## **News for Church Leaders**

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# Perspective



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## Thanks to all who participated in ACA

Many thanks to all who participated in Annual Conference Assembly (ACA) March 11-12 at Central Mennonite Church in Archbold. Attendance totaled 276 persons, including 210 delegates from 54 congregations. Special thanks go to our hosts at Central Mennonite, as well as the ACA Planning Committee.

## ACA summary video and photos are online

A brief summary video from the 2016 Annual Conference Assembly is posted on the Ohio Conference website, as are photos from ACA. To view them, go to <u>http://bit.ly/ACAvideophotos</u>. In addition, the ACA summary video and photos are posted on the Ohio Conference Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/</u> <u>OhioConferenceMCUSA</u>.

## Contact Conference office to order DVDs

Immediately prior to Annual Conference Assembly, 89 individuals participated in a training workshop led by Brad Brisco and Lance Ford of Forge Ministries. Those taking part in "Becoming Missional: Re-Learning How to Be Sent" had the opportunity to grow in their knowledge and passion for God's mission right in their own neighborhoods.

A DVD set of this training session (with a total of four DVDs) is available for \$8. If you would like to order the DVD set, please contact Judy King at the Ohio Conference office at 330-857-5421 or <u>ohmc@zoominternet.net</u> by **Wednesday, March 30**. Also available are DVDs of the worship services at ACA. The cost is \$4.50 for a video of one worship service, or \$5.50 for both worship services. Contact Judy King by March 30 to order.

# **RSVP** now for Couples in Ministry Retreat

A note for couples in ministry: We want to remind you of the upcoming **Couples in Ministry Retreat** on **May 2** at Camp Luz. Dave and Janice Sutter will be facilitating this day of connecting with other couples in ministry. We hope that you are able Perspective: 1) The interrelation in which a subject or its parts are mentally viewed. 2) Point of view; capacity to view things in their relative importance.

#### Perspective insert

**T**ransitional Conference Leader George O'Reilly writes about the need for inspiration in the latest installment of his newsletter, *Grapevine*.

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to attend this free event, so we are extending the registration deadline until **Tuesday**, **March 29**. RSVP by next Tuesday to Judy King at <u>ohmc@zoominternet.net</u> or 330-857-5421.

# Explore faith and values in business

KIDRON, Ohio — Everence and Mennonite Foundation are presenting a workshop titled *Faith and values in the marketplace* at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 7, in the Kidron Park Community Building, 4434 Kidron Road.

Christians are called to be good stewards of their gifts from God — including their time and talents in addition to their money. How does that standard relate to the business world?

Three guest speakers will present their views on several topics involving Christian principles and business practices:

- John D. Roth, historian and author, will talk about *Paying it forward stewardship in the Anabaptist tradition.*
- Bill Mullet, business owner and minister, will address *Employment with a purpose*.
- A local Amish farmer and naturalist will talk about becoming *A steward of prosperity*.

There will also be a panel discussion and time for your questions. Panelists include David King, Malone University; Howard Miller Jr., Hartville Hardware; and Daniel Wengerd, Pioneer Equipment.

Those interested in attending are advised to reserve a spot by contacting David Miller, Everence Charitable Services Representative, at 330-857-9988 or <u>david.miller@everence.com</u>. Please see the enclosed workshop flier for more information.

# International Guest House seeks volunteers

Urgent Need: Volunteer host and hostess are needed for the ministry of Christian hospitality at the International Guest House in northwest Washington, D.C. The Guest House, a ministry of Allegheny Conference, serves both international and US travelers. Volunteers are provided full room and board in the Guest House. The host and hostess positions are one-year appointments beginning Sept. 1, 2016. Included is a monthly stipend of \$140 and payment of health insurance if needed. The host and hostess lead a team which includes three additional volunteers. Hospitality duties include welcoming guests, hosting breakfast and tea, cleaning, laundry, maintenance, baking, gardening - whatever is needed to make this gracious house a haven of peace for guests. The International Guest House is a great location for sightseeing and exploring the many facets of the nation's capital. For information and an application contact Judy Nord at 301-985-6858 or judymarknord@verizon.net or International Guest House at 202-726-5808 or igh.dc.us@gmail.com.

# **Blogging perspective**

Jessica Schrock-Ringenberg, pastoral team member at Zion Mennonite Church, writes about "Letting go of what we think will save us" as a blog post on the website of *The Mennonite*: http://bit.ly/1LGLHLW.

# **OMW** perspective

*O*hio Mennonite Women will hold their Spring Day of Inspiration Saturday, April 9, at Crown Hill Mennonite Church. See the announcement on the Ohio Conference website for details: <u>http://</u> <u>bit.ly/2016OMWInspiration</u>.

## Address perspective

**P**lease note: Conference Editor Ann Leaman is changing her email address from ohioevangel@earthlink.net to <u>ohioevangel@gmail.com</u>. Please make this change in your email address book. Thank you!

## Perspective *deadlines*

April 4 for April 7 issue April 18 for April 21 issue