

Tabor Mennonite Church

June 9, 2019

Congregational Announcements

If you are wanting to save decorations at the cemetery, please remove them by Monday, June 10.

Faithful Fitness on Wednesdays: All are invited to join our Faithful Fitness class at 5:30pm on Wednesdays in the church basement. Classes include strength training exercises led by Kevin Nickel from 5:30-6:00pm and a group walk from 6:00-6:30pm. Come for all or part of the class on any days it works for you!

Free Books! If you would like a red hymnal or a Tabor Church Centennial photo book, feel free to pick one up from the table in the church foyer.

Fathers of Tabor children, this is for you! Please join your child(ren) in their Faith Formation time on Father's Day, June 16. There will be special activities for you to do together with your child. AND MOTHERS, your turn is on June 23! Plan to be there!

Summer Day Camp: Sponsored by area churches, this is a Free Day Camp in July for children entering 1st-5th Grade. Brochures with dates and complete information can be found on the table in the foyer. Sign up today!!

Mennonite Church USA Convention will be held in Kansas City July 2-6. Delegates from Tabor are Pastor Phil Schmidt, Leann Toews, Eric Litwiller, and Jose Suastegui.

Western District Annual Assembly will take place July 26-27 on the Bethel College Campus. If you would like to serve as a delegate for Tabor, please contact a pastor or the church office to volunteer.

The Second Monday Family History & Genealogy Group will meet on Monday, June 10, 2019, 7:00 p.m., in the Goessel City Building Community Room. Arlin Buller and Gladys Voth will present their research on "Seagoing Cowboys," a project of the Mennonite Central Committee in the 1940s in response to the extreme needs of post war Europe and Asia. Cattle and tractors were sent by boat in a relief effort that experienced success beyond expectations!

The Mennonite Heritage and Agricultural Museum, will be hosting the 12th annual antique, classic car, truck and motorcycle show on Sat. June 15, 2019 starting at 10 a.m. till 3 p.m. If you wish to exhibit a vehicle the entry fee is \$10. Admission to the museum is FREE for the day. The museum store will also be having a Sidewalk Sale. Lunch will be available for a small cost. In case of rain the show will be moved to June 22. Questions - call the museum at 620-367-8200.

Summer is a great time for students to donate blood and help save lives! You can donate at ae 17 (or 16 with parental consent). Sign up at redcrossblood.org for the June 25 drive at Goessel Church from 1:00-6:00.

Conference Announcements

Prayer Requests:

- ★ Western District Conference: Give thanks for pastors in WDC congregations, and pray that God would give them wisdom, joy, health and strength in their leadership and ministry.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: On Tuesday, seven participants in MMN's Youth Venture program will depart for Japan with leaders Del and Michele Hershberger for three weeks of learning and service. Pray for them as they work alongside Akiko Aratani and Ray Epp at Menno Village, an agricultural initiative of the Hokkaido Mennonite churches.
- ★ Pray for the seven IBA students who recently graduated at Manantial de Vida Church, Camden, New Jersey. Pray that the IBA program continues to be a blessing for the Hispanic churches in the U.S. as it trains leaders to work to expand God's kingdom.

Western District Conference:

-WDC Annual Assembly - Come listen to the personal testimony and insights about leadership in today's Mennonite Church USA by featured speaker and MC USA Executive Director, Glen Guyton July 26-27 at Western District Conference Annual Assembly, Bethel College, North Newton, KS. For more information, go to mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/#2019annualAssembly.

-Conference Resource Library Book Sale June 13-15. Support the Library and take home some treasures. Both library discards and book donations are looking for new homes. Thursday & Friday 8am-5pm and Saturday 9am-noon. WDC Offices, 2517 N. Main in North Newton

-Conference Resource Library Summer Reading Program -

Everyone everywhere is invited! Take the summer to explore what it means to follow Christ and find some new favorite books. You're invited to participate in the summer reading program! Everyone in every WDC congregation is invited to take part. Children can sign up at: <https://forms.gle/tZooHWMz76YPEzDj6> and will earn prizes for every 15 books (or chapters) they read. Adults sign up at: <https://forms.gle/LWZZyUhx5G396q6Z9>; adult prizes include books and giftcards.

-Conference Resource Library Summer Story Hour - All children ages 3-8 are invited to come "Down on the Farm" for a farm-tastic summer story hour. Mondays at 9:30, July 17-July 22 at 2517 N Main in North Newton KS. Stories, crafts, and more led by Marjie Warkentine. Sign up at: <https://forms.gle/AnSemnebkM8xr8gg6>.

-Mennonite Church USA convention, July 2-6 - WDC Executive Board has appointed the following persons to serve as WDC delegates at MC USA delegate assembly: Ray Reimer, Lois Barrett, Jim Stucky, June Krehbiel, Peter Goerzen, Kathy Neufeld Dunn, Byron Pellecer, and Heidi Regier Kreider. The Board has also appointed Matthew Garber, a Bethel College student and member of Faith Mennonite Church, to serve as WDC representative in the Step Up program for youth and young adults.

-**The June/July/August 2019 issue of WDC Garden** is in your church mailboxes. In this issue, read about the upcoming WDC Annual Assembly, a church plant who has applied to be a WDC member congregation, and more. WDC Garden is a quarterly newsletter to help you know what's going on in WDC!

- **The WDC Immigration Task Force** would like you to know about two events coming up in June in the broader Wichita, Kansas area that celebrate immigrants and refugees - the Celebration of Immigrants event on June 15, and World Refugee Day on June 20. Please see the flyers posted in church foyer for more information!

Camp Mennoscah:

-**Summer youth camps** at Camp Mennoscah start June 9! We still have openings for all of our camps grades 3-9 and expect to open more spaces for our senior high camp soon! Our theme for the summer is Peace Works! Invite a friend, tell a cousin, and send a grandkid, niece, or nephew! Camp is great for faith formation and learning to live in loving community with others. Register online at www.campmennoscah.org! Fun is to be had--and we've got it!

-**Thank you** to everyone who has contributed to our summer staff orientation! Ken, Meg, Gardell, and Deborah led sessions on everything from personalities, self-regulation, safely driving a Gator, and building fires. Wichita Weather Service provided storm training and Kingman Emergency Management trained us in CPR. Karen & Darrin provided amazing meals. You all helped us prepare for an amazing of campers and faith formation! Thank you!

*Contact and registration for Camp Mennoscah:
Online at www.campmennoscah.org Telephone: [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290).
Email: office@campmennoscah.org.
Contact: olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org.*

Mennonite Church USA Convention: Step Up, a program that invites youth to be part of the Delegate Assembly, is especially important at MennoCon19 because a vote could make youth full delegates. Youth can still be designated as Step Up participants for MennoCon19 by having them or their sponsors email SarahC@MennoniteUSA.org. Visit convention.mennoniteusa.org/step-up-2019 for more info.

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary:

- Start seminary studies this fall! It's not too late to enroll at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, Indiana, for the 2019–20 academic year. Strengthen your leadership abilities in an Anabaptist setting — whether on campus or through one of our distance programs. AMBS offers generous need-based financial aid packages. Apply now! amb.edu/academics

Bluestem Communities invites you and your family to the Innovations in Living with Dementia Community Forum on June 26 at 6 p.m. at Hesston Mennonite Church (309 S. Main). The free event will feature interactive booths, resources for caregivers and a presentation from a national Alzheimer's researcher.

Mennonite Central Committee:

- Make plans to join in the fun at the **MCC Comforter Mini Blitz** at MCC in North Newton! If you can tie a knot, then you can certainly tie a comforter, all ages are welcome!! Friday, June 21 from 9-5; Saturday, June 22 from 8-4; drop in or stay for the day! You are welcome to bring a snack to share and if you stay through lunch you'll need a sack lunch, too. Contact katemast@mc.org for more information.

-**MCC urgently seeks host home** in the Newton area: Silav Yea, a 24 year old from Cambodia will be serving through MCC's International Volunteer Exchange Program (IVEP) beginning in August. She will be working at both Prairie Harvest and the Newton Et Cetera Shop for her one year service term. Curious to learn more? Contact Sara Dick generalmanager@netwonetceterashop.com or Terri Gaeddert terri@prairieharvestks.com for details.

-**Mennonite Central Committee Central States is hiring** for a Young Adult Program Coordinator. This position is available starting on August 5 within the 16-state Central States region. The Young Adult Program Coordinator coordinates and recruits for MCC Central States' young adult programs, including the International Volunteer Exchange Program (IVEP), Summer Service Worker (SSW) program, the Serving and Learning Together (SALT) program, and Seed. This position connects with Central States' young adult alumni, especially using social media, and creates opportunities for young adults from the Central States region to serve and develop leadership skills. The full job description is available at serve.mcc.org. Please contact Heidi Huber at heidihuber@mcc.org for more information. Application close date: July 5, 2019

-**MCC needs your help to replenish supplies** in our Material Resources Center! The following items are running low: black and white spools of all-purpose thread, minimum 250 yards, for Sewing Kits (each kit has 3 spools of each color in it). Lotion, minimum 10 oz, for Returning Citizen Care Kits and sanitary napkins, thin maxi, any count, for Relief Kits. MCC only distributes complete kits, so when we are low on one item the processing of the entire kit comes to a halt. Items for kits can be dropped off or shipped to MCC Central States, 121 E. 30th, PO Box 235, North Newton, KS 67117. Questions? Check out the kits page at mcc.org/kits or contact katemast@mcc.org.