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From the PNMC Office

Several conference leaders are participating in the **Come and See Learning Tour to Israel/Palestine** learning tour sponsored by Mennonite Church USA. Please keep Katherine Jameson Pitts, Nelly Ascencio-Moran, Dave Hockman-Wert and Rachel Ringenberg-Miller in prayer as they travel. *The group departed **April 17** and will return **April 29**.*

In preparation for the **MC USA Convention**, Ervin Stutzman will be at Salem Mennonite Church on **Tuesday, May 5th at 7:00 pm** to meet with the Kansas City delegates and other persons. **Spanish translation services will be available!**

Kansas City 2015 Prayer: In a period of great opportunities and great challenges for MC USA, the need of committed intercessors has never been more urgent. As we approach the national convention this summer, the Kansas City Prayer Team is encouraging faith communities across the country to set aside deliberate time to anchor the church in prayer and to open ourselves to the Spirit's work among us. On **Sunday, May 17**, PNMC is sponsoring an afternoon of prayer open to all attendees of PNMC churches, with a special invitation to pastors and delegates who will be representing their local churches in Kansas City. The afternoon will include structured times of corporate intercession and worship as well as open spaces for personal prayer and reflection. Join us at Zion Mennonite Church in Hubbard, OR, from 4:00 to 6:00 pm for prayer. We will conclude by sharing a fellowship meal.

For questions, contact [Meghan Good](#), retreat facilitator and coordinator of the Kansas City Prayer Team

The **2015 Mennonite Church USA Convention** in Kansas City, MO, is quickly approaching. Please [register today](#) if you plan to attend!

Don't miss two upcoming **learning opportunities** presented by the [Lombard Mennonite Peace Center](#) in Lombard, IL.

[Healthy Congregations Workshop](#), **May 1-2, 2015**, St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Beaverton, OR (*Group discount available [here](#).*)

[Mediation Skills Training Institute for Church Leaders](#), **October 5-9, 2015**, Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Portland, OR.

For questions, call 630-627-0507 or email admin@LMPPeaceCenter.org.

Our conference gathering will be here soon! The **2015 PNMC Annual Meeting** will take place in Lebanon, Oregon, **June 19-20**.

PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization

Salem Mennonite Church

Learn about Meserete Kristos College! Carl Hanson and Tlalun Beyene, recently returned after spending 2 months at Meserete Kristos College in Ethiopia. The program trains church leaders serving over 700 churches in Ethiopia, the largest Anabaptist conference in the world. Join SMC on **Tuesday, April 21 at 7:00 pm**, to learn more about this rapidly growing Anabaptist presence.

Salem Mennonite Church is hosting a **valley wide hymn sing** on **May 31th at 6 pm**. All are invited! Hymn requests will be encouraged. If you are willing to help lead singing, please contact Trudy McKinnell at jimtrudy@comcast.net. There will be a fellowship time afterwards, you are invited to bring finger foods to share.

Western Mennonite School

The **43rd Benefit Auction** is coming **May 2** at the Oregon State Fairgrounds! Please be in prayer for this event as it is the primary source of financial assistance for WMS families seeking Christian Education for their children. Don't miss out on the Pioneer Run! Pies and baked goods are also needed on auction day. (*Sorry, no cream pies!*) Pie tins can be picked up from the school office.

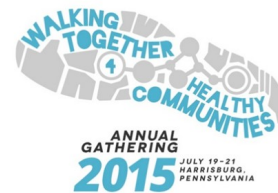


MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES

listed alphabetically by organization

Mennonite Health Services

Healthcare workers from around the world will gather immediately prior to Mennonite World Conference Global Assembly for inspiration, learning, fellowship, and networking in a special event sponsored by Mennonite Healthcare Fellowship (MHF). The [MHF Annual Gathering 2015](#) will be held **July 19-21**, in Harrisburg, PA, using the theme "**Walking Together for Healthy Communities.**" Plenary presentations include a performance by Ted & Company entitled "The Jesus Stories," a challenge by Christian community-builder Shane Claiborne to "Another Way of Doing Life," and a testimony from Indian physician, Ann Thyle on her calling to serve the poor. In order to facilitate the participation of doctors, nurses, dieticians, therapists, chaplains, mental health workers, and many other healthcare advocates and their families from around the world, this year's Annual Gathering will begin on Sunday evening, July 19, at the Sheraton Harrisburg Hershey Hotel. The event concludes with a communion service and noon meal on Tuesday, July 21, just in time for participants to check in for the larger Global Assembly of Mennonites which begins late Tuesday afternoon. Registration is on the website at the link above. For questions, email info@mennohealth.org, or call toll-free to 1-888-406-3643.



Mennonite Mission Network

Marisa Smucker, the new Mennonite Mission Network Associate for the PNMC, will be in Oregon to attend the PNMC Annual Meeting in June. She is looking forward to meeting people and visiting congregations.

Mennonite Mission Network's Day of Prayer: Pray with us, pray for us, pray for our world! Help us celebrate Mennonite Mission Network's Day of Prayer on **May 1, 2015**. Join us in prayer for the mission and ministry of each person, congregation, conference and Mennonite Mission Network. Visit www.MennoniteMission.net/DayOfPrayer for individual and congregational resources such as *Prayer Vine*, a monthly prayer calendar.

Mennonite World Conference

The music at [PA 2015](#) promises to be heavenly, full of energy and spirit! Choirs are coming from Africa, along with music groups and performers from all continents. There will be lots of group singing, with an 18-member international worship team. Come prepared to be both comforted and stirred! Join us for a life-changing event, **July 21-26, 2015** in Harrisburg, PA.

West Coast Mennonite Central Committee

West Coast MCC is excited to open the application process for the **Global Anabaptist Peacebuilder (GAP) Institute!** Global Anabaptist Peacebuilders are young leaders from across the country who gather for a week to learn what it means as an Anabaptist, to respond as a follower of Christ in an increasingly interconnected world. Learning at the GAP Institute takes place in the context of the Central Valley of California. The GAP Institute takes students out of the classroom to experience the broader world, and in turn, provides tools to take back to home communities. Courses are designed to invite young adults to engage in questions from theological, economic and environmental perspectives. Field trips, activities and hands-on experiences make learning, experiencing and engaging difficult issues that arise in an interconnected world exciting and meaningful.

[Helpful information about GAP:](#)

Global Anabaptist Peacebuilders GAP Institute dates: **June 18 - June 27**.

GAP is designed for students ages 18-26.

GAP is on-site at Fresno Pacific University with lodging and food included.

Apply Online: <http://www.gap.mcc.org> - Registration due: **May 10, 2015**.

Upcoming e-Bulletins:

May 4 (submissions due by 4/27)

May 18 (submissions due by 5/11)

June 1 (submissions due by 5/25)

June 15 (submissions due by 6/8)

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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