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Dear Friends,

I am writing you in reference to an exciting opportunity. The Pastoral Support Committee, in conjunction with Jim Miller, has designed a Brethren Heritage Tour on Oct. 17-19, 2014, for anyone in the Shenandoah District. This includes stops at different Church of the Brethren historical sites (see enclosure).

The tour is designed to help you get away for a weekend and learn about our Brethren heritage. We believe it can be a time of rest, renewal and stimulation.

The Shenandoah District is subsidizing the cost of the bus, so we believe the remaining costs reflect our desire that no one be excluded because of cost. The cost of \$158 per person includes two nights lodging (double occupancy), dinner at an Amish home, admission and instructor fees and transportation by chartered bus. Participants will be responsible for additional meals and gratuities.

There will be three pick-up locations: Luray Park & Ride; Bridgewater CoB & Lowe's in Woodstock. The group will have a chance to eat at Ethnic restaurants in the Lancaster area and some free time.

The registration deadline is Sept. 1 and space is limited. If you have any questions about this event, please feel free to email me at <u>jnjantzi@shencob.org</u> or call the District Office at 540-234-8555.

Blessings,

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John Jantzi District Executive Minister

Together we reach out with Jesus. . .

Shenandoah District Church of the Brethren Brethren Heritage Tour in Pennsylvania

DATE: October 17-19, 2014

TRANSPORTATION: Richard's Bus Lines

SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

- 6:30 a.m. Depart from Luray Park & Ride
- 7:45 a.m. Depart from Bridgewater Church of the Brethren
- 8:45 a.m. Depart from Lowe's in Woodstock
- 10:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tour Antietam Battlefield, Brethren Meeting House and Sharpsburg African American Chapel (Tolson's Chapel)
 - Lunch (bus stop for fast food, Hagerstown MD?)
- 2:30 p.m. Arrive: Young Center for Anabaptist and Pietist Studies, Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, PA
 Jeff Bach: Introduction to week end visits; purpose of the Young Center, Exhibits of rare books and collections.
 4:30 p.m. Travel and check in at Red Roof Inn of Lancaster, PA
- 5:15 p.m. Group A) 20 25 will go to Amish Family Dinner
 - Group B) 20 25 will go downtown Lancaster for ethnic dinner options

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

NOTE: Breakfast at motel (Open 6:00 to 9:00 a.m.)

8:30 Leave motel travel to Ephrata Cloisters

Interpretative tour of cloister by cloister staff Jeff Bach, additional tour and interpretation Museum and gift shop

- 11:45 a.m. Drive to Lititz, PA
- 12:00 noon: Lititz: Moravian Center. Jeff Bach will give 45-minute historical overview
- 12:45 p.m. Free time for lunch, visiting historic Lititz and shops.
- 4:00 p.m. Travel to motel in Lancaster, PA
- 5:15 p.m. Group B) 20 25 will go to Amish Family Dinner
 - Group A) 20- 25 will go downtown Lancaster for ethnic dinner options

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

- NOTE: Breakfast at motel (Open 6:00 to 9:00 a.m.)
- 7:00 a.m. Leave for Germantown (Philadelphia)
- 9:00 a.m. Bus tour of Alexander Mack, Jr., property Visit and interpretation of first baptisms, Wissahickon Creek Possibly drive by Christopher Saur press property?
- 10:30 a.m. Tour Germantown Church of the Brethren Cemetery and first meeting house
- 11:00 a.m. Worship with Germantown Church of the Brethren (see note 3 below)
- 12:30/1:00 p.m.: Common Meal with members of church, community center
- 2:30 p.m. Leave for Home
- 6:00 p.m. Arrive at Lowe's in Woodstock
- 7:00 p.m. Arrive at Bridgewater CoB
- 8:00 p.m. Arrive at Luray Park & Ride