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From our Executive Conference Minister, *Katherine Jameson Pitts*

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.

The **Seed Northwest Grant Program** has approved its first application! This is a matching grant program that requires the support of more than just the congregation submitting the application. If you would like to contribute to Anawim's plans to extend their clean clothes ministry you can send a check to PNMC noting that it is for Anawim - Seed NW. Click [here](#) to learn more or donate online.

Iglesia Menonita Hispana will be having their **national gathering** in Canby, OR, **August 8-10, 2014**. We are glad to welcome them to the Pacific Northwest, and invite your prayers for a fruitful time of fellowship, worship, and discernment.

From the PNMC Office

Duncan Smith and Charlene Epp have been actively involved in PNMC. Charlene has served as a chaplain in Portland and also as a District Pastor. She was the speaker at the Oregon Mennonite Women's Retreat in 2013. Duncan has served as Conference Minister; interim pastor at Salem Mennonite; property manager for the Peace Mennonite property and MC USA Corinthian Plan regional representative. Charlene and Duncan have relocated but wish to share the following:

We were sorry not to be able to attend the Annual Meeting in Kalispell as a way of being able to say "good-bye", or to find ways to give a farewell to the many of you we have known in the PNMC over the years. Know that we value and have been blessed by your friendship, support and prayers. We hope to see many of you again in the Pacific Northwest or other places. We are settling in the Denver, CO area with Charlene's brother. Our e-mail and cell phone numbers remain the same.

Your sister and brother in Christ, Charlene Epp and Duncan Smith.

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Duncan: djsmith417@frontier.com, 503-707-4012.

Charlene: charlenekepp@frontier.com 971-404-4456.

PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization

Calvary Mennonite Church

[Calvary Mennonite](#) will be celebrating 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.)*

Portland Mennonite Church

Author & Historian **Felipe Hinojosa** is coming to Portland Mennonite Church **Sunday, August 17, 2014 at 7pm**. Mr. Hinojosa is a trainer for Roots of Justice, *formerly Damascus Road*. He will share (in both English and Spanish) about Latino Mennonites based on his personal experiences, research & recent book, *Latino Mennonites: Civil Rights, Faith & Evangelical Culture*. There will be refreshments, a Q & A session and book-signing following his presentation. PMC is located at 1312 SE 35th Ave., Portland, OR. See attached bulletin insert for more details about this event sponsored by the Transformative Peacemaking Program of Mennonite Church USA.

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](tel:503.363.2000) or visit www.WesternMennoniteSchool.com for more information.

MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES

listed alphabetically by organization

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary

Mark your calendar for the following learning opportunities at AMBS:

Advent worship planning:

Explore resources for Advent worship, including scripture presentations, sermon ideas, children's worship, hymns and visuals.

Day-long workshop: **Saturday, Oct. 11**, led by Rachel Miller Jacobs, Allan Rudy-Froese and Rosanna McFadden.

Webinar: **Thursday, Oct. 16**, 7:30-8:45 pm EDT, led by Rachel Miller Jacobs.

Anabaptist Short Course

"Exploring Anabaptist History and Theology" is a six-week online course, **Oct 22 - Dec 3**, taught by Jamie Pitts, assistant professor of Anabaptist studies. The course is taught at a seminary level but for no credit. It is highly interactive, drawing on the wisdom among students.

Preview Seminary Days

AMBS has set two Seminary Preview Days for fall: **October 17** and **November 21**. Encourage someone with gifts for ministry to join in classes and worship for a day and to meet professors. Learn more: www.ambs.edu/admissions/visit-ambs.cfm

Interterm in Guatemala

Theology in Latin American Perspective, taught at the Latin American Anabaptist Seminary in Guatemala City in **January**, explores the theological heritage of Latin America and its place in situations of poverty and violence. [Learn more](#) and register by **Sept. 29**.

Pastors Week, January 26-29

Where Culture Blurs Theology: What *is* an Anabaptist Christian? is the theme for the 2014 Pastors Week. Speakers bring different points of view regarding how we honor all ethnic heritages that are part of the Mennonite Church. Greg Boyd, Drew Hart, Janet Plenert and Elizabeth Soto Albrecht explore what it means to be an Anabaptist today.

Learn more: www.ambs.edu/pastorsweek.

Eastern Mennonite University

The following students were recognized as members of EMU's 2014 graduating class:

Eliza Burkholder, a leadership and management degree recipient from Harrisonburg, VA. She is a member of Western Mennonite Church, Salem, OR. **Jonathan Burkholder**, a history degree recipient from Warden, WA. He is a member of Warden Mennonite Church, Warden, WA. **Jeanette Nisly**, a leadership and management degree recipient originally from Sheridan, OR, now living in Guatemala. She is a member of First Mennonite Church of McMinnville, McMinnville, OR.

Eastern Mennonite University, located in Harrisonburg, VA, is a Christian liberal arts university of about 1,500 students, located in Virginia's scenic Shenandoah Valley. EMU is guided by the peace principles of Mennonite Church USA, educating students to serve and lead in a global context through cross-cultural study and an interdisciplinary curriculum. Established in 1917, the university offers over 40 undergraduate majors and six graduate programs offering nine master's degrees. Eastern Mennonite Seminary is part of the university, as is the Center for Justice and Peacebuilding, which helped launch 2011 Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, Leymah Gbowee. See more at: emu.edu/about.

Mennonite Central Committee

The planning committees responsible for hosting two Oregon dinner/concerts on behalf of the Mennonite Festival for World Relief extend a big **THANK YOU** to those who attended and contributed to making the evenings great. *Your presence was much appreciated, as well and your generous gifts which amounted to \$27,879 for the two Dinner/Concerts.* These contributions have been designated to MCC Water Projects. Millions of people do not have enough to eat because of conflict, disaster, poverty or unfair policies. MCC works to ensure there is food for all. A significant link in this chain of food provision is that MCC works to make sure people have access to enough clean water. Your generous contributions empower communities and gives dignity to individuals. Your gifts provide "a cup of cold water"...a gift from God. *If you were unable to attend but would like to contribute to MCC's water projects, please send donations to: OMFWR - c/o Barb Buszman, 11424 NE Skidmore St, Portland, OR 97220.*

Upcoming e-Bulletins:

Aug 18 (submissions due by 8/11)

Sept 1 (submissions due by 8/25)

Sept 15 (submissions due by 9/8)

Oct 6 (submissions due by 9/29)

If you would like to contribute, please send a brief announcement in Spanish & English with website links to 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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