

e-Bulletin

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Meet Misael Araujo, Comunidad Cristiana Vida Nueva

Executive Conference Minister, Eric Massanari, recently met with Misael, Araujo. Misael is the lay pastor at Comunidad Cristiana Vida Nueva which meets on Sunday afternoons at Salem Mennonite Church in Keizer, OR. Misael is also serving with the broader organization Iglesia Menonita Hispana or IMH. Eric invited Misael to respond to the questions below in green:



Can you please share about yourself and your family so that the PNMC community can get to know you better?

God bless you, brothers and sisters, I greet you with the Peace of Christ, my name is Misael Araujo, I am the lay minister at Comunidad Cristiana Vida Nueva in Keizer, OR (using the Salem Mennonite Church building) which is a blessing and bridge for many souls to come to Christ. My wife, Patricia, and I, along with our four children have been involved with the congregation for 22 years. Our son, Milan is at Northwest University in Kirkland, WA preparing to become a pastor. Our son Nolan, is a worship leader. Our daughter, Kalea, plays the piano in the praise group, and our daughter, Vanessa, helps with organize Sunday school. (Misael, left in photo, with his family.)

What would you like to share with us about your ministry and the congregational life at Comunidad Cristiana Vida Nueva? I have felt a burden for souls at Vida Nueva and for the last 4 years we have been preaching three times a month preparing the church for the coming of the Lord. By organizing evangelistic campaigns, family camps, mission trips to Spain, Italy and Baja California (Mexico) and helping to distribute the finances of the church in the mission field and the needs of the people in our congregation, we have realized that Vida Nueva is a small mission with a big vision.

Please share about Iglesia Menonita Hispana. For those who may not know, what is IMH? And what is your new role with IMH? I am honored to serve as a member on the board of directors of the Hispanic Mennonite Church. It makes me incredibly happy to be able to bring valuable information to Northwest Oregon.

<u>Identity</u>: The Hispanic Mennonite Church is a source of living testimony in the world, expressing unity in the Spirit of God.

<u>Our Mission</u>: It is to strengthen the Anabaptist identity and unity of the congregations, and to promote Hispanic culture and values.

<u>Purpose</u>: A Hispanic Anabaptist Mennonite community for God's mission in the world, to develop Anabaptist identity among leadership and congregations.

Who We Are: We are the Hispanic Mennonite church in the United States, together we have embraced the mission of reaching the multicultural Hispanic family of this country with the gospel of Christ.

And my dream is to have a national service of Hispanic Mennonite churches in the Oregon region. I greet you with the Peace of Christ my brothers, - Misael.

If you'd like to visit La Comunidad Cristiana Vida Nueva, Salem Mennonite Church is located at 1045 Candlewood Dr. Salem, OR 97303.

PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES



Hyde Park Mennonite Fellowship

The Boise congregation will celebrate the ordination of **Christie Dahlin** as pastor of Hyde Park Mennonite Fellowship. The service will take place on **Sunday, October 8** at **10:00** in the morning. The church is located at 1520 N. 12th Street in Boise. (Click here for the ZOOM LINK.) Christie began serving at HPMF in September of 2021. Prior to that, she had been living in Seattle, where she was involved in various ministry roles over the years and where she graduated from Seattle University School of Theology and Ministry with a Master of Divinity degree. She is excited to bring her passion around preaching, pastoral care, worship leading and collaborating on asking what it means to be the church in this time and place. In April 2020 (right at the start

of the pandemic!) Christie and her spouse Samuel welcomed their son Jedidiah into their family. Christie enjoys spending time outdoors with her family, whether hiking, biking, cross-country skiing or simply meandering through a park.

Mennonite Country Auction

The 2023 auction will be held Saturday, October 7 at Menno Mennonite Church,

1378 N. Damon Rd., Ritzville, WA. All are welcome to this day of fun and special items raising funds for the global development work of Mennonite Central Committee. There is no admission fee and parking is free. Gates open at 7:00 AM. Breakfast will be served from 7-9 AM. Sale booths open at 10:00 AM and the Liberty Quartet will perform on the sale stage at 10:30 AM. Cash and checks (with I.D.) are preferred the day of the sale. Dollar amounts paid for articles above fair market value of the items are tax deductible.

Oregon Mennonite Relief Sale

Gather at the Linn County Fair and Expo Center, 3700 Knox Butte Rd. E, in Albany for the 2023 Oregon Mennonite Relief Sale, Saturday, October 21. In addition to the sale's collection of quilts, baked goods, books and antiques, as well as handcrafted items in the new Menno Marketplace or search for fabric and notions at the Sew Much Shop. Visit www.oregonmccsale.org to learn more. The Online Auction begins Saturday, October 14 and closes at 9pm on Wednesday, October 18. Click here.

MENNONITE CHURCH CANADA

CommonWord Bookstore & Resource Center



A new book by **Sarah Augustine** and **Sheri Hostetler** (pastor of First Mennonite Church in San Francisco, CA) asks the brutal question, "Will we choose life for our children and the future of our planet?" The publication will be released on **November 10.** While you may not be able to travel to Winnipeg for the launch, you are invited to participate online! Join Sarah and Sheri as they offer hope for a better future alongside concrete actions for joining with Indigenous Peoples to protect life and advocate for sustainable change that follows Jesus.

Mark your calendar and join the livestream event: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5V0xjKSKhJE And follow this link to pre-order your copy: https://www.commonword.ca/go/3438

MENNONITE CHURCH USA









END GUN VIOLENCE webinar: Oct 12, 2023 04:00 PM Pacific Time

Presenters will explore the issues that drive today's violent gun culture in the U.S. and examine how our Anabaptist faith informs our response. Host Lorraine Stutzman Amstutz, denominational minister of Peace & Justice, will lead this conversation with theologians Malinda Berry, Ph.D., of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, and Andrew Suderman, Ph.D., of Eastern Mennonite University. Register here. Spanish translation is available!

Upcoming e-Bulletins:

Oct 16 (submissions due by 10/9) Nov 6 (submissions due by 10/30) Nov 20 (submissions due by 11/13) Dec 4 (submissions due by 10/27) If you would like to contribute, please send a **brief announcement** in Spanish & English with website links to <u>brenda@pnmc.org</u>. 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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