

Making Peace with the Land

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Now Available Tapes and Written Transcripts of Making Peace With the Land

Mennonite Church Canada is pleased to make available the following presentations in cassette format (unedited audio tapes) from the Making Peace With the Land Conference, held in Osler, Saskatchewan, July 2-3:

“What’s Happening Here?”

With insight and clarity, Dr. Chris Lind, Social Ethicist and President of St. Andrews College, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan describes the factors which have imperiled the farming community since World War II. The effects of a market-driven society whose base is profit-driven pose a primary threat to the values of cooperation, solidarity, and with the compassionate living of those who seek to live and walk in the light of Christ's Spirit.

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“An Alto In the Community’s Song”

Dr. Nettie Wiebe is a strong advocate for a fair and just global system of food production and recipient of the Order of Canada. In this presentation, Nettie cuts succinctly to the core of the ills of the present food system as it impacts those who are doing well financially, and those who are not with the same dilemmas of lower return and higher input costs. Her challenge to consumers and producers alike is that we must be aware of what is happening and work together to change. “. . . . Because, if we do not change where we are going, we will get where we are going.” *Tape: \$4.00*

“Hope For Land-Lovers: Biblical Vision for Rural Communities”

Dr. Cam Harder, theologian and farm crisis expert, knows first-hand the struggles with economic hardship imposed on the farming community. He has researched the history of the farm crisis, government and market policies, present trends, and has connected significantly with farm families throughout the Canadian prairies. Cam brings a word of hope ‘mid despair: that there can be change; but the creative minds and energies that exist among us must come together to create new possibilities. *Tape: \$4.00 Transcript: \$2.50*

“It’s Not Just the End Result That Counts”

Citing the wisdom of her four-year-old daughter during a dough-making adventure, “Mom, I can’t see. How do you expect me to be able to show my kids how to do this when I can’t see?”, Laura Rance, agricultural writer, speaker, and co-editor of Manitoba’s Independent Farmer’s Weekly, challenged the Assembly of MC Canada that “. . . it’s not just the end result that counts. . . . It’s not good enough to know there is enough food on our tables. We need to be concerned over how it gets there.” Speaking to consumers, and to the church as a unique community which has a vital role in transformation of our society in bringing healing and wholeness to the land and its people, Laura reminds us all that we must be connected to the land, and to one another.

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