

# Perspective



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## **Four fall regional gatherings planned**

Ohio Conference will be holding four regional gatherings this fall. These gatherings are in place of our traditional fall cluster meetings and are intended not just for pastors and delegates but for all persons from our congregations.

All regional gatherings will begin at 6:30 p.m. and last about 90 minutes. Locations are as follows:

- Oct. 22 — Huber Mennonite Church, New Carlisle
- Oct. 24 — Friendship Mennonite Church, Bedford Heights
- Oct. 29 — Martins Mennonite Church, Orrville
- Nov. 5 — Salem Mennonite Church, Waldron, Michigan

## **Church planting conversation set for Oct. 15**

Individuals from around Ohio Conference are invited to participate in Visible Kingdom Communities, a church planting conversation, on Tuesday, Oct. 15, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Ohio Conference office, 5358 Kidron Road, Kidron. For those who cannot attend in person, a video conferencing option will be available. If you would like to take part in this conversation, please contact Coordinator of Volunteers Alysa Short at 419-572-1348 or [alysashort@gmail.com](mailto:alysashort@gmail.com).

## **Journey program develops leaders**

Please share the following announcement with your congregation:

When God calls someone to ministry, a journey begins. Perhaps you are on that journey. Perhaps you are looking for mentors and companions along the way. Ohio Conference invites you to join Journey: A Missional Leadership Development Program. This program is for pastors and other congregational leaders who are called without specific training for ministry or who are exploring a call to pastoral ministry. The early application deadline for Winter 2020 is **Dec. 16**. For more information, visit [www.ambs.edu/journey](http://www.ambs.edu/journey) or contact Conference Minister Dick Barrett at [ohioconferenceminister@gmail.com](mailto:ohioconferenceminister@gmail.com) or at 937-935-2549.

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***Perspective: 1) The inter-relation in which a subject or its parts are mentally viewed. 2) Point of view; capacity to view things in their relative importance.***

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## **Directory perspective**

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Need to get in touch with Regional Pastor Tony Doehrmann? His contact information is as follows:

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## **Please distribute Perspective copies to:**

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- Pastor(s)
  - Church chairperson
  - Youth sponsor(s)
  - Delegates
  - Duplicate for other church leaders
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## **Everence event to focus on faith and values**

Everence is sponsoring a “Faith and Values in the Marketplace” workshop on Monday, Oct. 21, from 7 to 9 p.m. at The Gardens at Homestead, 8233 S.R. 241, Mt. Hope. The theme for this event is “Learning: a lifetime journey.” Please see the enclosed flier for details.

This workshop is especially designed for business families, pastors, community leaders and key managers. To RSVP, call 330-857-9988 by **Friday, Oct. 18.**

## **Camp Luz to host spiritual direction event**

Ohio Conference will be offering a day-long event to introduce the concept of spiritual direction to pastors on Feb. 4 at Camp Luz in Kidron. Led by Janice Hershberger, Randy Murray, and Christine Nafziger, attendees will learn about spiritual direction while also experiencing how spiritual direction functions.

Registration cost is \$25 and includes the event and lunch. Lodging and breakfast are available upon request. Please see the enclosed event flier for more details.

## **Hesston conference to examine ‘the good life’**

Save the date: Hesston College in Hesston, Kansas, will host the 2020 edition of its Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series Feb. 21-23, 2020. The theme for this conference will be “Living More with More: Redefining the Good Life.”

The conference will seek to answer the questions, “What truly is the good life and how do we get there? How do we redefine not only the good life, but church in such a way that everyone thrives?” Featured speakers will include Leonard Dow, Stewardship and Development Specialist from Everence Financial; Colin Saxton, a stewardship consultant who previously served as General Secretary of Friends United Meeting; and Hesston College Bible and ministry professor Michele Hershberger.

Full conference details will be available in December. For more information, see <https://www.hesston.edu/events/avds>.

## **Advent guide for families available online**

Anabaptist Faith Formation and Mennonite Church USA are offering a free, downloadable guide for family worship during Advent written by Elsie Rempel.

This resource, titled *Waiting and Wondering*, is designed for parents to use at home with their children. With this free worship guide, families can create a space to notice important questions and bring them to God. For six weeks from Advent through Epiphany, this little booklet will guide families through the scriptures, prayers and activities that help them “wait and wonder” together in faith. To download a copy of this resource, go to <http://mennoniteusa.org/resource/advent-at-home/>.

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## **Clergy Clinic perspective**

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**L**ombard Mennonite Peace Center will hold a Clergy Clinic in Family Emotional Process in Lombard, Illinois. Dates for this training are Nov. 11-13, March 9-11 and May 18-20. To receive a discount on tuition, register by Oct. 14. For more information, please see the enclosed brochure.

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## **Writing perspective**

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**T**he Mennonite Inc. invites your original submissions for the December 2019 issue focusing on the theme “the unexpected.” Submissions are due to [Editor@TheMennonite.org](mailto:Editor@TheMennonite.org) no later than Nov. 1. For more information about this theme, see <http://bit.ly/TheMennoniteDec2019>.

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## **Perspective inserts**

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**T**his issue of *Perspective* includes the October issue of *The Parish Paper* and bulletin announcements for October from Mennonite Church USA.

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## **Perspective deadlines**

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Oct. 21 for Oct. 24 issue

Nov. 4 for Nov. 7 issue

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