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## From the PNMC Office

The MC USA survey for all credentialed persons was sent out late last week. If you have not received the link (by email) please contact [Shelley Buller](mailto:Shelley Buller) and she will assist you.

If you attended any part of the Annual Meeting at Kalispell in June, we'd like your feedback! You can click [here](#) to complete an online survey, or simply send comments to [office@pnmc.org](mailto:office@pnmc.org).

Final updates are being made on the 2014 Directory. If your contact information has changed, [please let us know](#).

## PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

*Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization*

### Anawim Christian Community

To stay in tune with what's happening at Anawim, visit their [website](#) and enjoy Pastor Jeff's blog.

### Calvary Mennonite Church

[Calvary Mennonite](#) will celebrate its 70th Anniversary August 24th at 3pm. Everyone is invited to participate in an afternoon of pictures, music, sharing, memories and fellowship. A reception will follow the service. *(If you would like to be part of the volunteer choir, plan to arrive by 2:30pm. Questions? Call 503-266-2202.)*

### Drift Creek Camp

As the 2014 camp season concludes, it is with deep gratitude that we recognize the kitchen volunteers who served tirelessly preparing 14 meals and nine snacks each week; the nurses who wrapped ankles, provided band-aids and managed medications; the naturalists who provided learning opportunities and fostered a deeper appreciation for God's creation; the caretakers and teen volunteers who washed countless dishes and scrubbed 21 toilets every day; the patient and energetic counselors who served around the clock, engaging campers in fun activities, providing a listening ear and creating meaningful community; the camp pastors who challenged, listened and inspired us to live in a manner that welcomes our neighbors by giving and receiving God's great love.

### Western Mennonite School

The following employment opportunities are available: Accounts Payable Bookkeeper; Custodian; Male and Female Dorm Leaders and Bus Route Driver. Please contact Western at 503.363.2000 or visit [www.WesternMennoniteSchool.com](http://www.WesternMennoniteSchool.com) for more information.

## MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES

*listed alphabetically by organization*

### Mennonite Church USA

Fresh resources are available to introduce congregations to a brand new faith formation tool. Visit the Western District Conference [website](#) for creative ideas and worship service resources for integrating Shine: Living in God's Light.

*Shine: Living in God's Light*, MennoMedia's new Sunday School curriculum, provides engaging stories and activities that can help children find meaning in biblical stories, understand that they are known and loved by God, and learn what it means to follow Jesus. The Bible-based materials invite everyone to shine God's light in the world!



## Mennonite Church USA, *continued...*

Urban leaders and ministry experts will meet in Philadelphia at The Berean Institute, **Oct. 2-4, 2014**, for the **Urban Anabaptist Ministry Symposium**, *Beyond Ideas: Practical Ministry That Works*. This grassroots gathering is sponsored by Mennonite Church USA and Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) East Coast. *Beyond Ideas* will bring together community ministry professionals from Philadelphia; New York City; Washington, D.C.; Hampton, VA, and surrounding areas. “This is not just classroom theory,” explains event co-planner Glen Alexander Guyton, chief operating officer for Mennonite Church USA, “This gathering will highlight the years of experience and the best practices of practical ministry application of people who are in the heart of urban communities.” Each day of the symposium will begin with worship. Large group sessions will cover ministry in the diverse church, violence and conflict resolution, and community development. On Friday, specific learning blocks will focus on homelessness and housing, anti-racism and anti-oppression, immigration, developing community partnerships, education for urban leaders, and youth and young adult ministry.



Seminar facilitators and speakers include Bishop Leonard Dow, pastor of Oxford Circle Mennonite Church, Philadelphia, PA.; Rev. James Ellis III, senior pastor of Peace Fellowship Church, Washington, D.C.; and Bishop L.W. Francisco III, senior pastor of Calvary Community Church, Hampton, Va. (representing the African American Mennonite Association). “This event is different in that we are not bringing in outside experts to tell the attendees how to improve their ministry,” Moore adds. “Instead, we are recognizing attendees as experts in their context and in their ministry, and creating space for them to share their ingenuity, creativity and passion. At this gathering, participants will be co-learners and will find ways to strengthen our ministries, within and across our cities.”

\$50 [registration](#) (includes breakfast and lunch). For more information click [here](#).

## MennoMedia

Lovina Eicher, an Old Order Amish cooking columnist for the past 12 years, is now syndicating her popular cooking column with MennoMedia under a new name, [Lovina's Amish Kitchen](#). Eicher is also the author of several cookbooks, *The Amish Cook at Home*, *The Amish Cook's Anniversary Book*, and *Amish Baking Book*. In addition to recipes, the wife and mother of eight writes about the lives of her family. The Eichers live on a working farm in the Midwest. Eicher was just a young girl at home when her mother, Elizabeth Coblentz, began writing *The Amish Cook* in 1991. Eicher took over the column written by her mother when she died in 2002. She has gathered a loyal following since then. Eicher writes, “The past columns, written by my mother and then by me, are very much like a diary. Sometimes I read through them and see things that I wrote about the children that I would have otherwise forgotten.” Married to Joe Eicher, she is an active member of an Old Order Amish church, and she also frequently writes about her church community and customs. Eicher pursues this “family journal” as a cottage industry acceptable in most Amish communities, and writes her weekly column with pen and paper to submit to MennoMedia. Staff then type the column and send it to papers via email. Staff post each column on a website, Facebook and Twitter accounts on behalf of the columnist. Readers may contact Eicher directly by mail using the post office box given on the website, or by email, which is collected and sent to Eicher by MennoMedia staff.

## Mennonite Insurance Services

MIS, Reedley, CA, has announced **students receiving funds** for the 2014-2015 educational year. Recipients are members of a West Coast Anabaptist church, are at least a junior at a West Coast college or university, and have a 3.0 minimum GPA. According to general manager, Jerry Linscheid, the agency draws a wide range of goals and interests among scholarship recipients. Leading goals include teaching and ministry, as well as medicine, music and counseling. The PNMC recipients are Courtney Hochstetler of Salem Mennonite Church and Jessica Wright of Seattle Mennonite Church. Each recipient receives a \$500 scholarship. Application forms and scholarship rules are available [here](#). *Mennonite Insurance Services and its parent, Mennonite Aid Plan, provide property insurance to Anabaptists on the West Coast.*

## Mennonite World Conference

Here's the latest edition of MWC's [Courier](#).

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### Upcoming e-Bulletins:

Sept 1 (*submissions due by 8/25*)  
Sept 15 (*submissions due by 9/8*)  
Oct 6 (*submissions due by 9/29*)  
Oct 20 (*submissions due by 10/13*)

If you would like to contribute, please send a brief announcement in Spanish & English with website links to [brenda@pnmc.org](mailto:brenda@pnmc.org). Our goal is to provide a valuable resource, not an In-Box jammer. If space is tight, we may omit announcements that are not as pertinent to PNMC. Announcements will run ONE time only, unless specified otherwise. *We welcome your feedback!*

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