

# FLORADALE MENNONITE CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENT SHEET

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## ADDITIONAL FMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome Lorenzo Fellycyano to worship with us this year. Lorenzo is an **IVEP** participant from **Indonesia**. His work placement is at Conrad Grebel University College in the Centre for Peace Advancement. Lorenzo enjoys exploring new places and attending social activities. He has been involved at his home church in various ways. Robert and Nancy Mann are the host family for Lorenzo during his year in Canada. Welcome Lorenzo!

A **huge thank-you** to everyone for your gracious donations to **Yusuf & Yunice**. Over the past week we gathered nearly all the items Yusuf had on his list. This past Monday we helped them with 2 trailer loads into their rental home on Overlea Dr in Kitchener. They are very grateful for all the support. Thank-you to all. The only item they are still looking for are area rugs of any size/color. If you know of anybody that has an area rug to donate, please contact us. Thanks, Dan & Karen

**Women's Fellowship needs your help.** The Planning Committee and the Food Committee each have a vacancy to fill. Please call Rita Shantz at 519-669-1709 for more information or to help fill one of these positions.

**The Hopping Thursday Team is in need of a leader for the Jr. Youth program beginning in September.** Your involvement would include a 45 minute lesson time with Grade 6,7 and 8 students from our local community, followed by an opportunity if you wish, to support the program for the younger children for the second half of the evening (often craft-related). If you have a heart for working with young people to encourage their faith development, and would like more information about this program, please contact Veg Weber or Merri-Lee Metzger.

## LOOKING AHEAD in the COMMUNITY

**COMMUNITY CAN DINE** - "Where the entire community comes together to meet & eat." Join us in the Fellowship Hall at Trinity United Church, Elmira (21 Arthur St. N.) on the second Friday of every month. Everyone is welcome and it's "pay as you can". Upcoming menus are:

September 8 – Beef Stroganoff

October 13 – Thanksgiving Turkey Dinner

November 10 - Lasagna

December 8 – Christmas Turkey Dinner

For more information contact the Trinity Office [519 669 5560](tel:5196695560) or [triunited@golden.net](mailto:triunited@golden.net)

**Sept. 14, 7 p.m.** at Gale Presbyterian Elmira. **Hannah Redekop**, a graduate of Elmira High School and Wilfred Laurier, will speak on "**Peace on Paper: What's ahead for Colombia?**" Hannah has spent the last four years in Colombia working with Christian Peacemaker Teams in human rights. Come out and hear her on the recent peace Treaty signed in Colombia. This event is a fundraiser for Woolwich Counseling.

**Sept. 16 - 4:30-6:30 p.m. St. Jacobs Mennonite Church** (1310 King St. N., St. Jacobs) invites you to their **Annual Chicken and Sausage BBQ**. Join us for this annual Church Supper featuring BBQ Chicken Leg, Sausage, Baked Potato, Coleslaw, Corn, Dinner Roll, Pie and Beverage. Take out is also available. Tickets: Adults - \$18.00; Children (5-12 years) - \$10.00 are available from the SJMC church office during regular office hours, by calling [519-664-2268](tel:5196642268), emailing [church@sjmc.on.ca](mailto:church@sjmc.on.ca), or at the door. Advance ticket purchases are encouraged. See the poster on the bulletin board for more information.

**Sept. 23, 8 p.m. - Square Dance**, hosted by Elmira Mennonite Church Adult Fellowship Committee, at Winterose Farm barn (Dennis & Helen Martin's) 1220 Lundy Road, West Montrose. See poster.

**Sept. 25, 7 - 10 p.m.** Gale Presbyterian is hosting a **SafeTALK** workshop. A nationally recognized program with trained facilitators. Suicide impacts our community. Imagine if we had so many people prepared to recognize when someone may be thinking about suicide, that it prevented someone from taking that step? Seating is limited. Call the church office 669-2852 to reserve your seat. Be a part of a Safe Community. Free will offering. If expenses are covered, the proceeds will go to Woolwich Counselling.

## OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **CANADIAN MENNONITE UNIVERSITY**

CMU greatly values the contribution of students from other countries and cultures who bring new perspectives and customs into CMU's already diverse community. International students from over 25 countries comprise about 12% of CMU's student body. **Please pray for international students** as they prepare to leave their families and homes to come study at CMU.

### **CONRAD GREBEL COLLEGE**

**Sunday, September 17 at 2:30pm** Join us for a **memorial bluegrass concert** featuring **Rescue Junction, and 5 on the Floor** who are reuniting for this special concert in memory of former band-mate Jim Reimer.

**Saturday, September 30** Members of the public are invited to **Grebel's Annual General Meeting** from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM in the Great Hall. This is a good opportunity to learn about the activity at Grebel this past year.

### **HOUSE OF FRIENDSHIP**

House of Friendship's Charles St. Men's Shelter is **recruiting helping hearts (social) and administrative volunteers for the fall**. We are seeking volunteers who can commit to a 2-4 hour shift once a week for six months (during the week or weekend). For information please email [volunteering@houseoffriendship.org](mailto:volunteering@houseoffriendship.org) or call [519-742-8327 x. 136](tel:519-742-8327).

### **MENNO YOUTH SINGERS**

**Are you between the ages of grade 9 and 20-something?** Do you enjoy music? How about snacks? Would you like to use music to help worship and serve God? Check out the Menno Youth Singers choir: [mennosingers.com/mys](http://mennosingers.com/mys) "Nuff said".

**Parents of teens and young adults:** Menno Youth Singers is a great Christian choir experience for your offspring. Rehearsals are held on Tuesday evenings from 7-9 p.m. at Stirling Avenue Mennonite Church, Kitchener. Conductor Steve Surian is a trained music educator who is also a public high school music teacher. See [mennosingers.co/mvs](http://mennosingers.co/mvs) for registration and other info.

### **MENNONITE CHURCH CANADA**

**Ride for Refuge** will be held this year across Canada, Saturday, **September 30<sup>th</sup>**. The Ride for Refuge is a family-friendly cycling/walking fundraiser that partners with churches and organizations who work with the displaced, vulnerable and exploited. This year as last year, Mennonite Church Canada is inviting congregations across the country to ride or walk in support of its Witness program. You can join a team or consider organizing a Floradale Church team. Further information is available at the Ride for Refuge Website: <https://rideforrefuge.org/charity/mennonitechurchca>

### **MENNONITE DISASTER SERVICE**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Mennonite Disaster Service Response Constance Bay (Ottawa), ON - Repairing from May Flooding:** MDS is starting to repair homes that were flooded this spring, assisting vulnerable families who need their basements or crawl spaces insulated and do not have insurance. Volunteers are needed in particular for insulating, some hanging and finishing of drywall, and carpentry. Related skills are desirable but not required. Accommodations will be available. Leadership & Weekly volunteers are needed. The project will start the week of 11 Sept, into Oct. Please consider volunteering by calling or emailing, Nick Hamm at [905-401-3990](tel:905-401-3990) or [hammnicholas.mds@outlook.com](mailto:hammnicholas.mds@outlook.com)

### **MENNONITE SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS OF EASTERN CANADA**

**Day of Quiet Prayer - Call to Prayer - September 21, 2017-9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m** - Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp. Are you longing for a way to move through your day with greater mindfulness? Do you desire to be more in tune with God and the turning of the earth? This retreat will provide an opportunity to reflect on scripture and prayerfully move through the hours of your day.

### **SHALOM COUNSELLING**

On **Saturday, September 16, 2017** join us for **10,000 Steps for Shalom**, a fundraising walk/run for mental health. Help Shalom make counselling affordable and accessible for everyone. Sign up as an individual or a team at [shalomcounselling.org](http://shalomcounselling.org) or (519) 886-9690.