



e-Bulletin

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From the PNMC Office

Save the date! The Conference Communications Council is from 9-4 on **February 10, 2018**. The gathering will be hosted by Zion Mennonite Church in Hubbard, OR. Each congregation will send one delegate and one pastor. *Other individuals who are interested in the topics being discussed are welcome on a space-available basis.* Details and the day's agenda are still being worked out, but in follow up on the Future Church Summit, time will be spent on the Mennonite Church Journey Forward process. So mark your calendars and look for emerging details.

PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization

Bend Mennonite Church

If you find yourself in beautiful Central Oregon, please note that the Bend Mennonite Church now meets on Saturday afternoons at 4:30pm. The congregation gathers in the Heritage Hall at the First Presbyterian Church, located at 230 NE 9th Street, Bend, OR 97701.

Visitors are most welcome!

Drift Creek Camp

DCC extends its thanks to all who were able to participate in the 2017 Annual Members' Meeting and Family Camp, November 3-5.

The gathering was a good reminder of the importance of community; of supporting one another through [small acts done with great love](#).

DCC is also grateful for the many contributions of time and hard labor in the effort to rebuild the Caretaker Cabin. Progress is coming and each hour of volunteer labor has been deeply appreciated!

Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief

Follow [this link](#) to enjoy Don Bacher's (*Albany Mennonite*) photos from the 2017 MCC Sale!



Pictured above: Judy (Yoder) Stutzman (Left) from Albany Mennonite; Elizabeth Masingila (Center) and her grandmother, Patricia (Yoder) Hershberger, (right) both of Zion Mennonite.

Zion Mennonite Church

All are invited to ZMC's annual **Sing Your Own Messiah, Saturday, December 9** at 7pm with selections from the beloved oratorio, accompanied by piano and a string ensemble. No rehearsals. Directed by Thomas Gingerich. Free but donations are encouraged. Refreshments following.

MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES

listed alphabetically by organization

Everence

Money, generosity and why we need to talk about it... Our challenge as 21st century followers of Jesus is to take the lessons described in scripture, understand their context and then apply the time-tested principles to our own day. This is no small challenge, but worth the effort. To help, Everence has released a new study guide, entitled *Generous Living in a Self-Centered World*, that highlights biblical examples of stewardship. The study begins with the story of Cain and Abel from Genesis 4 and ends with the Apostle Paul. The resource explores a variety of biblical stories and uncovers connections with our first-world American context. The material could be ideal for adult Sunday School or small groups. Follow the link below for this helpful stewardship resource.

<https://www.everence.com/resources/congregational-stewardship-education>.

Mennonite Church USA

Follow [this link](#) to find the latest MC USA news.

Mennonite Health Assembly

Registration is now open for Mennonite Health Assembly, 2018, which will be held

March 8-10 at the Sheraton Hotel in Pittsburgh, PA. Details are available [here](#).



Mennonite Mission Network

From Levi Ebersole, Corvallis Mennonite Fellowship, Service Adventure participant:

Greetings from your Service Adventure CMF representative in Colorado Springs, CO! I figured I would give you an update and a look into my time here in the Springs so far. For those not familiar with Service Adventure, it is a program run through Mennonite Mission Network for young adults to give a year of service while also getting to see a new part of the country or world. My volunteer placement is at Greccio Housing, a non-profit housing

organization that offers subsidized rent to disadvantaged people, including veterans, seniors, and those with disabilities. My role at Greccio so far has been as a maintenance tech. I work with a team of four others and we help maintain the many Greccio properties across the city. My placement has been a really wonderful fit for me and I am very grateful. I am also grateful for the awesome people I am living with. We have gotten to do a lot of fun activities outside of our placements including traveling to Albuquerque to see the balloon fiesta and visit with the Service Adventure unit stationed there. As I am typing this I am sitting in the cozy lodge of Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp at 9,500 ft on the back side of Pikes Peak which has served as an amazing weekend getaway many times already for our unit and Beth-El Mennonite Church. Overall, this fall has been an **incredible experience and a great learning opportunity** for me in many ways. I would like to thank you for your generosity and making this financially possible for me to experience. And also, thank you for your love and support through prayer. Hope all is well and I look forward to returning this summer and sharing more stories.



Mennonite Women USA

Carolyn Heggen, psychotherapist specializing in trauma healing and member of Albany Mennonite Church, and Rhoda Keener, Sister Care director for Mennonite Women USA, taught Sister Care seminars in October 2017 in Nagpur, India for the Theologically Trained Anabaptist Women of India, and in Kathmandu, for Nepali and expat women leaders. In preparation for this event, Elisabeth Kunjam, Indian co-host with Rechal Bagh, organized the translation of the Sister Care manual into five of the many languages spoken in India – Hindi, Nepali, Bangla, Telegu, and Tamil – and printing of 2,300 copies for women to use to teach Sister Care in their churches and communities. Heggen and Keener also spoke at Union Biblical Seminary in Pune, India on “How pastors can care for the **spiritual and psychological needs of women.**”

Carolyn Heggen, Hogla Tabitha, Rani Benhur, Yesupriya Joel, and Rhoda Keener in Nagpur, India.

Upcoming e-Bulletins:

Dec 4 (submissions due by 11/27)

Dec 18 (submissions due by 12/11)

Jan 8 (submissions due by 1/2)*

Jan 22 (submissions due by 1/15)

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!

**Please note that in light of Christmas, the January 2018 editions will be posted on the 2nd & 4th Mondays rather than the regular 1st & 3rd.)*

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