



2023-2024



Mennonite  
Church  
Alberta

# Year in Review

- ◆ Nurturing Connections
- ◆ Supporting Congregations
- ◆ Celebrating Faith in Action



# MCA Executive 2023



**Brenda**



**Elizabeth**



**Doug**



**Linden**



**Tim**

**Takin' Care of Business for MCA!**





# Brenda Tiessen-Wiens

Finishing 6 years as  
**MCA Moderator**

- ✦ Executive Meetings
- ✦ General Council Meetings
- ✦ All Committee Meetings
- ✦ Joint Council Meetings
- ✦ Annual Delegate Sessions



**Meetings and more meetings!**







# Tim Wiebe-Neufeld

## Executive Minister

“Through times of blessings and challenge, the promise of God’s presence in Christ gives assurance as we seek to be the church God is calling us to be!”

- ✦ Leadership
- ✦ Pastoral Care
- ✦ Discernment
- ✦ Connections







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International Witness



Indigenous Relations

**CommonWord**  
Bookstore and Resource Centre



Executive Staff Group



Climate Action







# Communications

## Ruth Bergen Braun



A Window into...  
our MCA congregations

As I write this letter signs of the Christmas season are emerging all around. The calendar reads "December" and is filling with events and gatherings, there is (finally!) some snow the ground in Edmonton; and churches around the world are marking the progression of Advent. The period of waiting and preparation for the birth of Jesus.





# Bridge Building

## Suzanne Gross



Sharing \* Distilling \* Imagination \* Insight

**An awareness of God-at-work**



Hospitality

Dialogue

Witness

Peacebuilding





# MCA Committees

- Personnel
- Community Building & Program
- Missions & Service
- Congregational Leadership
- Camp Valaqua
- Nominations





# Personnel

## Saying Goodbye



Steven



Tany



Doug

## Saying Hello



Wayne



Austin





# Community Building & Program



Karen



Charlotte



Adela





# Missions & Service



Marie

We want to find out **what is working well** across the province in the broad areas of missions and service



Re-grouping and re-envisioning



Tracy



Jake

Walking alongside **South Sudanese** Christians in Calgary, seeking to find each other in proximity of Foothills Mennonite Church



Riek

Sponsorship of two **South Sudanese students** from refugee camps in the Gambela region of Ethiopia to attend Meserete Kristos Seminary



# Congregational Leadership



Tim



Anna-lisa



Caleb



Timothy

- ◆ Equipping
- ◆ Helping
- ◆ Visioning
- ◆ Discerning





# Camp Valaqua



Jon



Jeff



## 2023

Another  
successful year

*Discovering  
God in Creation*

Camp Valaqua



Liam



Albert



Christine



Kathryn



Darrel



# Nominations

✦✦✦ Jan Wilhelm & Joani Neufeldt



Hello, this is Jan (or Joani),  
“I'm contacting you on behalf of the  
Mennonite Church Alberta Nominating  
Committee...”





# Creation Care Working Group







## Joint Council

**Ann Schultz** (MCEC)  
and **Margaret** having  
lunch at the Queen's  
House Retreat Centre,  
Saskatoon, during their  
May meetings.

More than just meetings. Lunch!!



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## News, Prayer, Action



NOV 1ST, 2023

### (Updated) MC Canada PIN statement on Gaza

In the wake of the brutal attack by Hamas militants on Israeli citizens and the resulting overwhelming



FEB 6TH, 2024

### (Updated) Prayers of Lament and Intercession for Palestine and Israel

Since the October 7 Hamas attack near the Gaza Strip and Israel's crushing



NOV 9TH, 2023

### What you can do about Gaza

PIN has provided a list of things you can do about the conflict in Gaza.

[Read More](#)



### Sign up for the Mennonite Church Canada PIN Update

[Click here for our CURRENT ISSUE](#)

Each month we send out a newsletter that includes an action call, a few brief updates





# Supporting Congregations

## Nurturing Connections

## Celebrating Faith in Action

God-at-work  
God-with-us

