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From the PNMCC Office

Take a look at how the congregations across the conference are standing with their neighbors...

Albany: We stand with our neighbors who need space – parking lot grace, gleaners storage.

Corvallis: We stand with neighbors through letters of support, teaching our neighbors, “*we’re glad you’re our neighbors*” signs in our yard.

Eugene: We stand with our neighbors by attending meetings to learn how to address anti-semitism, by helping support the repairs to a mosque that was vandalized, by building kitchens for homeless people, by preparing and sending Material Resources and cash donations to MCC. We are 15 in average attendance, but still make a difference.

Evergreen Heights: We stand with our neighbors by opening our facility for community meetings.

Evergreen: We strive to create a welcoming place and a model in love and support to one another.

Filer: We stand with our neighbors by hosting VBS; 47 kids this year!

Hyde Park: We work to act locally at a day shelter for homeless. We have a sister congregation in Colombia where we have once a week phone calls to connect and build relationships.

Iglesia – Roca de Salvacion: We are working with people around us; sharing the gospel through our testimony at our work place. We hosted an evangelistic service and invited the community to hear the gospel; 19 people confessed. We are working to build family security by offering a safe place at church, where families of all ages can socialize, eat, play. These gathering create an environment where single mothers and mothers of children with special needs or without fathers can find a father figure to play with. We also support a mission effort at a senior center in Bolivia.

Bethel: We stand with families from Africa; helping them assimilate into the community. We hosted a community event on July 1. We are supporting a church in Africa. We share property with **Anawim** helping the homeless.

Lebanon: We show support of students, homeless, and members in passing through our laundry ministry. We support our local MCC Sale.

Menno: We are a long way from most neighbors; much of our work is outreach. There have been several fires in the area so many are involved in MDS. We host the Mennonite Country Auction to raise funds for MCC. We provide material aid for homeless in Moses Lake, as well as food and volunteers for Bristol Food Bank. Our Women in Mission provide prayer quilts to people in community who have experienced trauma. The quilts are blessed and given to people who have needs or are given to persons with new homes.

Ministerios: We strive to have open hearts and welcome the local immigrant community who may not have legal status. We offer emotional, spiritual, and legal aid with help of Portland Mennonite.

Mountain View: We strive to remain attentive and engaged in the local community.

Pacific Covenant: We stand with our neighbors by offering love and support for individuals who work in food bank, Bridging Cultures, and immigration activity.

Portland: We work to seek compassion, justice, and peace of the city.

Salem: We welcome our neighbors each Friday as we open our Community Center doors for families in the neighborhood.

Seattle: We are leaning in to our growth edges; engaging in work that sometimes makes us uncomfortable such as racial reparations and nurturing our relationship with first nation’s people.

Shalom: We support members who practice non-violence. We give voice to products and practices that contribute to the destruction of earth and bring health concerns to our population.

Spring Valley: We stand with our neighbors by giving in times of need and helping in times of crisis. We support local ministries and strive to be good examples of peace and tolerance.

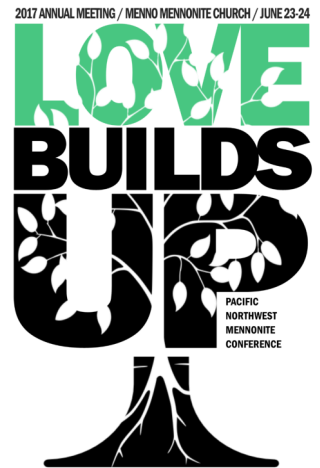
Warden: Every week for the past 22 years, we plan, staff and host Venture club for 25 children throughout the school year.

Western: We share the campus with Western Mennonite School. We have been expanding our gatherings outside of the church walls. We host an ice-cream social to welcome teachers and students and an Easter sunrise service at a nearby pond. We host a community Bar B-Q which neighbors have been attending and services down by the river. We support our pastor going to Mexico at least twice a year to support the NW Mexico church buildings.

Zion: We see Jesus standing with us in the person of neighbors and the undocumented. We offer ESL classes, engage with Bridging Cultures, host VBS, support DCC and maintain international partnerships in Burkino Faso, Mexico and Bolivia.

Together, the Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference, stands with our neighbors...

Enjoy photos from the Eastern Washington 2017 gathering [here](#).



PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization

Mennonite Village

All are invited to **Mennonite Village's special 70th anniversary Worship Service on Sunday, July 30, at 2:30 pm** in the pavilion area next door to Quail Run Assisted Living (2525 47th Ave SE, Albany). The service will feature Mennonite Village chaplains, special music by local performers, and guest speaker Rick Stiffney, CEO of Mennonite Health Services. *"We look forward to having the Oregon Mennonite community join this Sunday afternoon worship service and anniversary celebration. Dedication services on July 27, 1947, were attended by leaders and members of the Mennonite Church from throughout the Pacific Coast states. For the past 70 years, Mennonite Village has been grateful for our ongoing partnership with Mennonite congregations as we provide a continuum of care for our residents. We would be honored if you joined our celebration!"*

West Coast MCC

We regret to inform you that the **August 5 & 6 Oregon MCC Sale Fund Raising Events** in the North and South Valley locations have been **CANCELLED**. These cancellations are due to the withdrawal of the featured artists because of health issues. The hope is to reorganize and offer these events again in 2018. You are encouraged and invited to remember the pressing global needs to which MCC regularly ministers, and consider making a strong gift to MCC in spite of the cancellation of these local events. Gifts may also be made to OMFWR to help offset costs of this year's MCC Sale in Albany on October 14.

Thank you, *The South and North Valley Event Committees*

MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES

listed alphabetically by organization

Mennonite Church USA

Read the latest edition of the *Equipping* at [this link](#).

Read more [here](#) about the Mennonite Church USA Executive Board's meeting in Orlando and plans for the Future Church Summit.

Mennonite Disaster Service

Pray for the folks in Utah, California, and Arizona who are battling more than 20 fires in the three states. The largest in southern Utah has burned more than 84 square miles destroying at least 13 homes and forcing more than 1,500 people to evacuate. In Arizona more than 500 firefighters are battling a blaze there which has burned over 32 square miles. Hundreds have evacuated in communities near the city of Prescott not far from where 19 firefighters lost their lives in 2013. Firefighters are also working to contain several fires in Southern California with the largest located in Riverside County, a community east of Los Angeles. Pray that all of these will be contained and that no deaths will result from these devastating blazes. Click [here](#) for MDS summer service opportunities.

MennoMedia

Music is the language of our hearts, bringing God's people together in worship. As MennoMedia prepares to create a new Mennonite hymnal, everyone is invited to share song suggestions via the [Heart Song Survey](#).

Mennonite Central Committee

MCC U.S. is offering a **40-hour immigration training** that will be held **September 11 - 15** at Mennonite Central Committee's Welcoming Place in Akron, PA. This intensive training is designed to provide immigration case workers the tools they need to gain accreditation from the Board of Immigration Appeals, part of the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ). Once accredited, they can practice before the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, immigration judges, and the DOJ. The training will be done in collaboration with Pennsylvania Immigration Resource Center, York, PA. Registration preference will be given to staff of nonprofit agencies. A limited number of spots are available for attorneys or paralegals working for private law firms. Scholarship opportunities are available for active members in MCC's constituent congregations. Preference will be given to individuals involved in immigration education, advocacy or direct services. Contact your regional office for more information.

Register by Aug. 4 at mcc.org/get-involved/events/immigration-law-training.

Upcoming e-Bulletins:

Aug 7 (submissions due by 7/31)

Aug 21 (submissions due by 8/14)

Sept 4 (submissions due by 8/28)

Sept 18 (submissions due by 9/11)

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