

AGENDA

**66th Biennial Convention of The Unity of the Brethren
Nelsonville Brethren Church July 10-11, 2015
Wesley Brethren Church July 12, 2015**

Convention Theme:
“Branches Bearing Fruit”

“I am the vine, you are the branches....apart from me you can do nothing.” John 15:5

Friday, July 10 (at Nelsonville):

- 8:00 a.m.–9:00 a.m. Registration and Check-In
9:00a.m.–10:30a.m. Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Rev. Michael Groseclose
- Convention Hymn “To God Be the Glory” (Convention Booklet – p. 102)
- 10:45 – 12:00 **Opening Session**
- Hymn #472 – “Grace Greater Than Our Sin”
 - General Overview of Convention & Unity Gifts to Congregations
 - Moravian Representative Comments & Greetings
 - Briefing on Minister’s Insurance and New Tax Law
 - Presentation of nominations
 - Committee Assignments – Committees organize / review work assignments
- 12:00 – 1:15 p.m. Lunch – Prayer for meal “Be Present at our Table Lord” (Conv. Booklet – p.100)
- 1:20 – 3:30 **Session 2**
- Hymn #478 – “My Savior’s Love”
 - Unity Business
- 3:30 – 3:45 Break
- 3:45 – 5:30 **Session 3**
- Song of Praise “Glorious Day” (Convention Booklet – p. 100)
 - Mission Presentation & Update: Phil Raiford, John Brinkley, Rev. Jim Heckman, Carolyn Groseclose
 - Presentations from congregations
- 5:30 – 7:00 Supper
- 7:00 – 8:30 **Session 4**
- Hymn #723 “Revive Us Again”
 - Faith in Action – Austin Brethren, Rev Linda Chandler
 - Unity Business / Committees Meet

Saturday, July 11 (at Nelsonville):

- 8:00 a.m.-8:45 a.m. Breakfast
- 8:45 – 9:15 Hymn #291 “Sweet Sweet Spirit”; Devotional – Pastor Tim Chaplin
- 9:15 – 9:30 Faith in Action – Temple Brethren, Pastor Tim Chaplin – Feed My Sheep Ministry
- 9:30 – 10:45 **Session 5**
- History Presentation - Jimmy Pokorny
- 10:45 – 11:00 Break

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Saturday, July 11 (at Nelsonville):

- 11:00 a.m. –12:00 **Session 6**
- Hymn #497 “Wonderful Grace of Jesus”
 - Rev. Dr. David Schattschneider Manuscript presented by Rev James D. Hejl
- 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. Lunch
- 1:30 pm-3:30 pm **Session 7**
- Opening song “Victory in Jesus” (Convention Booklet – p. 103)
 - Faith in Action – New Tabor Brethren, Pastor David Johnson – Housing Project Ministry
 - Ministry Unity Business / Committees Meet
- 3:30 – 3:45 Break
- 3:45 – 6:00 **Session 8**
- Hymn #472 “Grace Greater Than All My Sin”
 - Reports & Motions
- 6:00 – 7:30 Supper
- 7:30 – 9:00 Evening Celebration – Song of Praise “The Victory Dance” (Conv. Booklet – p. 102)
Presentation – Jan Hus Video

Sunday, July 12 (at Wesley):

- 8:00 a.m.– 9:00 a.m. Breakfast
- 9:00 – 9:45 Devotional – Jimmy Pokorny – Jan Hus Wrap Up
Hymn #802 – “Brethren We Have Met for Worship”
- 10:00 – 11:30 Joint Worship Service
Rev. Tommy Tallas conclude with “Hoj Verni v Boj!” (Conv. Booklet – p. 101)
- 12:00 Lunch & Adjourn

Other Possible Presentations:

Kairos Prison Ministry-

Unity Business:

Administrative Position
History Symposium
Ministers Retirement Update
Election of officers
Moravians Mission Board Bylaw Change
Bylaws update considerations
 Minister’s retirement eligibility and rules update
 Website under Secretary Position
 Lay Alternate on Executive Committee – Term limits?