

# Perspective



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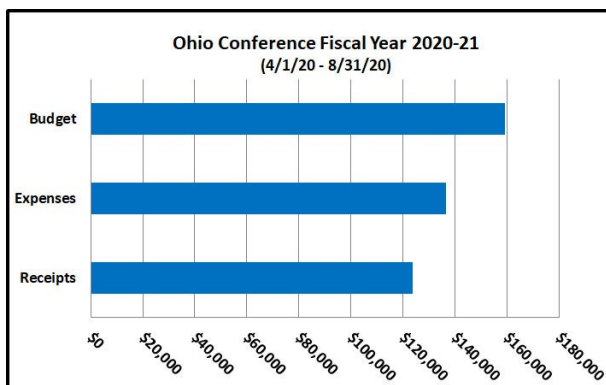
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## Receipts increase, although deficit continues

Although the Conference is still running a deficit, giving to Ohio Conference increased during August, according to figures provided by Financial Coordinator Stan Helmuth. Total receipts for August were \$24,910, an increase from the amount received in July, which was only \$11,300.

Expenses for August totaled \$27,012, resulting in a deficit of \$2,102 for the month.

As of Aug. 31, the Conference's operating balance for the 2020-21 fiscal year was -\$12,714. The Conference's fiscal year ends March 31, 2021.



## Have you registered for Healthy Boundaries training?

A reminder for pastors and other credentialed leaders: Ohio Conference will hold online Healthy Boundaries 201 training sessions on Oct. 10 and Nov. 7. Both training sessions will run from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Participants are free to choose the date which works the best for them.



All credentialed leaders are required to receive Healthy Boundaries training every three years to remain credentialed.

For more information, see <http://bit.ly/2020HealthyBoundaries>. To register, go to <http://bit.ly/OhioConferenceEvents>.

*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.*

## Church planting perspective

Curious about church planting or re-planting? Join the next Sent Network cohort and learn how to explore, equip, and be sent to spread the word of God! Visit [MennoniteMission.net/SentNetwork](http://MennoniteMission.net/SentNetwork) to learn more and save your spot. The new cohort begins Sept. 21.

## Please distribute Perspective copies to:

- Pastor(s)
- Church chairperson
- Youth sponsor(s)
- Delegates
- Duplicate for other church leaders

## **Do you use The Parish Paper?**

For many years, the Ohio Conference Credentialing Ministry has paid for a subscription to *The Parish Paper*, a monthly newsletter geared toward congregational leaders. Each issue of *The Parish Paper* is distributed with *Perspective*.

As we determine whether to continue the Conference's subscription to *The Parish Paper*, we would like to gauge your level of interest in this publication. Please help us by completing a brief survey about *The Parish Paper*: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JBBSDN3>.

It should take no more than two minutes to complete this survey. Please respond by next Thursday, **Sept. 24**. Thank you for your input!

## **MC USA website has faith formation resources**

Looking for faith formation ideas or curriculum? The Mennonite Church USA (MC USA) website now includes all the content from [AnabaptistFaithFormation.org](http://AnabaptistFaithFormation.org). You can find formation resources for people of all ages at [MennoniteUSA.org/ff](http://MennoniteUSA.org/ff).

One resource highlighted on MC USA's Faith Formation page is a webinar focusing on children's faith formation during this time of pandemic. The webinar, titled "It Can Be Done! Children's Sunday School during COVID," will take place Sept. 23 at 2:30 p.m. Go to [MennoniteUSA.org/ff](http://MennoniteUSA.org/ff) for more information or to register.

## **Anabaptist World seeks submissions**

*Anabaptist World* invites your original submissions for the Nov. 6, 2020, print magazine issue and online content focusing on the theme "politics and faith." Articles should be 1,200 words or less. The submission deadline is Oct. 1.

For more information about this theme, see <http://bit.ly/AnabaptistWorldNov2020>. Submissions are due to [Editor@AnabaptistWorld.org](mailto:Editor@AnabaptistWorld.org) no later than Oct. 1.

## **MCC in U.S. to livestream centennial celebration**

Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) in the U.S. is inviting its supporters and the public to join a livestreamed celebration of its 100 years of ministry on Saturday, Oct. 17, starting at 6:50 p.m.

*Celebration 2020: MCC at 100* will include videos, storytelling, music, and a message of inspiration from longtime MCC leader and pastor Leonard Dow of Philadelphia.

This livestreamed event replaces an in-person, multiday celebration that was originally scheduled for June 2020 in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. That event was postponed until Oct. 17 due to the pandemic and is now a livestreamed service only. Participants can join the celebration at [mcc.org/celebration-2020](http://mcc.org/celebration-2020). Learn more and sign up for a calendar reminder at [mcc.org/celebration-2020](http://mcc.org/celebration-2020).

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## **Delegate perspective**

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Ohio Conference will hold fall online meetings for delegates to Annual Conference Assembly. Four regional meetings are scheduled:

- Tuesday, Oct. 20 — North-east Ohio
- Thursday, Oct. 22 — North-west Ohio
- Tuesday, Oct. 27 — Wayne County/Holmes County
- Thursday, Oct. 29 — West Central/Southwest Ohio

All meetings will take place from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Login information for these meetings will be shared later.

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## **Leadership perspective**

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### **Leadership Integrity Circles.**

New from AMBS's Church Leadership Center! Join seasoned leaders Betty Pries, Ph.D., and Rick Stiffney, Ph.D., in exploring what it means to practice Christ-centered leadership in your workplace. Learn through self-reflection, conversation and spiritual practices. See [ambs.edu/leadership](http://ambs.edu/leadership) for details.

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## **Perspective deadlines**

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Sept. 28 for Oct. 1 issue

Oct. 12 for Oct. 15 issue

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