Any comments, questions, suggestions regarding this honorarium policy are invited.

The Honorarium Guideline is reviewed and updated annually by the Finance Committee of the Lancaster Mennonite Conference.

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# Honorarium Guideline

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### **GUIDELINES**

#### **Considerations For Honorarium**

- The speaker's experience and training. Some resource speakers are part of a speakers' bureau, with honorarium set by the organizations they represent.
- The number and length of presentations.
- Preparation and travel time.
- Travel, food, and lodging expenses. Use the IRS standard business mileage rate for mileage reimbursement.

The 2017 rate is \$0.535 per mile.

#### **Suggested Protocol**

Before the engagement is confirmed, discuss the honorarium with the resource person. They or their agency may have a set honorarium.

Honorarium is often an awkward subject for resource people in Christian ministry. Encourage resource people to be transparent about their expectations. Congregations should give respectable honorarium.

#### **Honorarium for LMC Staff**

LMC prefers that checks for honorarium and mileage reimbursement be made payable to LMC for involvement off-site and/or outside regular office hours.

# SUGGESTED HONORARIA

#### **Message / Presentation**

\$135-

\$160

Sunday morning sermons, district events, keynote address, retreats, etc.

## **Repeat Message**

\$65-\$95

(at same event)

#### **Worship Period**

\$65-\$95

#### **Bible Study Leader**

\$85-\$110

(Bible School, Sunday School, Elective)

#### **Conducting a Workshop**

\$65-\$95

#### **Other Short Involvements**

\$35-\$55

(brief devotional, panel participant)