

Workshop Options (available both days, unless noted otherwise):

- **Main Session 1: “Do Not Remember the Former Things”**
Text: Isaiah 43:16–19
Renewal does not mean dishonoring the past. It means allowing God to reorder the past so it becomes a foundation for faithfulness rather than a prison for our imagination. This message would help us honor what God has done while opening our hearts to perceive what God is doing now.
- **Main Session 2: “Can You Not Perceive It?”**
Text: Isaiah 43:19–21
The new thing God is doing must be perceived, practiced, and proclaimed. This message would focus on how renewed people become witnesses who are rooted enough to remember, humble enough to release, courageous enough to perceive, and faithful enough to build what the next generation can carry.
- **“Solving the Immigration Crisis”** with Baldemar Velasquez: This workshop will focus on main themes that emerge from the readings; Exodus 22:21 which warns not to mistreat or oppress the alien; Numbers 15:15 of governing the alien with the same laws as yourself; and Ezekial 22:29-30 as a warning from God.
- **“The Story of Migration- People on the Move” Mennonite Central Committee (MCC)**, a worldwide ministry of Anabaptist churches, shares God’s love and compassion for all in the name of Christ by responding to basic human needs and working for peace and justice. MCC envisions communities worldwide in right relationship with God, one another, and creation. Part of this has included MCC working with migrants all around the world that have been displaced for a variety of reasons. We are hearing a lot of information about immigration currently in the United States. We hear about laws and borders but how should the church respond? How do we live out our faith when it comes to the conversation of immigration? People have responded to migration and immigration in the United States in a variety of ways and people of faith have a variety of beliefs on how to respond. This session will review the history of migration throughout scripture and give an overview of the current immigration system in the United States. We will use an experiential learning activity called “People on the Move” to talk about the experience of migrants that are in the United States. The session will end with a discussion around personal and church response of biblical hospitality.
- **“What are We Doing Here Anyway?”** with Eric Frey Martin, Mennonite Mission Network: Spend any amount of time on the internet looking through news stories or social media feeds and one can come away with a sense of dread about the trajectory of our world. So, what are we called to do as Christ followers? In this seminar, we will note the challenges that we face and also look at how joining in God’s mission provides us with hope and purpose even in the midst of those challenges.

- **“Intergenerational Renewal: Building What Can Carry the Future”**
with Dr. Lesley McClendon, focusing on Isaiah 43:18-21
Renewal is not only personal or institutional; it is intergenerational. This workshop would be interactive and practical, helping youth and adults discern together what God may be inviting them to release, perceive, and build. We would explore questions like: What former things are we being invited to reframe? Where do we feel like we are in the wilderness? What rivers of provision or possibility might God already be bringing forth? How can youth and adults participate together in the renewal God is forming?
- **“WWJP? What Would Jesus Play” *A PeaceGrooves Conversation*** with Keith Lyndaker Schlabach & Brent Lyndaker: Can play be a form of peacemaking? Can imagination help shape us into more compassionate, courageous, and nonviolent people? In this engaging workshop, brothers Brent Lyndaker and Keith Lyndaker Schlabach introduce PeaceGrooves, a creative peacebuilding project rooted in the belief that games, music, story, and shared imagination can help change our hearts and the world. Together, we’ll explore how creative play can nurture empathy, cooperation, reconciliation, and new ways of being community in the spirit of Jesus. Part conversation, part inspiration, this workshop is for anyone interested in the intersection of faith, creativity, and peacebuilding.
- **“House of Prayer for ALL Nations”** with Joe Garber, Eastern Mennonite Missions, **available FRIDAY ONLY**
An angry Jesus? Angry religious leaders? Why? We will explore together why the emotions flared, and his invitation for us today. Bring your phone.
- **“Power to be witnesses near and far – Acts 1:8”** with Joe Garber, Eastern Mennonite Missions, **available SATURDAY ONLY**
Bring your phone to engage in a friendly competition. We invite you to learn an interactive tool about brokenness, bungee cords, and freedom beginning in Ohio to the ends of the earth.