

Central Christian Annual Report Spring 2017

It is virtually impossible to work at Central Christian School and not be aware of and amazed by God's grace. We are surrounded by the blessings of a community who make certain the school's mission does not falter. We were encouraged by the many sentiments of love that came throughout the year in prayers, words of encouragement and donations to this mission. This is an amazing, generous community. I also think of the people of Ohio Conference with much fondness. Central is in the unique position to observe and be humbled by the multitudes of persons serving at MCC, MEDA, Connections, Camp Luz, and our local churches. Others serving in our community are the volunteer fire departments, local school districts and the Kidron Historical Society. It is important to recognize that when Ohio Mennonite Conference suffers, the organizations around the conference feel the repercussions.

We finished the fiscal year (2015-2016) in the black due to many strong gifts from generous donors. Enrollment is presently 346, for this and much more we give thanks.

We announced my retirement as Superintendent, effective June 30, 2017. This has been a long, difficult decision. Central has been such a blessing to me and my family for which I will always be grateful. Our decision to leave was affected by many reasons, but the primary reason is a strong desire to live near our grandchildren. We desire the flexibility and time needed to fulfill family goals not yet accomplished. My wife, Candace, and I will always remember the wonderful relationships acquired during our time at Central. This is indeed a community with wonderful God-fearing servants who desire to be faithful to the Lord's Word and His call in their lives.

The CCS Board of Trustees is well into the process of searching for a new Superintendent. We are faced with growth and an ever-changing educational environment. This time is both exciting and energizing, and we covet your prayers as we proceed.

Central Christian is blessed in so many ways. We are grateful for the faith stories of our alumni, the dedication of Central's faculty and staff and the sense of God's leading among us. We want to thank Ohio Conference, Mennonite Education Agency and Mennonite Schools Council for the firm foundation provided us in the Mennonite Anabaptist tradition. We are blessed by the prayers offered on our behalf and desire to continue working with parents and churches in raising godly men and women to serve the church.

Eugene Miller, Superintendent