

Perspective



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Free youth worker seminars planned

Ohio Conference is offering a series of **free** online seminars for youth workers during March, April and May. "Jesus as Model: Youth Ministry Reimagined" is the theme of this series, which will feature a variety of presenters.

In addition to hearing from presenters, workshop participants will be able to connect with other youth workers from around the Conference to share stories of their successes and challenges.

Workshops will be offered from 7 to 8:15 p.m. on nine Tuesdays: March 8, 15 and 22, April 12, 19 and 26, and May 10, 17 and 24. Youth workers can choose to attend just a few individual seminars, or they can attend the entire series. A list of seminar themes and a flier are included with this issue of *Perspective*. Please share this information with the youth workers in your congregation.

Have you registered for ACA yet?

The deadline to register for Annual Conference Assembly (ACA) is approaching quickly. Have you registered yet? ACA will take place March 4-5 at Zion Mennonite Church in Archbold.



Registrations for ACA are due **Friday, Feb.**

11. After that date, the registration fee increases from \$45 per person to \$60 per person. For more information about ACA, please see <https://bit.ly/2022ACAInfo>. To register online, go to <https://bit.ly/2022ACARegistration>.

Register now for missional conference

Feb. 11 is also the registration deadline for the 2022 missional conference featuring Howard and Cathy Wagler. Zion Mennonite Church in Archbold will host this conference March 3-4, immediately prior to ACA. The conference theme is "Befriending the Neighborhood: Am I a Good Neighbor?"



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.

Lenten perspective

Are you looking for resources to help you get in the Lenten spirit this spring?

CommonWord, a collaboration of Canadian Mennonite University and Mennonite Church Canada, has a curated collection of resources for Lent. Visit commonword.ca/go/2213 to see the entire collection.

Please distribute Perspective copies to:

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

Please note that after the Feb. 11 registration deadline, the registration fee for this conference increases by \$15 per person.

For more information about the 2022 missional conference, please see the conference brochure: <https://bit.ly/2022MissionalConferenceBrochure>. To register online, go to <https://bit.ly/2022MissionalConference>.

Rural ministry webinar to feature Brad Roth

For those interested in rural ministry: Brad Roth, the featured speaker for Ohio Conference's 2021 missional conference, will be one of the presenters for a **free** webinar, "Cultivating Rural Ministry." This webinar, sponsored by Luther Seminary, will take place Thursday, Feb. 10, at 1 p.m. CST. Other presenters include Allen Stanton, pastor and author of *Reclaiming Rural: Building Thriving Rural Congregations*; and Dr. Sarah Cordray, senior pastor at Luther Memorial Lutheran Church in Syracuse, Nebraska. To learn more or to register, see <https://faithlead.luthersem.edu/book-hub>.

Lent at Home guide is ready for download

"Seeking God's Way" is the theme of Mennonite Church USA's (MC USA) 2022 Lent at Home worship guide. The annual guide for home-based worship provides daily and weekly scripture readings, prayers and rituals for individuals and families observing Lent, the period of prayer and reflection from Ash Wednesday, March 2, to Easter, April 17.

The guide also features at-home rituals for Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday. New for 2022 is a printable calendar with daily worship prompts.

The free Lent at Home guide, the calendar, and videos related to these resources are on the Mennonite Church USA website: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/resource-portal/resource/lent-at-home>.

Retreat center offers respite for pastors

Mennonite Church USA (MC USA) has formalized a relationship with the [Kineo Center](https://bit.ly/MCUSA-KineoCenter), a newly developed ecumenical Christian retreat center in Puerto Rico, to help MC USA pastors experiencing burnout. See the news release from MC USA for more information: <https://bit.ly/MCUSA-KineoCenter>.

Peacebuilding institute offers online winter courses

The Summer Peacebuilding Institute at Eastern Mennonite University is offering five-week online training courses this winter. Each course will meet virtually twice a week from Feb. 14 to March 18, 2022.

The deadline to apply is Feb. 7. Funding is still available for partial and matching scholarships. Learn more at <https://emu.edu/spi/courses>.

Delegate perspective

Delegates to Annual Conference Assembly, have you attended a winter cluster meeting? If not, you have two more opportunities:

- Feb. 10 — Maple Grove Mennonite Church, Hartville
- Feb. 15 — Online via Zoom

Both meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m. and last approximately 90 minutes. Please register in advance online at <https://bit.ly/2022WinterClusterMeetings>.

Local perspective

Save the date: Open Arms Hispanic Ministries will hold a Taco Tuesday fundraiser on Tuesday, March 15, at the Kidron Community Park.

Education perspective



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March 1 for March 3 issue
