

June 2009, Equipping #97 Please insert these prayer requests and notes into your bulletin. Remember, you can also find these at www.mennonitechurch.ca/equipping for easy "cut and paste" insertion.

Date	Prayers: Please pray for and with the Church!	Announcements: Stay in tune with the wider church	Ministry Notes: This is how your financial support of Mennonite Church Canada is ministering...from across the street to around the world!
June 7, 2009 Assembly Sunday	On this Sunday, Mennonite Church Canada Assembly 2009 draws to a close. Pray that the Holy Spirit will work through the experience of this time together to bring blessings of fellowship among and between Mennonite churches in Canada.	June 11, is the first anniversary of the Canadian government's apology to Aboriginal survivors of the residential school system. Mennonite Church Canada Native Ministry invites you to celebrate this new beginning with praise and prayer, and to seek opportunities for continuing the reconciliation process on a personal level. For more information, contact nativeministry@mennonitechurch.ca .	On March 26 to 29, pastors from Canada and the U.S. who are in the early stages of their careers gathered at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary (AMBS) for Clarifying the Call. This event provided new pastors with the opportunity to share their hopes and concerns, and to connect with others at a similar place in their ministry. Thank you for your support of Mennonite Church Canada pastors!
June 14, 2009	Pray that God's wisdom and love will guide leaders of governments, health organizations, workers and churches, as they track and respond to those affected by H1N1 virus. Pray also that churches around the world will respond faithfully as bearers of healing and hope, compassion and practical care. Help your congregation prepare by visiting www.churchpandemicresources.ca		Did Jesus have the support of administrators to help his ministry? We can't know for sure – but we are grateful for the way congregations fund and pray for the many support workers and administrators needed to under gird the ministries of Mennonite Church Canada. Thank you!
June 21, 2009	On this day, as we celebrate fathers, pray that the Holy Spirit will enable men and fathers around the world to embody the legacy of Jesus.		Many Gifts: Calling and Growing Congregational Leaders is a new Mennonite Church Canada resource designed to help congregations nurture leadership development in all ages. Your support makes it possible to develop resources for pastors and lay leaders. Thank-you!
June 28, 2009	Pray that appropriate medical consultation will be made available to Witness workers Dianne (Fanosie) Legesse in Ethiopia and Dann (Joji) Pantoja in Philippines. Pray also for God's health and healing. (WOW Prayer Directory p. 52 and 79).		Praise God for nine new believers in China! In early April, MC Canada Witness workers Phil and Julie Bender visited the city of Dazhou, three hours north of Chongqing, and joined a local congregation for a baptismal service. Thank you for your continued support of this and other ministries bringing God's hope to a troubled world!