PNMC Conference Communications Council - ZOOM meeting February 5, 2022
Karen Flores interpreted from Honduras

9:00 Katherine welcomed attenders and opened the meeting with a prayer adapted from Voices Together 859

Congregations shared a resource that has been helpful to their congregation in the past year during ROLL CALL. There were 53 participants logged on.

Zion Mennonite Church, Hubbard, Oregon- Steve Bomar(pastor)

Western Mennonite Church, Salem, Oregon-Terry Rediger

Shalom Church, Spokane, Washington- Jan Yoder

Seattle Mennonite Church, Seattle, Washington- Megan Ramer

Salem Mennonite Church, Salem, Oregon-Jennifer Gingrich

River of Life Fellowship, McMinnville, Oregon- Byron Shenk

Prince of Peace Mennonite Church, Anchorage, Alaska - (absent)

Portland Mennonite Church, Portland, Oregon- Rod Stafford

Pacific Covenant Mennonite Church, Canby, Oregon- (absent)

Mountain View Mennonite Church, Kalispell, Montana- Jeryl Hollinger

Ministerios Restauración, Portland, Oregon-Samuel Moran (pastor)

Menno Mennonite Church, Ritzville, Washington- Bryce Miller (pastor)

Lebanon Mennonite Church, Lebanon, Oregon- Mike Baker

Jerusalén Iglesia Menonita, Salem Oregon- Urslim

Iglesia Rio de Vida, McMinnville, Oregon-(absent)

Iglesia Menonita Roca de Salvación, Aurora, Oregon- (absent)

Hyde Park Mennonite Fellowship, Boise, Idaho- Christie Dahlin (pastor)

First Mennonite Church of Aberdeen, Aberdeen, Idaho- Kevin Chupp (pastor), Katherine O'Brien

Filer Mennonite Church, Filer, Idaho- Ron Hershey

Evergreen Mennonite Church, Kirkland, Washington- Cecil Miller

Evergreen Heights Mennonite Church, Caldwell, Idaho- Kathy Bilderback (pastor)

Eugene Mennonite Church, Eugene, Oregon- (absent)

Emmaus Christian Fellowship, Meridian, Idaho- Rick Bollman, Craig Morton

Corvallis Mennonite Fellowship, Corvallis, Oregon- Jennifer Buss, Jerry Langstradt, Dave Hockman-Wert

Comunidad Cristiana Vida Nueva, Salem, Oregon- MIsael Araujo (pastor)

Bend Mennonite Church, Bend, Oregon-Sam Adams, Jeannette Wissman

Albany Mennonite Church, Albany, Oregon-Peter Epp (pastor), Phil Rempel

And our church plants:

Community of Hope, Bellingham, Washington- Rachel Beasley (pastor),
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Iglesia Anabautista Ebenezer, Keizer, Oregon- Jesus Fuentes (pastor),

ECM, Katherine, recommended that we pray for one another and the church plants. She also shared information about the special delegate session in May, the approved financial assistance program for delegates, and reported sending out information to conference pastors.

9:45 Samuel Moran – sharing book: "Alone with God", a Spanish devotional guide resource for prayer lifestyle inspired by Jesus, written by Samuel and his wife Orfilia. Is being used all around the world by pastors & leaders. It was recently translated into English. More than 400 participants from diverse denominations. Components of the challenge to pray like Jesus-Search places for time with God(Matthew), early in morning (Mark), people came but he searched for alone/private time with God (Luke). 12 week challenge to increase by 5 minutes each week until total of 60 mins in the 12th week. He shared testimonials from people around the world using the resource in variety of situations. samuelorfiliaministries@gmail.com; text 971-227-4945

## 10:10 Rob Muthiah – book: Lamenting Racism

Pasadena Mennonite Church, professor at Azusa Pacific Seminary and was part of a team from Mennonite Church USA that prepared a 4 part curriculum for congregations on *Lamenting Racism.* 4 pastors/4professors over 3 yrs, denominational diverse team, African American, Asian, Latin American, White. Curriculum structure: Leaders Guide, Participant journal, 6 videos for each section. Designed for congregational use, small group, SS for full range of racial identities. Chapters include: Confronting racism with lament, Understanding racisms persuasive power, Knowing what the Bible Says, Listening to Race-Inflected Stories, Voicing our own laments, Imaging our way forward. Website: MennoMedia - can purchase the Leaders guide(16.99), six session video series(32.99), participant journal(11.99); https://www.mennomedia.org/lamenting-racism/

## 10:40 Sarah Augustine – book: The Land is not Empty

Sarah Augustine is a member of Seattle Mennonite Church, Executive Director of the Dispute Resolution Center of Yakima and Kittitas Counties, one of the founders of MC USA's Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery Coalition. Whose land was it, How did they lose it, Where are their descendants today? Free download study guide or purchase the DVD at dofdmenno.org/movie/

## 11:00 Break

11:15 Dianna Eshleman, PBNMC moderator, invited individuals to discussion groups. The PNMC Board's four questions were designed to assess the current needs of our conference as part of the process of searching for a new ECM due to Katherine's retirement in June.

- 1. What do we (PNMC as a whole and/or staff) currently do that would be missed if we stopped doing it?
- 2. What are we currently doing that we want to keep doing?
- 3. What are we currently doing that we need to stop doing?
- 4. What are we currently not doing that we would like to do?>

Each group was asked to put their group's responses on a shared google document for use by the PNMC board.

12:00 Kevin Chupp, PNMC moderator-elect and pastor of First Mennonite, Aberdeen closed the meeting with prayer.

After the meeting, questions about the MC USA Special Delegate session were addressed by Katherine.