

# Conference Calendar

## MAR

- 21-23 Women in Conversation Retreat, Laurelville Mennonite Church Center, Mt. Pleasant, Pa.
- 21-23 Men's Retreat, Camp Luz
- 29 *Shine* Sunday school curriculum training event, Westin Convention Center, Pittsburgh, Pa.

## APR

- 3-4 Fairlawn Haven Auxiliary Open House and Auction, Founder's Hall, Archbold
- 5 Spring Day of Inspiration, Ohio Mennonite Women, Lee Heights Community Church, Cleveland
- 24 *Shine* Sunday school curriculum training event, Kidron Mennonite Church
- 25-26 Sister Care Seminar, Howard-Miami Mennonite Church, Kokomo, Ind.

## MAY

- 5-7 Spiritual Directors Retreat, Lindenwood Retreat Center, Donaldson, Ind.

- 16-18 Latino Families Encounter, Camp Luz

## JUN

- 20-21 Black Swamp Benefit Bazaar, Fulton County Fairgrounds, Wauseon
- 27-29 Ohio Youth Event, Bluffton University

## AUG

- 8-10 Girls' Jamboree, Camp Luz

## SEPT

- 13 Leadership and Anxiety in the Church Seminar, Central Mennonite, Archbold
- 19-21 Ohio Mennonite Women's Retreat, Camp Luz

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## Spring brings workshops, retreats

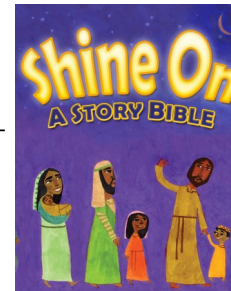
This spring members of Ohio Conference congregations have the opportunity to take part in a variety of workshops, retreats and other events sponsored by the Ohio Con-

ference and by other related organizations. More information about the events featured here can be found on the Ohio Conference website at [www.ohiomennoniteconference.org](http://www.ohiomennoniteconference.org).

## Sunday school materials to be introduced

Two training events are planned to introduce the new Sunday school curriculum for children from

MennoMedia and Brethren Press, *Shine: Living in God's Light*. This material will be available starting with the fall 2014 quarter of Sunday school.



A *Shine* training event will take place Saturday, March 29, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Westin Convention Center, 1000 Penn Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. The cost is \$10 per congregation and each church represented will re-

ceive a free copy of *Shine On*, the Bible storybook that coordinates with the curriculum. To register, call Dorothy Hartman at (540) 908-2438 or email [DorothyH@mennomedia.org](mailto:DorothyH@mennomedia.org).

A *Shine* workshop will take place Thursday, April 24, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Kidron Mennonite Church in Kidron, Ohio. Amy Gingerich, editorial director of MennoMedia, and Kris Nussbaum, Ohio Conference resource advocate, will host this free workshop. To register, contact Kris Nussbaum at (330) 857-3461 or [Kris@kidronmennonite.com](mailto:Kris@kidronmennonite.com).

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## Day of Inspiration comes to Cleveland

Ohio Mennonite Women will hold their annual Spring Day of Inspiration Saturday, April 5, at Lee Heights Community Church, 4612 Lee Road, Cleveland.



Featured speaker for the day will be church planter Larissa Moore, who is pastor of Victory Community Church in Solon. She will be focusing

on the theme "Behold, All Things Become New." The day's events will start at 9:45 a.m. and last until 3 p.m.

Two workshops will be offered in the afternoon.

Lunch will be available with donations accepted for the cost.

No pre-registration is required. All women are invited to come and bring a friend to this time of inspiration, worship and fellowship.

## Sister Care returns to the Midwest

Sister Care, a program of Mennonite Women USA, is returning to the Midwest this spring. Howard-Miami Mennonite Church in Kokomo, Ind., will host a Sister Care Seminar April 25-26, 2014.

This event, which is held under the auspices of Mennonite Women USA, is intended to equip women for caring ministry. Sister Care seminars provide women with tools for ongoing personal healing, for recognizing and celebrating God's grace in their lives, and for responding more confi-

dently and effectively to the needs of others. The seminar will run from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday evening, April 25, and from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, April 26. The registration fee is \$40, and in-home lodging is available upon request.

Registration is due by April 11. A registration form can be found in the "Events" section of the Ohio Conference website at [www.ohiomennoniteconference.org](http://www.ohiomennoniteconference.org). For more information, contact Margi Bontrager at (765) 437-3579 or [margibon@comteck.com](mailto:margibon@comteck.com).

## Latino Families Encounter planned at Camp Luz

Camp Luz will host a Latino Families Encounter May 16-18. For more information about this event, contact

Raul Tadeo at [rvtadeo@zoominternet.net](mailto:rvtadeo@zoominternet.net).

## Men's Retreat focuses on change

"Transitions: Men Managing Change" will be the theme of the Men's Retreat at Camp Luz March 21-23.

Speaker Tom Michaels will focus on questions such as, "How do we as men deal with the times when life isn't what we want it to be?" and "What about when things are going well, then life throws a curveball?"

Tom Michaels has served as a pastor for more than 15 years after leaving corporate America to follow God's calling. In recent years he has served as a hospice chaplain, working with

patients and families going through major life transitions and change.



The men's retreat offers times for worship and fellowship with other men of God, as well as times for recreation and relaxation.

Cost of the full retreat is \$80 per person. Part-time options also are available. For more information and a registration brochure see the Camp Luz website at [www.campluz.com](http://www.campluz.com).

## Laurelville to host Women in Conversation

Women, have the winter storms been wearing you down? Are you tired of being cooped up and need something fun to look forward to? Do you want a little pampering, a little spiritual enrichment, and a weekend with some of your female friends? Would you enjoy someone else's cooking for a weekend?

A Women in Conversation Retreat is scheduled for March 21-23 at Laurelville Mennonite Church Center, Mt. Pleasant, Pa.

Featured speaker Jennifer Davis Sensenig will speak on the topic

"The Spirited Lives of Women." The weekend will focus on sharing life stories from scripture as found in Acts as well as in contemporary life, examining the Spirit's influence.

The weekend will also include time for women to rest, relax, and become restored and refreshed. A brochure with more information can be found in the "Events" section of the Ohio Conference website at [www.ohiomennoniteconference.org](http://www.ohiomennoniteconference.org). To register online, go to <http://www.laurelville.org/programs/faith-development/women-in-conversation/>.