

"On Mission Together"

Saskatchewan Conference of MB Churches

Director's Calendar

August

DM will be serving a modified work schedule in addition to being on holiday leave.

18-29 - vacation

September

- 4 SKMB EB Mtg.
- 7 Northwest Community Church (Meadow Lake)
- 10 NFLT Mtg.
- 18 Forest Grove CC Seniors
- 21 Hope Fellowship (Saskatoon)
- 22-27 CCMBC EB Mtg. (B.C.)

October

- 2 Cluster (Regina)
- 2 SKMB EB Mtg.
- 5 Christian Fellowship Church (Lucky Lake)
- 7 Clusters (Saskatoon, North)
- 8-9 Clusters (South, East)
- 19 Wynyard Gospel Church
- 20-23 EQUIP (Winnipeg)

23-24 - NFLT Mtgs. (Steinbach)

26 - Hillside Christian Fellowship Church (Beechy)

Please pray for travelling mercies.

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Leaders Collective - A Mentor's Perspective



When my Pastor reached out and asked if I would be a mentor with the Leadership Collective Program, I was immediately curious. Growing up in the church, I was blessed to have several adults take the time to really listen to me as I

worked through my faith. Hearing different perspectives, stories of God working in other people's lives, and praying together helped me build my own relationship with God. I wondered if this was the right time for me to offer a little of that back to someone else.

The more I learned about the program through conversations and training materials, the more interested I was. I didn't need to have all the answers, just meet with a young adult regularly over the 6-month program, get to know her by asking questions and listening to her journey.

Really, I think I got more out of the program than I put in. We hit it off right away. We had a lot in common, but I also was exposed to new music, new books and number of lessons on the ways of social media lol Getting to know each other really opened the way to real conversations about the challenges of life and how we see God working through them.

We both had a lot going on in our lives during the duration of the program. Each time we met, whether life had been challenging or smooth, we were eager to connect and share what we saw God doing. I enjoyed feeling free to ask questions and dig deeper as I got to know this young lady. It was an honour to have a front row seat to watch God move in her life.

God certainly used Leadership Collective in the development of my faith. I found that God was often teaching me similar things that he was teaching this young woman. I looked forward to our time together. I also

began taking some time after our meetings to sit with God to hear what he had for me and to spend time in prayer for my mentee. Not only did I see God moving in her life, but in mine as well. It reinvigorated parts of my faith that I had not focused on for many years. I felt like I was coming back into part



of myself that I'd forgotten. That journey continues to this day. Leaders Collective made a difference to the participant's life, but as a mentor, it also made an impact on my faith journey.

For information regarding <u>Leaders Collective</u> *Gail McKenzie*



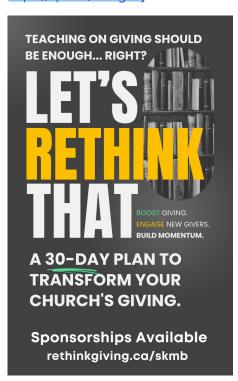


The MB Herald Podcast is all about telling stories that build up our MB church family. We invite guests on the show to highlight various ministries and initiatives, as well as talk about some of the pressing issues we face in our churches and communities.

So join us as we share the Mennonite Brethren's life and story in Canada.

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Pastors and Directors Learning Cohort

We're inviting you to be part of a practical pastoral learning cohort guided by **Dr. Stephen Brown**, **President of Columbia Bible College**. This is a unique opportunity for <u>pastors and directors</u> to engage in guided reflection and an interactive learning experience that will help you lead with courage and clarity through seasons of change.

The journey begins with a three-day in-person retreat at **Redberry Camp, from September 24 to 26,** where mutually supportive relationships will be formed and deep conversations will take place around the theme: "Leading Through Change." From there, the cohort continues with a mid-year Zoom gathering in winter and culminates in a two-day in-person session in Saskatoon, March 2026, just before the SKMB Assembly.

You'll join a small group of like-minded pastors and church staff who are navigating shifting congregational landscapes and longing to lead with renewed vision.

Is there an area of your ministry where you would like to see change?

In your leadership skills or effectiveness? Your team? Your church? It doesn't have to be a big change, just something big for you.

By participating, you will:

Leading Through Transitions

Immerse yourself in the spiritual and emotional journey of leadership, especially during seasons of transition and uncertainty.

Community of Shepherds

Build meaningful peer relationships with other pastoral leaders who understand the challenges and opportunities of ministry today.

Wisdom from a Proven Leader

Learn directly from Dr. Stephen Brown, former head of the Arrow Leadership program and author of several books:

Jesus Centred: Focusing on Jesus in a Distracted World,

Leading Me: Eight Practices for a Christian Leader's Most Important Assignment, and Great Questions for Leading Well.

Tools for Transformational Leadership

Walk away with practical tools and a personalized action plan to bring greater clarity and momentum to your leadership in times of change.

The whole program, including retreat meals, facilitation, and resources, is approximately \$300. We trust your church will see this as a strategic investment in your growth and leadership.

We have six spots available, so apply early.

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