

What's Mennonite Men? If you were to google "Mennonite Men", you would find these images.



Mennonite Men promotes groups and resources for men and provides grants for young churches to acquire their first building, as seen on the right. If you guessed the picture on the left or on the right, you are correct. We're not the ones in the center.

As a partnership of Mennonite Church Canada and Mennonite Church USA, Mennonite Men is about...

Promoting fellowship

We encourage men to join or form groups to connect with one another on their spiritual journey. Check out our website. The resource tab provides models of what men can do together. In partnership with Mennonite camps and centers, we offer retreats for men to engage issues such as masculinity, sexuality, conflict, wilderness, sports, and generativity from an Anabaptist Christian perspective.

Providing resources

Beyond work and weather, what can men talk about? Mennonite Men helped to bring about the *Closer Than a Brother* booklet series and *Under Construction: Reframing Men's Spirituality*, the latter of which is being translated into Spanish. We are now in process of developing online resources that can be downloaded for men's groups and *Peaceful at Heart: Embracing Healthy Masculinity*, an in-depth exploration of masculinity from an Anabaptist perspective.

Extending grants

Mennonite Men is known for extending grants to young congregations for their first meeting place, granting over 1.8 million dollars through our JoinHands program. Last year we gave \$40,000 to West Hills Mennonite Fellowship in Baden, Ontario and have other pending grants. As a fund-raising arm for the Mennonite Church, we invite individuals and congregations to support JoinHands. We especially ask churches pursuing building projects to give to JoinHands as a way of sharing resources and serving "fair balance" with congregations in need (2 Corinthians 8.13-15). Look for our church display on the right at this or a future conference.



Following six years of fruitful ministry with Mennonite Men, our board said farewell to Don Yoder when he retired last July as Coordinator. The board is happy to welcome Steve Thomas of Goshen, Indiana in this role.

To learn more, support or engage Mennonite Men, visit Mennonitemen.org or contact:

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