

2025 Southern PA District Conference

“Prayer Changes....Hebrews 4: 14-16

Please join us at the 2025 SOPA District Conference for Worship and Fellowship at Hanover COB as we discern God’s leading for our next year.

Conference Officers

Eric Reamer, Moderator
Nicholas Wingert, Moderator-Elect

Conference Site

Hanover Church of the Brethren
601 Wilson Avenue
Hanover, PA 17331

Cindy Goodling, On-site Coordinator

Conference Schedule Friday, September 19, 2025

8:30-9:00 AM Registration and Refreshments
9:00-12:00 Seminar on Prayer In the Church
12:00-1:15 PM Lunch
1:15-1:30 Singing/Scripture/Prayer
1:30-1:35 Welcome
1:35-1:45 Delegate Consecration Service
1:45-1:50 Review and Approval of Agenda
1:50-2:00 Review of Nomination/Discernment Process
2:00-2:30 The Brethren Home Foundation Board Meeting
2:30-2:40 Bible study/lesson on prayer
2:40-3:00 Children’s Aid Society (CAS) Board Meeting
3:00-3:20 Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center (SVMC) Report
3:20-3:40 Camp Eder Verbal Report
3:40-4:00 Bible study/lesson on Prayer
4:00-4:20 Time of prayer / consecration for Agency Leaders
4:20-4:30 Standing Committee Verbal Report
4:30 Meeting Adjourned for Day
5:00 Dinner
7:00-8:30 Prayer Service/Re-Licensing Service/Offering
8:30-9:30 Ice Cream Social

Saturday, September 20, 2025

7:30-8:30 AM Prayer Meeting
8:30-9:00 Registration/Refreshments
9:00-9:05 Announcements
9:05-9:25 Bible study on prayer
9:25-9:30 Presentation of District Conference Ballot
9:30-9:40 District Conference Elections
9:40-9:55 Time to fill out Ballot Nominee Forms
9:55-10:25 Interim District Executive Verbal Report
10:25-10:30 District Executive Search Committee Report
10:30-11:00 District Board Report
11:00-11:45 Review and Approval of 2024/2025 Financial Report /Review and Approval of Proposed 2025/2026 District Budget/District Financial Ministries Allocation (DFMA)
11:45-1:45 Lunch and Love Feast
1:45-1:50 Election Results
1:50-1:55 District Auditor’s Report
1:55-2:10 Church of the Brethren Agency Reporting
2:10-2:25 Denominational Report
2:25-2:45 Bible study on prayer
2:45-3:00 Complete Conference Evaluation Forms
3:00-3:15 Recognition of Outgoing Board Members
3:15-3:20 Consecration of Newly Elected/Called Persons
3:20-3:30 Conference Acknowledgements/Passing of Gavel
3:30 Adjournment

Hebrews 4:14-16

14 Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. 15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. 16 Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

LODGING



Local COB members have agreed to open their homes to persons who wish to stay with sisters and brothers. Please make reservations by completing the form on the reverse side, one form per person/couple. Also, please note special requirements (e.g. need to be housed near someone for transportation purposes, handicap needs, children, etc.). **Reservations MUST be made prior to Conference** no later than 8/30/25 to:

Questions, please contact Sue Ambrosius by phone or email:

Sue Ambrosius—Hanover COB
717-451-8613
sue.ambrosius@gmail.com

If you wish to stay at a nearby motel, you will find a listing enclosed in order to make your own reservations.

MEAL RESERVATION INFORMATION

Meal Reservations must be made prior to Conference. Deadline for reservations will be 9/10/2025. To make reservations, complete the enclosed form along with payment and mail to:

SOPA District Office COB
3375 Carlisle Road, Suite A, Gardners, PA 17324
Questions, please contact SOPA District Office by phone or email:
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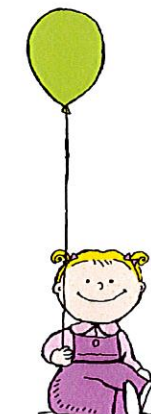


A list of area restaurants is enclosed should you desire to dine out.

CHILD CARE INFORMATION

Child care will be provided for children up to age 3, prior registration is required. Meals are the responsibility of parents. **Register no later than 8/30/2025,** by completing the form on the reverse side and mailing it to:

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Lodging Registration
(Local Brethren Member Homes)

Name (s) _____
Address _____
Phone _____
☐ Single Occupancy ☐ Double Occupancy

Meal Registration
(Deadline 9/10/25)

Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____

Please select the meal(s) for which you wish to register:
_____ Fri. Lunch \$8.00
Pulled Pork, Sloppy Joe, Macaroni/Potato Salad, Chips, Apple
Sauce/Dessert (Gluten Free: meat on lettuce, green salad, GF muffin)
_____ Fri. Evening Meal \$12.00
Chicken Cordon Bleu, Scalloped Potatoes, Mixed Veggies/Salad, and Des-
sert, (Gluten Free: Baked Chicken Breast)
_____ Sat. Lunch \$8.00
Soup/Sandwiches, Fruit Plate, and Dessert (Gluten Free: meat on lettuce)
Special dietary needs: _____
A light continental breakfast will be available each morning.
(Provided by persons from Faith Community COB)

Child Care Registration
(Available for Children 3 and Under)

Child _____ Age _____
Parent _____
Address _____
Phone _____
Child Care Needed:
Friday Morning _____ Saturday Morning _____
Friday Afternoon _____ Saturday Afternoon _____

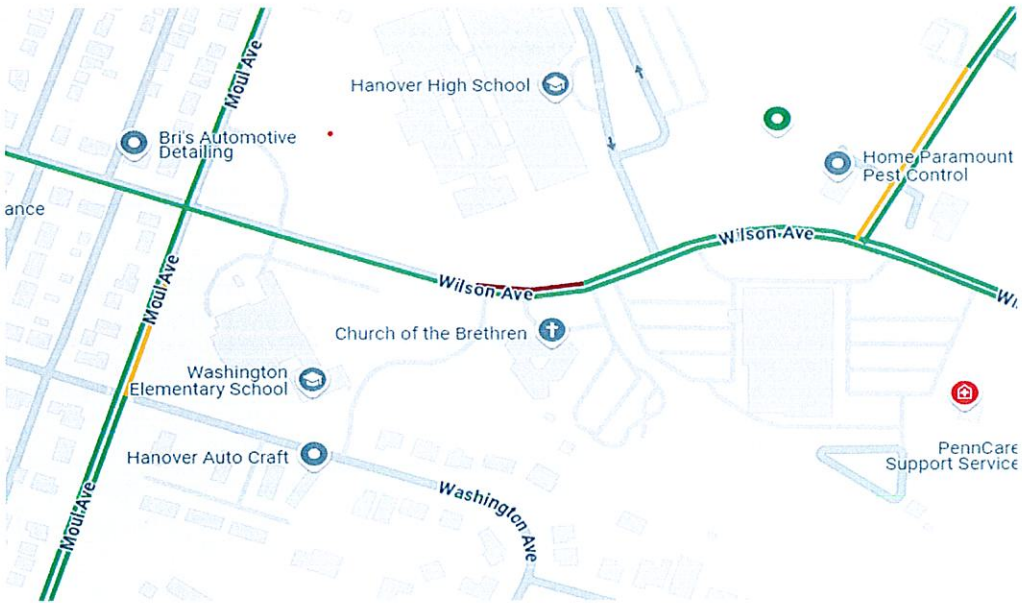
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717-632-2267

From the PA Turnpike - Take Exit 245 (Gettysburg Pike) & bear to the right onto Rt. 15 south. At Dillsburg turn left onto Rt. 74 (traffic light). Continue through Dillsburg. After you pass the school on the left at the traffic light, you will want to go straight onto 194 south. (74 goes to York) Continue on through Franklintown, East Berlin & Abbottstown. (In Abbottstown you will cross over Rt. 30 at the circlce.) Continue on 194 south until you reach Hanover, turn left onto Wilson Avenue & the church will be on your right.

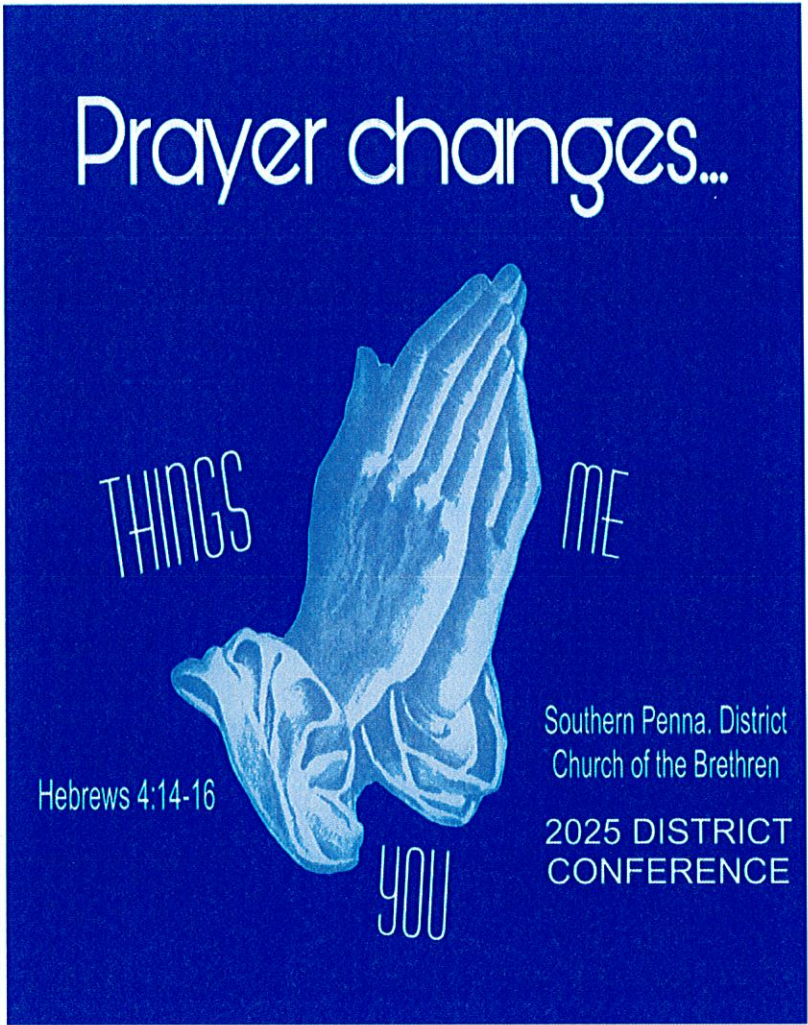
From York / East: Take Rt. 30 west & turn left onto Rt. 116. Continue through Spring Grove. As you arrive in Hanover, turn right at the first traffic light onto Wilson Avenue. The church will be on your left.

From Gettysburg / West: Take Rt. 30 east. Continue on Rt. 30 through Gettysburg, New Oxford, & Abbottstown. In Abbottstown turn right onto Rt. 194 south. (This will be at the circle.) Continues on 194 south to Hanover, turn left onto Wilson Avenue & the church will be on your right.

From New Windsor / South: Take MD 31 north towards Westminster. Go east on MD 140 (this will be a short distance) & turn north onto MD 97 into PA. In Littlestown turn right onto PA 194 north towards Hanover. Stay on 194 through Hanover until you come to Wilson Avenue. continue on at the stop sign, the church is on the right.



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