



# Newsletter

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**Mennonite Church of the Servant**  
**2401 N. Woodland**  
**Wichita, KS 67204**

[www.mcswichita.net](http://www.mcswichita.net)

**Worship: Sundays, 10:00 a.m**  
**Jerry Truex, Teaching Minister**



## **Sunflower Presents Detention Prevention Plan after June 7 Potluck**

Sunflower Community Action is initiating a plan to rally community support to prevent undocumented immigrants from detention and deportation, based on a detention prevention program in Tucson, Arizona. Following the potluck on June 7th, SCA staff attorney, Priscilla Orta-Wenner will present the plan and ways that MCS members and friends can be involved.

### **Focus on Mission**

June 7— Legislative Update—Barrick

June 14, 21, 28—CPT, MCC Peace, Immigration

### **Shepherds on Call**

May 31-June 6: Pat

June 6—13: Bridget

June 14-20: Sally

June 21-27: Lois

June 28-July 4: Jerry



The Spiritual Growth Group meets Tuesdays, 7-8 p.m. for centering prayer and study of the Enneagram. New participants are welcome.

## **WORSHIP AT MCS**



**June 7: Scripture—Psalm 65;** Worship Leader—Doug; Teaching—Jerry; Communion; Potluck; Sunflower Community Action presentation



**June 14: Scripture—Psalm 51;** Worship Leader—Geneva; Teaching—Pat

**June 21: Scripture—Psalm 102;** Worship Leader—Vangie; Teaching—Jerry

**June 28: Scripture—Psalm 72;** Worship Leader—Doug; Teaching—Lois; Healing Prayer

*Long ago you laid the foundation of the earth,  
and the heavens are the work of your hands.  
They will perish, but you endure;  
they will all wear out like a garment.  
You change them like clothing, and they pass  
away;  
but you are the same, and your years have  
no end.  
The children of your servants shall live secure;  
their offspring shall be established in your  
presence.*

*Psalm 102: 25-28 (NRSV)*

## Immigration Film June 8

First Friday Alternative Films presents: *Who is Dayani Cristal?* This film explores the untold stories of the broken immigration system in the USA.

Sparked by the discovery of an unidentified migrant found in the Arizona desert, this movie shows a rare insight into the human story often ignored in the immigration debate. The screening will be followed by a discussion led by Armando Minjarez, local artist, immigrant and co-founder of The Seed House-La Casa de la Semilla.

The film will be shown at the Murdock Theatre, 536 N. Broadway. Suggested admission is an \$8 donation.

## God's Rainbow



Rainbows appear after mighty storms, when things look their very worst, just when the skies are darkest gray, look for the rainbow first.

The rainbow is a sign of God's promise that He will guide us through any storm, that He will see us through all our troubles, no matter what their form.

When you feel battered by life's storms, and you are filled with doubt and dismay, just remember God's rainbow is coming (it's only a prayer away).

Unknown Author  
Submitted by Jenny Hurd

## Faith Formation Project June 12-13

Anabaptist Faith Formation, a project to provide congregations with practical, meaningful ways to build on faith formation already taking place, will hold a launch event June 12-13 on the Bethel College campus.

The event will introduce [anabaptistfaithformation.org](http://anabaptistfaithformation.org), the joint website of the Mennonite Church USA and its Central Plains and Western District conferences.

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary assistant professor of Christian formation and culture, Andy Brubacher Kaethler, will open the event on Friday with an address on how Jesus and the Bible inform how Christians do faith formation. Rachel Miller Jacobs, AMBS assistant professor of congregational formation, will preach that evening on how worship informs faith formation.

More than a dozen breakout sessions will dig into the theme before Shana Peachey Boshart and Rachel Springer Gerber conclude with a presentation about the new website and discuss how to move forward.

Registration and other details are at [mennowdc.org](http://mennowdc.org)

*From Mennonite World Review, May 25, 2015*



**Aposento Alto**

Iglesia Menonita  
Wichita, KS

Porque el Reino de Dios es una Celebración!

## Church Report June 2015

"The church has been coming to my house, now I am going to the church too, and for that I am grateful to God." These were the words that one of the Spin City Laundromat owners used during one of our many conversations.

Certainly, Oscar was intrigued by Jose's statement and then he asked me, "Please, could you tell me a bit more about it?"

I explained to Oscar that this has been a phrase, one of many that have emerged out of discipleship Bible study at our House Churches. We also explained to him how we, Aposento Alto see God's mission in Wichita and how our sister churches and conference have joined efforts in order to respond God's call.

Iglesia Menonita Aposento Alto is a community of disciples called and sent by God to bear witness to Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit, to share the blessing of God's grace and love, and to be a sign of the new creation primarily in the Latino-Hispanic context in Wichita.

Our conversation with Oscar continued and then, it took a little turn; he said: 'May I continue distributing tracks and fliers from your church, it this O.K with you?' Now, I was the one intrigued by his remarks. He wants to join God's mission!

In addition, we agreed to have regular conversations about Christian faith from our Anabaptist-Mennonite perspective.

Thanks be to God for there are people wanting to have a relationship with Him!

Please pray for us as we continue connecting and build relationships with our neighborhood. We ask of you to hold in prayer Aposento's families, house churches and missional outdoor events.

*"8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."*

*(Acts 1:8 NRSV)*

Byron Pellecer  
Iglesia Menonita Aposento Alto  
June, 2015

## Children's Drive-In Theater

Aposento Alto will sponsor a children's event, including food and the movie, "Frozen," on June 28. 5:30 p.m.

**June 2015 CALENDAR**

All calendar items are at the MCS building unless indicated by \* To put an item on the calendar, contact Jerry Truex

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WED	THURS	FRI	SATURDAY
<p align="center">May 31</p> <p><i>Happy Birthday, Byron Pellecer!</i></p> <p>10:00 Worship</p> <p>11:30 Church Life</p>	<p align="center">June 1</p> <p>7:30 Immigration Servant Group*</p>	<p align="center">2</p> <p>2:00 Shepherds*</p>	<p align="center">3</p>	<p align="center">4</p>	<p align="center">5</p> <p>7:00 Immigration Film*</p>	<p align="center">6</p>
<p align="center">7</p> <p>10:00 Worship (Communion)</p> <p>11:45 Potluck</p> <p>12:30 Detention Prevention (Sunflower Community Action)</p> <p>5:30 Aposento Alto Worship</p>	<p align="center">8</p> <p><i>Happy Birthday, Tom Mierau!</i></p> <p>7:00 Church Council</p>	<p align="center">9</p> <p>7:00 Spiritual Growth Group</p>	<p align="center">10</p> <p>1:30 NT Greek*</p> <p>7:00 Worship Committee</p>	<p align="center">11</p>	<p align="center">12</p> <p>2:00-9:00 Anabaptist Faith Formation Launch*</p>	<p align="center">13</p> <p>8:00-12:00 noon Anabaptist Faith Formation Launch*</p>
<p align="center">14</p> <p>10:00 Worship</p>	<p align="center">15</p> <p>7:30 Immigration Servant Group*</p>	<p align="center">16</p> <p>7:00 Spiritual Growth Group</p>	<p align="center">17</p> <p>1:30 NT Greek*</p>	<p align="center">18</p>	<p align="center">19</p>	<p align="center">20</p>
<p align="center">21</p> <p>10:00 Worship</p> <p>5:30 Aposento Alto Worship</p>	<p align="center">22</p>	<p align="center">23</p> <p>7:00 Spiritual Growth Group</p>	<p align="center">24</p> <p>1:30 NT Greek*</p>	<p align="center">25</p> <p>8:00 am Mission &amp; Service Comm.*</p>	<p align="center">26</p>	<p align="center">27</p>
<p align="center">28</p> <p>10:00 Worship, (Healing Prayer)</p> <p>5:30 Children's Drive-In Theater</p>	<p align="center">29</p>	<p align="center">30</p> <p>Mennonite Church USA Assembly begins (through July 5, noon)*</p> <p>7:00 Spiritual Growth Group</p>	<p align="center">July 1</p> <p>1:30 NT Greek*</p>	<p align="center">2</p>	<p align="center">3</p>	<p align="center">4</p>