

# Michigan Mission Center

## MISSION CENTER ACTIVITIES

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## MISSION CENTER INFORMATION

For more detailed information regarding Mission Center news and activities, please go to the website: [www.cofchristmi.org](http://www.cofchristmi.org). Due to space restrictions, we cannot include all necessary information in this bulletin.

## Michigan USA/Canada Mission center information

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# Community of Christ

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### WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS for the week of December 4, 2015

*Newly added items are listed in **bold italics**. This information is emailed weekly to all pastors, congregation communication liaisons and anyone who chooses to subscribe. If you have questions, call the Mission Center office at 888-853-2339.*

### MICHIGAN USA/CANADA MISSION CENTER NEWS

Please Register at: [www.cofchristmi.org](http://www.cofchristmi.org)

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#### **Introduction to Scripture - Waterford**

The new Introduction to Scripture class, written by Tony and Charmaine Chvala-Smith, will be offered at the Waterford Congregation beginning January 20 at 6:30 pm. Books are available through Herald House either as hard copies or e-books.

This is a pre-ordination class, but ALL disciples are invited to join. The class will continue through March 9.

Please contact Bobbie Ann Robinson at [bobbieann.robinson@outlook.com](mailto:bobbieann.robinson@outlook.com) or Cindy Omans at [cindyomans@comcast.net](mailto:cindyomans@comcast.net) for more information.

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#### **SCRIPTURE CLASS – D&C (Inspired Counsel since 1915) (Alpena)**

- Jan. 7 & 14 (6:30 to 9 pm)
- Jan. 16 (9 am to 2 pm) – Lunch provided for a donation.

- o Registration Deadline is – December 6th. (Gary @ 989-354-3643)
  - o Facilitators: Gary & Barb Villeneuve
  - o Cost is \$22.
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### **Ministry of the Priest - Pilot**

There will be a Ministry of the Priest Pilot class at the Coleman Congregation beginning in December. It will be facilitated by Jack Tigner. Details below:

Wednesday evenings 6:00 to 8:00 pm, Dec. 2, 9, 16 \* Jan. 6, 13, 20

Ministry of the Priest booklet may be purchased through Herald House for \$15:00 at [www.heraldhouse.org/custom/web/list.asp](http://www.heraldhouse.org/custom/web/list.asp)

TO REGISTER email Jack: [Jack@cofchristmi.org](mailto:Jack@cofchristmi.org)  
Cut off date for registration is November 10th

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### **Temple School Classes Available**

The Ministry & Priesthood Team is happy to announce that two new Ministry & Priesthood courses are available for sale on the Herald House website. Ministry of the Disciple and Introduction to Scripture are the first two courses ready for your use in the new format.

Temple School credit is available for both courses and is included in the cost of each book. All of the new Ministry & Priesthood courses will include a Record Card in the back for facilitators to submit to Membership Records.

Although these two courses are only available today in English, they and the other new courses are also being produced in French and Spanish. Our team will inform you as new courses continue to become available between now and World Conference 2016.

Information can be found at [www.heraldhouse.org](http://www.heraldhouse.org)

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### **Preparation for World Conference**

In preparation for World Conference 2016, the worldwide church is invited to consider prayerfully what it means to be One in Christ. Congregations are encouraged to use the Live, Love, Share...Visibly One in Christ lessons for all ages. Adult books in English are available for purchase through Herald House (add link); lessons for young children, children, and youth are available online at [www.cofchrist.org/reunion-resources-2015](http://www.cofchrist.org/reunion-resources-2015). Adult lessons in French and Spanish are available online (include links to Spanish and French websites). The lessons focus on words of counsel presented at the 2013 World Conference.

In addition, an online spiritual formation resource (French, Spanish, and English) will be available in February for use March 6–May 29, 2016. This resource will encourage deeper reflection on specific segments of the words of counsel leading up to World Conference.

The “One in Christ Moments” will incorporate segments of the words of counsel into worship services

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### **A New Format for Worship Resources**

This year, Worship Resources, Year C (beginning Advent 2015) is packaged in a new way. In the past, the single book included each Sunday’s service suggestions and sermon helps. The new format will separate the sermon helps and the worship suggestions into two stand-alone volumes. They are sold as a set in English.

Worship Resources will include suggested orders of worship, with specific page number cross-references to the associated sermon helps in the Sermon & Class Helps book. Both Worship Resources and Sermon & Class Helps will be available and linked to the calendar on the church’s website.

Offering the class and sermon helps in a separate volume will create a reusable book each time the three-year cycle (A-B-C) of the Revised Common Lectionary repeats. The International Resources Coordination Team suggested this change to use translation staff members’ time more efficiently and standardize sermon helps for languages such as Bemba, Chewa, English, French, Portuguese, Spanish, Tagalog, and Tahitian.

You can order Worship Resources at [www.HeraldHouse.org](http://www.HeraldHouse.org).

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