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## From the PNMC Office

It's not too early to plan for the Conference Communications Council, **Saturday, January 10, 2015**, at Zion Mennonite Church. Each congregation is expected to send one pastor and one delegate. Contact [Barb Buxman](#) by **December 15** to reserve seats. *This is a great opportunity for PNMC leaders to connect, express concerns, and strengthen our communication as a whole.*

## PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization

### Mennonite Disaster Service Washington Unit

MDS Washington Unit has purchased a trailer! They are now looking for funds to purchase the tools & equipment to go inside. Donations may be forwarded to Mennonite Disaster Service-Washington Unit c/o Stan Wyse (Treasurer), 5603 104<sup>th</sup> Ave NE, Kirkland, WA 98033 or contact [Carl Westphal](#) at [360-271-5290](tel:360-271-5290) with questions.

### Zion Mennonite Church

ZMC is extending an invitation to all to attend its annual **Sing Your Own Messiah**, an unrehearsed selection of choruses and solos from Handel's oratorio, **Saturday, December 20 at 6:30 pm**. All are welcome to either join in the singing or just listen. There will be a time for fellowship and refreshments afterward. Zion is located at 6124 S. Whiskey Hill Road, Hubbard, OR.

## MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES

listed alphabetically by organization

### Mennonite Central Committee

Need Christmas gift ideas? Check-out MCC's [giving guide](#). *Think about this idea:* First, you [give MCC \\$22 to buy cacao plants](#), which farmers in Colombia will grow, selling the beans that are processed into chocolate. Then you give your chocolate-loving friend a fair-trade chocolate bar for Christmas with a note attached about your gift to MCC. *Voila!* You will make two people happy! Your friend will have some chocolate even as you help farmers produce cacao instead of coca, which is used for cocaine. *Pretty sweet!*

### Mennonite World Conference

The latest issue of MWC's *COURIER* is now available [online](#).

Planning to attend Mennonite World Conference in **Harrisburg, PA, July 21-26, 2015**? North American Mennonites, Mennonite Brethren, and Brethren in Christ are encouraged to honor next summer's guests by starting to prepare now. "Most of us probably can't become fluent in Indonesian or Amharic or French between now and July. But we can certainly learn to know more about our sister churches before we're sitting next to their members at next summer's Assembly!" commented Richard Thomas, chair of the National Advisory Council for the event. Follow this [link](#) for a recommended reading list.

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### Upcoming e-Bulletins:

Nov 17 (submissions due by 11/10)

Dec 1 (submissions due by 11/24)

Dec 15 (submissions due by 12/8)

Jan 5 (submissions due by 12/29)

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