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From the PNMC Office

We'd like to share this timely prayer written by Marlene Kropf:



Gracious and loving God, you set a table before us – a table laden with goodness and mercy.
You welcome us into your presence and remind us that all are welcome at your table:
the rich and poor, the old and young, the conservative and progressive, the gracious and greedy.
Forgive us when we make our tables too small, when we invite only those who think or act like us,
when we fail to set a place for strangers and aliens, or when we believe, deep in our hearts, that some don't deserve a place here.

Gracious and loving God, you call us to be generous and just, as you are,
to act and speak on behalf of those without a voice or whose voices are ignored:
children or elderly, refugees or immigrants, disabled or ill, races or religions not our own.
Forgive us when we cannot hear the cries of those on the edges; when we wrap ourselves in hidden privilege,
or when we hoard our time and treasure, refusing to open our hearts.

God of mercy, we stand before you with broken hearts.
You hear our confession and our desire to be made new.
Create in us clean hearts, warm and responsive hearts, ready and willing hearts.

Make us strong and vigorous -- to love beyond measure, to speak truth with courage, and to act boldly in your name.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization

Camp Camrec

Washington Mennonite Women's Retreat, Camp CAMREC, Leavenworth, WA, **November 3-5, 2017**: All women are invited to enjoy great food, creativity, relaxation, fresh mountain air and worship. *Living a Life of Gratitude*, presented by Seattle Mennonite's Pastor Megan Ramer.

Drift Creek Camp

DCC will extend gratitude to supporters through the **Annual Meeting & Family Camp, November 3-5**. The weekend will include fellowship, a review of the year, a benefit auction and thoughts on doing "Small things with great love" with Kathy Howell. All are welcome! Click [here](#) to register.

Hyde Park Mennonite Fellowship

Sunday, November 5, 2017: All are invited to join Hyde Park Mennonite Fellowship, Boise Idaho to celebrate the 40th anniversary. Storytelling at 9:30 AM, service with former pastor reflections at 10:30 AM. Potluck lunch to follow.

Salem Mennonite Church

SMC is seeking a full-time pastor. Details and a job description are found [here](#).

MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES

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Mennonite Central Committee



MCC has an immediate need for a fourth person for the 2017-2018 canning crew. The service worker needs to be at least 21 and able to make a two-year commitment to canning. MCC will pay for CDL training. To apply and to learn more about the position, visit <https://mcc.org/get-involved/serve/openings> and enter the keyword “canner.” The mobile cannery will travel to 32 locations across eastern and central U.S. and Ontario to can meat for thousands of people around the world. Canned meat is shipped to countries where people are living through various crises. From April 2016 through March 2017, MCC sent 637,896 cans to locations all around the world, including Burundi, Ethiopia, Democratic People’s Republic of Korea (North Korea), Lebanon and Nicaragua, as well as Canada and the U.S.

Beneficiaries in countries such as Ukraine are chosen by their need, focusing especially on large families, single parent families, and disabled and elderly people. A single can of meat mixed with everything from pasta to porridge can feed a family for up to 10 for a day, some beneficiaries say.

Mennonite Church USA

Follow [this link](#) for the latest edition of the *Equipping* newsletter.

Mennonite Disaster Service

Please pray for Kevin King, MDS executive director, Larry Stoner, MDS regional operations coordinator and the MDS Puerto Rico Unit as they work together to evaluate the impact of Hurricane Maria on the island and assess how MDS should respond. The team will need to address challenges in the areas of communication, travel & available resources. Continue to remember those impacted by Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma. Also keep in prayer the volunteers in Florida doing clean-up work after Hurricane Irma. Remember in prayer all the continuing projects MDS has ongoing that were started before this current hurricane season. *As the list of disasters continues to grow, so is the list of [MDS needs](#).*

Mennonite Mission Network & Mennonite Education Agency



In recent weeks, people have experienced devastating loss due to natural disasters – hurricanes, fires – and by human hands. There is no greater time than right now for God’s people to pray for the healing balm and love of our Almighty God, and to work toward peace. Included in the devastation is *Academia Menonita Betania*, in Aibonito, Puerto Rico, a [Mennonite Education Agency](#) school, and service location for Mennonite Mission Network volunteers. The campus has incurred significant damage by Hurricane Maria. Click this link for the story [Betania School Rebuilding Fund](#).

Upcoming e-Bulletins:

Nov 6 (submissions due by 10/28)

Nov 20 (submissions due by 11/13)

Dec 4 (submissions due by 11/27)

Dec 18 (submissions due by 12/11)

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