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# e-Bulletin

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# From the PNMC Office

The <u>Conference Communications Council</u> is 9am-4pm on **February 10** at Zion Mennonite Church in Hubbard, OR. Please register today so we can prepare materials and lunch for all participants. For those joining in from Idaho - please also register online. In the field asking the Congregation Represented - simply type IDAHO so we have a record of your participation. Conveniently, the MCC Material Resource Center is on the Zion campus. If you have been collecting items for MCC and have them stored in your basement or back room, bring them along and Bob Buxman will be there to receive donations.

# PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization



#### West Coast MCC

Registration is open for the 2018 West Coast MCC Bike Ride, July 29-August 3 in Kellogg, ID! The paved roundtrip routes will be:

Monday: Trail of the Coeur d'Alenes, east from Kellogg to Mullen. (46 miles)

Tuesday: Spokane River Centennial Trail, from Post Falls to Spokane downtown Riverfront Park. (50 miles)

Wednesday: Trail of the Coeur d'Alenes west from Kellogg to Harrison. (72 miles with optional century day, 100 miles.)

Thursday: Route of the Hiawatha, (Crown Jewel of all Rails-to-Trails in the US. *Packed gravel road surface. Bike rental possibilities. (30 miles)* Friday: Trail of the Coeur d'Alenes from Harrison to Plummer. (35 miles)

Register online with a \$50 non-refundable donation to MCC. (These funds will not be used for the trip.)

Total Cost: \$465 total. (\$50 donation on the MCC website at time of registration.) Remaining \$415 due to IMWRF (Idaho Mennonite World Relief Festival) by May 1, 2018. Youth rate: First ten registered under age 25, cost is \$230. Any unused fees or additional funds will be given to MCC's Empowering Women Project located in South Sudan. MCC has partnered with the WEP since 2009, graduating 235 women. The program offers a nine-month tailoring and sewing course which includes small business and microfinance workshops as well as lessons on nutrition and non-violent peacebuilding. In July 2016, Juba, South Sudan was affected by intense fighting between the opposition and government forces. This crisis affected attendance and caused trauma among the participants. Out of the 50 participants who started the program in 2016, five left to seek refuge as they feared an escalation of fighting, and they have not returned. Some participants have relatives that were killed during this period of violence. The training program currently has a mix of participants across different tribal groups. They continue to learn from each other, bond and relate freely due to the nature of the training and non-partisanship of the training center. The remaining 45 participants fully attended the training sessions and graduated in December 2016. The program requires \$36,000 a year to operate. \$250 provides one sewing machine to a new trainee; \$200 provides needed fabrics for one participant's training and \$100 provides needed sewing supplies for one participant's training.

## PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES, continued

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#### Mennonite Disaster Service

All interested persons are invited to attend the 2018 Mennonite Disaster Service Oregon Unit Annual Meeting at Calvary Mennonite Church on Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Reports will be given about the MDS Saipan project, Wildfire response and the Oregon Unit MDS Trailer Project. Guest speakers will be Dan Moseler and Larry Johnson, United Methodist Committee on Relief, regional disaster coordinators. Lunch will be provided and an offering will be taken to support the Unit's mission. Please RSVP by March 11, 2018 to Clyde Hockman (503-263-1210).

#### PNMC to Host Goshen College Men's Choir

Don't miss the following opportunities to hear the Goshen College Men's Choir while they tour the Pacific Northwest:

Saturday, February 24—Portland Mennonite Church, 7pm

Sunday, February 25—Portland Mennonite Church at 10:30am

Sunday, February 25—Zion Mennonite Church at 6pm (There will be an alumni & friends reception with President Stoltzfus at 4pm.)

Monday, February 26—Salem Mennonite Church, 6:30pm

Wednesday, February 28—Western Mennonite School, 9:40am

Wednesday, February 28—Mennonite Village, 2pm

Wednesday, February 28—Albany Mennonite, 6:30pm

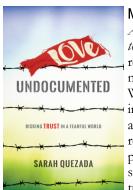
Friday, March 2—Seattle Mennonite Church, 7:30pm

#### Seattle Mennonite Church

Seattle Mennonite Church, a progressive Mennonite church in the Lake City neighborhood, invites applications for the position of Administrator. Our beloved Administrator is retiring, and we are looking for a great candidate to join our team. This is a permanent, part-time position that manages the financial, administrative, and human resources aspects of the church, and supervises the Facility Manager and Office Coordinator. The Administrator works in close collaboration with Stewardship Council, the pastoral team, other employees, and relevant members of the leadership team in order to carry out the wide-ranging responsibilities of the position. A job description, including a representative list of the responsibilities of this position and desired qualifications for an applicant, can be found on our website: <a href="https://www.seattlemennonite.org/contact-us/administrator">www.seattlemennonite.org/contact-us/administrator</a>.

# **MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES**

listed alphabetically by organization



#### MennoMedia

As a young Christian, Sarah Quezada had a heart for social justice. She was also blissfully unaware of the real situations facing today's immigrants. Until she met someone new . . . who happened to be undocumented. In Love Undocumented, Quezada takes readers on a journey deep into the world of the U.S. immigration system. Follow her as she walks alongside her new friend, meets with lawyers, stands at the U.S.-Mexico border, and visits immigrants in detention centers. With wisdom from Scripture, research, and experience, Quezada explores God's call to welcome the stranger and invites Christians to consider how to live faithfully in a world of closed doors and high fences. Is it possible to abandon fear and cultivate authentic relationships with new arrivals? What if hospitality to immigrant and refugee neighbors puts us at personal risk? How can churches create safe spaces for those living at the precarious edge of our society? With Quezada as your guide, discover a subversive Savior who never knew a stranger. Get to know the God of the Bible, whose love and grace cross all borders. Respond to an invitation to turn away from fear and enter a bigger story.

#### Mennonite Church USA

The Mennonite, Inc. welcomes your original submissions for the April 2018 print and online issue focusing on Technology. A full description of the theme is available <a href="here">here</a>. Submissions are due February 17 to <a href="https://example.com/Editor@TheMennonite.org">Editor@TheMennonite.org</a>.

Recent news from Mennonite Church USA available here.

### **Upcoming e-Bulletins:**

Feb 19 (submissions due by 2/12) March 5 (submissions due by 2/26) March 19 (submissions due by 3/12) April 2 (submissions due by 3/26) 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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