

Christian Formation Sunday 2012

Christian Formation Sunday is an opportunity to focus on the ministry of Christian nurture and education through congregational formation activities, publishing, and church schools. This ministry of Christian nurture and education not only strengthens congregations across Mennonite Church Canada now but also provides hope for the future of the church. This is your wider church working for you!

Christian formation happens as our faith is shaped in creative and powerful ways. This can happen through formal education at Mennonite schools, colleges/universities and seminaries; in Sunday schools, mentoring programs, and small groups; in camps and area churches; and through books, audiovisuals, and resources that teach about God and faith. Christian parents, churches, and schools partner together to nurture children and adults to love God, to know God's Word through study and reflection, to belong to God's gathered community, and to serve others in God's world with the gifts they develop.

We are thankful for those who share faith, knowledge and resources for our benefit.

How can you and your congregation support Christian formation?

Support your congregation's Christian formation activities as a leader and as an active participant. Visit the websites of Mennonite Church Canada's Resource Centre (www.mennonitechurch.ca/resourcecentre), MennoMedia (www.mennomedia.org), and Mennonite Education Agency (www. MennoniteEducation.org) for resources you can use in your congregation and at home. Remember to pray for Christian formation institutions. On the other side is a list of Christian formation institutions and programs of Mennonite Church Canada and Mennonite Church USA. Also, thank God for the dedicated faculty and staff at these institutions as well as leaders in congregations, area churches and Mennonite Church Canada who work hard to hold together the abundance of gifts with which God has so richly blessed us.

The Christian formation institutions and programs of Mennonite Church Canada and Mennonite Church USA

PreK-12 Mennonite schools

Academia Menonita* (San Juan, P.R.)

Academia Menonita Betania* (Aibonito, P.R.)

Belleville Mennonite School* (Belleville, Pa.)

Bethany Christian Schools* (Goshen, Ind.)

Central Christian School* (Kidron, Ohio)

Christopher Dock Mennonite H.S.* (Lansdale, Pa.)

Diamond Street Early Childhood Center* (Akron, Pa.)

Eastern Mennonite School* (Harrisonburg, Va.)

Ephrata Mennonite School* (Ephrata, Pa.)

Freeman Academy* (Freeman, S.D.)

Hinkletown Mennonite School* (Ephrata, Pa.)

Hopi Mission School* (Kykotsmovi, Ariz.)

Iowa Mennonite School* (Kalona, Iowa)

Juniata Mennonite School* (McAlisterville, Pa.)

Lake Center Christian School* (Hartville, Ohio)

Lancaster Mennonite School* (Lancaster, Pa.)

Lezha Academic Center* (Albania—international affiliate)

Lititz Area Mennonite School* (Lititz, Pa.)

Manheim Christian Day School* (Manheim, Pa.)

Mennonite Collegiate Institute** (Gretna, Man.)

Mennonite Educational Institute** (Abbotsford, B.C.)

Menno Simons Christian School** (Calgary, Alta.)

New Covenant Christian School* (Lebanon, Pa.)

New Holland Early Learning Center* (New Holland, Pa.) The Peace & Justice Academy* (Pasadena, Calif.)

Penn View Christian School* (Souderton, Pa.)

Philadelphia Mennonite High School* (Philadelphia, Pa.)

Quakertown Christian School* (Quakertown, Pa.)

Rockway Mennonite Collegiate* ** (Kitchener, Ont.)

Rosthern Junior College** (Rosthern, Sask.)

Sarasota Christian School* (Sarasota, Fla.)

Shalom Christian Academy* (Chambersburg, Pa.)

United Menn. Educational Institute* ** (Leamington, Ont.)

Warwick River Christian School* (Newport News, Va.)

West Fallowfield Christian School* (Atglen, Pa.)

Westgate Mennonite Collegiate** (Winnipeg, Man.)

Western Mennonite School* (Salem, Ore.)

Winnipeg Menn. Elementary & Middle Schools**

(Winnipeg, Man.)

Names in bold - affiliation with Mennonite Church Canada

Mennonite Early Childhood Network (MECN)

Canadian Association of Mennonite Schools (CAMS)

Mennonite Schools Council (MSC)

The Racial/Ethnic Leadership Education (RELE) programs

Hispanic Pastoral Leadership Education (HPLE) Lark Scholarship

Native Education and Training

Mennonite Higher Education

Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary+

(Elkhart, Ind.)

Bethel College

(North Newton, Kan.)

Bluffton University (Bluffton, Ohio)

Canadian Mennonite University

(Winnipeg, Man.)

Columbia Bible College

(Abbotsford, B.C.)

Conrad Grebel **University College**

(Waterloo, Ont.)

Eastern Mennonite Seminary (Harrisonburg, Va.)

Eastern Mennonite University

(Harrisonburg, Va.)

Goshen College

(Goshen, Ind.) Hesston College

(Hesston, Kan.)

Toronto Mennonite

Theological Centre+

(Toronto, Ont.)

^{*} member of Mennonite Schools Council (MSC)

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⁺ higher education institution affiliated with both Mennonite Church Canada and Mennonite Church USA