

MEMO ANNOUNCEMENT

Welcome to our bi-monthly newsletter, Issue 1.

For **2026**, please send all MEMO submissions to me directly by or before the following dates:

Issue 2: February 24 deadline (for March 1 release)

Issue 3: April 28 deadline (for May 1 release)

Issue 4: July 3 deadline (for July 1 release, including Annual Conference Fort Wayne Wrap-Up)

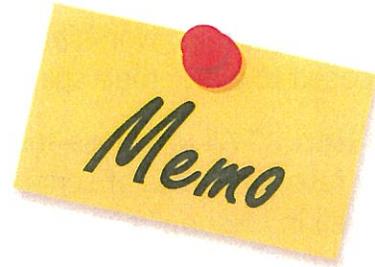
Issue 5: August 25 deadline (for September 1 release)

Issue 6: October 27 deadline (for November 1 release)

Send electronic submissions to westmarvade@gmail.com, call or text 540-742-2457, or send mail correspondence to the District Office at 384 Dennett Rd, Oakland MD 21550

Include anything you'd like the district churches to know about, learn about, pray about, support, copy, or otherwise enjoy!

- ✓ **service times, special occasions/events, fundraisers,**
- ✓ **prayers/poems/devotionals/liturgies/responsive readings,**
- ✓ **book/study recommendations,**
- ✓ **church or pastor anniversaries/homecomings/milestones,**
- ✓ **favorite potluck recipes,**
- ✓ **updated website, social media, or contact information**
- ✓ **obituary links or other remembrances of recently departed friends, and**
- ✓ **anything else that would be wonderful to share with your district brothers and sisters.**



LETTER FROM THE DE'S DESK

2026 Theme Verse Colossians 2:6-7

"Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving." – Colossians 2:6-7

This is the verse you see written at the top of the marker board at the District Office now. I see it first when I turn on the light. I'll pray over it when I create my task list and priorities for my office days. It's highlighted in my Bible and in my Bible app to help me commit it to memory.

Let's talk about it!

"Therefore..." Always ask, as my seminary professor Paul Overland taught me, "What is the 'therefore' there for?" These verse are on the heels of Paul giving the church encouragement to avoid

being deceived with persuasive arguments. He later explains specifically a dangerous heresy floating around, that Jesus by Himself was insufficient for full salvation, and that they should also add to His work by keeping rituals, worshiping angels, forcing circumcision, and other manmade activities that were supposed to aid in their spirituality.

“Walk in Him...” All of Colossians focuses on the supremacy of Christ alone as the means of all life. One of my favorite verses of scripture is Colossians 1:19, “For God was pleased to have all His fullness dwell in [Jesus],” making clear that everything God is is imbued into Jesus, that Jesus is the embodiment of God, that Jesus holds every characteristic and attribute of God, and is “Emmanuel” – God with or among us.

“Rooted and built up in Him...” I’m a gardener. I feed my soil so my plants will grow. I make sure I have lots of nitrogen for leaf production, and potassium and phosphorus for rooting and fruiting. Likewise, we must prepare and feed our own spiritual soil so that the image of Christ can grow within us, that we will develop a greater and greater capacity to operate in His Holy Spirit, to cling to His salvation, to believe Him in our prayers, and to apply His teaching to our lives.

“Established in the faith...” This is essential so that we are not “tossed to and fro by every wind of doctrine” as the early church was warned (Ephesians 4:14). Paul’s concern about the Christians in Colossae and Laodicea was that new and dangerous teaching was emerging that disempowered and decentralized Christ, and sought to replace His supremacy as the Head of the Body with man’s desires and ideas. In an age where even the worst ideas are tolerated and people have redefined “truth” to be entirely hyper-individualized, subjective, and unprovable, it is essential that the Body of Christ today protect His headship, learn and teach correct doctrine, and remain steadfast in our calling to be His disciples and submit to His authority.

“Just as you were taught...” The foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ as chief cornerstone, is still the same foundation on which God continues to build His Church with us as living stones, standing on the shoulders of the good teachers who instructed us.

“Overflowing with gratitude...” Grateful for Jesus, grateful for a firm foundation for our faith, grateful for the gathered Believers who give us encouragement, correction, hospitality, and spur us on to love and good works, grateful for the promise of His return, grateful for His presence, power, and peace daily, grateful that in Him, we live, and move, and have our being (Acts 17:28). – Leah J

NEWS AROUND THE OFFICE

LEAH SCHEDULING CHURCH VISITS FOR 2026: I will be concluding my service as quarter-time pastor at Robinson Church of the Brethren on Easter Sunday, with the goal of relocating to be closer to all of you. That will give me much more openness and flexibility for church visits, pulpit supply, concerts, milestones, and revival meetings in the second half of the year. Text/Call or Email to get me on your calendars. 540-742-2457, westmarvade@gmail.com.

OFFICE VOLUNTEER DAY: Rescheduled for **Tuesday, January 20, 11am -2pm**, I am in need of 2-3 volunteers to help with some office organization and decluttering. Lunch will be provided.

DIRECTORY UPDATES: All updates are due **NOW** for the 2026 West Marva Directory.

Please look over the current one and be sure we have ***ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:***

-Current Pastor or Pulpit Supply (If vacant, please include the name of a congregational contact) *and the spouse's name.*

-BOTH Physical Address (for GPS) *and* Mailing Address (if different)

-Email *and* Phone Number(s) for both Pastor/Pulpit Supply *and* the Congregation/Church Contact.

-Worship Times *and* Sunday School (and include any midweek Prayer Meeting, Bible Study, or Youth Group gatherings as well)

Does your church have a directory? We'd love to have a copy at the district office! Email a digital version to westmarvade@gmail.com or send a paper copy to West Marva District, 384 Dennett Rd, Oakland MD 21550.

RED BRETHREN HYMNALS: Moorefield has donated surplus Red Brethren Hymnals (1951, reprinted 1968) that are available to any church who would like to borrow or keep them. Pickup at the District Office on Tuesdays, or delivery can be arranged. These can be used for home Bible study or worship, to replace damaged copies, for camp/retreat/revival gatherings, for outdoor worship services.

NEWS AROUND THE DISTRICT

SOUTH MILL CREEK: Enjoyed "The Mozer Hillbillies" for Christmas, with over 60 in attendance. Children who participated either have no church of their own or attend others; it was a true community event.



LICENSING ANNOUNCEMENTS: We congratulate David Moore from



Glady on his formal licensing. He has also completed all education requirements through West Marva Ministry Training Program, and pending an interview with Ministerial Leadership Team, will be eligible for ordination. We also celebrate the upcoming licensing of DJ Taylor at Walnut Grove, who is completing his continuing education through WMMTP. DJ's licensing will be held Sunday, January 18 at 11am at Walnut Grove in Moorefield.

BRETHREN DISASTER MINISTRIES: The West Marva BDM will have a week of volunteering for the week of **March 15-21 2026**. The destination is yet to be determined (Tennessee, North Carolina or eastern Kentucky). The destination will be announced in January. I want to put this out,

with the destination TBA, so you can make arrangements and put this on your schedule. We are looking for 8-10 volunteers for this mission.

West Marva had the district trailer stenciled with the West Marva District COB logo.

West Marva BDM is very active in the ongoing needs from the Westernport flooding that occurred last May. Denny Skeweris is a member of the Long-Term Recovery Group (LTRG) in Westernport. He is also the chair of the Unmet Needs committee for the survivors. The group is working closely with the MD VOAD (Voluntary Organization Active in Disasters). To volunteer or for more information, please feel free to contact me. Be@Peace Denny denskew@gmail.com 301-616-0013



NEW BOARD MEMBERS APPROVED: Our 2025 District Conference Delegates approved the slate presented by Spiritual Gifts Discernment Team. Welcome all new and returning Board Members for 2026! Joining us are Moderator-Elect Burl Charlton (Bean Settlement), Mission/Evangelism Team Member David Moore (Glady), Spiritual Growth Team Member Sue Alt (South Mill Creek), Ministerial Leadership Team Members Bob Combs (Hanging Rock) and Allie Crowe (Westernport). Stephen Lowe (Morgantown) has been called to represent us at the West Virginia Council of Churches.



WEST MARVA MINISTRY TRAINING PROGRAM: West Marva Ministry Training Program

Submitted By: Dr. Allie Crowe

Are you discerning a calling on your heart into an area of ministry? Do you want to grow more in your theological knowledge and understanding? Are you looking for a group of folks to study with and learn from? You may be looking for a way to challenge what you think you know. Look no further than the West Marva Ministry Training Program! This 3-year rotational program offers classes including Brethren History and Practice, Old and New Testament, Mission and Evangelism, Preaching and Pastoral Care, and more. The final class of the current tuition year is on March 21, 2026. This class, Mission and Witness, will be taught by Carl Fike.

Students must ensure tuition for the 2026-2027 year is paid by May 15, 2026. The tuition covers four classes and includes a small stipend for educators. Classes are from 9 AM-3 PM (4 PM at the latest). All classes are held at the Westernport Church of the Brethren in Westernport, Maryland. 198 Oakview Drive.

Anyone can audit a class, especially if you are looking for continuing education units. Each class will be half a credit. To count, you are expected to participate and support the students in the program by contributing to the conversation and sharing your subject-matter experience.

I want to encourage churches to identify individuals who may be interested in the three-year program. This does not mean students are looking to be licensed or ordained. Someone may have a calling for a commission to task, a type of leadership specific to their gifts. Maybe someone would like to be a deacon, and this course of study could provide guidance and resources to explore that calling. Someone may want to learn in a new environment for personal growth. This is not about a minister production line; it is about lifelong learning opportunities that help you grow in your relationship with Jesus.

2026 Courses:

Mission and Witness: March 21 (Carl Fike) **End of 2025-2026 Tuition Year**

**Begin 2026-2027 Tuition Year*-Tuition Due May 15, 2026*

Preaching and Worship: May 30 (Allie Crowe and Jennifer Kreighbaum)

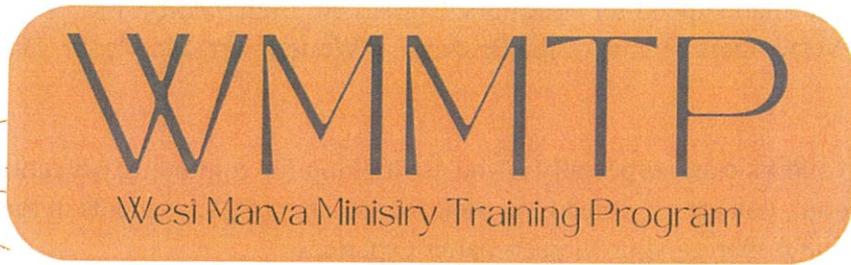
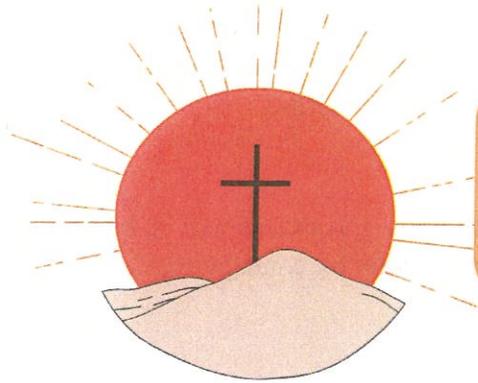
Practical Applications/Brethren Beliefs and Practices Date TBA (Diane May)

Prayer and Spiritual Growth: Date TBA (Leah Hileman)

For any questions, please contact Allie.

allie.crowe.07@gmail.com

608-215-8619



Invoice

- Invoice #A2026
 - Remit Payment: West Marva District Office
- Invoice Date: 3/21/2026
Due Date 5/15/2026
- 384 Dennett Rd
Oakland, MD 21550

May 2026- March. 2027 Fees

Courses

- Preaching and Worship
- Practical Applications/Brethren Belief and Practices
- Prayer and Spiritual Growth
- Christian Faith and Ethics

Note : Please make the payment by the specified due date and include student name

Total

\$75



Dr. Allie Crowe

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE DENOMINATION

Brethren Academy for Ministerial Leadership invites you to register for our upcoming course:

Cultivating an Everyday Faith

Instructor: Joan L Daggett

Dates: January 21-March 17, 2026

Format: 8 Week Online Course

Fee: \$300.00

Registration Deadline Extended

Faith is not limited to Sunday mornings-it is woven into daily life. Cultivating an Everyday Faith invites participants to explore how faith can flourish in homes, congregations, and communities through intentional, intergenerational relationships.

Whether you are enrolled in TRIM, EFSM, seeking CEU credit, or pursuing personal and spiritual enrichment-this course is for you.

Course Highlights:

- Fulfills BHTS requirements for TRIM/EFSM students
- Earn 2.0 CEUs for CEU Participants
- Open to all learners

Please do not purchase course books until confirmation is received from our office.

Register Now <https://bethanyseminary.edu/brethren-academy/brethren-academy-course-listings/brethren-academy-course-registration-annual-trim-payment/>

For questions or more information, feel free to contact us at academy@bethanyseminary.edu or 765-983-1824. We hope you can join us for this opportunity to grow in faith, understanding, and ministry.

In Christ's love,

Candice E. Rolff, Administrative Assistant, Brethren Academy for Ministerial Leadership

ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2026 will be in Fort Wayne, IN from Sunday, June 28 to Thursday, July 2. In 2027 it will convene in Daytona Beach, FL. Note the special dates (for better rates) – Wednesday, July 28 to Sunday, August 1.

Please plan, pray, budget, and prepare to send a delegate to Fort Wayne next summer.

Let's get full participation from our district churches. Any member in good standing may serve as a delegate. Pastors benefit from several continuing education events as well (***consider sending your pastor as a non-delegate!***).

There *is* scholarship money available directly from the Annual Conference office for congregations who need financial assistance. Don't let it be the money that stops you from participating – ***IF IT'S GOD'S WILL, IT'S GOD'S BILL!***

Church of the Brethren
ANNUAL CONFERENCE
 June 28-July 2, 2026

**ANNUAL CONFERENCE FEES AND HOTEL INFORMATION:**

Annual Conference 2026 fees, hotel, and schedule details are announced for Fort Wayne next summer

Registration fees:**Advance registration (March 4-June 7)**

Delegate: \$350

Nondelegates adult-full Conference: \$175

Nondelegates adult-daily: \$55

Post-high school to age 21-full Conference: \$50

Post-high school to age 21-daily: \$20

Current high school and younger: free (age group activity registration fee is additional)

Onsite registration (opens June 27)

Delegate: \$425

Nondelegates adult-full Conference: \$210

Nondelegates adult-daily: \$55

Post-high school to age 21-full Conference: \$50

Post-high school to age 21-daily: \$20

Current high school and younger: free (age group activity registration fee is additional)

Virtual registration (nondelegate only)

Adult (until June 10)-full Conference: \$220

Group/institutional-full Conference: \$500

Hotel information

There are three Conference hotel options this year:

— **The Hilton Fort Wayne** is located at 1020 S. Calhoun St. and is seamlessly connected to the convention center on two floors. Our Annual Conference room rate is \$128 plus tax and fees (15 percent) totaling \$147.20 per night. This room rate is only accessible through the Annual Conference registration process, not by contacting the hotel directly. Complimentary airport shuttle to and from Fort Wayne International Airport.

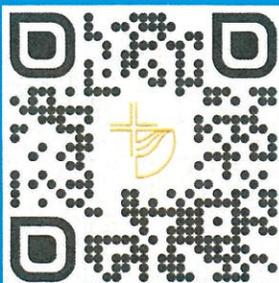
— **The Hampton Inn and Suites** is located at 223 W. Jefferson Blvd. and is directly across the street from the front of the convention center. Our Annual Conference room rate is \$135 plus tax and fees (15 percent) totaling \$155.25 per night. This room rate is only accessible through the Annual Conference registration process, not by contacting the hotel directly. Rate includes a complimentary hot breakfast.

— **The Courtyard by Marriott** is located at 1150 S. Harrison St. and is across the street from the convention center and also connected by two skywalks. Our Annual Conference room rate is \$132 plus tax and fees (15 percent) totaling \$151.80 per night. This room rate is only accessible through the Annual Conference registration process, not by contacting the hotel directly. A discounted daily parking fee of \$8 has been negotiated for Church of the Brethren guests. In-room wi-fi is complimentary for all hotel guests.

— *Rhonda Pittman Gingrich is director of Annual Conference. Debbie Noffsinger is Conference assistant. Find out more about Annual Conference 2026 at www.brethren.org/ac2026*



Scan to give an offering



[www.brethren.org/
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One Great Hour
of Sharing
March 15, 2026



Pentecost
Offering
May 24, 2026



Mission
Offering
September 13, 2026

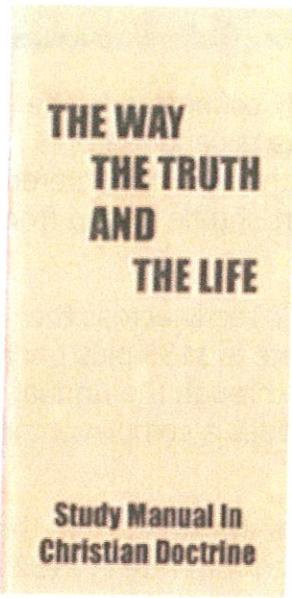


Advent
Offering
December 13, 2026

Update your church's standing orders
at www.brethren.org/offering-survey.



Church of the Brethren



The Return of an Old Friend!

For the last few years, this excellent resource, offering study materials in 13 chapters, has not been available. We learned that Brethren Press was not going to print any more, and our District obtained the necessary permission from Wendy McFadden, Publisher of Brethren Press, to print and distribute a new printing of this item.

Copies will be available at District Conference:

1-9 Copies:.....\$2.00 each.

10-99 Copies:.....\$1.75 each.

100 or more Copies:.....\$1.50 each.

This pocket sized booklet, states traditional Church of the Brethren understandings of New Testament teachings on the following topics of Doctrine (Teachings):

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|--------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| 1. Doctrine of God | 7. Doctrine of the Church | 13. Bible Reading Guidance |
| 2. Doctrine of Christ | 8. Christian Baptism | Additionally, the following other subjects are included: |
| 3. Doctrine of the Holy Spirit | 9. The Love Feast | |
| 4. Doctrine of Man | 10. Christian Ideals | |
| 5. Doctrine of Sin | 11. Christian Discipline | |
| 6. Doctrine of Salvation | 12. Lord, Teach Us to Pray | |

- Bibliography
- The Brethren "Card"

This resource is suitable for Sunday School Classes, Membership Classes, Bible Study Sessions, Personal Growth and Development, and other settings. *Be Creative!*

ALLEGHENY PASSAGE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

Allegheny Passage is the definitive history of the West Marva District that was lovingly written by Dr. Emmert F. Bittinger. It is authoritative as history and genealogy. This 2012 (latest) edition has been priced at \$79.95. New price is only \$40.00. To avoid \$5 Shipping and Handling fee, if ordered by mail, purchase at Conference, the District Office, or the Westernport Church of the Brethren.

Permanent Price Reduction— Now, ONLY \$40.00

Copies are to be available at District Conference for purchase!

Make check payable to West Marva District.





Bridgewater College

2025-2026

Roundtable 2026

February 27 - March 1

What in the world is Roundtable?

To explain a little bit about it, I'll tell the story of my first-ever Roundtable experience. Between living 4 hours away and the pandemic, my opportunities to attend Roundtable while I was in high school were limited. I got to participate in the virtual Roundtable in 2021, but that certainly did not do it justice. So when my friend Ewan asked if I wanted to be a part of IYC, I said, "Why not!"

A short week or two later, I was a "newbie" helping out at Roundtable. I didn't know what to expect, but it was awesome. I think going into that weekend with little knowledge about what Roundtable even is gave me a unique perspective. I got to see all of the hard work that goes into putting on a weekend-long retreat filled with all kinds of activities, workshops, and worship services. At first I was thinking, "What on earth did I get myself into?" But coming away from that weekend, I felt extremely lucky to be a part of IYC, and grateful for the opportunity to attend a conference where people get to make new friends and have a ton of fun, all while worshiping and learning more about God. It comes with the bonus of getting to hang out on Bridgewater's beautiful campus. If you've never attended Roundtable before, I strongly encourage you to attend this year. I'm confident you will love it. ~ Stephen Layton



Roundtable 2026

Get excited for **Roundtable 2026!** This year, Roundtable will be held Feb. 27- March 1 on the campus of Bridgewater College. This year's theme is "Searching for

Connection: to God & Beyond." The speaker will be Keyon Williamson. He spoke at the 2025 National Junior High Conference and will be a speaker at the 2026 National Youth Conference. He is a student at Duke University Divinity School.

Roundtable Regional Youth Conference is a weekend filled with fun, fellowship, workshops, worship,

connections, small groups, vespers, games, a variety show, and much more! Sign up for Roundtable to join in on this fun! Registration will open up in December 2025. Mark your calendars for February 27-March 1, 2026, and register soon!



Roundtable Offering

This year's offering will go towards **Vine and Fig**, a Harrisonburg-based nonprofit that supports projects that focus on social justice and ecological healing. Their current projects include sustainable farming, providing fresh locally-grown food for food banks, conservation education, and providing households with solar power. Donations to Vine and Fig will stay in the local community and go towards making the Shenandoah Valley a cleaner, more affordable, and more sustainable place to live. Vine and Fig is part of New Community Project.



A Roundtable Shift

There will be something different in store for us this year at Roundtable 2026. We will be joined by some local Mennonite youth. We have been participating in some joint Brethren/Mennonite youth activities locally and are now expanding that to Roundtable this year. We are excited for the opportunity to learn from and share with our Mennonite friends. Invite your Brethren (or Mennonite) friends and other Brethren churches to join us at Roundtable.

← Register online for Roundtable
← using this QR code

National Youth Conference

What's the 2nd biggest youth event of 2026 (after Roundtable, of course)? It's National Youth Conference, which is held only every 4 years. NYC 2026 will be **July 18-23 at the YMCA of the Rockies in Estes Park, Colorado**. It's a week of fun, worship, learning, music, workshops, small groups, activities, recreation, hiking, serving, and then, more fun!!! This year, as always, there's an impressive cast of speakers, and all the worships and activities are geared just for youth. The theme for the week is **Light Within Us**; "you're here to be light, bringing out the God-colors in the world" (Matthew 5.14). This is a can't-miss opportunity, so go to brethren.org/nyc/ to find out all the details about all the fun and to register, which opens January 5. The location for NYC 2026 is an exciting new/old location. NYC was previously held at the YMCA of the Rockies and is a beautiful location in the mountains with lots of exciting recreation options.



Roundtable is a great opportunity to prepare for NYC, as we grow together, as we hang out with new and old friends who will also be at NYC, and as we hear and connect with one of the NYC speakers (Keyon Williamson). You'll be even more excited and ready for NYC after a great weekend at Roundtable.



Want to hear more about Roundtable, IYC, and more? Check us out on Facebook and Instagram! We also have a website for Roundtable info, updates, and registration, as well as an email address.

Instagram: @interdistrictyouthcabinet

Facebook: Interdistrict Youth Cabinet

Website: <http://iycroundtable.wixsite.com/iycbc>

Email us at iycroundtable@gmail.com



*Continuing the Work of Jesus
Peacefully. Simply. Together.*

ROUNDTABLE 2026 SCHEDULE

FRIDAY

- 6:30pm Registration Opens, Funkhouser
- 8:15 Opening Worship, Boitnott Room
- Friday Night Fun & Snack, Funkhouser
- 10:30 Connections, Funkhouser
- Advisor Meeting, Funkhouser
- Social Time, Funkhouser
- 12:00 Quiet Time & Lights Out

SATURDAY

- 7:00am Rise and Shine
- 7:15 Morning Watch, Aerobics Room
- 7:30 Breakfast, KCC Dining Hall
- 8:45 Morning Worship, Boitnott Room
- 10:00 Group Picture, Bowman Hall
- 10:15 Small Groups
- 11:00 Morning Workshops
- 12:00pm Lunch
- Variety Show signup/check-in
- 1:15 Afternoon Workshops
- 2:15 Recreation / Free time
- 3:45 Afternoon Worship, Boitnott Room
- 5:00 Small Groups
- 5:45 Supper
- 6:45 Advisor Meeting
- 7:30 Evening Program/Variety Show
- 9:30 Vespers
- 10:45 Snack / Social Time
- 11:45 Quiet Time & Lights Out

SUNDAY

- 7:30am Rise and Shine / Pack up
- 7:45 Morning Watch
- 8:00 Breakfast - Funkhouser
- 9:00 Small Groups
- 10:00 Closing Worship, Boitnott Room

God Bless and Drive Safely!

INTRODUCING THE SPEAKER!!

KEYON

WILLIAMSON

Keyon Williamson is a traveling preacher, licensed minister, writer, and student at Duke University Divinity School, where he is currently pursuing a Master of Divinity degree with a focus on preaching.

He has been blessed to travel across the United States preaching and sharing the gospel, with a heart for encouraging young adults and youth in their faith. Keyon previously served on the pastoral and ministerial teams at Southeastern University and The Worship Center Orlando. He also helped launch a young adult worship night in Florida, creating space for his generation to gather in prayer, worship, and community.

Keyon writes *Seen and Saved*, a Substack blog exploring life, faith, and culture from a Gen Z Christian perspective. He was a speaker at National Junior High Conference 2025 and will be a speaker at National Youth Conference 2026.



NOTES FOR THE WEEKEND

Advisor Notice! Each youth should have an advisor at Roundtable who is responsible for them over the weekend, whether from their own church or they find an advisor from another church who is willing to serve in this role. We strongly suggest that all advisors attend the Advisor Meeting and assist Interdistrict Youth Cabinet members in maintaining the conduct of the participants.

Advisors (and all adults) Notice #2: in order to comply with state law regarding contact with minors, you are required to have a background check, watch some videos, and sign a form. Details will be sent to you upon your registration.

Things to Bring: Bible, sleeping bag, pillow, clothes, towel, and toiletries.

Note: You will be sleeping on the floor in the Funkhouser gym.

REGISTRATION

Please complete a separate registration form (enclosed in this brochure) for each person attending Roundtable, or register online at iycroundtable.wixsite.com/iycbc

You can also reach online registration via this QR code.

Registration is limited to mature 9th - 12th graders and advisors.



If there are any questions about Roundtable or registration, please send an e-mail to iycroundtable@gmail.com

WORKSHOPS

Information on workshops will be available online at iycroundtable.wixsite.com/iycbc in early January.

Registrations done before workshop info is available will receive an email once they are available online, with instructions on how to sign up for workshops. Once workshops are available, all of registration (workshop signup included) will be done online.

Workshops do often fill up, so the sooner you register, the better chance you will have of getting your first choice.

OFFERING PROJECT

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and go towards making the Shenandoah Valley a cleaner, more affordable, and more sustainable place to live. Vine and Fig is part of New Community Project.

VARIETY SHOW

Roundtable offers you a chance to show what you are good at: songs, skits, and pretty much anything appropriate for the audience. We will check content at a mandatory organizational meeting, so prepare something ahead of time and help us have some fun!

BRETHREN & MENNONITE!!!

Roundtable has been a Brethren youth conference since 1944. This year, we are excited that Roundtable will be a cooperative venture between regional Brethren youth and local Mennonite youth.

DIRECTIONS

To Funkhouser Center: from I-81, take exit 240 (Mt Crawford/Bridgewater). Go west on 257, crossing Route 11, then into Bridgewater. Turn left onto College View Drive, just before the college walls. The Funkhouser Center is on that corner.

REFUNDS

Refunds will be granted upon request (less \$10) if the request is made by April 1, 2026

REGISTRATION TIME/PLACE

Friday - 6:30-9:00 pm, Funkhouser Center
Saturday - 8:00-9:00 am, Funkhouser
Sunday - 9:15-10:00 am, Cole Hall

ROUNDTABLE PLANNERS

The Roundtable Planners/Interdistrict Youth Cabinet is a group of Bridgewater College students that meet weekly to plan Roundtable. They are fun-loving, goofy group that loves Christ and is excited to worship and grow with all the youth at Roundtable!



Georgia Jordan Stephen Steve
Metz Hall Layton Spire

More information about Roundtable at:
iycroundtable.wixsite.com/iycbc



ROUNDTABLE 2026

Brethren/Mennonite Youth Conference

BRIDGEWATER COLLEGE

Bridgewater, Virginia

February 27 – March 1,
2026

featuring:

Keyon Williamson

Roundtable 2026 REGISTRATION

Name _____ Sex () Male () Female () Youth () Advisor
 (please print) First Last

Email Address: _____

Street address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Personal or Home Phone: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Relation: _____

Emergency phone number: (_____) _____

Local Congregation: _____ District: _____

If youth: my Birth Date: ____/____/____ Year graduating High School: _____

my Advisor at Roundtable: _____

() I will need special services (interpreter, dietary, etc.)
 Please indicate service _____

() I will participate in the Variety Show (continued below)

Type of act: _____ Description of act: _____
(Acts will be checked for content at the Variety Show Meeting. If you are singing, you must provide a copy of the lyrics.)

Workshops (available online at yroundtable.wixsite.com/lycbe in early January):

Please indicate your first, second and third choices by their number on the brochure.

Morning:

Afternoon:

- First Choice _____ First Choice _____
 Second Choice _____ Second Choice _____
 Third Choice _____ Third Choice _____

Please read the following statement carefully. You MUST sign this to attend Roundtable.

- While at Roundtable, I recognize that I am a guest. I will act in a manner fitting a mature Christian.
 1) I will treat all property with respect and will follow all rules of Bridgewater College.
 2) I will remain on campus, except with the permission of IYC.
 3) I will attend all workshops, except with the permission of IYC.
 4) I will refrain from the use of alcohol, drugs, tobacco, and vaping products.
 5) I will respect the desire of others to get a good night's sleep.
 6) I will refrain from the use of all electronic devices during all workshops, workshops, and small groups, except as needed to take notes, read scripture, or as otherwise directed.

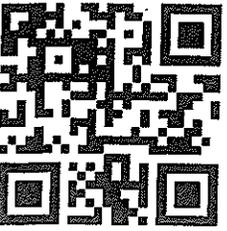
My signature implies that I have read the above statements and agree to abide by them for the duration of Roundtable. It also allows IYC to use my likeness for publicity purposes.

signed _____

Participant _____

DON'T FORGET THE BACK!!!
 Registrations postmarked after **February 15**
 or received on site will cost \$10 more

← Or, you can use this QR code to
 go to online registration.



REGISTRATION FEE (insurance included) \$ _____
 Registration for entire weekend (t-shirt included) \$45
 or
 Friday registration \$12
 Saturday registration \$19
 Sunday registration \$12
 t-shirt cost (if not registering for entire weekend) \$11

ROUNDTABLE T-SHIRT
 Size: XS ___ S ___ M ___ L ___ XL ___ XXL ___

MEALS (select either plan A or B) \$ _____

A. Package Plan (includes 4 meals: Saturday Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner; Sun. Breakfast) \$30
 B. Separate Meal Plan (check wanted meals)
 Sat Breakfast \$9
 Sat Lunch \$11
 Sat Dinner \$12
 Sun. Breakfast \$5

REGISTRATION after **February 15, 2026** \$10 \$ _____
 (not applicable if attending Sunday only)

ROUNDTABLE GROUP PICTURE (optional) 5x7 photo \$3 \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

Partial Registration Fees: Roundtable is designed to be a cohesive learning experience. You are encouraged to participate in the entire conference. However, we realize that some of you will be unable to do so. If you are going to be present for only part of the conference, you will be expected to pay the partial registration fee listed above.

Waiver & Medical Release Statement

I, the undersigned parent/guardian, acknowledge that I am aware of my child's participation in Roundtable. Furthermore, I release and forever discharge, and agree to indemnify and hold harmless, Bridgewater College, its employees, and the organizers of the Conference from and against any and all liability and loss, except in the case of gross negligence, for any injuries that my child might sustain during the Conference. I also agree to assume full financial responsibility for any damages that my child might inflict upon the facility or any person during the Conference, and I will indemnify and hold harmless Bridgewater College against any such loss. I will provide transportation if the leaders of the Conference determine that my child must be sent home early for any reason.

I certify that my child is in good health and able to participate in all athletic activities without restriction. I authorize the leadership of the Conference, in the event of a health-related emergency, to secure proper treatment for my child if such occasions occur. I understand that the leadership of the Conference will make reasonable attempts to contact me if a situation does arise. I give permission to the physician selected by the leadership of the Conference to administer treatment, including hospitalization, for my child.

As the parent/guardian of my child, I have read, understood, and agree to all of the terms as stated above and support the participation of my child in the Conference.

Signed _____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian

To complete your registration, mail this form with check or money order payable to "Interdistrict Youth Cabinet" (by **February 15, 2026** for early deadline) to:
 Interdistrict Youth Cabinet -- Bridgewater College Box 192 -- Bridgewater VA 22812

