

# Delegate News



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## ***Conference Minister Dick Barrett to retire in October***

July 13, 2023

Greetings Conference Pastors, Credential Ministers, Congregations and Delegates,

It is with profound sadness that the Leadership Team of Ohio Conference of Mennonite Church USA received and accepted the official notification of retirement for Conference Minister Dick Barrett.

Dick will officially retire from his Conference Minister role and all ministerial duties on Oct. 13, 2023.

Dick has been an outstanding asset and resource to the Conference since he began his assignment as Conference Minister in the fall of 2018 on a part-time basis and began his full-time work with the Conference in January 2019.

Dick always had a cheerful smile and warm greeting for all those he came in contact with in both his professional and personal interactions.

Ohio Conference Leadership Team will be meeting next week to begin looking for a possible Transitional Conference Minister to serve while a search committee is formed to seek a permanent replacement for the Conference Minister position that Dick is vacating.

Our prayers, blessings and best wishes are extended to Dick, Mary and their family as they all begin this new journey.

Respectfully,

Ken Sims, moderator

*From the  
Leadership Team*

