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## Offering Ourselves to God's Renewing

The CAMFell area churches warmly welcome you to Indianapolis for Annual Sessions 2018!

Planners from Emmanuel Living Christian, First Mennonite, Mara Christian, Mennonite Fellowship of Bloomington, Morningstar Ministries, Paoli Mennonite, and Shalom Mennonite churches are creatively preparing to receive participants in Indianapolis.

Check the conference website for information, reports, schedule and a link for online registration.

Many thanks to Cindy Steiner and Nedra Gnagey, in the conference office, who are creatively and efficiently handling online resources for Annual Sessions!

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We give thanks for a successful administrative coordinator search. Anna Buck will begin in the office May 1. Cindy Steiner is coordinating orientation/training. We celebrate plans to move the conference office into several rooms at East Goshen Mennonite. Current plans are to move in the latter half of May. There may be opportunities for volunteer help.

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## Connecting

Dan has connected this month with four congregational leadership groups and pastors about discernment questions. These congregations are blessed with wise and capable leadership teams, working with a broad range of agenda.

There are several endings taking place in the larger church that impact IMMC. Nancy Kauffmann, denominational minister, concludes her time with MC USA at the end of April. Nancy has been a valuable resource over these 9 years. She was previously conference regional minister for IMMC.

Ervin Stutzman concludes his time as executive director of Mennonite Church USA at the end of April. Ervin has been in Indiana-Michigan Mennonite Conference several times over his eight years as executive director. He attended Annual Sessions 2012 at Amigo Center, and held meetings in preparation for the national convention.

Paula Killough, moderator and Dan Miller, conference pastor, look forward to their trip to Tanzania. Anticipate haring at Annual Sessions in June.

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## Credentialing

At its March 22 meeting Ministry Credentialing Team clarified assignments to find contact people for misconduct reporting, and heard reports about the investigator training held earlier in the month. They also began conversation about implications for *Renewing a Vision* for their work together. The conversation will continue next time.

Dan will install Phil Yoder on April 15 as a minister at First Mennonite, Middlebury. Phil will preach several times per month.

Congregational Coaches meet April 24 for their semi-annual gathering. Terry Shue, Director of Leadership Development for Mennonite Church USA, is sharing research learnings about Sustaining Flourishing Ministers.

## Financial Report

Giving for March was \$7,595 below budget for the month but still ahead of budget by \$5,286 for the year to date. Expenses for February were \$2,490 below budget for the month and \$20,851 for the year to date. ~Submitted by Jim Norton, Bookkeeper.

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## Amigo Centre Updates

~**Summer Camp** is coming! Think warm!! Camp runs June 17-July 27, 2018. Some weeks fill earlier, so sign up soon to hold your spot. Amigo Centre summer camp registration is available online. Help create some wonderful memories for those special children in your life. Call or register online! 269-651-2811 or [dave@amigocentre.org](mailto:dave@amigocentre.org) or [www.amigocentre.org](http://www.amigocentre.org)

~**Summer Camp job opportunities.** We are looking for youth that want to make a difference in the lives of children, while making new friends and earning a bit of money too! If you are interested in summer employment at Amigo in 2018, contact [Dave@amigocentre.org](mailto:Dave@amigocentre.org) or apply online. We are also looking for a few staff to help in maintenance, dining hall and housekeeping. If you know someone who would be a good fit for Amigo, please direct them our way!

~Every two years, "**Know Jesus**" is held on the campus of [Goshen College](http://www.goshen.edu). Junior High youth (just completed grades 6-8) and their sponsors gather for an opportunity to grow in their relationship with Jesus while having a fun and exciting weekend of fellowship with their peers. This year's speaker is Dustin Galyon, basketball coach and inspirational speaker from Hesston College. Mark your calendar and send your youth and sponsors! Registration is open online.

~The 21st Annual **Amigo Centre Golf Scramble** June 2. Registration is open. You can sign up by calling the office or visiting our website <http://www.amigocentre.org/amigo-golf-scramble>.

~**Attention Pastors!** Do you need some time away from your busy life? Come walk our trails, go canoeing or sit by a fire. Our rates are \$30 for the first night and

email at [info@amigocentre.org](mailto:info@amigocentre.org) to make your reservation.

~Transitional ministry offers a unique gift in a congregation's life. Whether a change in pastor comes because of conflict, retirement, shrinking numbers and weariness, or questions of congregational viability, transitional ministry walks alongside a congregation while it answers questions of mission, courage and transformation. **November 12-15, 2018, Amigo Centre hosts a Transitional Ministry Training retreat** for individuals interested in pursuing this type of ministry. Visit [tmt.amigocentre.org](http://tmt.amigocentre.org) for additional information, or contact Amigo Centre at [269.651.2811](tel:269.651.2811) or [mandy@amigocentre.org](mailto:mandy@amigocentre.org)

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## Position Open in AdNet

The Anabaptist Disabilities Network (ADN) Board of Directors seeks a visionary leader to be the ADN public face to constituents, supporters, and congregations. Proven faith-based fundraising and constituent cultivation ability required. A heart for inclusion of persons with disabilities and their families in the life of the church is a must. The ability to regularly connect with regional congregations, supporters, and develop ADN volunteer networks nationwide. See [ADNetOnline.org/About/Pages/Staff-openings](http://ADNetOnline.org/About/Pages/Staff-openings) for more information, or contact Anabaptist Disabilities Network at 574-343-1362.

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## Mark Your Calendars-BCHS Fish Fry

Bethany Christian High School's junior class fish fry is 4:30-8:00 p.m., Friday, April 20. Come for an evening of fellowship, homemade pie, and all the fish you can eat. Tickets are \$11 for adults and carryout and \$6 for children grades 1-6 (under grade 1 free). Tickets may be purchased from any Bethany junior or at the school (534-2567).

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## Bright Time Summer Camp

**Bright Time Summer Camp**, June 4-8, has more than 50 athletic, fine arts, science, and all kinds of fun camps for age 4 through rising grade 8. Camps are \$35-\$40. Additionally, Shine On Campcare will provide a place for children for before, between, and after their camps. View camp listings and register online at [www.bethanycs.net/BrightTime](http://www.bethanycs.net/BrightTime).

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## Bedtime Stories and Beware the Jabberworkcy

Bethany Christian Middle School will perform *Bedtime Stories* and *Beware the Jabberworkcy* at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, May 4 and 5. Tickets, \$5 for adults and \$3 for students, may be purchased online beginning April 16 at [bethanycs.net/tickets](http://bethanycs.net/tickets). Synopsis: Mom's sick, so Dad tells his three rambunctious kids their bedtime stories; but when he gets fuzzy on the details, the classics get creative. You may think you know your fairy tales, but not the way Dad tells them.

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