



Prayer, notes and news

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Date	Prayer Requests: Please pray for the work of the Church!	Announcements: Stay in tune with the wider church	Witness Notes: This is how your financial support of Mennonite Church Canada WITNESS is ministering... from across the street to around the world!
July 3, 2005	Today and tomorrow almost 800 people from across Canada, including 500 youth and youth sponsors, are traveling to Charlotte NC for a joint assembly with MC USA. Please pray for safety in travel. Pray also for God's guidance to the delegates as they make weighty decisions. (To guide your prayers more specifically, check the internet www.mennonitechurch.ca/events/charlotte/ for up-to-date news about the Assembly all week.) Thank-you to all delegates and participants for coming.		While Mennonite Church USA and Mennonite Church Canada meet in Charlotte, North Carolina, for the joint Assembly, Witness workers continue to serve God and the church around the world. They too are gathering together with followers of Christ to worship God, to fellowship, pray and break bread together, united in the purpose of the church. Together with you and your representatives that are going to the Assembly, we continue to look at what God would have us do throughout the nations. Let us support one another in discerning the future and purpose of God's church.
July 10, 2005	Yesterday the joint MC Canada / MC USA assembly and youth convention wrapped up. Give thanks for the thousands of youth who leave with renewed enthusiasm for following Jesus, for the hundreds of children who leave with a greater love for God, for the thousands of young adults and adults who leave with a greater love for the church and determination to serve God.		The fun and friendships of summer camp helped Anna learn more about what life could be like when God's love and fairness expresses itself thru caring relationships. For some campers, it's the first time they hear Bible stories and their teachings. Your support for Cliff & Natasha Dueck and the congregation in Ukraine helps children attend summer camp, where they learn about and experience God's love.
July 17, 2005	Jack Suderman is teaching a summer course this week entitled "The Missional Church: From Vision to Practice" through the Graduate Theological Studies at Conrad Grebel College. Pray that students in this course will discover the implications for the church in light of dramatically changing social assumptions.		This next weekend, the Brazil Mennonite Church will be celebrating it's 50 th Anniversary. Mennonite Church Canada has been involved throughout these years, with mission workers, grants and prayer support. They are grateful to God for this support and feel well established, praising God for what has been accomplished. Thank you.
July 24, 2005	International mission workers from Mennonite Church Canada Witness and Mennonite Mission Network (USA) are gathering for 5 days of orientation, debriefing, fellowship, worship and rest. Pray for renewed energy and sense of purpose as they go out and serve God among people of many nations.		As mission workers gather in Pinawa, Manitoba, at the mission seminar this week, they will share their cross-cultural experiences with others, re-energize, and receive encouragement. Your support of Witness International Ministries helps workers retool, share vision, grow and reconnect with congregations.
July 31, 2005	Cliff and Natasha Dueck, with their congregation in Kherson, Ukraine, are taking a leading role in camping ministry this summer. They expect to touch the lives of over 70 campers, in two groups, ages 9-13 and 14-17. Children and youth from Kherson and neighboring villages will attend. Pray for the camp staff and the children, that the peace of Christ might be taught and known through this ministry.		Mennonite Church Canada Witness provides grants to the North American Vietnamese Mennonite Fellowship (NAVMF) who work closely with the Vietnamese Mennonite Church. Your help assists with nurturing and developing churches as well as providing social services to the poor.