

Covington Church of the Brethren Weekly News

Friday, September 26, 2025

UPCOMING EVENTS

Covington Church of the Brethren

- 9/26-27/25 District Conference @
Oakland COB
- 10/03/2025 Seniors' Alive Event
11:00 a.m.
Church Lower Level
(please reserve your seat
by 09/30)
- 10/05/2025 World Wide Communion
- 10/05/2025 Lower Level Reserved
12:30 p.m.
- 10/06-10/10 Cindy on vacation
- 10/15/2025 Men's Prayer Breakfast
8:00 a.m at Buffalo Jack's
- 10/15/2025 Church Board Meeting
4:30 p.m. - Church Library
- 10/19/2025 Welcome/Back
Homecoming Carry-in Dinner
- 10/20-11/02 Pastor Mike on vacation
- 11/02/2025 Daylight Savings Time Ends
- 11/08/2025 Apple Dumpling & Noodle
Event
- 11/09/2025 Congregational Bus. Mtg.
- 11/17-11/21 Cindy on vacation

New Sign Board Update

We are half way through being able to purchase our new sign board with having donations so far in the amount of \$5,580.00 as of September 21, 2025. The Church Board and Trustees thank you and appreciate your support. Please continue to donate to the church New Sign Board project. Every little bit helps.

Lets's Eat Together...

Sunday, October 19

Welcome Back/Homecoming

Carry-in Dinner

(right after church)

No Sunday School

Please bring a Dish

Lee's Chicken

Drink &

Table Service

will be provided

Presented by your Deacons

Hope to see you all! ❤️

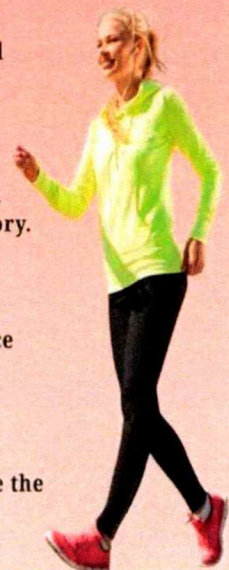
BENEFITS OF WALKING

75 minutes a week can add
up to 2 years to your life.

40 minutes 3 times a week
protects the brain's memory.

30 minutes a day can reduce
depression by 36%.

60 minutes a day can halve the
risk of obesity.



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Please call/text Cindy @ (937) 448-0100 to ask for prayer requests to be sent. Text or e-mail is also appreciated. Unless it's an emergency, prayer chain messages (e-mail, text and One-Call) are sent starting at 9 a.m. and not later than 8 p.m. each day.

We are thankful for everyone's thoughts and prayers for church family and friends.

Request Form:

Dear Church Family & Visitors:

If you would like us to send out a Prayer Chain Message, a Pet-Friendly Prayer Chain Message, Speak to our Pastor, Need a Pastoral Visit, or would like to receive the Weekly News, "Request Forms" are available at each entrance to the church. Please fill one out and put it in one of the offering boxes at each entrance to the Sanctuary. You can also e-mail: covingtoncob@gmail.com or call/text Cindy @ (937) 448-0100. Thank you!

"Checking-In" w/ Pastor Mike

Please join us on-line every Thursday morning for our 12-15 minute website video. Pastor Mike briefly reflects on the many ways scripture shines the light of Christ on our day-to-day living. (e-mailed Thursday mornings by 9:00 a.m.) Thank you!



Upcoming Birthdays

09/27 Becky Mullen
09/29 Steve Batdorf
09/30 Bonnie Pura
10/08 Cindy Miller
10/10 Ada Fraley
10/11 Cassidy Wood
10/13 Dan Cain
10/22 Phyllis Rapp
10/23 Charlie Nickel
10/27 Erin Gibson
10/31 Hailey Yingst
10/31 Sydney Goodgame

*Updated Proposed Ballots

are available at each entrance to the Sanctuary.

The Men's Prayer Breakfast will be held Wednesday, October 15, 2025 at 8:00 a.m. at Buffalo Jack's.

A Note from the Church Office:

I will be on vacation October 6-10th, but will continue to take prayer calls. Thank you,

Cindy

Church Trustee Notice:

If you have any Repair & Maintenance concerns for the church, please contact Carolyn Wolfe
Home# (937) 526-4852
Cell# (937) 418-3034

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Covington COB Daily/Extended Prayer List *(updates are appreciated)*

Danielle Alexander and her family -Danielle and her National Guard Unit have been called to Washington D.C. for additional security needs. Prayers for their safety would be appreciated. Thank you

Southern Ohio District Interim DE, Nick Beam has been released from the hospital. Nick and his family are thankful for your thoughts and prayers. His medical leave has been extended to September 29th. Your continued prayers would be appreciated.

Bob & Denise Boyer -Bob is dealing with very serious shoulder issues.

Larry & Judy Clouse and family - Larry's recent biopsy results show that Larry has cancer on his left liver His doctor wants to keep an eye on it for now rather than treating it. Larry & Judy are thankful for your continued prayers.

Bernice Davis' Florida home was left uninhabitable by Hurricane Milton's flooding and needs to be completely restored. Bernice has also been diagnosed with a cancerous tumor in one lung. She appreciates our prayers for healing from the cancer and for the restoration of her Florida home *(Bernice is back home in Covington, now. Her health has recovered and she is doing well. Repairs to her Florida home are coming along well also.)*

Jay Davis, (Bernice Davis' son) who lives in Piqua, needs our prayers after being in a recent accident.

*Red Hearts Indicate
New or Updated Prayer
Messages*



Esther Fields and family - Thank you to everyone for the beautiful get well cards for my foot surgery. They have meant so much to me. Continued prayers would be appreciated as I will need to be off my feet for the next 6-8 weeks to allow my foot to heal. *(If you would like to stop and visit with me, it would be a good idea to call me first to give me a chance to move our dogs to another area. I'm afraid of falling if they are running free in the room when I try to open the door.)* Thank you!

Ron Hyden's shoulder surgery at Upper Valley Medical Center, June 10th was successful. He returned home the same day to begin his recovery. Ron and his family are thankful for your prayers for the surgery and would appreciate continued prayers for healing.

Jane & Terry Lavy (Charlene Ingle's sister) and their family - Jane's cancer has spread to her spine and hips. Please continue prayers.

Tyler Lambert (grandson of Wayne & Sharon Marshall) Prayers for Tyler's safety would be very much appreciated. He is in the navy and is stationed at Pearl Harbor.

Tori Lamrouex (Sylvia Warner's niece). Tori recently fell and broke her ankle. Through testing the doctors found that she has MS. She is currently undergoing physical therapy for her broken ankle, and will soon be undergoing further MS testing. Tori and family appreciate your prayers.

♥ **Derrick & Shannon McCuistion and family.**
Derrick is home from the hospital. He has a very long road to recovery ahead. Many continued prayers are needed. (Shannon is Jerry & Vicki Longendelpher's daughter). Thank you.

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Larry Minnich & Laura Minnich & Family - (Terry Minnich's brother) has been released from the nursing home. He is home and continuing to recover. Carol & Terry Minnich are thankful for your prayers.

♥ **Angie (Shroyer) Smith** (daughter of Patsy Weyant). "Prayer warriors! God and our prayers are working for Angie. She has returned to the rehab center to continue with her rehab. Praise God!.." (*Patsy and her family are very thankful for your continued prayers.*)

John Smith (son-in-law of Wayne & Sharon Marshall and husband of their daughter, Angie) John Smith's recent surgery went well and he is healing at home. He will need to undergo further surgery later in the year. Wayne & Sharon Marshall, and Angie are very glad he is feeling better and are thankful for your prayers.

♥ **Cheyenne** (Jordan Wolfe's fiancée) - Cheyenne is continuing her chemo and is getting ready to go into a series of weekly chemo. Carolyn & Ed Wolfe, and their family, are thankful for your continued prayers. (Jordan is Ed & Carolyn's grandson)

♥ **Jeremy Ward** (Ed & Carolyn Wolfe's son-in-law) is at home on crutches while he recovers, and would appreciate your prayers.

Steve Winemiller (Pat McMaken's nephew) and family. Steve is showing gradual improvement and is now recuperating in Shelby Care Center in Sidney. Pat & Rich and family are thankful for your prayers.

♥ **Marlene Wintrow & William Seipel** were driving separate cars and were recently involved in a fatal accident. William was killed, Marlene was severely injured. Prayers for both families would be appreciated.

Richard and (wife) Lesley (Porter) Young and family. Richard is home now. Continued prayers would be appreciated. (Lesley is the daughter of the late Ray and Dorothy Porter.)

Ongoing Prayer List

Prayer updates would be appreciated

Roberta Brock (*Pastor Mike & Belinda's relative*)
Christina Clark (*Mother of Michelle Alexander's boyfriend Evan Clark*)

Caitlin Cain Conner

(*daughter of Marc & Aimee Cain and niece of Dan, Bonnie, Lonnie and Stacie*)

Linda Dearth (*Lea Ann Stevens's sister*)

Linda Newman (*Carol Minnich's friend*)

People of Ukraine

Robin Reck

Brenda & Reverend David Rusk

Mike & Carol Sawyer (*Nancy Mack's relatives*)

Brooks Smith & Family

Virginia & Norman Wolfe

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

People of Israel & Palestine

Southern Ohio District Office encourages us to be in prayer for SOD District Conference Church of the Brethren & Beechgrove Church of the Brethren.

Every day holds something to be thankful for, even it's just the air you breathe or the sun on your face.

Gratitude doesn't have to be grand--it's in the little moments that make life beautiful. Embrace those moments, and you'll find endless reasons to feel blessed. ♥

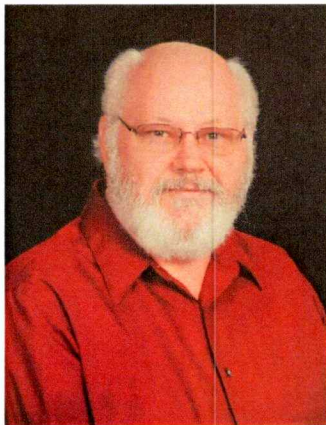
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Louie Kiesewetter

Our love, prayers, and sympathy are expressed to Tom & Becky Mullen and family at the death of Becky's father, Louie Kiesewetter, who passed away September 23, 2025.

A private graveside service to honor his life will be held at Forest Hill Cemetery. Funeral arrangements are being provided to the family through the Jamieson & Yannucci Funeral Home. (To read his complete obituary, please visit the link below.)
<https://www.jamiesonandyannucci.com/obituary/LOUIS-KIESEWETTER>



Ted Foster

Our love, prayers and sympathy are expressed to Charlene Foster and family at the death of her husband, Ted Foster, who passed away September 23rd. at Hospice of Dayton.

Visitation will be held from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 18th at the Brookville Church of the Brethren. The second visitation will be held on Sunday, October 19th from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. at the church, followed by a celebration of life service. Interment services will be held at the convenience of the family. To read his complete obituary:
<https://www.gilbert-fellers.com/obituary/TheodoreTed-Foster>

Bethany Center

Helping Those in Need in Miami County
"Food of the Month"

"Cereal"

The food of the month donations are appreciated to cover some of their most needed food items for families who have less. (*Donation boxes are available at our church entrances.*)

More ways we can help those who have less:

*Moving into fall, the Bethany Center would appreciate **Men's socks** for the homeless shelter. (While new socks would be appreciated, used socks that are in good condition would also be appropriate.

***Grocery bags** would also be appreciated

Thank you for helping us support this important Miami County outreach (*including Covington families*).



"Pet Friendly Prayer Chain"

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Cindy's Cell# (937) 448-0100

E-mail covingtoncob@gmail.com



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September 28 - 1 Timothy 6:6-19
“Rethink Happiness”

October 5 – World Communion Sunday
Luke 17:5-10
“The Power of the Faith You Have”
We will celebrate Holy Communion during worship.

October 12 – Luke 17:11-19
“Found Along the Way”

October 19 – Acts 6:1-7
“Full of Spirit and Wisdom”
We will commission our Deacons during worship
and will commission a Deacon Emeritus.
“Come Back to Homecoming” Carry-In Dinner
following worship on the lower level.
(No Sunday School)

October 26 –Guest Preacher: Dan Leistner
Pastor Mike is on vacation.

November 2 – Guest Preacher: Rev. Pam Hitchcock
Pastor Mike is on vacation.

Brethren
Retirement
Community



Presented by:

**BANKING
CENTERS**

A FISTFUL OF HOLLERS



WHODUNNIT

MURDER MYSTERY DINNER

**Something suspicious is stirring in the wild west...
and you're invited to be part of the action!**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 6:00PM

Held at Eagles Landing Farm & Venue, 4062 St. Rt. 571 West, Greenville OH

WHY WE'RE DOING THIS:

All proceeds support the Resident Aid Fund and Wish List, funding things that directly improve daily life for the people we serve at BRC.

This year's main goal: A Tovertafel Table

An immersive, interactive game system designed to bring joy, movement, and mental stimulation to residents living with dementia. (Price tag: \$15,000)

Other wish list needs include:

- A patio awning for Mill Ridge Village
- Restocking the fishing pond
- Therapy: Reaction Time Tester
- Activities Christmas Bash & Portable Entertainment Stations

Together, we can turn these "wishes" into realities.

The WhoDunnit Dinner depends on the generosity of friends like you. This year, we're sharing our Wish List early and inviting donations ahead of time so we can be fully prepared. Think of it as getting a head start on making this event a success!"

Howdy, partner

Grab your hat, shine your boots, and join us for a rip-roarin' night of western-style food, fun, and "whodunnit" mayhem. The quick-draw actors from Jest Murder Mystery Co. will keep you guessin' while you dig into a hearty cowboy feast cooked up by Mike James. This here's an interactive show, so don't be shocked if you find yourself finger-pointed as a no-good outlaw or roped into helpin' solve the crime. Between belly laughs and big bites, you could walk away with raffle prizes worth more whoopin' and hollerin' than a cattle stampede—all while supporting the Resident Aid Fund at Brethren Retirement Community and making a difference for our residents.

**Dinner
Tickets are
\$60 each
2 for \$100
or
Wrangle
your crew
for a cause!**

**Reserve a table of 8 for
\$400, and enjoy the show
together with proceeds
benefiting the
Resident Aid Fund
at BRC.**

**Themed
Attire
Welcome**

Animal Noises

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