

## THANK YOU

*In the name of Christ, thank you for giving \$8,264.00 to Mennonite Central Committee in 2017. Last year when your gift was needed, you reached out in faith and generously helped. You and your gifts matter, and you made a difference.*

*Last year, MCC's work in 56 countries in relief, development and peacebuilding involved 515 partners in 767 projects. You helped meet urgent needs and rebuild communities after disasters struck. From hurricanes to flooding, to conflict and drought, with your help MCC responded and brought relief when needed.*

*You also helped equip farmers with new skills to meet their families' needs. New agricultural techniques taught by MCC partners have transformed the lives of farmers. New methods have increased crop yield, improving family health and boosting income which can be used to pay school fees and meet other needs.*

*Thank you for sharing God's love and compassion in so many ways through your donations to MCC.*

*With gratitude,*

*J. Ron Byler, MCC US Executive Director*

## NEWS & NOTES

### CENTRAL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL:

- **Central Christian Preschool Open House:** Visit our Preschool, explore the classroom and meet our teachers. Children will experience a kindergarten readiness curriculum infused with a holistic, Christ-centered, hands-on approach to learning. No reservations are needed to attend this evening Open House. Lindsay Peters is the preschool teacher at our Main Campus in Kidron, open to children ages 3-5 where the open house will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 6:00-8:00 p.m. The Kidron Preschool is located at Central Christian School, 3970 Kidron Rd, in Kidron.
- **The Little Mermaid,** will be performed Friday and Saturday, March 16 & 17, 7:00 p.m. Join us for a magical evening under the sea! Based on one of Hans Christian Andersen's most beloved stories and the classic animated film, Disney's, *The Little Mermaid*, is a hauntingly beautiful love story for the ages. Tickets may be purchased by visiting our website at [www.ccscomets.org/drama](http://www.ccscomets.org/drama) Cost is \$10 & \$12 per ticket.

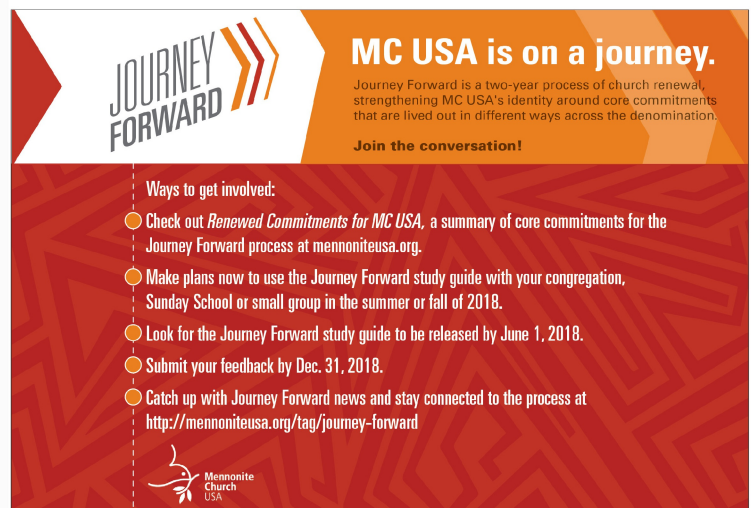
**MCC Vietnam Storytelling Event:** Join Mennonite Central Committee for stories of Vietnam at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 7, at Kidron Mennonite Church Fellowship Building. Special guest speakers will be Doug Hostetter, current director of the MCC United Nations Office, and Thien Tran, Vietnamese intern in the MCC U.N. office. In light of the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War, Doug will share from his first-hand experiences in Vietnam as a conscientious objector with MCC and his subsequent work. Thien will also share about growing up after the war and the legacy it left behind.

**CAMP LUZ SUMMER CAMP** - 330/683-1246: Camp Luz has recently announced the 2018 summer camp theme "Rooted" taken from Colossians 2:6-7. Online Registration is open for Camp Luz 2018 Summer Camps! Learn more about our programs and our summer theme "ROOTED" on our website: [www.campluz.com](http://www.campluz.com).

**\*\*Please be sure to register your children before April 15 to attend Camp Luz this summer in order to receive a \$10 discount on their registration fee. Sonnenberg Children's Ministry will be covering the fees for Sonnenberg children attending Camp Luz again this summer, so when you register, be sure to let Camp Luz know this. They will then bill Sonnenberg for the total registration costs of all Sonnenberg campers. Also, if your child wants to invite a friend, Outreach & Service Ministry will again cover their registration fee.\*\***

Camp Luz has a trio of great retreats coming up in April! For more info visit [www.campluz.com](http://www.campluz.com)

- Men's Retreat April 6-8 with Moses Rumano
- Mother Daughter Retreat April 13-14 with Julie Longacre
- Father Son Retreat April 27-28 with Jim and Isaac Bartholomew



**JOURNEY FORWARD**

**MC USA is on a journey.**

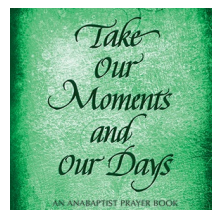
Journey Forward is a two-year process of church renewal, strengthening MC USA's identity around core commitments that are lived out in different ways across the denomination.

Join the conversation!

Ways to get involved:

- Check out *Renewed Commitments for MC USA*, a summary of core commitments for the Journey Forward process at [mennoniteusa.org](http://mennoniteusa.org).
- Make plans now to use the Journey Forward study guide with your congregation, Sunday School or small group in the summer or fall of 2018.
- Look for the Journey Forward study guide to be released by June 1, 2018.
- Submit your feedback by Dec. 31, 2018.
- Catch up with Journey Forward news and stay connected to the process at <http://mennoniteusa.org/tag/journey-forward>

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### Anabaptist Prayer App is available.

Let Jesus' words pervade your day with these morning and evening prayer services with a distinctive Anabaptist flavor. The free, easy-to-navigate Anabaptist Prayer App covers Ordinary Time and Advent through Pentecost and is available for iPhone or Android.

Answers from  
today's Fun Facts  
#1 Dave Ross  
#2 Myriam Raber

The next issue of *Sojourns* will be printed for Sunday, March 18, 2018. Please submit items for this issue by Thursday, March 15, 2018, 9:00 a.m.