June 1-9: **The Trail of Death: A Pilgrimage of Remembrance, Lament and Transformation**. This nine-day pilgrimage traces the route of the 1838 forced removal of Potawatomi people by the U.S. military from their ancestral homeland in northern Indiana to present-day Osawatomie, KS. This Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary course can be taken for credit or audit. Sign up *by May 1*. ambs.edu/academics/trail-of-death

June 3, 10–11:30 a.m.: Shalom Menn. Ch. (800 E First, Newton) will host a **Community Conversation on Immigration** *(note that this is a new date & time from previous announcements)*. It will be a moderated panel discussion with a question and answer time to follow. The discussion will focus on the panelists’ general perspectives on issues that affect refugees and immigrants in KS and Harvey County. The confirmed panel participants are Bob Myers (Newton City Manager) and Tim Hodge (State Representative). If you have questions about the event, contact office@shalomnewton.org.

June 5, 7 p.m.: Everence Financial will provide information about **retirement income** to help you determine if you have enough money to retire, what to do if the market doesn’t cooperate and how to know if your savings will last. The seminar to be held at the Everence office in Hesston. To reserve your spot, contact Michelle Ramer at (620) 327-4043 or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

June 5-10: **Community VBS** will be held at the Remington Middle School in Whitewater. Our theme will be “Over the Moat-Drawbridge to the King.” Anyone interested in being a co-teacher, please contact Carol Klingenberg.

June 11-17: **Camp Mennoscah kitchen staff and nurse** still needed! Kitchen staff need only to be able to follow directions; our nurse needs to have a valid RN license. Camper discounts available. Contact <olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org> or (620) 297-3290.

July 11-26: **IExplore –** A Theological Program for High School Youth gives students in grades 10-12 an opportunity to explore ministry through a Congregational Experience and a Group Experience. Applications *now being accepted* at ambs.edu/explore

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**Events and Announcements:** April 30, 2017

*Other Organizations*

Apr. 30: **First Menn. Ch. of Hillsboro** is celebrating 50 years of use and service of our current building. All are welcome to join us at 9:30 a.m. for visiting and 10:35 a.m. for a worship service followed by a carry-in meal. Thank you for an RSVP if you plan to attend: secretary@fmhillsboro.com.

Apr. 30, 3 p.m.:Bethel College **Wind Ensemble concert,** featuring Hanson’s *Chorale and Alleluia*, Copland’s *Lincoln Portrait* and the premiere of a commissioned work by Pulitzer Prize-winner Zhou Long; in Memorial Hall.

Apr. 30, 4:30 p.m.: **KS Menn Men’s Chorus** @ Lindsborg.

May 1: **Early registration discount** for Camp Mennoscah ends May 1! It’s a whopping $10 cheaper if you register and pay in full by this date. Register online at www.campmennoscah.org or contact us at 620-297-3290.

May 1, 7 p.m.: The 17 member **McPherson Community Brass Choir** under the direction of Jerry Toews will be giving a Concert in The Brethren Church (200 N Carrie, McPherson).

May 1, 7 p.m.: Everence Financial will offer **Medicare seminars**, include what Medicare covers, the differences between plans that supplement Medicare, and enrollment deadlines; at the Everence office in Hesston. To reserve your spot, contact Michelle Ramer at (620) 327-4043 or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

May 5, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.: Join a come-and-go **Prayer Walk** at Wheat State Manor (Whitewater) on this National Day of Prayer. A guide will be available at the entrance to the 5 prayer stations; spend as much or as little time as you choose… then enjoy punch and cookies afterward. –John Schnelle, Chaplain

May 5-21: Annual Bethel College **Senior Art Show**, with work by Katherine Fry and Matthew Rodenberg, in the Regier Art Gallery in Fine Arts Center. Hours are Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Sun., 2-4 p.m., with extended hours Sat., May 20, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

May 5-7:Western District Women in Mission announces a significant event in KS at the Spiritual Life Center in Wichita: **Sister Care: Level 2, “Going Deeper.”** This weekend retreat will include new material while building on the core concepts from the original Sister Care seminar. (Prerequisite: Attend Sister Care Level 1 seminar or view Sister Care DVD and read manual.) Interested? Contact new treasurer Darlene Powers at dpowers11@cox.net or 116 SW 9th St., Newton, KS 67114.

May 6, 7 p.m.: the Theatre of the Beat, from Stouffville, Ontario, is coming to the Lorraine Ave. Menn. Ch. (655 S. Lorraine, Wichita) with the play “***This Will Lead to Dancing****.”* The play follows two teens from a Mennonite congregation’s youth group who go on a hunger strike until their church decides to accept LGBT people as members. The writer and artistic director, Johnny Wideman, conducted interviews with LGBT Mennonites and two allies and incorporated some of their reflections and stories. In discussions of church policy over sexuality and church membership, there has been much discussion over “forbearance”. Wideman wanted his play to represent those who, he believes, have shown the most forbearance, the LGBT community. Tickets are $10 and available at the door. Refreshments will be served after the play.

May 7: The Masterworks Chorus and Orchestra at Bethel College and community singers will perform Haydn’s *Missa in Angustiis*, also known as the *Lord Nelson Mass* (or *Mass for Troubled Times*), and Mozart’s Piano Concerto in A major, K. 488, featuring Karen Bauman Schlabaugh on piano. At Memorial Hall; free admission, with freewill offering taken.

May 7, 7 p.m.: **KS Menn. Men’s Chorus** @ Hesston High School.

May 9, 7 p.m.: All are invited to a concert, **Mission through Music**, with proceeds to benefit Mariana Martinez, an international student seeking sponsorship to attend Hesston College. The performance at Whitestone Menn. Ch. (Hesston) will feature Hesston music students. A free-will offering will be collected. More info at <horizon.hesston.edu>.

May 10, 8 p.m.: **Jazz on the Green** at Bethel College (Krehbiel Aud. if rain).

May 11, 7 p.m.: Bethel **Steel-Drum Band concert**, Mem. Hall.

May 13, 2 p.m.: Bethel College **Brass Quintet and saxophone quartet joint concert**; Ad. Bldg. Chapel.

May 14, 4 p.m.: Grace Bradfield **senior violin recital**, in the Bethel College Ad Bldg. Chapel.

May 14, 7 p.m.: **Open Road** (Bethel College a cappella men’s ensemble) end-of-year concert in Memorial Hall.

May 15, 7 p.m.: **Woven** (Bethel College a cappella women’s ensemble) end-of-year concert in Memorial Hall.

May 15, Noon–4 p.m.: More volunteers are needed to **visit inmates** through Offender Victim Ministry’s M-2 program. The date noted is a training for new volunteers at the Hutchinson Correctional Facility, “Old School House.” We’re also forming a choir at the HCF East Unit. Do you know who could direct, or do you like to sing? Contact ben@offendervictimministries.org for more info on getting involved in M-2 or the choir.

May 18, 6:30 p.m.: THANK YOU to everyone who helped make the 49th Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale a huge success! You are all invited to celebrate this success at the **KMRS annual meeting** at Eden Menn. Ch. (Moundridge). The meal is $15 a plate; please pay at the door. Please RSVP *by May 14* to (620) 543-6863 or <bj.reeves@live.com >.

May 19, 7-9 p.m.: Bethel College **Senior Art Show reception** for Katherine Fry and Matthew Rodenberg, in the Regier Art Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center.

May 21, 4 p.m.: Bethel College **Commencement** at Thresher Stadium (Memorial Hall if rain).

Opening: Do you live for a good story? Are you passionate about God’s presence and work in the world? If so, work for Mennonite Mission Network as our **writer and multimedia content producer**. Full time position located in Newton, KS or Elkhart, IN. More at [www.MennoniteMission.Net/about/Employment](http://www.mennonitemission.net/about/Employment). If interested, send a résumé to StaffRecruitment@ MennoniteMission.net.