

Wild Hope

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unknown season

2014



Mennonite Church Canada Assembly
Winnipeg Manitoba, July 3 - July 6, 2014

Assembly 2014
Program Book
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WELCOME

On behalf of Mennonite Church Canada and our assembly planning team (Coreena von Kampen, Vic Thiessen, Dave Bergen, Karen Martens Zimmerly and Elsie Rempel from Mennonite Church Canada; Ken Warkentin and Kathy Fast from Mennonite Church Manitoba), I welcome you to the 2014 Assembly of Mennonite Church Canada.

Due to the overwhelming support for the shorter format of our 2012 assembly in Vancouver, we are repeating that format for Assembly 2014 in Winnipeg. Our assembly will begin with a business session on Thursday evening and conclude with a worship service on Sunday morning. Friday and Saturday will feature worship, presentations by our keynote speakers, discernment sessions, seminars, special lunches, special evening activities and numerous opportunities for fellowship around meals and refreshments.

The theme of Assembly 2014 is "***Wild Hope: Faith for an Unknown Season***" and we will be focusing on the work of our two task forces: *Being a Faithful Church* and *Future Directions*. Many challenges face God's church in the 21st century. In this season of disorientation, we have a tremendous opportunity to hear God's call anew and shape a new kind of church for the future. What will a faithful church in the 21st century look like? You can help us answer this question as we discern together on the work of *Being a Faithful Church* and *Future Directions*. To help prepare us for this time of discernment, we have invited three keynote speakers: Brian Quan, Betty Pries and David Driedger.

I am pleased that we are able to hold Assembly 2014 on the campus of Canadian Mennonite University (CMU). Not only does

this provide you with the opportunity to spend time in one of our schools, this year it also offers a chance to see the newest addition to CMU (still under construction): a Learning Commons which will house the CMU library, the newly integrated CMU bookstore/Mennonite Church Canada Resource Centre, recently named CommonWord.

The Mennonite Heritage Centre Archives and Gallery is located on the south campus of CMU. Please take the opportunity (perhaps after breakfast) to visit the centre and see the gallery's current exhibits: *Moved by the Spirit – the art of Louise Tessier*; and *Awakenings – the art of Faye Hall & her latter day paints*.

The art exhibit for Assembly 2014 will be displayed in the lounges on the main floor. It features artists from Manitoba and beyond who have been asked to respond to this year's theme. Artist Ray Dirks, who is our gallery curator, will be working in B130 on a painting related to the *Along the Road to Freedom* exhibit. People are welcome to stop and chat with Ray about that project and its across-Canada tour, and about the work of the gallery.

As usual, Assembly 2014 also offers a prayer room where you can become quiet and ground yourself in God. Mennonite Church Manitoba spiritual directors will be available to pray with individuals as requested.

Many staff and volunteers have worked diligently to prepare for these days together as a gathered national church. I trust your Assembly experience will be a rich one.

Vic Thiessen
Chief Administrative Officer

ASSEMBLY PLANNERS

Worship Planners

Karen Martens Zimmerly,

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Thank you

On behalf of Mennonite Church Canada, with all its 225-plus congregations, I thank you for all the hours of service you have graciously given to make Assembly 2014 possible. It takes a lot of volunteers and staff time to make Assembly happen. All of your hard work was necessary so that the national church could once again conduct its business and provide an opportunity for its members to discern together how to be a faithful church in the 21st century.

I recognize that many people whose names may not be listed here also had a role in preparing this assembly and I want to express my thanks to you as well.

Vic Thiessen

Chief Administrative Officer

Mennonite Church Canada

List of Exhibitors

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary

Camp Squeah

Canadian Mennonite Magazine

Canadian Mennonite University

Christian Peacemaker Teams

Columbia Bible College

Conrad Grebel University College

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General Information

Tips for a good experience

Keep this Program Book with you. It has schedules, maps, worship information, and other good things to guide you through your time at the Assembly. Our daily news sheet will also be available in ecologically friendly hard copy quantities (please share) and online to help you report back to your congregations (<http://home.mennonitechurch.ca/events/Winnipeg2014>)

If you're lost and confused, need first aid – or you are just looking for a friendly face – visit the information desk in the registration area or talk to a friendly volunteer in a green vest.

Scent free policy: In recognition of individuals with asthma,

allergies, and severe environmental and chemical sensitivities, we ask you to refrain from wearing fragrances and scented personal care products at the Assembly. This includes perfumes, colognes, aftershave, and scented hair products. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated by those affected.

Take this opportunity to get to know your sisters and brothers from other congregations, learn the names of the people around you in the refreshment break line-up, or make some new friends over lunch. We hope you leave with many new and renewed friendships!

In case of an emergency, people from home can contact you here by calling Coreena von Kampen, our Lead Assembly Planner, at (204) 391-1495. For on-site emergencies, visit the information desk.

WORSHIP AND MORE...

WORSHIP AT WILD HOPE

Worship text:

On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?' He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?' (Mark 4:35-41)

Worship and music leadership: Irma Fast Dueck, CMU faculty, Bethel Mennonite Church, Wpg; Marilyn Houser Hamm, Altona Mennonite Church, Altona; Darryl Neustaedter Barg, Mennonite Church Manitoba staff, Douglas Mennonite Church, Wpg.; Cheryl Pauls, President, Canadian Mennonite University, River East Mennonite Brethren church, Wpg; Kirsten Hamm, Area Church Youth Minister for Mennonite Church Saskatchewan, Rosthern Mennonite Church, Rosthern; SK; Clare Schellenberg, Home Street Mennonite Church, Wpg.; Phil Campbell-Enns, Pastor at Bethel Mennonite, Wpg.; Myron Thiessen Martens, Fort Garry Mennonite Church, Wpg.

THURSDAY EVENING, JULY 3: 'LEAVE AND GO'

Scripture: Mark 4:35-41

Worship leader: Irma Fast Dueck, CMU faculty, Bethel Mennonite, Winnipeg

Song leader: Marilyn Houser Hamm, Altona Mennonite Church

Scripture Reader: Rudy Franz

Speaker: Brian Quan, Pastor of Toronto Chinese Mennonite Church, Toronto

FRIDAY MORNING, JULY 4: 'BE NOT AFRAID'

Scripture: Mark 4:35-41 & Isaiah 44:1-8

Worship leader: Irma Fast Dueck, CMU faculty, Bethel Mennonite, Winnipeg

Song leader: Marilyn Houser Hamm

Speaker: David Driedger, Associate Pastor at First Mennonite Church, Winnipeg; member of Christian Formation Council of Mennonite Church Canada

SATURDAY MORNING, JULY 5: 'TRUST/FAITH'

Scripture: Mark 4:35-41 & Isaiah 58

Worship leader: Irma Fast Dueck

Song leader: Marilyn Houser Hamm

Speaker: Betty Pries, ARC Associates, Waterloo North Mennonite Church, Waterloo, ON

SATURDAY EVENING, JULY 5 AT CAMP ASSINIBOIA

'PEACE BE STILL'

Scripture: Mark 4:35-41

Song leaders: Darryl Neustaedter Barg, MCM staff, Douglas Mennonite Church, Winnipeg; Phil Campbell-Enns, pastor at Bethel Mennonite, Winnipeg

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP, JULY 6 'AWE'

Scripture: Mark 4:35-41

Worship leader: Kirsten Hamm.

Song leaders: Darryl Neustaedter Barg, Phil Campbell-Enns.

Speaker: Brian Quan, pastor of Toronto Chinese Mennonite Church, Toronto

Communion: Karen Martens Zimmerly, Denominational Minister for Mennonite Church Canada, Home Street Mennonite Church, Winnipeg

Servers: Area Church Ministers and pastors from the five Area Churches

Communion preparation: First Mennonite Church, Winnipeg

SUNDAY OFFERING DESIGNATIONS:

- 1) Loose change collection: The Children and Junior Youth Assembly participants invite you to help our Ministry friends in Cuba get the equipment and training they need to start their own Aquaponics units so they can grow vegetables and fish. And that's important, because they need food and they need money to run their church, which they can earn by selling the extra fish and plants.
- 2) Mennonite Church Canada values its partnership with Mennonite World Conference as the worldwide expression of the Anabaptist body of Christ. Together we help the church to grow as a thriving global community of Anabaptists grounded in Jesus, we learn from and support each other in fellowship and worship, we walk alongside brothers and sisters who are suffering, and seek to make a difference in the world through service and witness to Jesus Christ.

Regarding the FairShare funding covenant of MWC members, President César Garcia stated: 'no one is so poor they cannot give the equivalent of one lunch per year (to the work of MWC).' We place President Garcia's challenge before this gathered Mennonite Church Canada Assembly and invite you to rise to the challenge: If the 700 or so delegates and attendees worshipping together each give the \$15 it will cost you to buy lunch, we can give a huge boost to this important ministry. It's a modest request. Something everyone can do. And some can even do more. The math is really simple! $\$15 \times 700$ people equals \$10500. See how easy that is?

Please give with a glad and generous heart. Your gifts will help support the international travel fund of MWC and support the costs of planning next year's worldwide gathering in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Please make cheques payable to Mennonite Church Canada and designated for Mennonite World Conference.

Commissioning Litany

THANKFULNESS FOR THOSE WHO ARE COMPLETING THEIR LEADERSHIP ROLE

Leader: We give thanks to God for all of you, remembering before God your work of faith and labour of love for Mennonite Church Canada.

People: We thank you for the love and passion you have for Christ and the church, and for your work and commitment. As you now lay down your tasks, we thank God for the work of the Holy Spirit through you. We pray that you may continue to be filled with life and hope by the power of God's Spirit.

COMMITMENT TO ELECTED LEADERS, STAFF AND WITNESS WORKERS

Leader: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. (Romans 15:13)

People: As the church walks in a season of change and unfamiliarity we have chosen you to serve and lead. As you now take up your work, we ask that you continue to nurture deep roots of faith as individuals and as boards, committees, staff and Witness workers. We invite you to listen and dream and imagine together with us. We commit ourselves to pray for you and to uphold and participate in the ministry of the national church.

Leaders, staff and Witness workers: Thank-you for your support. We commit ourselves to a life of growing faith, to serve and lead on your behalf so that together God's healing and hope might flow through us to the world.

All: Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness. (Psalm 115: 1)

Leader: Now to the one who at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to God be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. AMEN. (Ephesians 3: 20, 21)

Prayer Room

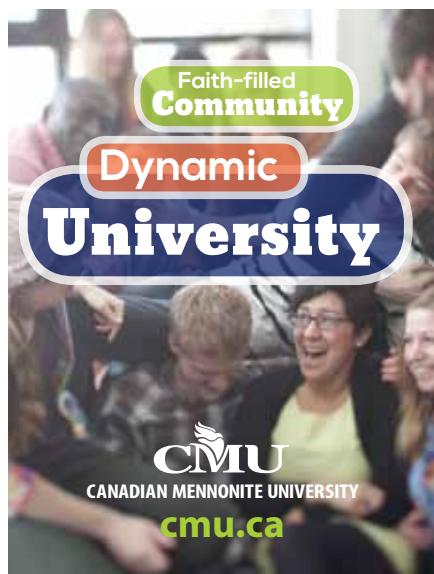
The prayer room offers participants a time and space to become quiet, ground themselves in God and settle into an awareness of God with us. Join us in the prayer room, open daily from 8am through 6pm for guided prayer, resources to pray on your own or simply to connect with God. Arrangements will be made to meet for intercessory prayer if requested (sign up sheet will be located in the prayer room). Find the prayer room in **lounge B230** on the second floor.

Art Space

The art exhibit for Assembly 2014 will be displayed throughout the lounges on the first floor on CMU campus. It features artists from Manitoba and beyond who have been asked to respond to this year's theme. Artist Ray Dirks, who is our gallery curator, will be working in the B130 lounge on a painting related to the Along the Road to Freedom exhibit. People are welcome to stop and chat with Ray about that project and its across-Canada tour, and about the work of the gallery.

Mennonite Church Canada Resource Centre, CMU Bookstore, MennoMedia

Mennonite Church Canada Resource Centre, CMU Bookstore and MennoMedia will be sharing display space under the dining tent – to provide you with a one-stop location for purchasing and borrowing Anabaptist and related titles! Don't miss the opportunity to learn more about the new *Shine* curriculum or our plans for the new CommonWord Bookstore and Resource Centre, an exciting CMU and Mennonite Church Canada collaboration in the new library building! Or come to simply browse niche resources rarely found in mainstream stores.



Friday night Young Adult event

Everybody is talking about Matt Epp these days. This is what Gary Cristall of the Vancouver Folk Music Festival says:

"...the main thing is that Matt Epp is simply one of the best of a generation of fine songwriters emerging in this country over the last decade or so, and carrying forward the torch of Canadian song writing that goes back to Lightfoot, Mitchell, Young, Cohen and Cockburn." So come hear his soulful folk, infectious pop sensibilities and whimsical humour which has won him the admiration of an audience across the globe.

Friday, July 4, 8:00 pm

Sam's Place

159 Henderson Highway Winnipeg, MB.

Admission Free!

(but you have to have a ticket and be a young adult)

Inquire at the Information Desk

Willard Metzger, Executive Director of Mennonite Church Canada & César Garcia, General Secretary of Mennonite World Conference will also be on hand to engage with the group about the future of the church and the upcoming World Conference in PA in 2015.

Saturday night Special event

On Saturday evening we will be hosted by Mennonite Church Manitoba (MCM) for a special meal at Camp Assiniboia where MCM congregations and Mennonites from across Canada can meet and mingle. Afterwards, sit back and enjoy some local entertainment. You must have a ticket to attend this event.

Parking

Please follow the signs and direction of the parking lot attendants for parking.

Internet

Please see the information desk to obtain the wireless code for participants on campus.

Check in & Check out

If you are staying on campus during assembly, you will have received your room number and building location in your registration materials. You will find your name on the plaque outside your room. Inside your room you will find your room key and other details. Check in time is 2 pm daily; check out time on Sunday is 1 pm. Please see the information desk if you have questions.

Taxi service to the airport Sunday

There will be a sign up sheet located at the information desk on Sunday morning if you need a taxi to the airport. Please sign up to ensure you have transportation to the airport, bus depot or train station.

Hospital

The nearest hospital is the Grace Hospital, 300 Booth Dr. Ph: (204) 837-0111. For Emergencies, dial 911.

Meals

Breakfast will be served in the dining room daily. All other regular meals and refreshment breaks will be served in the dining tent, located on the north side of the Campus. You must have a ticket for all meals. There are many restaurants within a short driving distance of the CMU campus. These are noted on page 14 in this Program Book.

Special Meals

You must have purchased special meal tickets for these meals except the Witness worker and the Canadian Mennonite lunches.

Witness Worker Lunch (open to all)

North Campus C167. Friday July 4th, 12:00 pm- 1:30 pm

Bring your lunch from the Dining Tent to C167 and connect with our visiting Witness workers. Come and hear about the exciting things God is doing around the globe.

Canadian Mennonite University Alumni and

Friends Luncheon Cafeteria South Campus

Friday, July 4th, 12:00 pm-1:30 pm, \$12.50

CMU's approach to university is based on the belief that learning is active; that belonging to community is vital; that following God's way makes a difference; and that peace and justice are able to be realized. Reconnect with the CMU community of staff, alumni, and friends over lunch. If you don't have a ticket you can purchase one at the Information Desk.

Mennonite Men Supper South Campus Conference Room

Friday July 4th, 5:30 pm-8:30 pm, \$25.00

The traditional image of men and masculinity, that has dominated Christendom, has been eroded by rapid societal change. Some Christians advocate for a return to what they perceive as faithful "biblical manhood." Is this an adequate response? What has been our experience as men within the Mennonite community, and what are the opportunities for faithfulness to God's calling in our lives as men? How might our lives as gendered people be a witness to the power of God for healing and hope in our world? If you don't have a ticket you can purchase one at the Information Desk or at the door.

Greening our gatherings

To help make Assembly 2014 as "green" as possible, please use your water bottles and travel mugs if you have brought them with you. CMU will be using compostable cups and dishes which will be used in the CMU community garden. Turn off the lights when you are the last one to leave a room. Share paper versions of Discernment Guides, Program Books, daily news sheets, etc.

Mennonite Women Canada Coffee and Dessert Evening

South Campus Chapel

Friday, July 4th, 6:30 pm-8:30 pm, \$5.00

Come and celebrate with Mennonite Women Canada and enjoy dessert together followed by the annual meeting. Enjoy a time of fellowship, fun and food with women from across Canada. A musical program featuring the Faith and Life Women's Chorus is open to all and begins at 7:30 pm. An offering will be taken. If you don't have a ticket you can purchase one at the Information Desk or at the door.

AMBS Alumni and Friends Lunch

Cafeteria South Campus. Saturday, July 5th, 12:00 pm-1:30 pm, \$12.50

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary invites alumni and friends to gather for fellowship and the latest news from the Seminary. Select faculty and administrative staff will be in attendance, eager to engage your questions. If you don't have a ticket you can purchase one at the Information Desk.

Canadian Mennonite Publishing lunch

(open to all) North Campus C167

Saturday July 5th, 12:00 pm-1:30 pm

Canadian Mennonite invites you to bring your lunch from the Dining Tent to Room C 167 and share your thoughts on how the magazine can implement the BFC 5.1 recommendations.

SPEAKERS



Brian Quan

is Minister of English Ministries at Toronto Chinese Mennonite Church, has studied at Tyndale Seminary and previously worked as a research assistant with the Center for Mental Health and Addiction. Brian also serves on the bi-national Editorial Board of Leader magazine.



Betty Pries

is a Conflict Management Specialist with Associates Resourcing the Church (ARC) and is active in Mennonite Church Eastern Canada. She works with private and public sectors as well as charities, not-for-profits, community groups and individuals. Betty teaches conflict resolution and mediation at Conrad Grebel University College.



David Driedger

is currently Associate Minister at First Mennonite Church, Winnipeg., and previously was pastor at Hillcrest Mennonite Church (New Hamburg, Ont.). David is committed to the church as a space that nurtures faithfulness in both intellectual rigour and social justice. He has written on those themes in various Mennonite periodicals and organizes a monthly reading group to promote such a space. David currently sits on Mennonite Church Canada's Formation Council.

The logo for Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary (AMBS) features a stylized graphic of three stars or points of light above the acronym 'AMBS'. Below 'AMBS' is the website address 'www.ambs.edu'.

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary educates Christ-centered leaders to join God's work—wherever God takes them.



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REFRESHMENT BREAK OFFERINGS AND CAUSES

Friday AM – Witness

Witness staff will be on hand at Friday morning's break to invite your gifts for the shared ministries of the North American Vietnamese Mennonite Fellowship (NAVMF) and Mennonite Church Canada Witness. Together, these ministries support training programs for pastors at a Mennonite Bible school in Vietnam, provide encouragement to believers and church leaders, engage in evangelism and church planting in Vietnam and Cambodia, and encourage fellowship among Vietnamese Mennonites between south east Asia and Canada. Nhien Pham, pastor of the Vietnamese Mennonite Church in Surrey, also serves as a Witness Worker periodically travelling to south east Asia. Come meet Nhien and other Witness Workers at the break to hear more about ministries in Vietnam, Cambodia and beyond. Thank you.

Friday PM – MCM/Indigenous Ministry

Building Bridges is an annual event co-sponsored by Mennonite Church Canada and Mennonite Church Manitoba. The hope is that we will find ways to build bridges, learn about issues, and animate a conversation between Indigenous people of Canada and the Settlers. Over the past few years our guest speakers have included

Justice Murray Sinclair, Ovid Mercredi, Sr. Eva Solomon, Fr. Francois Paradis, and Terry LaBlanc. This conversation happens in uniquely indigenous settings and in church buildings. For people of different cultures and faiths to truly recognize and appreciate one another, they must be willing to learn from each other. Thank you.

Saturday AM- Formation

The Saturday morning Refreshment Break is brought to you by the Christian Formation Council --nurturing the soul and forming the body of Christ. While you nourish your body this morning, you'll have the opportunity to nourish souls with a donation to the Christian Formation ministry of Mennonite Church Canada. Generous individuals and congregations help fund the song books we sing from, the Sunday School curriculum that teaches our children, the books and DVDs loaned from the Resource Centre, pastoral and leadership development, and more. As you gratefully receive what you need, please remember to give so that the whole body of Christ can receive what it needs! Christian Formation staff will be on hand to answer any questions you may have. Thank you.

Saturday PM – Mennonite Women Canada

The funds raised during the Saturday PM refreshment break will go to support the work of Mennonite Women Canada. The mission of Mennonite Women Canada includes connecting with women all across Canada to nurture their lives in Christ, hear and support each other, and serve and minister locally and around the world. Mennonite Women Canada is committed to promoting spiritual growth through Christian disciplines like prayer and bible study, discerning and nurturing the gifts and skills of women as well as supporting and strengthening the work of Mennonite Church Canada. Come and meet members of Mennonite Women Canada and find out more about how you can be involved and support their work. Thank you.



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SEMINARS

Friday, July 4, 3:00-3:45 pm

Seminar	Presenters	Room #	Floor
Broken Promises: Indigenous Nations, the Crown and the Royal Proclamation	Steve Heinrichs & Brander McDonald	C244	2
Faith in the Unknown Season of Retirement	Sherri Grosz & Dori Zerbe Cornelson	Large Board Room	2
Hearing Paul's Romans Anew	Gorden Zerbe	B132	1
How we do things around here!: Polity for leaders in the Mennonite Church	Karen Martens Zimmerly & Henry Paetkau	D176	1
Peace that boggles the mind	Peter Haresnape	B126	1
Re-imagining the congregation	Ken Warkentin & Anita Retzlaff	Great Hall	1
Stronger Together	Dave Bergen	B234	2
Subversive Guest: Exploring Anabaptist Presence in a Post Christian Landscape	Chris Lenshyn	C344	3
What we believe about children matters!	Elsie Rempel	C167	1
Wild hope: Living in light of God's good future	Dan Epp-Tiessen	Laudamus Hall	1

Friday, July 4, 4:15-5:00 pm

Seminar	Presenters	Room #	Floor
A Global Mosaic: Preparation for MWC Pennsylvania 2015	César Garcia	C167	1
At least there is hope for a tree!	Doug Klassen	Laudamus Hall	1
Between the Horizons	Rudy Baergen & Jack Suderman	Great Hall	1
Cultivating Spiritual Practices	April Yamasaki	C344	3
Exploring Hope with People of other faiths	Donna Entz	B126	1
Finances Matter	Randy Wiebe, John Goossen	D176	1
Hope in Disorienting times: Navigating the Challenge of Pluralism	Ryan Dueck	C244	2
Sharing Gifts Globally through Short Term Mission	Tany Warkentin	Large Board Room	2
Supporting Mennonite Entrepreneurs in the Global South	Hippolyto Tshimanga	B330	3
Wide Faith from a deep base	Rob Murray	B132	1

SEMINARS

Saturday, July 5, 3:15-4:00 pm

Seminar	Presenters	Room #	Floor
At least there is hope for a tree!	Doug Klassen	Laudamus Hall	1
Broken Promises: Indigenous Nations, the Crown and the Royal Proclamation	Steve Heinrichs & Brander McDonald	C167	1
Church Newsletters: Building community one word at a time	Deborah Froese	B234	2
Congregational Partnerships: What are they and why we'd want one	Daniel Horne	Large Board Room	2
Cultivating Spiritual Practices	April Yamasaki	C344	3
Get ready to shine!	Rose Stutzman	B132	1
Jesus in Technicolor	Vic Thiessen	C244	2
North American Vietnamese Mennonite Fellowship Ministries	Nhien Pham	B330	3
Re-imagining the wider church	Terry Keller & Aldred Neufeldt	Great Hall	1
Wild Generosity & Young Adults	Arnie Friesen & Dori Zerbe Cornelison	B126	1

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SEMINARS

Saturday, July 5, 4:30-5:15 pm

Seminar	Presenters	Room #	Floor
Being a faithful man in a faithful church	Don Neufeld	Laudamus Hall	1
Communicating with those born digital	Dan Dyck	C167	1
Creation Care: Testing our Resolve	Joanne Moyer	B126	1
Get ready to shine!	Rose Stutzman	B132	1
Mennonite Central Committee and Post Christendom	Don Peters	C244	2
Partnering with the Church in China for an unknown season	George and Tobia Veith	Large Board Room	2
Sister Care	Rhoda Keener	C344	3
Stronger Together	Dave Bergen	B234	2
Where to from here?	Rudy Baergen & Andrew Reesor-McDowell	Great Hall	1
Wild hope: Living in light of God's good future	Dan Epp-Tiessen	D176	1

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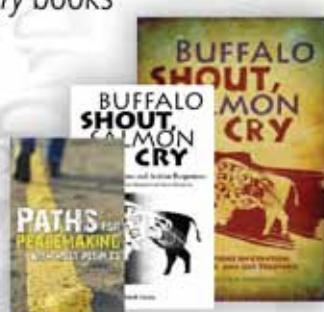
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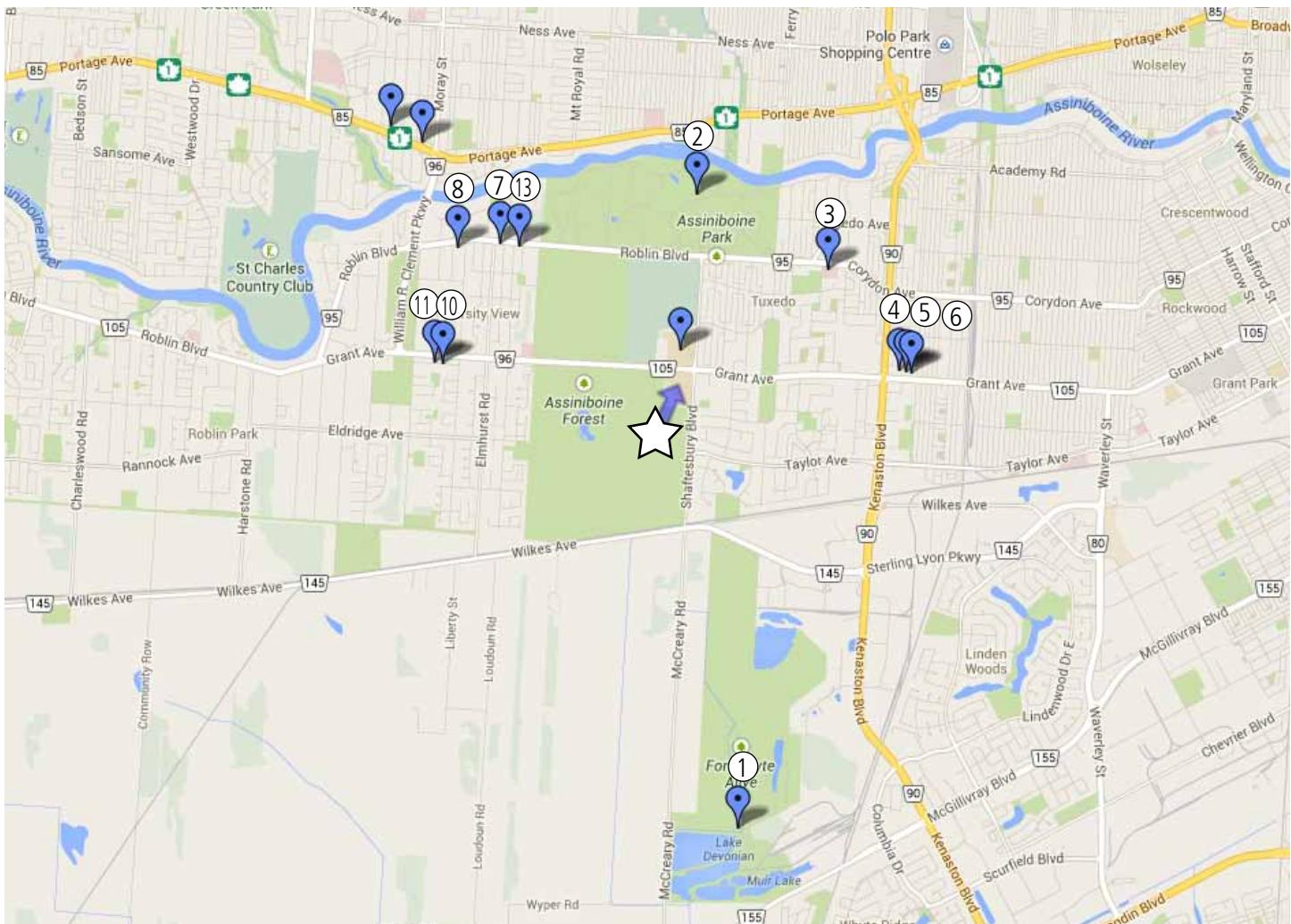
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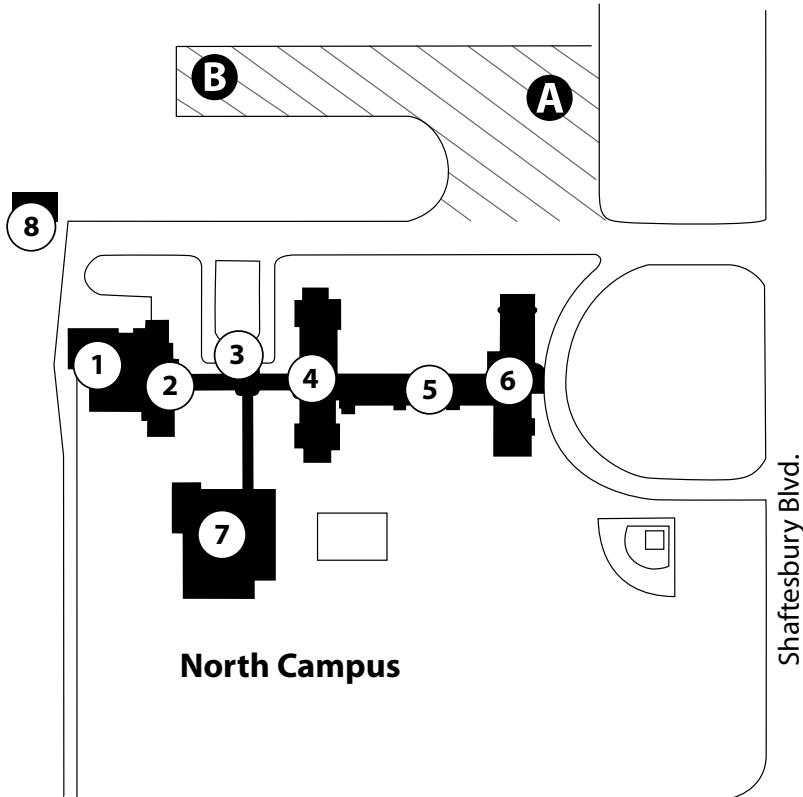
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LOCAL RESTAURANTS

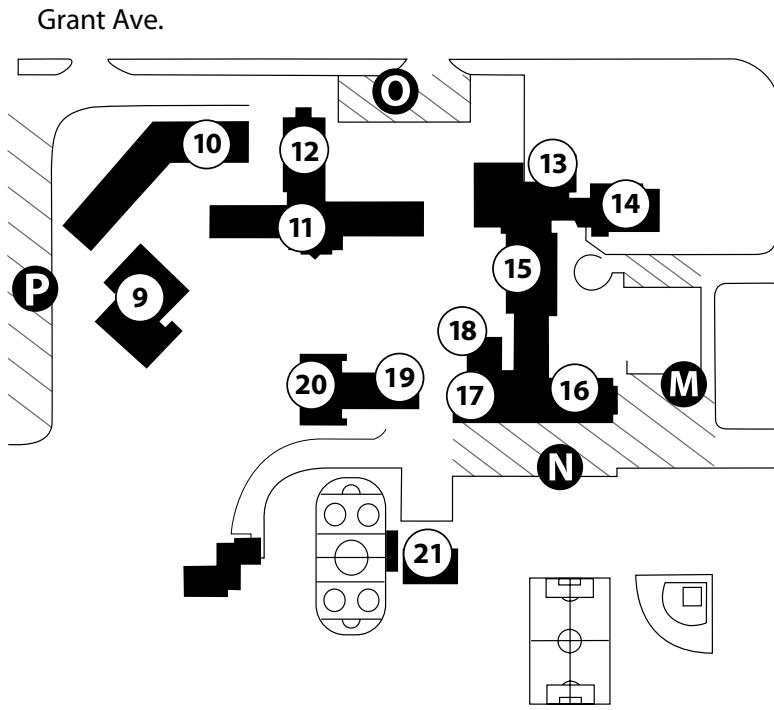


1. Buffalo Stone Cafe
Cafe in Fort Whyte Centre - \$\$
1961 McCreary Road
2. Terrace in the Park
Restaurant in the Assiniboine Park Pavilion. - \$\$\$
55 Pavilion Crescent
3. Tuxedo Village Family Restaurant
2090 Corydon Ave - \$\$
4. Original Joe's
530 Kenaston Blvd - \$\$
5. Stella's Cafe
1895 Grant Avenue - \$\$
6. Bimi Japanese Restaurant
1893 Grant Avenue - \$\$
7. Pappas Greek Food & Steak
3318 Roblin Boulevard - \$\$
8. White Tower
3670 Roblin Boulevard - \$\$
9. Gasthaus Gutenberger
2583 Portage Avenue - \$\$
10. Sorrento's
3900 Grant Avenue - \$\$
11. Quiznos Subs & Salads
3900 Grant Avenue - \$
12. Pad Thai Restaurant
2655 Portage Avenue - \$\$
13. Subway
3116 Roblin Boulevard - \$

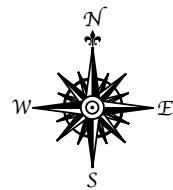
Grant & Shaftesbury Campus Map



North Campus



South Campus



Key

1. D wing—Music Department
2. Great Hall
3. Main Entrance
4. C wing—Reception/Classroom
5. B wing—Classrooms
6. A wing—Auditorium/
Large Boardroom/Heritage Lounge
7. Loewen Athletic Centre
8. Maintenance Garage
9. Katherine Friesen Apartments (Housing)
10. Concord Hall (Housing)
11. Poettcker Hall (Housing)
12. Dining Hall
13. Conference Room
14. MC Canada and MC Manitoba Offices
15. Classrooms/Hosting Department
16. Chapel
17. Lecture Hall
18. Science Laboratory
19. Library (lower level)
20. Heritage Centre
21. Maintenance Garage

Parking



Guest Parking



Preliminary Schedule

	Thursday July 3 rd	Friday July 4 th	Saturday July 5 th	Sunday July 6 th
7:30 - 8:15		Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
8:30 - 8:45		Gathering	Gathering	Gathering
8:45 - 9:30		Worship	Worship	
9:30 - 10:15		Plenary	Plenary	
10:15 - 10:45		Break	Break	Worship (9:30-11:30 am)
10:45 - 11:50		Future Directions Task Force	Being a Faithful Church (BFC)	
11:50 - 12:00	Ministers Conference (8:30 - 4:00)	Announcements	Announcements	Delegates / Participants Head home
12:00 - 1:30		Lunch / CMU Lunch / Witness Worker lunch	Lunch / AMBS Lunch / Canadian Mennonite Lunch	
1:30 - 2:45		Being a Faithful Church (BFC)	Future Directions Task Force	
2:45 - 3:00		Transition	Resolutions and Nomination vote	
3:00 - 3:15		Seminars (3:00-3:45 pm)	Transition	
3:15 - 3:30			Seminars (3:15-4:00)	
3:30 - 4:00	Registration Begins (3:30 - 5:15)	Break (3:45-4:15 pm)		Lodging Check - out no later than 1 pm SAFE TRAVEL HOME, EVERYONE!
4:00 - 4:30		Seminars (4:15-5:00)	Break (4:00-4:30)	
4:30 - 4:45			Seminars (4:30-5:15)	
4:45 - 5:15		Transition		
5:15 - 6:30	Gathering	Supper / Mennonite Men Event	Transition	
6:30 - 6:45	Opening & Worship	Transition		Mennonite Church Manitoba Event at Camp Assiniboia Transportation provided
6:45 - 9:00	Business session	Family & Friends Gathering (6:30 start) Mennonite Women Canada Event (7:30 start) YA event (8:00 start)		



Mennonite Church Canada

Evaluation Form Mennonite Church Canada Delegate Assembly 2014

Your comments will be very helpful to evaluate the future of Mennonite Church Canada gatherings and to plan the 2016 MC Canada Delegate Assembly. Please take a few moments to complete this form and return it to the Information Desk before you leave. Thank you!

Age Group of Respondent: under 21 21-30 31-40 41-50 51-60 over 60

Overall Evaluation of the Assembly Very Good Good Fair Poor

WORSHIP	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	Comments
Worship leaders					
Worship music					
Speakers					
Use of visuals, rituals, etc.					
Inclusion of children in Sunday worship					
Communion service					
KIDS ASSEMBLY (if applicable)	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	Comments
Activities					
Connection with Assembly theme					
Leaders					
Seminars	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	Comments
Variety of topics					
Preparedness of presenters					
FACILITIES AND SERVICES	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	Comments
General location					
Worship and discernment hall					
Resource Centre & Book Store					
Prayer room					
Food services					
Transportation services					
Program book					
Daily newsheet					
DISCERNMENT AND REPORTING – MC Canada Delegate Assembly participants only	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	Comments
Report Book					
Reporting (General Board, Councils, etc.)					
Discussion times					
Balance of reporting and discussion					

PLEASE TURN OVER AND COMPLETE OTHER SIDE

A highlight of the Assembly for me:

I liked the shorter weekend format: Yes

No

Not Sure

Explain:

Suggestions for future gatherings:

Please tell us about yourself:

- I am a congregational delegate
- I am an Area Church delegate.
- I am a staff person for Mennonite Church Canada or a related agency
- I am an attendee

Please tell us about your reasons for coming to the Assembly (please check all that apply):

- It was important to me to participate in a national church gathering.
- My church asked me to attend (as a delegate or otherwise).
- The event sounded interesting to me.
- My staff or volunteer role required me to attend.
- Other – please describe: _____

Please tell us how often you have attended a church-wide gathering such as a Mennonite Church Canada Delegate Assembly:

- This is my first time.
- I have attended 1-5 gatherings.
- I have attended 6-10 gatherings.
- I have attended more than 10 gatherings.

Comments: _____

General Comments (please feel free to use additional paper):
