

Spring Assemblies Nurture Identity and Dialogue

More than 170 people gathered across the country and online this spring as Mosaic Mennonite Conference held a series of Spring Assembly gatherings designed to deepen relationships, explore shared identity, equip leaders, and receive feedback.

Recognizing a widespread desire for more in-person dialogue, these regional assemblies offered a relational and formational touchpoint for Mosaic Conference participants. The spring gatherings did not include decision-making votes but focused instead on equipping and a strengthened sense of identity.

Conference staff introduced a sample lesson from the new core priority guides. These tools are being developed to bring clarity and a common vocabulary around Mosaic's vision, mission, and priorities, as well as to support Mosaic congregations in their formational, intercultural, and missional work.











Mosaic Conference Board Responds to MC USA's Denial of Ministry Partnership Proposal

The Mosaic Conference Board met in person in Homestead, FL from May 16-18, 2025. Part of the meeting included reflection on the process around the Board's proposal to the Executive Board of Mennonite Church USA (MC USA), requesting to formalize a ministry partnership by becoming a Program Entity. This proposal followed a delegate action in November 2024, which called for Mosaic to redefine its relationship with MC USA as a healthy ministry partnership.

On May 8, MC USA's executive board <u>unanimously voted to deny</u> <u>Mosaic's proposal</u> to become a Program Entity of MC USA. They proposed a "mediated conversation between the full (MC USA) Executive Board and Mosaic Board."

After prayerful discernment, the board acted to: Decline the board-to-board mediation process offered by MC USA executive board at this time.

"Despite this disappointment, I find joy and hope when we gather to listen and share together. The reconciling love of Jesus is at work amongst us, and I look forward to us living into our vision together," reflected Conference Moderator Angela Moyer Walter.

Vibrant Mosaic Launches First Cohort

The first cohort of congregations in Vibrant Mosaic gathered on May 15-17, 2025, for the intensive Vibrant Relationships (intercultural) class in Homestead, FL and beyond. Leaders from Ambler (PA), Blooming Glen (PA), Encuentro de Renovación (Miami, FL), LA (CA) Faith Chapel, and Peña de Horeb (Philadelphia, PA) make up the inaugural cohort.

Vibrant Mosaic focuses on developing leaders within the conference through learning cohorts, missional experiments, and resourcing leaders of color. The learning cohorts participate in classes around the three Mosaic priorities and identity and commit to journeying together for up to two years.







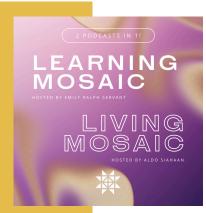






OASIS Hosts Mosaic Leaders in Tampa, FL

Around 45 Mosaic pastors and leaders from more than 20 congregations gathered on May 30-June 1 for OASIS, to deepen relationships, be equipped, and rejuvenated. This inaugural extended gathering time for leaders of color (formerly called Renewing Nations and Generations) is part of Vibrant Mosaic.





NEW PODCAST

Learning Mosaic/ Living Mosaic

In Learning Mosaic, hosted by Emily Ralph Servant (Leadership Minister for Strategic Priorities and Pastor of Refuge), we learn and piece together our shared identity as a community of congregations and ministries who are committed to living like Jesus together.

In Living Mosaic, hosted by Aldo Siahaan (Leadership Minister and Pastor of Philadelphia Praise Center), we listen to the voices of our congregations and ministries. We will hear the multitude of ways the Holy Spirit is moving in our communities.



Happy 5th Birthday, Mosaic!

Mosaic Conference turned five on February 1, 2025, when the reconciled Eastern District and Franconia Conferences began to operate as one. Our new name was announced during our virtual Pentecost worship on May 31, 2020.

Our Conference Moderator Angela Moyer Walter encourages us: "In this new year, let's be curious, listen well, seek understanding rather than uniformity, and create space for the Spirit to do its surprising work. This is part of our missional work, seeking to become the church that the world longs for."

SAVE THE DATE!





GET TO KNOW THE SPEAKER:

Dr. Meghan Larissa Good is currently the Faculty of Record for Teaching Leadership in the Doctor of Ministry program at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. She is a frequent speaker and workshop leader around such topics as biblical hermeneutics, contemporary preaching, and the peacemaking role of the church in an age of polarization.

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FRIDAY NIGHT

Equipping Event

OCTOBER 31, 2025 4PM-8PM AT ZION MENNONITE CHURCH

SATURDAY

Delegate Assembly

NOVEMBER 1, 2025 9AM - 4:30PM AT SOUDERTON MENNONITE CHURCH

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"Those who had gathered together asked Jesus, "Lord, are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel now?" Jesus replied, "It isn't for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has set by his own authority. Rather, 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 end of the earth."

ACTS 1:6-8 CEB