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From the PNMC Office

We join in prayer for [Prince of Peace](#), a small, vibrant congregation located in Anchorage, AK. Prince of Peace is actively involved in supporting Mennonite Mission Network's Service Adventure unit in Alaska where participants volunteer with Children's Lunchbox, Downtown Soup Kitchen, Habitat for Humanity, the Bureau of Land Management and similar organizations. Service Adventure helps anchor the church in the community. Prince of Peace embraces its role as an Alaskan Roadhouse church for Mennonites and other believers passing through for a season or longer, and for those who decide to make Alaska home. *The congregation is seeking a half-time pastor.*

Executive conference minister, Katherine Jameson Pitts, has returned from a soul-nourishing sabbatical, which concluded with the joyous birth of a granddaughter! Let's keep Katherine in our prayers as she returns to a full inbox and a new to-do list. Katherine is looking forward to connecting with the conference, to hearing about your summer and your dreams, about both the terrible and beautiful things that are happening among you and your people, and about the ways that God is present. She is looking forward to exploring the opportunities in which we can support one another in our ministries and discovering the places where God is inviting us to join God's work in our world. The renewal of sabbatical reminded Katherine that we are called to: *Be the church. Show up. Love each other. Feed the hungry. Don't be afraid, because we are not alone. Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.*

PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization

Camp Camrec

Interested in working for an organization that gives you a sense of purpose? Ask about joining our small and collaborative team at Camp Camrec. Washington Mennonite Fellowship (WMF) seeks a **year-round Camp Facilities Manager**. Camp Camrec is located in the heart of the beautiful Cascade Mountains twelve miles from scenic Leavenworth, WA. The Facilities Manager works alongside the Executive Directors and is responsible for the day-to-day maintenance and physical upkeep of the camp. Must have strong maintenance experience and skills, along with the ability to work collaboratively. Responsible for the management and maintenance of camp facilities, grounds and forest resources at CAMREC, in addition to coordinating camp activities with the camp directors. For more specifics and to see the Facilities Manager Job Description go to camrec.org, email camrec@nwi.net, or call [509-548-7245](tel:509-548-7245).

Drift Creek Camp

Registration details about the [2016 Fall Quilt and Scrapbook Retreat](#) are now posted on Drift Creek's [website](#) and page on [Facebook](#). Activities will begin **Thursday, October 20** through **Sunday, October 23**. Whether you can come for the long weekend or short, there will be plenty of space for you to work on projects of your choosing while the Drift Creek staff takes care of all the other details. Invite a sister, a friend, a neighbor and enjoy a weekend of pampering and projects! Guests will also have the opportunity to learn new skills through an optional class using indigo. *Register by **October 10** to reserve your spot!*

Pacific Northwest Mennonite Historical Society

The Heritage Center is hosting a family and genealogy seminar entitled "[Where in the World Did I Come From](#)". The program will be directed by Jerry Barkman who has given significant time to research his own family history. The event will take place on **Saturday, October 15, 2:30 - 4:30pm** at the Ivan and Pearl Kropf Heritage Center near Zion Mennonite Church in Hubbard, OR.

West Coast MCC

Take advantage of two opportunities to support MCC by participating at regional Relief Sales in the Pacific Northwest. The [Mennonite Country Auction and Relief Sale](#) will take place **Saturday, October 1**, in Ritzville, WA and the [Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief](#) is the following weekend, **Saturday, October 8**, in Albany, OR.

Western Mennonite School

[WMS](#) will host its **Fall Concert** on **Tuesday, October 18** at 7pm. The concert will feature both middle and high school choirs.

MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES

listed alphabetically by organization

Amigo Centre

The folks at Amigo Centre, in Sturgis, MI, will join Mennonite Church USA in offering a [Transitional Ministry Training Retreat](#) for individuals interested in pursuing this important ministry need. Transitional ministry has a unique place in the mission of the church. While "interim pastors" have provided preaching and pastoral care between pastors for many years, "transitional ministry" involves training to lead congregations through a process of preparation for entering a new chapter of leadership for a congregation. The presenters include Gary Martin, Tim Lehman and Cliff Brubaker who, together, have 81 years of combined experience as pastors and assisting congregations through transitions. The retreat will take place at Amigo Centre **October 31-November 4, 2016**. Download a brochure [here](#) and register by **September 17**. Call 269-651-2811 for questions.

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary

A new series introducing [Anabaptist Young Adults in Mission](#) has been released as part of the *Anabaptist Witness* blog. [Read](#) the first post of the bi-monthly series in which current and former young adult Mennonite volunteers in mission share their reflections on Anabaptist identity, the spiritual foundations of their work, and explore what it's like to engage a culture that is different than their own. *Anabaptist Witness* continues the legacy of *Mission Focus*, founded in 1972 by Oregon-native, Wilbert Shenk, and edited from 1997 to 2012 by Walter Sawatsky. Following Sawatsky's retirement, representatives of [Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary](#), [Mennonite Church Canada](#), and [Mennonite Mission Network](#) carried out a wide consultation process about the future of the journal. This process led to the naming of two co-editors, Jamie Pitts and Jamie Ross, and an inaugural editorial committee tasked with renewing the journal's commitment to fostering dialogue among Anabaptists and Mennonites from around the world on key issues facing the church in mission. Based on surveys of former and potential readers, the co-editors and editorial committee decided to publish the journal twice a year, in print and online, and that issues would be thematic. Initial themes include Anabaptist identities, theology of religions, and food. Information on upcoming themes can be viewed [here](#).

Mennonite Central Committee

The [MCC High School Essay Contest](#) is open to Mennonite, Brethren in Christ and other Anabaptist youth of high school age and to all youth who attend Mennonite high schools within the United States and Puerto Rico. A grand prize and three honorable mention winners will be named. The winner of the grand prize will receive \$1,000, while the honorable mentions will each receive \$500. Topics include: Gun violence; Colombia; Immigration. The submission deadline is **January 27, 2017**.

Mennonite Church USA

Kairos Palestine webinar with Rev. Dr. Munther Isaac October 13

Want to learn more about Palestinian Christians? Curious to hear what Kairos Palestine is all about? Join us for a webinar on Thursday, **October 13 at 12pm EST** to meet and learn from Rev. Dr. [Munther Isaac](#), Academic Dean at Bethlehem Bible College. Rev. Munther also serves as one of the pastors at Christmas Lutheran Church in Bethlehem and director of the influential [Christ at the Checkpoint](#) conference. If you've been on a learning tour to Palestine and Israel, you may have heard him speak about a [Palestinian Christian response to Christian Zionism](#). Rev. Munther is also the author of [From Land to Lands, from Eden to the Renewed Earth: A Christ-Centered Biblical Theology of the Promised Land](#). Munther will speak about the Kairos Palestine document, the experience of Christians in Palestine, and what the Palestinian church hopes for from international church bodies such as Mennonite Church USA. Please join us, and invite your friends and congregants as well! Please [click here to RSVP online](#).

Click [here](#) to read the latest edition of *Equipping*.

Registration is open for *I've got the power! Naming and reclaiming power as a force for good*, the second **Women Doing Theology** conference of Mennonite Church USA's **Women in Leadership Project** (WLP). The event will be held **Nov. 4-6** at the **National Conference Center** in Leesburg, VA. Planners hope the event will attract a wide range of women from across the country who are interested in listening to and sharing stories, building relationships, growing spiritually, and reflecting on God in relation to their lives through an Anabaptist lens. Featured speakers include: Jennifer Davis Sensenig, Iris de León-Hartshorn, Wilma Ann Bailey, Sue Park-Hur, Rachel Halder, Chantelle Todman Moore, and Barbra Graber. Click [here](#) for more details and registration.



Upcoming e-Bulletins:

Oct 3 (*submissions due by 9/26*)
Oct 17 (*submissions due by 10/10*)
Nov 7 (*submissions due by 10/31*)
Nov 21 (*submissions due by 11/14*)

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