

Perspective



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We look forward to seeing you at ACA

We are looking forward to meeting with many of you at Annual Conference Assembly (ACA) next week. ACA will take place March 3-4 at Central Christian School in Kidron. If you plan to attend but still have not registered, please register online today at <https://bit.ly/2023ACARegistration>.

A schedule for ACA is available at <https://bit.ly/2023ACASchedule>. To see other documents related to ACA, please refer to the Feb. 17 issue of *Delegate News*: <https://bit.ly/DelegateNews2-17-23>.

Help cover ACA in prayer

We are still seeking volunteers to pray for our Annual Conference Assembly.

We are looking for willing individuals to commit to praying 20 minutes during the ACA weekend. You can do this from anywhere

— your couch, your church, your office, even while on a walk. If you live close to Central Christian School in Kidron, we invite you to come and pray in the ACA prayer room (Room M20) at the school.

Whether you are young or old, near or far, join us in inviting the Lord's Spirit to guide the leaders and delegates as they engage in worshipful work.

Go to <https://bit.ly/2023ACAPrayerSignup> to sign up for a time slot. If a slot is already full, please sign up for a different time. You may also sign up by contacting Judy King in the Conference office at ohmc@zoominternet.net or 330-857-5421.

Doing Life Together



**Rooted and Grounded
in Love**
Ephesians 3:16-21



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.

Podcast perspective

In case you missed it: Conference Minister Dick Barrett discusses the upcoming Annual Conference Assembly and shares some hopes for the future in the latest episode of the Ohio Conference Cast podcast: <https://bit.ly/ACAandHopesforFuture>.

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

Giving to Conference increases in January

Giving to Ohio Conference increased during January, according to figures provided by Financial Coordinator Stan Helmuth. Receipts for the month totaled \$40,911, including \$14,769 in giving from individuals.

Expenses during January totaled \$29,671, resulting in a surplus of \$11,240 for the month. Even so, as of Jan. 31, the Conference had an operating balance of -\$44,212 for the current fiscal year. The 2022-23 fiscal year ends March 31, 2023.

Ohio MCC Comforter Bash set for April 21-22

Mennonite Central Committee will hold the second annual Ohio MCC Comforter Bash on Friday and Saturday, April 21-22, in the recreation building at the Kidron Community Park, 4434 Kidron Road, Kidron.

Everyone is invited to knot comforters for Mennonite Central Committee at this event. MCC will distribute the comforters to people in need around the world.

The Comforter Bash will be held from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday, April 21, and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 22. This is a drop-in event; volunteers are invited to come and go as their schedules allow.

Comforter tops and backs are needed for this event. MCC invites you to make comforter tops (60" x 80") and backs (65" x 85") for use at the Comforter Bash. Comforter tops and backs should be dropped off by March 10 at the MCC Material Resources Center in Kidron, 4080 Kidron Road, Kidron.

Check out these new Lenten resources

The Soil and The Seed Project has released a new collection of **free** resources for Lent, Easter and Pentecost. Included are a new album of



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music, "Little Liturgies," art, and lyrics/chord/lead sheets. To download these resources, go to <https://www.thesoilandtheseedproject.org/vol-6>. For more information about the Soil and The Seed Project, see <https://www.thesoilandtheseedproject.org/about>.

Sent Conference set for May 4-7

Mennonite Mission Network, in partnership with Mennonite Church USA Executive Board, Everence, and Mosaic Mennonite Conference, will host the seventh annual Sent Conference May 4-7 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The theme of this gathering will be "I Saw a Vast Crowd: Explorations in Multiethnic Ministry." See <https://bit.ly/2023SENT> for more information.

Service perspective

This year as an ACA service project, we will be collecting items for the food pantries at Crown Hill Mennonite Church in Rittman and Barberton Area Community Ministries, housed at Summit Mennonite Church in Barberton. Below is a list of suggested items to donate:

- Any canned fruit
 - Any canned vegetables
 - Any canned soup
 - Dry pasta or noodles
 - Spaghetti sauce
 - Macaroni and cheese
 - Instant mashed potatoes
 - Peanut butter
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Musical perspective

The Eastern Mennonite University Chamber Singers will be performing in Ohio and Indiana March 4-10 during the group's Spring Tour 2023. For specific concert dates and locations, please see the Ohio Conference website: <https://bit.ly/EMUChamberSingersinOhio>.

Prayer perspective

This issue of *Perspective* includes the March issue of *Prayer Vine* from Mennonite Mission Network, as well as prayer requests for March from Mennonite Education Agency.

Perspective deadlines

March 7 for March 9 issue
March 21 for March 23 issue
