

Beyond the Congregation – November 1, 2015

EVENTS – LOCAL & BEYOND

- ♪ **Menno Singers 60th Anniversary Concert**, featuring choral favourites from 60 years of music making. Special appearance and comments by founder Abner Martin. Sunday, November 1, 3:00 p.m., St Jacobs Mennonite Church All Menno Singers alumni are invited to sing Haydn's "The Heavens are Telling" with a short rehearsal at 2:15pm. Tickets are \$20 (students \$5) available at Music Plus, Mennonite Savings and Credit Union and at the door.
- **Open House Reception for Jack and Anne Wall** of Waterloo (formerly of Niagara/Parkhill) November 1 from 2-5 pm at Luther Village on the Park in Waterloo in honour of their 65th wedding anniversary and their service to others as a couple from Ailsa Craig Boys Farm to their work in Haiti. For more details or best wishes contact Betsy at 519-588-7967 or betsy.wall@fida-pch.org
 - **People, Planet & Profit: Investing in solutions to global poverty** - Mennonite Savings and Credit Union with Oikocredit Canada with Dr. Jaime Aristotle Alip, Founder and Managing Director of CARD MRI, and Gerhard Pries, Managing Partner and CEO of Saron Asset Management. Monday, November 2 from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM (EST). At the Tannery, Cost: Free. More information: www.eventbrite.com/e/people-planet-and-profit-investing-in-solutions-to-global-poverty
 - **Fraser Lake Camp 60th Anniversary Fundraiser** - All are invited to an evening of theatre, silent auction, and hors d'oeuvres. Theatre of the Beat presents "It Only Takes a Spark" written and performed by Johnny Wideman. Performances on November 6 at Breslau Mennonite Church and November 7 at Rouge Valley Mennonite Church. Please call or email for tickets 905-642-2964 or info@fraserlakecamp.com
 - **The Church and Climate Change**: Should the church respond, and if so, how? Guest speaker is internationally known activist and expert on the environment and justice issues Mark Bigland-Pritchard. One day seminar Sat. November 7, 9:30-3:30 at Waterloo North Mennonite Church. Cost is \$10 for catered lunch. To confirm attendance & inquiries, contact Stephanie@janzenmartin.net or 519-888-6113. See flyer on bulletin board.
 - **University of Waterloo Fall Open House** is a great time to see what it's like to live in residence at Conrad Grebel and to learn more about the academic programs you're interested in at the University of Waterloo. Saturday, November 7, 10am-4pm at Conrad Grebel University College. For more information visit: www.grebel.ca/visit
 - ♪ **Fourth Annual Male Chorus Sing** – Sing the old gospel songs and anthems from music that will be provided. Led by Bob Shantz. Sunday, November 8, 2:30 p.m. at Detweiler Meeting House, Roseville. Some hymnbooks will be provided. A freewill offering in support of Meetinghouse operations will be held. Everyone welcome. Sam Steiner, 519-884-1040.
 - **Interfaith Prayers for Peace in Israel and Palestine**. All are welcome to join an evening of prayer and hope as we reflect on writings from various traditions. Wednesday, November 11, 7pm in the Conrad Grebel Chapel.
 - **Spirituality and Aging Lecture** with Dr. Harvey Max Chochinov "Dignity in End-of-Life Care" Friday, November 13, 8:30am in the Conrad Grebel University College Great Hall. For more information and to register visit www.grebel.ca/sa or call 519-885-0220 x24270 or email info@guc@uwaterloo.ca \$50 registration.
 - **Mennonite Spiritual Directors of Eastern Canada Day of Quiet Prayer** Thursday, November 12, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp. Each Day of Quiet Prayer begins with the leader orienting the group to God and the theme of the day. Prayer suggestions are offered which may then be used in long periods of quiet reflection. The day concludes with a time of group reflection. During the quiet times, the leader is available for private conversation (spiritual direction). Bring your own lunch. Leader: Patricia Wagler.
 - **Retreat at Six Nations of the Grand River** Nov. 12 – 14 Please consider joining us for this ecumenical post-Truth and Reconciliation retreat, which will include 2 ½ days of teaching, conversation and relationship building as we consider how churches and Indigenous people within the Grand River territory can work at relationships which stretch toward reconciliation. Register at <http://events.mennonitechurch.ca/RegistrationNew.aspx> See the poster on the bulletin board.
 - **Celebrating 100 Years in the Village: 100th Anniversary Worship Service and Choir** (10:00 am); followed by "Simpler Times: Stories and Songs for the Soul" (2:45 pm), with donations accepted for Woolwich Community Services. Sunday, November 15: St. Jacobs Mennonite Church - Full details at: www.sjmc.on.ca, including choir invitation.
 - **The Syrian crisis: What is a small player to do?** Nov 16, 7 pm, Great Hall, Conrad Grebel University College. Join Rami Shamma, Program Manager for the Lebanese NGO "Development for People and Nature Association", MCC's peace specialist Krista Johnson Weickel, and Kaylee Perez, MCC Ontario's Refugee Program Associate to learn about MCC's ongoing humanitarian and peacebuilding response to the Syria and Iraq crisis. Please register and find more info at mcccanada.ca/get-involved/events/syrian-crisis-what-small-player-do
 - ※ **Fairview Home Handicraft Sale** Saturday, November 21, 9:00-1:00. Christmas decorations, gifts, Santa's Sweet Shop, wreaths, knitting, woodworking, used books, yarn sale & more. Fairview Auxiliary Tea Room & Bake Sale. Tea room tickets available at the door.
 - **MennoHomes AGM and fundraising concert** featuring Janice Jo Lee, at Waterloo MB Church, Wed. Nov.25 at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome! For more information, visit www.mennohomes.com.
 - ♪ **Fourth Annual Welcoming Advent** - Enjoy Christmas music sung by Lifted Voices. Laurence Martin will also lead congregational singing. Sunday, November 29, 2:30 p.m. at Detweiler Meeting House, Roseville. Some hymnbooks will be provided. A freewill offering in support of Meetinghouse operations will be held. Everyone welcome. More information: Sam Steiner, 519-884-1040.
 - ♪ **Christmas Worship Tour** with Jason & Charmaine Brown Sunday, December 13 at Koinonia Christian Fellowship in Blomington. For more info & tickets go to www.uniteproductions.com Tickets: \$20, \$25 & \$30.

♪ **Participate in a satisfying group music-making experience**, and learn about another culture and its music at the same time. Join Conrad Grebel University College's Community Gamelan Ensemble! Rehearsals are Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:30pm at Conrad Grebel in Waterloo. Free. No experience necessary. Register at uwaterloo.ca/music/community-gamelan or email music@uwaterloo.ca for more information.

• **Canadian Mennonite University** offers a comprehensive university education—one that will deepen understandings, develop character, nourish faith, and open future vocational paths. Discover CMU at cmu.ca and apply for free before November 30: cmu.ca/apply

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• **MCC Ontario Fall Conference** Saturday November 14 from 9:00 - 3:30 Bethany Community Church, St. Catharines
Mennonite Central Committee works to bring relief, development and peace in the name of Christ around the world and here in Ontario. Fall Conference is your chance to see, hear, and experience first-hand how MCC is changing lives and communities through peacebuilding. Join us for fascinating seminars, powerful storytelling, interactive activities and more!

This year, we will be joined by Rami Shamma, an international partner with MCC. Rami currently works as a Program Manager in the Lebanese NGO Development for People and Nature Association which aims at reaching a non-violent democratic society where individuals enjoy all their rights and freedoms without discrimination. He is also a Trainer on conflict transformation, active citizenship, communication, needs assessment, municipal work, and youth engagement in public life. Rami's story is one you won't want to miss.

MCC is introducing our new Junior Peacebuilders Program for children ages 4 -10, so bring the kids along for an awesome day!

Plus, you'll enjoy a special Thrift On the Go pop-up shop with great clothes and accessories, with all proceeds supporting amazing projects around the world and here in Ontario. There will be a special art exhibit featuring the work of MCC Ontario program users and volunteers, and classic activities like comforter knotting with our Material Resource staff.

Mennonite Church Canada Short Term Ministry – Information is posted on the hall bulletin board.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Canadian Mennonite University in Winnipeg invites inquiries and applications for the full-time position of Student Advising Coordinator. To view the full job descriptions, please visit cmu.ca/employment. Applications should be submitted immediately and will be accepted until this position is filled. Inquiries should be directed to Dianna Robson, Director of Human Resources at drobson@cmu.ca or 204-594-0532.