

SASKATCHEWAN CONFERENCE OF MENNONITE BRETHREN CHURCHES

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Dear Partner In Ministry,

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ! The 64th Annual Convention of the Saskatchewan Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches will be held March 12 and 13, 2010 at Northwest Community Church in Meadow Lake, SK. Let us come with our *hearts beating for harvest* as we gather for this Convention.

To help us get ready for this event, we need your help in a number of ways:

1. **REGISTRATION**

Please completely fill out and return the enclosed registration form **no later than March 1st 2010**. This will speed the registration process for the Convention Committee and help our hosts make suitable preparations. *Please make cheques out to the Saskatchewan Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches.*

NEW!

- ❑ **Registration Fee** ~ \$25/person. This fee covers lunch and refreshment breaks, and helps defray a portion of the printing and other incidental costs. Registration fees may be paid upon arrival, although earlier payment does help speed the registration process at the Convention.
- ❑ **Bus Charter** ~ Yes, we have chartered a bus to transport delegates from Saskatoon to Meadow Lake and back, and we're charging only \$50.00 for the round trip! That works out to less than 10¢ per kilometer for the 600 kilometer trip... what a deal! Specific arrangements will be announced closer to Convention time but please book your spot by indicating that on the registration form.
- ❑ **Billeting** ~ Unless you indicate a billeting need, the Convention Committee will presume that you've made other arrangements. For this reason, it is important for you to clearly indicate on the registration form that you would like to be billeted. A list of hotels is attached along with their rates. Blocks of rooms have been set aside until February 28th 2010.

2. **REPORTING**

In an effort to address the issues and agenda items that need attention at the annual Convention, the Executive has decided that opportunity for addressing delegates from the floor will be limited to the boards and agencies as outlined in the Convention agenda. Your organization was not allocated specific agenda time, but if you wish to make a request for up to three minutes to present a report, you can submit a separate request to Moderator Ron Dyck (rm.dyck@sasktel.net) and me, along with a description of the content of your presentation. We will see what we can do to work you in.

We do though want to make it clear that you are more than welcome to attend the Convention, network with new and familiar friends, and promote your organization through the display area.

3. **HANDBOOKS**

Delegate handbooks will be sent out by mid February. Please bring your copy along to the Convention.

You are welcome to contact me with questions of a general nature. The office at Northwest Community Church will be able to answer any questions you may have regarding registration, billeting, facility, audio-visual equipment and display arrangements. You can phone 306-236-4069 or email nwcc@sasktel.net

In Christ's Service,

Pat Dergousoff



AGENDA FOR 64TH CONVENTION
SASKATCHEWAN CONFERENCE OF MENNONITE BRETHREN CHURCHES
NORTHWEST COMMUNITY CHURCH - MEADOW LAKE

'Overcoming Harvest Hardships'

Friday March 12th

- 6:00 p.m.** **Delegate Registration**
7:00 *Moderator's & Host Church's Welcome*
 Convention Arrangements
 Introduction of Guests
7:15 *Praise & Worship – Northwest Community Church*
7:35 **Declaration: Overcoming Harvest Hardships!**
9:00 *Announcements*
9:15 *Adjournment*

Saturday March 13th

- 8:15 a.m.** **Praise and Worship – Northwest Community Church**
8:30 **Directors Reports**
 - *Director of Church Ministries*
 - *Director of Harvest Saskatchewan*
- 9:30** **Board Reports**
 - *Executive Report*
 - *Board of Faith & Life*
 - *Harvest Saskatchewan*
 - *Board of Management*
- 10:30** **Stretch Break – Walk Through the Bible – History in Action**
- 10:40** **Camp Reports**
 - *West Bank Bible Camp*
 - *Redberry Bible Camp*
- 11:10** **Mennonite Brethren Biblical Seminary**
11:25 **Mennonite Brethren Mission and Service International**
11:40 **Canadian Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches**
- 12:00** *Lunch break & browsing the display areas*
- 1:00** **Bethany College – Delegate Address & AGM**
1:30 **Mennonite Central Committee**
1:45 **Business Session**
 - *Executive Recommendations*
 - *2010 Budget Proposal*
 - *Elections*
- 2:45** **Leadership Commissioning – New Council of Boards**
3:15 **Closing Comments & Adjournment**

Notes:

1. You are encouraged to visit the display areas.
2. All outgoing and incoming SK Conference Board Members will meet briefly to set a date for organizing the new boards. The Chairperson of each board for the PREVIOUS term will Chair the Board until the transition occurs.

Meadow Lake Accommodations Information

Hotel	Address	Reservations	Rate / other
Woodland Inn	629 9 th Street W.	306-236-5939 800-869-5705 http://woodland.sasktelwebhosting.com/main.html	\$86.95 single \$96.95 double Continental bkfst
Four Seasons Motel	Highway 4 N.	306-236-4493 800-472-4851 http://mtrin.sasktelwebhosting.com/fourseasons/about.html	\$77.00 single \$88.00 double Danishes & coffee for bkfst Closest to church
Nor'Wester Motor Inn	412 9 th Street W.	306-236-4424 800-416-4154 http://mtrin.sasktelwebhosting.com/norwester/about.html	\$75 single \$85 double Restaurant Sports Bar
Super 8 Motel	702 9 th Street W.	306-236-1188 800-800-8000 http://www.super8.com/Super8/control/Booking/property_info?propertyId=12047	\$85 single \$85 double Continental bkfst Pool & hot tub

* Prices do not include taxes.

* Some hotels offer discounts for seniors, CAA, etc.



64th CONVENTION OF THE SASKATCHEWAN CONFERENCE OF MB CHURCHES REGISTRATION FORM

Agency/Ministry: _____

Representative(s): _____

Display needs: one table
 two tables
 access to electricity
 will not have a display

Billeting: please billet me

Bus Charter: please save me a seat on the bus charter

Other needs: _____
 (please specify)

Please detach and return by March 1, 2010 to:
 Convention 2010 ~ Northwest Community Church ~ 115 8th Street W. ~ Meadow Lake, SK ~ S9X 1A1
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