

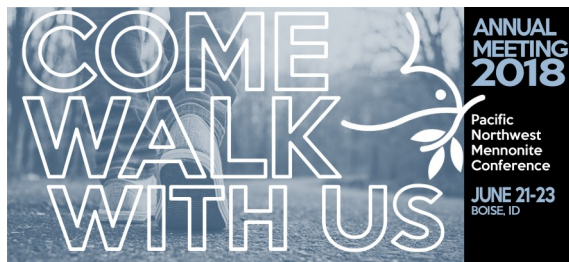


# e-Bulletin

Providing bi-weekly communication for PNMC

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## From the PNMC Office



Registration for the 2018 PNMC Annual Meeting has closed. As final preparations are under way, *we ask that you keep this gathering in your prayers*. We are grateful for our gracious hosts in Idaho who are busy preparing for the arrival of folks from all over the Pacific Northwest. Whether you will be walking with us in person or participating through prayer, there is a wealth of helpful information available on the [PNMC website](http://pnmc.org). There, you may download the schedule, lodging and dining options. You can peruse workshop options or read more about those on this year's Ballot. This yearly event is a wonderful opportunity to connect with brothers and sisters from across our vast conference in meaningful ways as **we seek to renew our calling:**

*God calls us to be followers of Jesus Christ and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to grow as communities of grace, joy and peace, so that God's healing and hope flow through us into the world.*

## PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization

### Seattle Mennonite Church



Let us introduce you to SMC's [!Explore](#) participant. *She writes*, "My name is Thalia Neufeld. I am 16 years old, though I will be 17 on June 29th. I have grown up in Seattle Mennonite Church, I have always felt a belonging there. My family lives five minutes away so we are very much a part of the church neighborhood. My parents work as pastors at the church trying to end homelessness in our area. I have recently been baptized into our church and am working as a summer intern through !Explore. This program, based at the Anabaptist Mennonite Seminary in IN, will help form my leadership skills as well as making time for me to further grow in my faith in the form of a exploring theological question. I will spend most of the summer working at SMC, but in July I will spend two weeks at AMBS with other youth, all exploring our faith together. As part of my internship I will be participating in PNMC as a delegate, can't wait to see you in Boise!" AMBS has designed the program to give high school students an opportunity to explore ministry and theology, grow in spiritual practices and biblical engagement and listen for God's call. The program includes a 100-hour congregational internship and a Group Experience in Elkhart.

### West Coast MCC

It's not too late! Sign up for the [West Coast MCC bike ride!](#) All are welcome! **July 30 - August 3.** Gather in beautiful Kellogg, ID. Family friendly on mostly bike trails. Support [women empowerment in South Sudan](#) through MCC.



### Mennonite Village

The construction of the new Mennonite Village nursing home is expected to be completed this fall. The new facility will provide a home-like setting with private rooms and private baths. In an attempt to minimize debt, Mennonite Village is trying to raise funds to decorate and furnish the building's interior. In exchange for funding, Mennonite Village is offering interested persons/companies naming rights for 5 or 10 years for individual rooms or common spaces. If you are interested in sponsoring a space, please contact Phil Histan or John Kollaer, director of fundraising at Mennonite Village, at 541-928-7232 for further information.

### Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief

It's not too early to begin thinking about how you can contribute to the **Country Store** at the Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief on **October 13!** The fresh produce will be expanded and called a **Farmer's Market**, so keep that in mind as you plant your gardens. Here are some creative options to begin creating, growing, or purchasing: soaps, lotions, jewelry, handcrafted items for home and personal use, home décor, dried flowers, wreaths; toys or hats for children and babies; dried fruits and vegetables, herbs, tea, homemade noodles, fudge, cookies, or honey. If you have questions or ideas please contact Florence Gingrich – [gfgingrich@msn.com](mailto:gfgingrich@msn.com) or Donna Brubaker – [dbrubaker@centurytel.net](mailto:dbrubaker@centurytel.net).

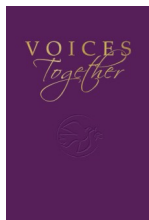
## MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES

listed alphabetically by organization

### Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary

**Spiritual Guidance Seminars:** Prepare for a ministry of spiritual direction through this two-part supervised program, which will be offered on the AMBS campus in 2018–19. Level 1 begins in September and Level 2 in October. Instructor: **Dan Schrock**, D. Min.

**Fully online AMBS courses available:** Christian Attitudes Toward War, Peace and Revolution; Christian Theology 1; and Spiritual Practices: Prayer and Scripture. **Hybrid courses** (online, with one week on campus: Aug. 20–25) include Isaiah and Family Spirituality. *More than 10 on-campus courses are also offered.* Non-admitted students get 50 percent off their first class! [ambs.edu/onecourse](http://ambs.edu/onecourse).



### Everence, MCC and MennoMedia

Over the years, our hymnals have aged. Some are worn and tattered. Some are outdated. Some don't contain the new songs we love to sing. We need a new collection that has our favorites, both old and new. We need a collection that is compatible with the technology used in our churches, in our many ways of gathering together. We need a new worship and song collection that unites us and brings our voices together. Everence and Mennonite Central Committee U.S. have partnered with MennoMedia to make this collection affordable for all congregations. The matching gift campaign is called [Voices Together](#). Click [here](#) to learn how every dollar you give will be doubled if you join us doing your part!

### Mennonite Women USA



## SISTER CARE

## ENRICHMENT RETREAT

Sister Care Enrichment provides additional material for women to explore key themes from the Sister Care: Equipping Women for Healing Ministry seminar.

*This event is sponsored by Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference and Mennonite Women USA*

## Going deeper with Sister Care core teachings

September 28-30, 2018 | Drift Creek Camp | Lincoln City, OR

Presenters: Carolyn Heggen and Rhoda Keener

**Sister Care Enrichment: Going Deeper:** This retreat provides an opportunity for participants to re-explore and deepen their understanding of the key themes of Sister Care (Claiming Our Identity as God's Beloved, Caring for Self and Others, Compassionate Listening, and Transforming Loss and Grief). Additional teaching, guided activities and new resources will be shared to help participants integrate Sister Care concepts into their personal life journey and to help others.

Women who have not participated in the Level 1 Sister Care seminar are welcome to attend if they read the Sister Care manual and listen to the Sister Care teaching DVD *prior* to the retreat. These may be purchased from Mennonite Women USA at the special discount price of \$10 (includes manual and DVD). Request from Berni Kaufman at [bernik@mwusa.org](mailto:bernik@mwusa.org) and indicate Spanish or English manual. (DVD in English only.)



Drift Creek Camp, Lincoln City, OR, September 28-30, 2018. Registration materials are available at your congregation. Questions: Kathy Bilderback at [kabilderback@cableone.net](mailto:kabilderback@cableone.net) or LaVonne Blowers at [lavonneblowers@yahoo.com](mailto:lavonneblowers@yahoo.com).

### Upcoming e-Bulletins:

July 2 (submissions due by 6/25)

Aug 6 (submissions due by 7/30)

Aug 20 (submissions due by 8/13)

Sept 3 (submissions due by 8/27)

If you would like to contribute, please send a **brief announcement** in Spanish & English with website links to [brenda@pnmc.org](mailto: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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