



Resources for faith formation and leadership development

Academic programs

AMBS serves the church as a learning community with an Anabaptist vision, educating followers of Jesus Christ to be leaders for God's reconciling mission in the world.

- **Deepen your understanding of Scripture, Anabaptist theology and faith:** Our programs integrate academics, spiritual formation and practice, equipping students to read the Bible with an Anabaptist lens, apply critical thinking skills, lead compassionately and live faithfully — wherever God may call them to serve.

- **Master of Divinity**
- **Master of Arts in Christian Formation**
- **Master of Arts: Theology and Peace Studies**
- **Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies**
ambs.edu/academics

- **Distance education options** include the **MDiv Connect** program (with online and hybrid courses) or the customizable **Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies** (fully or partially online).
ambs.edu/mdivconnect or ambs.edu/certificate

- **Financial aid:** AMBS offers generous need-based financial aid, grants and scholarships to help make your education affordable. For example, MDiv Connect students taking at least 12 credit hours per academic year are eligible to receive the full amount of need-based tuition aid from AMBS. ambs.edu/financialaid

- **Want to explore seminary study before applying?** Take an online, campus or hybrid class, even if you're not yet admitted to AMBS, and your first class is 50 percent off! Check out our upcoming offerings:
ambs.edu/onecourse

- **Experience AMBS:** Visit our campus to learn more about all that AMBS has to offer. ambs.edu/visit

Center for Faith Formation and Culture

- **!Explore: A Theological Program for High School Youth:** Students (grades 10–12) can explore ministry, develop their leadership gifts and listen for God's call through a 100-hour Congregational Experience and a 16-day Group Experience (July 9–25). Encourage someone you know to apply for 2019! ambs.edu/explore

Conference connections

AMBS students from LMC

- **MDiv: Theological Studies: Biblical Studies:**
Sungbin Bart Kim (Yellow Creek)

We thank God for your support and ask for your prayers as we prepare leaders for the church through programs that are biblically, spiritually, ethically and theologically grounded.

Lifelong learning

AMBS's Church Leadership Center offers various nondegree options for you to continue your education and strengthen your leadership skills:

- **Online short courses (2019–20):** *Exploring Anabaptist History and Theology; Understanding Anabaptist Approaches to Scripture; Exploring Peace and Justice in the Bible; Transforming Congregational Conflict and Communication*
- **Pastors and Leaders 2020** (March 2–5)
- **Leadership Clinics** (March 2, 2020)
ambs.edu/lifelong-learning
- **Journey: A Missional Leadership Development Program:** Explore your call to ministry in this 2-1/2-year distance-friendly nondegree program that features a five-unit online curriculum, biweekly mentor-mentee meetings and one visit to the AMBS region per year. ambs.edu/journey
- **Host a speaker!** Bible teacher **Bryan Moyer Suderman**, MTS, is available to lead "**Reading the Bible with Jesus**" workshops in English or Spanish. **David B. Miller**, DMin, speaks on holistic witness, Christian leadership, healthy boundaries, and the missional church. ambs.edu/workshops
- **Spiritual Guidance Seminars:** Prepare for a ministry of spiritual direction through this supervised program led by **Dan Schrock**, DMin. In 2019–20, Spiritual Guidance Seminar will take place online and on campus. Advanced Spiritual Guidance Seminar will meet Oct. 7–8, 2019; Feb. 17–18 and May 4–5, 2020. ambs.edu/seminars

Embracing new horizons

Everence 2019 report

LMC

Celebration of Church Life

March 15 - 16, 2019

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

– 2 Corinthians 5:17

Strong church partnerships remain vital to Everence

Everence® works closely with churches and their members, as we have since our organization started as Mennonite Mutual Aid in 1945.

Our goal is to help our brothers and sisters in Christ “build up the common life” through decisions about their money and other resources.

We value these connections and look forward to many more years of focusing on the best interests of your church members – helping them create and implement plans tailored to their needs and goals to share with others.

As we have for nearly 75 years, we will continue to serve the faith community as partners in stewardship throughout 2019 and beyond.

Everence church loans make a difference



5540 WEST 25TH STREET, CICERO, IL.

Sonido de Alabanza, a suburban Chicago church, financed a major construction project with help from an Everence church loan.

The church needed a new building for worship and related activities after using a former American Legion hall for many years.

Everence has years of experience in helping churches find solutions to fit their needs, with customized loan options.

Our annuity program funds our church loans. The annuity program aligns the priorities of like-minded believers from the Everence community who want to help churches and their ministries grow through their investments.

Learn more at everence.com/church-loans.

Scholarship amounts increasing for 2019-2020 academic year

Everence college scholarships will be worth more for the 2019-2020 school year.

Regional scholarships will be for \$1,000, compared with the previous level of \$750. The top three national recipients will receive scholarships totaling \$2,000 or \$3,000. More information is available at everence.com/scholarships.

“Everence believes it’s important to support students as they work toward their college degrees,” said Kenda Mishler, Member Benefits Manager.





Who We Are

Mission:

To show the love of God to the economically disadvantaged by helping to meet their physical, emotional, and material needs regardless of race, color, creed, age or gender.

To provide Christian discipleship to those incarcerated or in Aftercare Programs who are committed to seeking reconciliation with God and establishing a personal, growing relationship with Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

Core Values:

God-Centered

Jesus Christ is our foundation and our purpose; we strive to honor Him in all we do.

People-Empowered

We commit to support people, regardless of background, with dignity, respect, and the transforming love of Christ.

Service Oriented

We will serve customers, clients, and community with grace, compassion, and integrity.

Chaplain Services:

Our 17 Prison Chaplains are serving in 4 state prisons, 4 county prisons, and 1 community correction center. They provide:

- Counseling
- Bible Studies
- Cellblock Visitation
- Discipleship Classes
- Pre-Release Program
- Worship Services



Aftercare Program:

For individuals recently released from prison, we provide an individualized program, which offers:

- Transitional Housing
- Mentoring
- Accountability
- Work Skills
- Life Skills
- Material Assistance



Did you know?...In 2018, Jubilee Chaplains:

- Led 989 worship services
- Taught 2,150 classes (Bible studies, life skills classes, and recovery groups)
- Counseled 3,557 men & women

The statistics above are, of course, simply numbers. Yet each number represents a ministry opportunity. Look behind each ministry opportunity, and you will find a life in need.

Ways To Get Involved:

- **DONATE** - You can donate online, by mail or by phone. 100% of donations goes directly to our ministry programs.
- **DONATE GOODS** - We gratefully accept donations of clean, working, functional, sellable, and safe items.
- **VOLUNTEER** - We have volunteer opportunities for individuals, groups, and community service.
- **LEAVE A LEGACY** - Make sure your financial assets will be allocated to carry out Kingdom works for generations to come.

Jubilee Ministries Stores (Open: Monday thru Saturday 9:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.)

Proceeds support Jubilee Ministries' work to rebuild, restore, renew...lives. Our stores are located at:

235 S. 12th St,
Lebanon, PA 17042
717-274-7528

27 E. Ferdinand St,
Manheim, PA 17545
717-664-0435

715 E. Lincoln Ave,
Myerstown, PA 17067
717-866-0218

232 W. Main St,
Palmyra, PA 17078
717-832-0400

1455 E. Main St,
Annaville, PA 17003
717-867-4657

Store hours: Monday thru Saturday 9:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.

For more information, stop by the office at
235 S. 12th St, Lebanon, PA 17042

Phone: 717-274-7528
Email: Jubilee@jub.org
Website: www.jub.org

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Upcoming Events:



Golf Tournament
May 8, 2019



Fundraising Dinner
September 27, 2019

Enriching Lives When the first residents stepped onto the campus of Landis Homes 55 years ago, it was the result of prayerful planning and action of Eastern Mennonite Board of Missions and Charities (now EMM) and leaders from Lancaster Mennonite Conference (now LMC.) While our founders could have never guessed their efforts would lead to the growth the community has experienced, they would recognize the strong connections with LMC and EMM that last to this day!

When the board of Landis Homes set in motion in 2011 the creation of Landis Communities, it followed a 2008 strategic listening process which identified the goal of expanding our mission to provide an increasing spectrum of services and places to live, meeting the needs of a widening group of people. Landis Communities is living this out through our vision of "Enriching Lives" and mission of "Following God's call to creatively serve the diverse needs and interests of older adults by developing opportunities and collaborative relationships."

In addition to offering Landis Homes in Lititz, the Landis Communities board created two new organizations - Landis HCBS (Home and Community Based Services) and Landis Quality Living. The Landis HCBS mission is to deliver a comprehensive array of integrated services to allow individuals to age with dignity wherever they call home. The mission of Landis Quality Living is to provide housing, including rental units for senior adults, to promote community among the residents and to provide access to home health services and other retirement community services as elected by the residents.

As the board and team work on these efforts, we are grateful for all the ways residents, clients, family members, churches, corporate partners and other friends of Landis Communities have been part of our listening and decision making processes. In addition, these groups have strongly expressed their support of our efforts as they have volunteered, provided previously unseen levels of financial support and covered our work in prayer. This wonderful generosity makes our work possible. Thank you!

If you have questions for us, please feel free to contact members of the Landis Communities Leadership Team. They are: Larry Zook, Allen Heinly, Beth Trout, Eric Bender, Evon Bergey, Larry Guengerich, Linford Good and Michelle Rassler. Contact information: Larry Zook, President/CEO Landis Communities (717) 381-3561 or lzook@landiscommunities.org

Clergy Breakfast

Tuesday, May 14

7:30-9:00 a.m.

At Landis Homes

**"Family as the
Matrix of
Pastoral Ministry"**



Drs. Carol and Peter Schreck
Kairos Counseling Service

RSVP

by May 10 to 717-381-3526

or LGuengerich@LandisCommunities.org



If you are interested in learning about how you can share your gifts of music, sewing, and companionship, etc. with others, please contact the Landis Homes Volunteer Office at 717-509-5409 or visit www.landishomes.org/volunteer/ or the Welsh Mountain Home Volunteer Office at 717-355-9522 or see www.welshmountainhome.org/volunteer-opportunities-at-welsh-mountain-home/

Services to the Lancaster Community



Enriching Each Day Together!
(717) 581-3939
adultday.landishomes.org/

Landis
ADULT DAY SERVICES



Thrive at home with
Landis At Home (717) 509-5800
LandisatHome.org

Landis
at
Home

Support Groups Memory Loss Support Group meets the last Tuesday of each month. For more information contact Landis Homes at (717) 581-3939. The Parkinson's Support Group meets the third Monday of each month from March through November. For more information call (717) 509-5494.



Children's Learning Center
<http://bit.ly/lhclc>
(717) 509-5400

Bright Horizons
FAMILY SOLUTIONS



Lifelong learning opportunities for all those age 55+ at Pathways Institute
<http://bit.ly/LancasterPathways>

Speaker's Resource Listing

Provides resource persons available for church and community groups on a variety of topics. For information, please contact Larry Guengerich at 717-381-3526 or LGuengerich@landiscommunities.org.



Fellowship Day

September 14, 2019

**Benefit Live Auction
& Silent Auction**

**Market Place, Yard Sale,
Children's Area,
Food Court, BBQ Chicken**

Landis Homes

www.landishomes.org 717-569-3271



Landis Communities

1001 East Oregon Road, Lititz, PA 17543

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Relief, development and peace in the name of Christ

Mennonite Central Committee (MCC), a worldwide ministry of Anabaptist churches, shares God's love and compassion for all in the name of Christ by **responding to basic human needs** and **working for peace and justice**. MCC envisions communities worldwide in right relationship with God, one another and creation.

MCC relies on our partnership with Anabaptist churches in the U.S., Canada and around the world. Much of MCC's work is possible because of your generosity. Thank you for your ongoing support of MCC's ministries!

MCC/LMC connections

- Members of LMC generously donate material resources to MCC, including through the MCC East Coast Material Resources Center in Ephrata, Pa. Many members volunteer there regularly.
- Many members of your conference volunteer at MCC-related thrift shops in Lancaster County and beyond!
- LMC churches will participate in My Coins Count and the Pennsylvania Relief Sale (April 5-6, 2019; Harrisburg, Pa.).
- Rachel Hoover (Metzler Mennonite Church) is currently serving in Zambia as a Nursing Instructor Assistant with SALT (Serving And Learning Together), a program of MCC that provides young adults from the U.S. and Canada with intercultural year-long service opportunities.
- In 2018, MCC supported two Summer Service participants from LMC. Ms. Yanisha Bresil worked at Oxford Circle Christian Community Development Association (Philadelphia, Pa.) and Ms. Vanessa Rijo worked at Immanuel Community Church (Flushing, NY). The Summer Service Program is a 6-10 week program that supports young people of color to develop their leadership skills through working in their local churches and communities.
- International Volunteer Exchange Program (IVEP) participants hosted a well-attended children's seminar at the 2018 LMC Celebration of Church Life. IVEP provides a yearlong work and cultural exchange experience for young Christian adults who come from outside the U.S. and Canada. MCC is grateful for the members of LMC congregations who have hosted IVEP participants and encourages potential host families to consider participating in this eye-opening peacebuilding opportunity.
- Many LMC congregations have benefitted from the services of the New York Mennonite Immigration Program (NYMIP), a program of MCC and the New York City Council of Mennonite Churches (NYCCMC) that provides education, resources and direct services to immigrants in New York City. In October 2018, NYMIP celebrated its 20th anniversary with an event at United Revival Mennonite Church (Brooklyn, NY). MCC East Coast thanks Bishop Nicolas Angustia and Pastor Omar Guzman for their dedication to NYMIP over the years.

MCC at work here and around the world

Nutrition in Haiti: Amid political instability, economic stagnation and rising food prices, MCC is running a mobile child malnutrition clinic in the remote mountains of the Artibonite Department in Haiti. Nurses evaluate and enroll children with acute malnutrition for three months of intensive support, followed by at least a year of follow-up. Since the project's beginning in July 2017, 98% of the 202 children who have been treated have fully recovered at home through the project; only 2% have had to be referred to a hospital for inpatient care.

Food boxes in the U.S.: MCC East Coast grocery bags and boxes contain basic staples such as pasta, rice, canned meat, beans, cereal and peanut butter. For many families, this is an important resource, especially around the holidays and at the beginning of summer when children are out of school. A food box typically feeds a family of four for two weeks and allows households to save money on groceries. Thanks to the efforts of local Anabaptist churches, MCC food distributions reach up to 3,000 hungry families in Pennsylvania and New York City each year.

Thank you for all of the ways in which you join MCC to share God's love and compassion for all in the name of Christ. Learn more about MCC's efforts around the world at MCC's website, mcc.org.

Grace and peace to you,

Bruce Campbell-Janz, *MCC East Coast executive director*

Nubia Herrera Morales, *MCC East Coast board member*



Teius Rosemary and her 10-month-old daughter Augai Sauris, successful participants in MCC's mobile child malnutrition clinic in Degrave, Haiti. (MCC photo/Paul Shetler Fast)

Ayuda, desarrollo y paz en el nombre de Cristo

El Comité Central Menonita (CCM) es un ministerio mundial de las iglesias anabautistas que comparte el amor de Dios y su compasión por todos en el nombre de Cristo, respondiendo a las necesidades básicas humanas y trabajando por la paz y la justicia. El CCM tiene como visión que comunidades alrededor del mundo vivan en relación correcta con Dios, entre ellas mismas y con la creación.

El CCM depende en la asociación que tiene con las iglesias anabautistas en los Estados Unidos, Canadá y el mundo entero. El trabajo del CCM es posible gracias a su generosidad. Estamos agradecidos por su apoyo continuo, incluyendo donaciones monetarias, oraciones y trabajo voluntario.

Conexiones del CCM Costa Este con LMC

- Miembros de LMC generosamente donan recursos materiales al CCM, incluyendo al través del Centro de Recursos Materiales del CCM Costa Este en Ephrata, Pa. Muchos miembros ofrecen su servicio allí regularmente como voluntarios.
- Muchos miembros de su conferencia ofrecen su tiempo como voluntarios en las tiendas de segunda mano del CCM en el Condado de Lancaster y más allá.
- Las iglesias de LMC participarán en el programa My Coins Count y Pennsylvania Relief Sale en Harrisburg, Pa. el 5-6 de abril de 2019.
- Rachel Hoover (Metzler Mennonite Church) actualmente sirve en Zambia como Asistente del Instructor de Enfermería con Sirviendo y Aprendiendo Juntos (SALT por sus siglas en inglés), un programa que provee oportunidades de servicio intercultural por jóvenes adultos de los EE.UU y Canadá por un año.
- En 2018, MCC apoyó a dos participantes en el Programa de Servicio de Verano desde LMC. Sra. Yanisha Bresil trabajó con Oxford Circle Christian Community Development Association (Filadelfia, Pa.) y Sra. Vanessa Rijo trabajó con Immanuel Community Church (Flushing, NY). Servicio de Verano es un programa a corto plazo que apoya a jóvenes adultos de color en su desarrollo de liderazgo a través de trabajar con sus iglesias y comunidades locales.
- Participantes en el Programa de Intercambio Internacional de Voluntarios (IVEP por sus siglas en inglés) presentaron un seminario para niños durante la Celebración de la Vida de la Iglesia de LMC en 2018. IVEP provee experiencias de trabajo y intercambio cultural por jóvenes cristianos que vienen de fuera de los EE.UU y Canadá por un año. El CCM agradece a los miembros de congregaciones de LMC quienes han hospedado a los participantes de IVEP en el pasado y anima que familias anfitrionas potenciales participen en esta oportunidad de construir la paz y abrir los ojos.
- Muchas congregaciones de LMC han beneficiado de los servicios del Programa de Inmigración Menonita de Nueva York (NYMIP), un programa del CCM y el Concilio de Iglesias Menonitas de Nueva York (NYCCMC por sus siglas en inglés) que provee educación, recursos y servicios directos a inmigrantes en la ciudad de Nueva York. En octubre de 2018, NYMIP se celebró su 20º aniversario con un evento a Iglesia Menonita Unida de Avivamiento (Brooklyn, NY). El CCM Costa Este agradece a Obispo Nicolas Angustia y Pastor Omar Guzman por su dedicación al programa de NYMIP a lo largo de los años.

Ayuda, desarrollo y paz en el nombre de Cristo

El CCM trabaja aquí y alrededor del mundo

La nutrición en Haití: Entre la inestabilidad política, el estancamiento económico y los crecientes gastos de comida, el CCM tiene un clínico móvil de la desnutrición de niños en las montañas remotas del departamento Artibonite en Haití. Durante tres meses de apoyo intenso, enfermeras matriculan y evalúan a niños con la desnutrición aguda, con un año después dedicado a seguir el cuidado. Desde sus principios en julio de 2017, 98% de los 202 niños tratados han recuperado completamente a través de este proyecto; solo 2% de los niños se han visto la necesidad de atención hospitalaria.

Cajas de provisiones en los EE.UU: Las cajas y bolsas de provisiones del CCM Costa Este contienen alimentos básicos como pasta, arroz, latas de carne, frijoles, cereales y mantequilla de maní que puedan alimentar a una familia de cuatro personas durante dos semanas. Una caja de comida significa que familias puedan ahorrar dinero. Para muchas familias, el programa es un recurso importante, especialmente alrededor de los días festivos y al principio del verano cuando muchos niños salen de la escuela. Gracias a los esfuerzos de iglesias anabautistas locales, nuestras distribuciones de provisiones alcanzan a 3,000 familias en Pensilvania y la Ciudad de Nueva York cada año.

Gracias por todas las formas en las cuales usted se une con CCM para compartir el amor de Dios y la compasión por todos en el nombre de Cristo. Obtenga más información sobre los esfuerzos del CCM alrededor del mundo en el sitio web, EastCoast.mcc.org.

Gracia y paz,

Bruce Campbell-Janz, *director ejecutivo del CCM Costa Este*
Nubia Herrera Morales, *miembro de la junta del CCM Costa Este*



Teius Rosemary y su hija de 10 meses, Augai Sauris, han tenido éxito en el clínico móvil de la desnutrición de niños del CCM en Degrave, Haití. (Foto CCM/Paul Shetler Fast)



**Mennonite
World Conference**
A Community of Anabaptist
related Churches

**Congreso
Mundial Menonita**
Una Comunidad de
Iglesias Anabautistas

**Conférence
Mennonite Mondiale**
Une Communauté
d'Eglises Anabaptistes

Mennonite World Conference report to LMC: A Fellowship of Anabaptist Churches - 2019

Mennonite World Conference (MWC) is called to be a communion of Anabaptist-related churches linked to one another in a worldwide community of faith for fellowship, worship, service and witness.

Giving Thanks: 2018 Highlights

- In 2017, we began **Renewal 2027** – an annual, 10-year series of events that commemorates the beginnings of the Anabaptist movement. In April 2018, we gathered in Kisumu, Kenya under the theme, “The Holy Spirit Transforming Us.”



- Praise God for the 300 national church leaders from 56 countries that met face-to-face at the triennial Mennonite World Conference meetings of the Executive Committee and General Council; and the MWC Commissions and Networks, April 2018 in Nairobi, Kenya. We were grateful to receive LMC as full members of MWC at this event.
- To view a highlight video of MWC during 2018 go to: <https://mwc-cmm.org/video/2887>

Getting Involved: More Than Assemblies

- MWC is our Anabaptist global church with more than 1.4 million believers in 107 national Member Churches, including the LMC. Learn about your global Christ-centered faith community, by requesting the biannual **Courier/Correo** magazine, monthly online **Info** newsletter, and sign up for our bimonthly **Prayer Network** at www.mwc-cmm.org/signup
- As churches face persecution, natural disasters, political turmoil and conflict, the presence and identification with the global Anabaptist church is an essential means of support, encouragement and resources. For example, MWC walks with our brothers and sisters in DR Congo who experience ongoing political change and transition, or in Latin America where church communities are reaching out with the hope-filled gospel of Jesus Christ to those who have experienced displacement.
- We are grateful that LMC is joining Anabaptist churches around the globe in worship by participating in **Peace Sunday** (www.mwc-cmm.org/peacesunday) and **World Fellowship Sunday** (www.mwc-cmm.org/wfs), and taking up a **One Lunch Offering** to support the networks and resources of our global Anabaptist church family.

Prayers of Gratitude and Intercession

- Pray for the MWC leadership, particularly César García (General Secretary, Colombia) and the executive: J. Nelson Kraybill (President, USA), Rebecca Osiro (Vice-President, Kenya), Sunoko Lin (Treasurer, Indonesia/USA), Henk Stenvers (President Elect, Netherlands).
- Pray for and begin planning to attend the next global assembly in **Semarang, Indonesia 2021**.
- Thank you for your partnership with the global church, and for your generous support of MWC!

Submitted by Gerald Hildebrand, MWC North America Representative



PROCLAIMING CHRIST & DISCIPLINING INMATES

In 1970, Martin Weber, a farmer from Lancaster, PA, sensed a call to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with men and women behind the prison walls in the state of Alabama. For almost 20 years he followed that call while serving as a chaplain with the Alabama Department of Corrections.

Martin founded the ministry that is known today as We Care Program. We Care Program's primary purpose is training and placing volunteer chaplains in the prison context to fulfill the Great Commission of Jesus Christ.

2018 Highlights...

Chaplaincy...

25 paid chaplains and 8 volunteer associate chaplains served in 20 different facilities. Their influence potentially reached nearly 21,000 inmates. We Care Chaplains taught an average of 20 classes and services each week in addition to assisting with chaplain duties.



ReNew Hope...

This is our largest annual multi-prison outreach event of the year. One day of training followed by four days of ministry: 327 volunteers, 25 institutions, 93 gospel services, 24,500 inmates potentially reached.



Softball Outreach...

The Alabama Department of Corrections allowed 70 We Care volunteers from AL, AR, IA, GA, PA, and VA to compete with inmates in 11 different institutions. They shared short spiritual challenges with the men between each game. Inmates loved the competition.



Donut Days...

17,000 donuts were made for the inmates and staff of 5 institutions. 19 volunteers got to witness the impact of a free gift and the gospel message shared hand in hand.

