time in my life, these caring messages have meant even more to me than you may know.

I have been blessed to work at Covington Church of the Brethren for more than 24 years and hopefully several more years to come.

God bless you all, Cindy ♥

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## Mother's Day Announcements 2023

Sunday, May 14th is Mother's Day, the day set aside to honor our Mothers, Grandmothers, Aunts, Sisters, Neighbor, Teacher...someone who has cared for those around them even if they don't have the title "Mom".

We will again this year be sharing the pictures of Mothers and other special people who have touched our lives. If you didn't submit a picture last year but want to be a part of the special album, please give the picture to Charlie no later than Sunday, May 7th. Picture should include name and names of children or your relationship to the honored person.

We thank God for our Mothers...the advice, the wisdom, the unselfishness, and many other things but especially their love. On this upcoming Mother's Day, you are invited to be part of the service by sharing a tribute to her. Thank you Mother for \_\_\_\_\_.  
Or Thank you Grandma for \_\_\_\_\_. Thank you for something funny that happened, Thank you for preparing my favorite meal. Thank you for teaching me to \_\_\_\_\_. Whatever you would like to share!

Sharing the Love! A meal is one of the most special, yet simple ways to spend time with those you love. And family and food are two concepts that have gone together since the beginning of time. Eating at home there are many favorite meals ....meals made with love whether it be prepared by Mother or Father, Grandma or Aunt Jane.

Let's make a cookbook of our favorite family recipes...Let's Share the Love! Please give me a maximum of 5 recipes by Mother's Day. See me for the index cards to put the recipes on...they will then be copied and placed in a book to hopefully have completed by Father's Day. Thank you all for once again making Mother's Day and Father's Day very special days .....Sharing the Love! Kay McKinney

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### Honoring 2023 Graduates

Plans are underway for recognizing Graduates in upcoming newsletters. The church office would like your help in acknowledging high school and college graduates for 2023. If you have a student/s that you would like recognized, please send graduate details and a photo to covingtoncob@gmail.com or snail mail to Covington Church of the Brethren, Box 206, Covington, OH 45318. If you have questions, please contact Cindy @ (937) 448-0100. Thank you!



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## Covington Church of the Brethren Scholarship Award

This annual award is known as the Church of the Brethren Scholarship Fund (formerly known as the Fern Frey Scholarship Fund).

This award is awarded each year to a student(s) who actively attend the Covington Church of the Brethren and is a member of the current graduating class or an enrollee in advanced education.

To be eligible a person must apply to the Finance Committee by June 30, 2023. The person must be enrolled in or in the process of enrolling in college, technical school or must be pursuing a career in a full-time adult vocational program.

Applications will be reviewed by Finance Committee. The Finance Committee has the right to decide on the number and amount of the award on an annual basis.

If you would like to support the scholarship fund, donations can be made at the church office.

Scholarship applications are available by contacting the church office @ 473-2415 or e-mail: covingtoncob@gmail.com

## Lets's Share.....

The Bethany Center in Piqua could use some donations of food items. All Miami County residents can be served by this agency. Director Shawn says they always need non-perishable food items and would greatly appreciate donations. He said canned tuna, canned vegetables and canned soups are especially needed, as well as pasta items. The center also needs plastic grocery sacks.

Our Witness Commission will have collection boxes located at entrance to the church building. Donated items will be taken to Bethany Center periodically.

If you have questions, please call Dean Nevin at (937) 615-6650



## Birthdays

05/04 Sami Angle  
05/04 Joel Lavy  
05/04 Jean Bitner  
05/04 Elizabeth Nevin  
05/05 Diana Heath  
05/14 Nick Kraus  
05/14 Melanie Batdorf  
05/16 Deborah Ganger  
05/20 Elaine Kraus  
05/28 Andy Angle  
05/28 Robbin Adams  
05/31 Rex Adams



## "Pet Friendly Prayer Chain"

Please call:

Office# (937) 473-2415

Cindy's Cell# (937) 448-0100

E-mail covingtoncob@gmail.com

When life gets overwhelming, I like to take  
"One Step at a Time."



# Words that accompany Heart

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 BROKEN  
 CHEERFUL  
 DECEITFUL  
 BELIEVING

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