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## *Information*

Each session will be followed by a brief question and answer period. Also, most sessions will provide a printed handout.

Recordings of previous conferences, Florida and Pennsylvania, will be available both online at [www.anabaptistslive.com](http://www.anabaptistslive.com) and on CD from Victory Music Services, Lavern Yoder at 443-480-1489, or [yodervern@emypeople.net](mailto:yodervern@emypeople.net).

The sessions will be accessible live by phone conference line at 712-432-8773 Pin: 47223.

Freewill offerings will be taken to cover the expenses of the meeting. Checks can be made out to Shalom Ministries, a 501C3 nonprofit organization; receipts available.

Those needing lodging arrangements may contact Chester Weaver at 260-463-3379.

Lunch will be provided on Saturday and Sunday.

Planning Committee: Jerry Hoover, John D. Martin, Frank Reed, Dean Taylor, and Chester Weaver. Any questions may be directed to Chester Weaver.

Mission: The Anabaptist Identity Conference attempts to address current issues from a historical context.

# *Lancaster Area Anabaptist Identity Conference*

## *"Who Are We?"*

*October 26 – 28, 2012*

*Ephrata Business Center,  
Ephrata, PA*

Lancaster Area  
Anabaptist Identity  
Conference  
2012 Theme:  
"The Functioning of the  
Christian Community"

"No man is in Christ apart from his brother." That Anabaptist statement explains our concept of community. The concepts of independence and individualism fostered by the Protestant Reformation have challenged that belief. Today we are challenged as to how we can best preserve these Biblical concepts in the face of a rapidly changing world.

This conference is dedicated to preserving and perpetuating the Biblical beliefs and practices as understood by historic Anabaptists. It is our humble aim to support Holy Spirit filled, disciplined, Gelassenheit-practicing churches whose aim it is to be the Bride of Jesus Christ on the earth today.

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Friday Evening • October 26  
7:00 PM

- Welcome, Opening Prayer, Worship in Song
- The Dilemma of Reconciliation  
    - *Edsel Burdge, Shippensburg, PA*
- The Hutterite Story  
    - *Reuben Walter, Lloydminster, SK*

Saturday Morning • October 27  
9:30 AM

- Welcome, Opening Prayer, Worship in Song
- The Hutterite Experience  
    - *Reuben Walter, Lloydminster, SK*
- Anabaptist Missions  
    - *Dean Taylor, Mountain Lake, MN*

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Saturday Afternoon  
1:30 PM

- Welcome, Opening Prayer, Worship in Song
- The Past 50 Years: Impact on the Church  
    - *Frank Reed, Manheim, PA*
- Autopsy of a Dead Church  
    - *Finny Kuruvilla, Boston, MA*

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Saturday Evening  
7:00 PM

- Welcome, Opening Prayer, Worship in Song
- "Bearing Witness" - Announcement  
    - *John D. Roth*
- Youth Forum  
    - *Glendon Strickler, Ephrata, PA*

We are offering a special invitation to young people to participate in a forum. We know young people have many questions which deserve New Testament answers. You may submit your questions prior to the conference for special deliberation or you may present them orally or in writing while at the Conference. If you would like special deliberation for your questions, please submit them to - [gstrickler@ephratamennonite.org](mailto:gstrickler@ephratamennonite.org).

Sunday Morning • October 28  
9:30 AM

- Welcome, Opening Prayer, Worship in Song
- Swiss Brethren vs. Dutch Mennonite Concepts of the Church  
    - *Chester Weaver, Lagrange, IN*
- An Anabaptist Concept of the Holy Spirit  
    - *John D. Martin, Shippensburg, PA*

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Sunday Afternoon  
1:30 PM

- Welcome, Opening Prayer, Worship in Song
- The Past 50 Years: Impact on the Family  
    - *Frank Reed, Manheim, PA*
- Communities That Fail/Thrive  
    - *Chester Weaver, Lagrange, IN*

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Sunday Evening  
7:00 PM

- Welcome, Opening Prayer, Worship in Song
- Servant Leadership  
    - *Leonard Martin, Bethel, PA*
- Warning: An Honest Assessment  
    - *Dean Taylor, Mountain Lake, MN*

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**Note: There will be question and answer periods following each session.**