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A Year of Gratitude

By Katherine Jameson Pitts

As the end of my first year as Executive Conference Minister draws to a close, I am filled with gratitude. I am grateful for the support of our Board, District Pastors, and Staff. I am grateful for the ministries of our congregations and the gifts of the pastoral and lay leaders in each congregation. I am grateful for the grace, hospitality, determination, and faithfulness I have experienced as I visit among our churches and start to know the people of PNMC. God has brought us to this place and blessed us with many gifts. And God has equipped us for the challenges we face as congregations gathered as a conference.

Before I got here, the PNMC Board had begun work on the question “**what value does belonging to a conference have for congregations?**” They gathered information about congregational needs and decided to focus on four areas – assisting with pastoral transitions, planning for the future, providing training for lay leaders, and supporting pastors. In my first year we have been at work in these areas through the ministry of our District Pastors, through workshops and retreats, through the work of our Teams, through connecting congregations with resources, and through facilitating conversations between congregations.

Our Vision: Healing & Hope

God calls us to be followers of Jesus Christ and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to grow as communities of grace, joy and peace, so that God’s healing and hope flow through us to the world.

The Conference Communications Council meeting in January provided the opportunity for people with similar interests or issues in ministry from different congregations to share their experiences with one another. As we met around tables in a large meeting room, we hoped we could learn from one another’s experiences and challenge one another with new ideas. It was life-giving to hear sharing from one congregation to another about the realities of their ministries, both the joys and successes and the struggles. In feedback after the gathering, this chance to talk with one another, to make connections across the miles with those in similar congregations, was repeatedly mentioned as a highlight of that day. We also received great suggestions about ways to focus the discussion more tightly and share beyond the tables more fully. We plan to implement those suggestions in future meetings.

So often as I visit with one congregation in PNMC I am reminded of another congregation in a different place and wish that they could support each other in mission through sharing ideas and resources. Our meetings together, even by video link when necessary, can be one place to make those connections happen.

I have shared several places about my vision of PNMC as the strands of a web that weaves our diverse and far-flung congregations together. At the



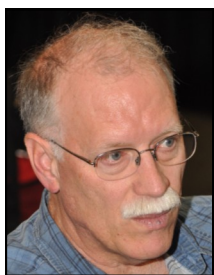
Conference Communications Council I could see new strands of that web being spun. As we prepare to meet again in June for our Annual Gathering, we hope to provide more opportunities to spin new connections that strengthen us through sharing, workshops, trainings, and the opportunity to listen to what God is saying to the Church together. I hope you will plan to be a part of this gathering. The body of Christ is a local, regional, national, and global reality. *As members of the body of Christ we need each other!*

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The Role of Delegates

By Jeryl Hollinger, Conference Moderator



It was a privilege to spend January 18 with District Pastors who give of their wisdom and experience to walk among our congregations in a spirit of

encouragement. The next day I was blessed to interact with others of you as our Executive Conference Minister, Katherine Pitts, led us in the first meeting of our Conference Communications Council (CCC). Our District Pastors, delegates, pastors and conference staff are the leaders of our congregations and our conference. I give thanks for the deep commitments to Christ's church and the guiding presence of his Spirit expressed in these persons. One of the gifts God gives me in my role as moderator is, in settings like these, the opportunity to see and hear many things God is doing among us.

The weekend concluded with our PNMC Board meeting. Our Board is entrusted with working behind the scenes to keep congregations and the conference healthy and moving in the right direction. On Sunday the Board broke into small groups to work on three issues: crafting the final sections of our policy governance manual; creating measureable goals for helping congregations be healthy; and planning for our annual summer delegate session to be held in Portland.

I was in the group that worked on developing the delegate sessions. In recent years conference has reorganized with governance responsibility given more fully to the board. The shift has left some wondering why delegates are needed or what is the best use of their time?

In my opinion, there are three very good reasons to have delegates, and I hope you are choosing wisely those who will serve in this way:

1. The Board is elected by delegates and is responsible to them. As a Board we listen to your heart for the church and give ourselves to helping those dreams become reality.

2. The delegate body in session is where congregations speak and listen to one another. This is where we move outside of our cozy congregationalism and partake of the joy and responsibility of being part of the larger church.

3. Delegates are communication agents. A delegate carries the conversations of the wider church back to home congregations and is a point of contact throughout the year for the Board to seek counsel from congregations.

Among other items of discussion at the Board meeting, action was taken to send PNMC delegates to the July 2013 MC USA Convention in Phoenix. In this decision, we believe we are reflecting the guidance delegates gave us at the CCC meeting. We also heard a desire that our Phoenix delegates should serve with the intent of helping us as a conference partake more faithfully in the national immigration conversation. A small group of Board members is working on selecting delegates and defining their work among us.

PNMC Treasurer

by Harold Nussbaum

2012 – A Year of Blessing for PNMC

Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference was blessed by strong contributions, and spending less than budgeted, that combined to end the fiscal year more than \$113,000 in the black. Congregations exceeded their pledged giving by almost \$8,000, and individual contributions were \$13,000 more than budgeted. Special contributions totaling \$100,000 came from Eugene Mennonite Church, who sold their building to the school that uses the facility the most, and asked PNMC to use these funds to assist other congregations. Expenses were under budget by almost \$8,000.

The PNMC Board and staff are extremely grateful to all of the churches

and individuals who made these financial results possible during the past year. The Board is working on ways to use the Eugene gift to promote and strengthen healthy congregations and encourage new outreach initiatives, and hopes to be able to share details in the near future.

The year ahead appears to be more challenging, as the Board adopted a 2013 budget that includes a \$20,000 shortfall, about half of it related to the first full year for our full-time Executive Conference Minister (including some one time expenses).

Several congregations have already responded positively to our request to increase congregational contributions by

7% over the next two or three years, while some are struggling. In addition, we are very hopeful that numerous individuals and families will make contributions to help PNMC fulfill its mission this year. Contributions can be sent as checks (made out to PNMC) to the PNMC office: PO Box 301036, Portland, OR 97294. Or, click on "Donate to PNMC" to make a contribution with a debit or credit card at the PNMC website:

<http://www.pnmc.org>

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Worship Planning—Together

A workshop led by former AMBS Professor, Marlene Kropf

“Sunday morning worship is the meal that strengthens and nourishes God’s people for their life together and for ministry in the world. How can those who lead worship sustain this ministry faithfully and creatively for the long haul? By planning worship collaboratively.”

Marlene Kropf, led a workshop at Zion Mennonite Church in February for nearly fifty worship and music leaders. The event was a hands-on exploration of the process of collaborative planning. Participants looked at issues of flow and focus, musical and visual choices, scripture presentation, the role of children’s time, and prayer in worship. Together participants pulled creative ideas together to be used the following day in ZMC’s worship service where Marlene was preaching.



“After living for 29 years in Elkhart, IN, we packed all our belongings into a 26’ moving truck late last summer and returned home to the Pacific Northwest. Since both of us were born in Oregon, grew up here, and still have strong ties to people and institutions in the Pacific Northwest, we wanted to spend our retirement years here.

During our years away, both of us worked for the Mennonite Church. Stanley worked for the General Board of the Mennonite Church as well as the Great Lakes regional office of Mennonite Central Committee. Marlene worked as Denominational Minister of Worship and Christian Formation for Mennonite Church USA as well as teaching worship and spiritual formation courses at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary (now Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary). We are grateful for the opportunities we had to become acquainted with many people across the denomination and also for the opportunity to help shape the vision and mission of the church.

Though we miss our friends in Elkhart County and especially our children (who live in Chicago and Pittsburgh), we are enjoying getting acquainted with our new home in Port Townsend, Washington – a beautiful spot on the Olympic Peninsula. A special pleasure this season is watching spring burst forth – something that won’t be happening for many weeks yet in northern Indiana!

Though there is no Mennonite church nearby, we are finding many peace-minded disciples of Jesus in our town. We have been connecting with both Seattle Mennonite Church and Portland Mennonite Church and hope to be part of Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference events.

In retirement, Marlene hopes to write, offer spiritual direction, and practice hospitality to both strangers and friends. Stanley will be busy working on house projects, gardening, reading, and walking. Both will enjoy singing in community choirs, sailing on the Strait of Juan de Fuca, and welcoming friends who find their way to the peninsula.”

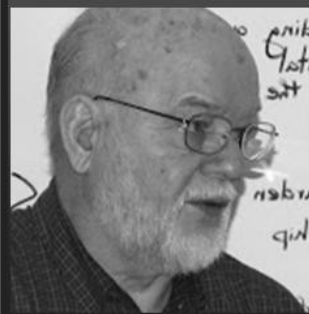
-Marlene Kropf

AGING AND SPIRITUALITY:
EMBRACING THE SECOND HALF OF LIFE

A SEMINAR with MARCUS SMUCKER

Saturday, May 18, 2013

9:00 to 3:00 pm



MARCUS SMUCKER was Pastor of Portland Mennonite Church from 1963-1979. He later taught for 16 years at AMBS as professor of pastoral theology and in retirement he continues to teach at Eastern Mennonite Seminary. Marcus serves as a spiritual director in the Lancaster area near where he and his wife Dottie live in Bird-in-Hand Pennsylvania.

Retirement....Opportunities for Voluntary Service

By Sheldon Burkhalter, Former PNMC Conference Minister

When I retired from conference ministry in 2009, Janis and I began thinking about short term voluntary service. The stories of other recently retired friends inspired us in this interest. We wished to combine service with travel, learning and new relationships.

Our first experiment in this dream was to serve eleven weeks at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, IN. We wanted to renew friendships where we lived before moving to Oregon, connect with a program we deeply value and engage with a new generation of seminary students and faculty. And we were not disappointed! The work was meaningful—cleaning guestrooms, setting up chairs for meetings, clerking in the bookstore, arranging in the library, spring grounds keeping, cabinet-making, etc. But most of all we enjoyed attending chapels, relationships with other volunteers and lunchtime conversations with students and faculty. We were impressed with the sense of welcome we experienced on campus and the depth of commitment and spiritual life in the seminary community.

While at AMBS, we met Professor Dorothy Jean Weaver, on sabbatical from Eastern Mennonite Seminary. She invited us to join a service tour she plans for pastors and others to serve in Israel. Her next tour was scheduled for spring, 2012 and would include a week of service at Nazareth Village, a week in Bethlehem, and brief tours of nearby sites and a weekend in Jerusalem. We had never been to Israel, so her invitation was enticing. But we thought, how can we justify the expense of air tickets for only a two-week visit? So we contacted Mennonite Mission Network and they suggested we extend our visit

by volunteering five extra weeks at their partner Nazareth Village.

MMN helped us make contact with Nazareth Village and April 10, 2012 we were on our way to Tel Aviv. The chief



goal for our seven-week visit (six of which would be Nazareth in Galilee) was to get to know the people with whom we worked and the markets where we shopped. **What a surprise and joy to experience Palestinian hospitality among our new friends at Nazareth Village!** The staff of around 20 was mostly Christian. They welcomed us, they tried their best to communicate in English as we were lost in their Arabic, several invited us to their churches, two invited us to their homes for meals—the Village bread baker hosted us four times! We met their children and parents and felt the honor of their generosity! We heard their stories—the challenges faced by their youth and memories of the Zionist conquest in 1948 from grandparents. Of course, our encounters with vendors in the market were more superficial, but after several weeks we felt some of them (mostly Muslim) recognized us as not merely tourists. **We felt safe and welcomed!**

At the Village we worked about 40 hours per week. We assisted in serving meals to some of the approximately 500 tourists a day who came to see this recreated village of 1st century Palestine. We pulled weeds in the herb garden,

olive grove and grape orchard; fed the donkeys, sheep and goats; helped in a building construction project; and wrapped oil lamp gifts given to each Village tourist. Sometimes we worked alone but often side-by-side with the staff. We were also given time off to visit nearby sites from the Bible:

Sepphoris, (ancient ruins of Roman crossroads 5 miles from Nazareth), Cana, Sea of Galilee, Capernaum, Jordan River, Caesarea on the Mediterranean. When we joined Prof. Weaver's service tour group for the last two weeks, we began to feel similar connections with staff in Bethlehem in the West Bank occupied by the Israeli military and were challenged by the

scenes in Jerusalem—especially the Israeli military presence everywhere. If you would like to see our 10-page journal and many photos of our Israel experience, email me at shelburk@q.com and we will give you access to our Shutterfly site.

Our next adventure has come as quite a surprise. From our contacts with MMN, we were invited to consider applying for a role with Mennonite Centre Trust (*formerly London Mennonite Centre*). After months of interviews, prayer and consultation with friends, I have been called to become “ministry leader” of the new Menno House in Birmingham UK for a three year term. This invitation has led us to the decision to sell our house in Woodburn, scale back our possessions, which we will put into storage until we return. We plan to depart for the UK **April 10** for three months to live in Birmingham. In June we will return to Seattle (at our son's family) to apply for a UK visa, and if approved, return this fall. For more information about this ministry in Birmingham, see www.menno.org.uk then click “Newsletters, February 2013”.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST MENNONITE CONFERENCE

SPEAKING ABOUT GOD'S DEEDS of POWER

ACTS 2:11

JUNE 21-22, 2013 / PORTLAND OR

The 2013 PNMC Annual Meeting

will be hosted by Portland Mennonite, Ministerios de Restauración, Anawim Christian Community and International Bethel City Church. Morning delegate sessions and afternoon seminars will take place at Warner Pacific College with evening worship at Portland Mennonite. Childcare will be provided during all events, however, no youth activities planned.

A dynamic mix of worship styles will allow participants to experience the wide variety of cultures that reside throughout our area. These will include traditional Mennonite worship, Hispanic, French and representation from Portland's homeless community.

HOUSING:

Housing will be available at Warner Pacific. Guests can bring bedding or rent from the college. A list of hotel accommodations will be available at registration.

Warner Pacific

2219 SE 68th Ave.

Portland, OR 97215

Evening worship sessions at:

Portland Mennonite Church

1312 SE 35th Ave.

Portland, OR 97214

REGISTRATION:

On-line registration is coming soon!

Look for details in your inbox by May 1.

Watch www.pnmc.org for more information.

Idaho Mennonite Relief Sale



The 2013 Idaho Mennonite World Relief Festival, April 19 – 20 in Nampa, ID, was a huge success! Friday evening was filled with fun, shopping and entertainment by Global Lounge's traditional African music. Attendees also enjoyed hearing from Pauline Aguilar, of

West Coast MCC, who shared about her time in India.

The sale highlight was a beautiful reconditioned surrey which brought in \$4300! Total proceeds reached more than \$51,000.00

The Idaho churches are grateful for all of the support given for the sale. The auction, country store, gently used items sale, silent auction, food sales, and Dunia Marketplace provided another successful MCC Relief Sale! Additionally, the connections guests were able to make with old friends and new acquaintances added to the great atmosphere of the event.

Mennonite Central Committee

<http://idahomrs.org/>

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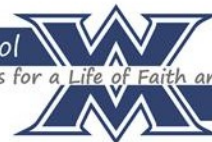
May 4, 2013

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Church Connections

Camp Palisades (ID)

Aberdeen Mennonite hosts teenagers in a summer Bible Camp experience in the Mountains near Palisades Lake in Eastern Idaho. A wonderful 2012 season included 24 junior campers and 15 senior campers. The following is from a 2012 counselor/ director:

Every year we wonder how the work will be accomplished and every year people step up to make camp successful. We are grateful for all who support Camp Palisades, whether with time, work, or generous giving. *Your dedicated support makes a difference!* No camp report would be complete without praising the cooks! They worked tirelessly preparing fabulous food. *Who would think we can be so active and still return a few pounds heavier!*

The 2012 directors were Monty Ledford and Tim Satterfield, with assistants Josh Schroeder and Jason Strunk. A lot of preparation and energy go into planning, and they did it well.

Hiking is always one of the main activities. The juniors hiked to Lower Lake and added names to the Polar Bear Club with shrieks of delight and trembling joy (*sometimes confused for gasps of icy shock and chilled shivering*). The seniors hiked up the mountain toward what we Aberdeen Mennonites know as "Harder's Hole", which is the memorial hike for the destination's namesake, Eldon Harder. Both camps completed the mandatory hike to the cross, a grueling but rewarding climb up the side of a steep mountain across from camp. Other activities included volleyball, four-way tug-o-war, steal the bacon, water balloon volleyball, tiger tails, relay games, basketball, foosball, hunker hauser, ping-pong and swimming. A significant senior camp activity was the raft trip. Even the light drizzle failed to hinder camper enthusiasm! In spite of senior campers having to spend excessive time in the lodge due to rain, nobody let the weather "dampen their spirits."

The most important element was Bible time. Twice daily we met together and sang praises to our God and Savior followed with a Bible lesson. Laurel Schroeder was the junior camp music leader and Jake Schroeder was the

senior's. We chose to not include silly camp songs at worship time in an effort to maintain focus on God. It paid off and campers were more attentive; *ready to listen and learn.*

Dan Reinhold of Pocatello was the junior camp speaker. Dan taught about the nature of Christ, using Jesus' "I am..." statements. The youth learned that Jesus is the bread of life; light of the world; life and resurrection, and the door. Through these descriptions we discovered a different aspect of our relationship with God, which helped campers better understand and follow Christ. Cabin devotions were held twice daily which was helpful for exploring Jesus' teachings more deeply. Dan was a positive influence on the camp as he interacted with the campers. His lessons were clear, concise, and gospel-centered, *the primary goal at camp.*

Ben Ledford spoke at senior camp. He pointed out that the gospel message can be found throughout the Old Testament as well as the New. He talked about how the Old Testament points toward Christ and our salvation obtained through Him. From Genesis to Judges to Malachi we saw that God's plan of redemption has always been Christ's sacrifice. The law cannot save, but reveals our sin and need for a proper, saving sacrifice. It was exciting to see such a powerful gospel message come from the Old Testament.

God used Ben and Dan and the counselors to influence the campers and to plant seeds of faith. But we must remember that the job is not done when camp ends. The goal is not to put on a great camp every year, the goal is to save souls and bring these youth to a saving faith in Jesus Christ. Therefore, the work only *begins* with camp. There we build relationships, but it is such a short time we have on the mountain. My prayer is that we continue to reach these young men and women. We desire that God continues to use us to share the gospel and encourage them to maturity. We desire that every camper finds a mentor, a youth group, or a church, and

CAMP CAMREC
Leavenworth, Washington

Jr. & Sr. High Camp:
(entering grades 7-12), July 8-13

Junior Camp:
(entering grades 4-6), July 16 - 20

Pre-Junior Camp:
(entering grades 1-3), July 26-28
www.camrec.org

CAMP PALISADES
Aberdeen, Idaho

Junior Camp:
(entering grades 4-7), July 7-11

Senior Camp:
(entering grades 8-12) July 11 - 14
camppalisades@gmail.com

DRIFT CREEK CAMP
Lincoln City, Oregon

Parent & Me: (finishing grades K-2)
June 21-23

High School Camp:
June 23-28

Grades 7 & 8:
June 30-July 5

Grades 5 & 6:
July 7-12

Grades 3 & 4:
July 14-19

Surf Camp:
July 28- Aug. 2
www.driftcreek.org

continues feeding on God's Word. We have started a good work, and by God's strength we hope to continue. This calling is not just for those who were at camp, but for all Christians. It is the command we receive from Christ in Matthew 28:19-20: *"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."* Don't wait for them to come. GO and make disciples.

PNMC Ministerial Updates

Todd Lehman began a 1-year term as Minister of Youth & Community Center Coordinator at Salem Mennonite Sept. 1 2012.

Matt Shedden was ordained at Lebanon Mennonite Dec. 2, 2012.

Larry Hauder concluded his term as District Pastor in Dec. 2012.

Bob Buxman began as interim Pastor at Zion Mennonite Church Jan. 1, 2013.

Meg Lumsdaine began as Pastor at Evergreen Mennonite Church Jan. 1, 2013.

Duncan Smith will continue as interim Pastor at Salem Mennonite through June 2013.

Church Connections

Lebanon Mennonite (OR)

By Brent Kauffman

Churches throughout the Pacific NW have a myriad of methodologies and reasons for beginning...and Lebanon Mennonite Church (LMC) fits concisely into that parameter.

In 1948 the Mennonites began administrating the Lebanon Community Hospital (LCH) and a strong desire for a local Mennonite Church grew among the staff and 1-W workers. One paramount criteria for the future fellowship was a church with phone access which was imperative for 1-W workers "on call" at LCH.

On January 30, 1956, the first meeting was held in the home of Bishop Allen and Stella Erb and the LMC was formally organized May 8, 1957 with 32 charter members. Five of the charter members are still active participants in weekly worship services.

LMC was formed to meet the need of volunteers serving in Lebanon and the voluntary service theme has continued throughout the 55+ years. LMC hosted a Mennonite Mission Network Service Adventure Unit for eight years and a Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) Micah House for two years. Currently the LMC family serves in numerous local ministries including The Et Cetra Shop (a fair-trade gifts and thrift store), Love INC (an ecumenical community organization in which our church collects and distributes medical equipment and provides moving assistance), Laundry Love (weekly laundry services for the homeless community), Riverview School (weekly classroom help), Lebanon Soup Kitchen (feeding the homeless and needy), ChristWalk (transitional housing) and Mennonon (support ministry). Members also serve regularly on Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) projects and various MCC projects.

Several years ago LMC conducted an extensive demographic study and found that our congregation is 49.5% female, 43.1% have lifelong connections with the Mennonite faith tradition and 17.2% were new to the congregation within the last 5 years. As with most churches in the Pacific Northwest worship attendance varies drastically during the



Originally from Chicago, Associate Pastor Matthew Shedden has served at LMC since November, 2009. He studied in Seattle and served at Seattle Mennonite Church before moving to Oregon. Here he welcomes a young child into the life of the congregation.

calendar year with Christmas and Easter as high points and summer holidays having lower attendance. Average attendance - 147.

Currently community life in LMC includes numerous small groups, Lenten study groups, Women's Bible stories, monthly birthday suppers and occasional block parties. One of the recent challenges in our congregation has been the blessing of many small children! We view integrating this swarm of young lives into congregational life as both a opportunity for growth and a strength.

Linn County, Oregon is known as the "grass seed capital of the world" and numerous church families are employed in growing grass seed and the broader

grass seed industry. Other occupations involve education, construction and health care.

Our church house is located at the edge of the suburban/retail area within the city limits. Lebanon is in the midst of undergoing some monumental changes. In 2011 Western University opened a medical school (College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific-Northwest / COMP Northwest) and our community welcomed 107 new medical students. This school year we welcomed another 100+ new medical students. Western University/COMP Northwest is only the second medical school in Oregon and the first to form in over 100 years.

LMC was formed in conjunction with providing viable health care to our community and we continue to be strongly connected through being health care providers, workers, administrators and board members.

The future for the community of Lebanon and Lebanon Mennonite Church is bright! Expansion of local industries (Lowes Distribution Center, Entek and Pennington Seed), the Medical school and the expansion of the local health care systems (Samaritan Lebanon Community Hospital and Veterans Administration Home) have helped to support the local economy and provide a wealth of opportunities for serving God in many facets of our local community. God has been especially gracious to us at LMC!



Lead Pastor, Brent Kauffman, began serving at LMC in 1993 after graduating from the Pastoral Ministries Program at Hesston College. He is originally from Kalispell, Montana. Above he is pictured sharing a story about Moses. The energetic presence of LMC's children is a source of joy for the entire congregation.

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Our Mission Statement is to:

Promote personal spiritual development,

Nurture healthy congregations,

Make strong connections, and

Call each other to fulfill God's purpose for the world.

PNMC CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

May 3, *OR Sacred Festival Chorale*, Assembly of God Church, Lebanon (7pm)

May 4, *Western Mennonite School's Benefit Auction*, Jackman Long Building, Oregon State Fairgrounds, Salem

May 5, *OR Sacred Festival Chorale*, Our Savior Lutheran Church, Salem (6pm)

May 18, *Aging & Spirituality*, Portland Mennonite Church, (8:30-4:30)

June 21-22, *2013 PNMC Annual Meeting*, Warner Pacific College, Portland

June 21-Aug. 2, *Drift Creek's Summer Camp*, Lincoln City, OR

July 1-6, *MC USA National Convention*, Phoenix, AZ

July 7-14, *Camp Palisades Summer Program*, Aberdeen, ID

July 8-28, *Camp Camrec Summer Program*, Leavenworth, WA

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