

Perspective



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Survey focuses on youth and young adults

Ohio Conference has formed a Youth Resource Team to focus on congregational needs in the



area of youth and young adults. To help guide the team in its work, the Conference would like to hear from each congregation via a brief survey. If no one from your congregation has taken this survey yet, please take a few minutes to complete it by **tomorrow, June 28**. Average time to complete the survey is five minutes. Go to <http://bit.ly/2019YouthSurvey> to take the survey.

Grant application deadline is Aug. 5

Do you have more ideas for ministries than funds to make those ministries happen? Consider applying for an Ohio Conference Ministry Grant. **Aug. 5** is the deadline to submit a grant proposal to the Ohio Conference Ministry Development Team (MDT). The MDT is accepting proposals from Conference congregations and related organizations for projects and ministry initiatives. This year the Conference has **\$24,750** available for grants. To submit your proposal, go to <http://bit.ly/OCMinistryGrants>.

Three rooms remain for Pastor-Spouse Retreat

Thinking about attending the Ohio Conference Pastor-Spouse Retreat? There is still room for three more couples to attend this event, which will take place Nov. 15-17 at the Mills Park Hotel in Yellow Springs, Ohio. (The Conference must limit registration numbers for the retreat because of the number of rooms available at the venue.)



For more information about the retreat, please see the retreat brochure at <http://bit.ly/2019RetreatBrochure>. To register online, go to <http://bit.ly/2019Pastor-SpouseRetreat>. If all rooms have been

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Staff perspective

On June 17 Ohio Conference Regional Pastor Cliff Brubaker submitted a letter of resignation from his position with the Conference, effective Sept. 13, 2019. To learn more, see the report on the Ohio Conference website: <http://bit.ly/CliffBrubaker>.

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reserved by the time you seek to register, please contact Administrative Assistant Judy King at 330-857-5421 or ohmc@zoominternet.net to be put on a waiting list.

Sermon focuses on SENT, sharing good news

In April Alex Dye, associate pastor at Oak Grove Mennonite Church in West Liberty, attended SENT 2019, a conference sponsored by Mennonite Mission Network. Recently Alex preached about sharing the good news of Christ and about SENT 2019. Curious about what he had to say? Listen here: <http://bit.ly/SENTSharingGoodNews>.

Peace center seeks new executive director

The Lombard Mennonite Peace Center (LMPC) is searching for a new executive director. The current executive director, Rev. Richard Blackburn, is stepping back from that role at the end of 2019, having filled the role since 1983. He will continue to be available as needed to assist with the transition process, which will include providing leadership for LMPC's major training events, until the new executive director is ready to take the lead on such events.

Interested applicants should send requests for more information to the LMPC Search Committee at searchcommittee@lmpeacecenter.org. The LMPC Search Committee will send to interested persons the LMPC executive director ministry description and the LMPC organizational profile, as well as other relevant information, including the process for applying for the position. The search committee will begin reviewing applications at the end of June 2019. See the enclosed letter for further details. Please direct any questions about the position to the LMPC Search Committee at searchcommittee@lmpeacecenter.org.

Special concert planned at MennoCon19

The Mennonite Piano Concerto, written by Victor Davies and performed by the piano duo Redekopp and Edwards, will be a featured evening event on July 4, 2019, starting at 7:15 p.m. at MennoCon19, the Mennonite Church USA Convention in Kansas City, Missouri. This one-time performance will feature Karin Redekopp Edwards of Lombard Mennonite Church and her duopiano partner and husband, Mark Edwards. This special event will also feature a narration by Dale Schrag relating the story of the Russian Mennonites' faith journey and the hymns that sustained them through the persecution they endured on their travels from Europe to Russia and then eventually to the United States and Canada.

This unique opportunity will allow convention attendees the option to engage in this shared history on a deeper level, as it will feature an all-volunteer choir and audience participation conducted by Russell Adrian from the Hesston College music department and assisted by Rosi Penner Kaufman from Rainbow Mennonite Church in Kansas City.

Convention perspective

Can't be at the Mennonite Church USA convention? Sign up to receive daily news, photos and highlights during MennoCon19 on July 2-6: <http://bit.ly/MennoCon19Newsletter>.

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At MennoCon19, participants will have the chance to learn more about the Missional Discipleship Initiative, a program of Mennonite Mission Network. Read more about this opportunity at <http://bit.ly/MDIatMennoCon19>.

Disaster perspective

The Western Ohio Unit of Mennonite Disaster Service has been responding to damage caused by flooding and tornadoes during May. Read the MDS report for more information: <http://bit.ly/2019OhioMDSReport>.

Perspective inserts

This issue of *Perspective* includes the July-August issue of *Prayer Prompter* and the July issues of *The Parish Paper* and *Prayer Vine*.

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July 8 for July 11 issue

July 22 for July 25 issue
