

Conference Calendar

APR

26-27 Father-Son Retreat, Camp Luz, Kidron

JUN

14-16 Hispanic Family Retreat, Camp Luz, Kidron

15 Black Swamp Benefit, Archbold High School

16-21 Sharon Mennonite Work Camp, Sharon Mennonite Church, Plain City

JUL

2-6 MennoCon19, Kansas City Convention Center, Kansas City, Missouri

21-26 MCC Young Adult Peace Camp, Amigo Centre, Sturgis, Michigan

AUG

2-3 Ohio Mennonite Relief Sale and Auction, Wayne County Fairgrounds, Wooster

NOV

15-17 Pastor-Spouse Retreat, Mills Park Hotel, Yellow Springs, Ohio

Spiritual direction

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what it means? To learn more about what spiritual direction is (and what it isn't), read the blog post from Doreen Miller on the Mennonite Church USA website: <http://bit.ly/>

[SpiritualDirectionDefinition](#). The Mennonite Church USA website also has many other blog posts related to spiritual direction. You can find them at <http://bit.ly/MCUSASpiritualDirectorsNetwork>.

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Work Camp serves local community

Sharon Mennonite Church in Plain City will hold its annual Work Camp June 16-21. This volunteer experience is open to people from all Ohio Conference congregations.

Work Camp creates opportunity to serve the local community through various construction and maintenance projects for individuals, religious groups, and community organizations.

Past projects have included wheelchair ramps, painting, roofing, flooring, landscaping, and other various maintenance projects. Participants will worship with each other, serve the community and share the love of Christ. Attendees need not have any experience, and all ages are welcome!

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Participants work on a roof during Sharon Mennonite's 2017 Work Camp. The service opportunity is open to both youth and adults.

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Work Camp

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Jared Chase, pastor of Sharon Mennonite, said, "We are really excited for this year's week of mission in our community and have identified a theme of 'Love' with our theme song this year being 'Stand In Your Love' by Josh Baldwin."

Registration for Work Camp is due May 11. There are several options for registering. You can register online using a Google Document at <https://goo.gl/forms/JQ2CZNAC8FFyPQoX2>.

If you prefer, you can download the registration form as a Word document or a PDF. Go to <http://>

bit.ly/SharonMennoWorkCamp to download a registration form. Printed registration forms should be mailed to Sharon Mennonite Church, 7675 Amity Pike, Plain City OH 43064. The PDF can be filled out electronically using Adobe Acrobat Reader. To complete it, click on "Tools" and then choose "Fill & Sign." Send your completed PDF to jchase2882@gmail.com.

You can learn more about Work Camp by visiting <http://bit.ly/SharonMennoWorkCamp> and clicking on the links to a podcast and feature article about Work Camp.

Explore spiritual direction

Spiritual direction can be a rich resource for your spiritual journey. Ohio Conference has compiled a list of spiritual directors to serve as a resource for Ohio Conference members and pastors. All the individuals listed have completed a certification program and have Anabaptist affiliation. To download this list, go to <http://bit.ly/OhioSpiritualDirectors>.



Have you heard the term "spiritual direction" but aren't quite sure

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Camp Luz hosts Men's Retreat



More than 50 men from about 10 different congregations gathered for the annual Camp Luz Men's Retreat on April 5-7. While some of the men have been attending this retreat for years, there were a good number of younger men also in attendance, which was very encouraging to see.

Dick Barrett, Conference minister for the Ohio Conference, provided the input throughout the weekend. He challenged the group to focus their attention on being like Jesus, the model of a perfect man. Andrew Michaels, director of Camp Luz led the worship times.

Highlights of the weekend included the "Man Cave," a tour at Pioneer Equipment, worship and input times, and fellowship with brothers in Christ. The weather was perfect this year to enjoy sev-

The Men's Retreat at Camp Luz included both times for worship (pictured above) and recreational activities (pictured below).



eral outdoor activities including, canoeing, hiking, and even cooking bacon on the campfire.

The men would like to challenge each church to send a group to experience the retreat next year. It is always a time of great fellowship and encouragement for those who attend.