

Happy Spring to all!



Here in Winnipeg, the geese and the robins herald the new season with their appearance once again. As a newer staff person at MC Canada, I am impressed with all the resources MC Canada has available for church nurture and growth. Enclosed you will find a wide variety of resources. Also included are stories and prayer requests of Witness workers in different countries, to help us stay connected with the work in the wider church.

If you have questions or comments, please call 1-866-888-6785 (or locally, 888-6781) or email me at apound@mennonitechurch.ca. Enjoy! – *Alice Pound*

PS: Please help ensure that these resources reach the right people. Thank you!

Inside this issue of Equipping:

Mennonite Church Canada

- A time to Remember, to Be, and to Do - Jack Suderman (pastors, leaders, and bulletin boards.)
- Prayer, News and Notes – May 2008 (for bulletin announcements, newsletters, worship planners)

Christian Witness

- Celebration Story for May 2008: Fanosie and Dianne Legesse, in Ethiopia (for bulletin boards, leaders, worship planners, and church newsletters)

Christian Formation

- Growing and sustaining pastoral leaders – Dave Bergen (for pastors and congregational leaders)
- 'Many Peoples Sunday' worship resource. This was included with the April Equipping (for worship planners, teachers, pastors, education committees, librarian, etc.)
- KidsPak:
 - Native Ministry: Reaching Up to God with Aboriginal Christians (for worship planners, teachers, pastors, education committees, librarian, etc.)
- The Parish Paper (for worship planners, teachers, pastors, education committees, librarian, etc.)
 - May 2008: How Effective is our Financial Communication
 - June 2008: "Teaching Moments" strengthen Governing Board Meetings!

Support Services

- Promotional Items (for pastors, office administrators, ushers etc.)
 - Church Matters – a radio program that explores the Life of the Church (for your church kitchen)
 - www.youtube.com/mennonitechurchca - (see memo for distribution suggestions)

Extending our faith...

- Mennonite Publishing Network: (for worship planners, teachers, pastors, education committees, etc.)
 - Close to Home Pastoral Care Pamphlets: It's time to reach out.
 - Gather 'Round Bible Study information for church and home.
 - Faith & Life Resources Summer 2008 product information
 - Mennonite Worship Bulletins 2008-2009
 - Mennonite Publishing Network 2008 Catalogue: Books, Curriculum, Periodicals and church supplies
- Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary
 - Upgraded? Conversations on Technology and Worship