



**Mennonite
Church
Manitoba**

Our vision is to be a community of congregations unified in Jesus Christ, living a biblical Anabaptist faith, together presenting Jesus Christ to the world

MCM Congregations

40 Churches
20-765 Membership Range
7200 Members Total

Congregational Ministry

Worship

- Worship happens regularly at 40 sites in Manitoba, each with it's own uniqueness and beauty.
- Music

Nurture

- Children's Ministry

Mission

- Partnership Circles
- Refugee resettlement
- DVBS

Housing

- Lindenwood Group, Bethel Place, Kingsford House, Bethany Group

Schools

- Westgate Mennonite Collegiate
- Mennonite Collegiate Institute

There is a beautiful concept in our Nation Wide covenant that suggests: When we focus on the ministry we do together we abandon the thinking that requires each congregation to be totally sufficient on it's own. We share each others ministry and can bless each other's strengths, and shore up each others weaknesses. This is the Body of Christ!

Our Shared Ministries

Who is sharing?

- In our new structure, the congregations make up Mennonite Church Manitoba (a Regional Church), and the Regional Churches make up Mennonite Church Canada (our Nationwide Church)

Leadership

- Ministerial Leadership Committee
- 90 Pastors
- Education
 - Workshops to provide opportunities for pastors, congregational leaders, young people to grow in their skills, create good and healthy boundaries, and share their ideas

- Safe Church - workshops for pastors and leaders; response to trespasses
 - Youth and Young Adult
- Mission** (Regional and Nationwide)
- International Witness
 - connecting support to global ministry
 - Indigenous Settler Relationships
 - Camping (Camps with Meaning)
 - plans for a major camp development at Camp Assiniboia

Communications and website development

- new MC Canada, MC Manitoba sites soon
- 4 pilot churches and Camps with Meaning in the new year

CommonWord (Bookstore and Resource Centre)

Canadian Mennonite University

- partnership with Prairie Regional Churches

Budget

- beginning 2020, the Camp budget will be viewed separately from the MCM budget.

A word of encouragement

This is my last report to you as I have resigned from this role as of summer 2020. In the past 9+ years we have restructured our camping ministry, we have restructured the Nation Wide Church, we have prepared for a redevelopment of Camp Assiniboia, and we have had important and sometimes difficult conversations. In the future I want to encourage you to continue to bless each other in the ministry of your local settings. Your local ministry through worship, nurture, mission, and fellowship is vital to your community but your reach is so much greater than that. Through your fellowship in Christ you share the good news of Jesus all over our



province, our country, and in many other countries. My prayers will always be with you.

Peace, Ken Warkentin