



GAMEO Management Board

May 2024

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GAMEO 2024 Board Meeting Draft Schedule/Agenda

Date/Time	Agenda	Location
Thursday, May 23	Arrivals Settle in Frey Guesthouse	Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, IN
Friday, May 24		
9 am EST (2 pm CET)	Meet at Goshen College	Goshen College, Goshen, IN Administration Building Room #06
9 am-10:15 am (2 pm-3:15 pm)	Welcome Reports	Administration Building Room #06 Zoom link: https://goshen-edu.zoom.us/j/97028972652?pwd=TzBO TzRXOUZMOXNKRFZQ0haYUtZQT09
10:15 am-11:00 am (3:15 pm-4:00 pm)	Visit to Mennonite Historical Library	Mennonite Historical Library 3rd Floor of Good Library
11:00 am-12:00 pm (4:00 pm-5:00 pm)	Conversation with Michèle Sigg, executive director of the Dictionary of African Christian Biography	Administration Building Room #06 Zoom link: https://goshen-edu.zoom.us/j/97028972652?pwd=TzBO TzRXOUZMOXNKRFZQ0haYUtZQT09
12:00 pm	Lunch	In Goshen, TBD
1:30 pm	Transition to Elkhart	
2:00 pm	Meet at the MCUSA Archives	MCUSA Offices Elkhart, IN Garden level
2:00 pm-4:00 pm (7:00 pm-9:00 pm)	Conversation on multilingual options for GAMEO; Chair transition; Other unfinished business	MCUSA Archives Zoom link: https://goshen-edu.zoom.us/j/95791293979?pwd=bHJS M203N3FOb2pqZHZqekJDKzFIZz09
4:00 pm-4:45 pm	Tour of MCUSA Archives	MCUSA Archives
5:00 pm	Supper	In Elkhart, TBD
Saturday, May 25	Early morning departure to O'Hare from Frey Guesthouse	Elkhart, IN → Chicago, IL



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- Institute for the Study of Global Anabaptism
- Mennonite Church USA
- Mennonite Historical Society of Canada
- Mennonite World Conference
- Mennonite Brethren Historical Commission
- Mennonite Central Committee
- D.F. Plett Historical Research Foundation

DRAFT Agenda

GAMEO Management Board

Annual General Meeting

Friday, May 24, 2024, 9am-4pm Eastern time

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1. Opening and introductions: Jon
2. Review of agenda and Chair's report: Jon
3. Review of minutes of 2023 meeting held May 12, 2023: Alf
 - https://gameo.org/images/f/f8/GAMEO_Management_Board_2023_05_12a.pdf
 - Items arising from minutes
4. Reports:
 - General editor: Elizabeth
 - Statistical report: Laureen
 - Website and Admin report: Alf
 - Financial report FY2023: Bert
 - Member updates: what can you report concerning the tasks you agreed to do?
5. Conversation about multi-lingual encyclopedia experience
 - Michèle Sigg, executive director of the *Dictionary of African Christian Biography*, joins us by ZOOM to share learnings and counsel
 - How can biographical and article submissions be made easier for contributors using languages other than English? What website updates are needed?
6. Technical issues
 - Peaceworks options and costing for multi-lingual user interface: Elizabeth
 - How much of our reserves can we spend on the upgrades needed? Which options available seem best suited for our needs? Why? Next steps?
7. Administrative restructuring
 - Who among us could/should/would take on the chair role?
 - And who wants to mail out the 20+ annual invoices? Are there changes to our fundraising strategy needed? If so, what are they?
8. GAMEO priorities for 2024:
 - Which articles need to be updated/revised? What strategy might work best for doing the update/revision work?
 - What are the tasks for this year? Who will take the lead on specific ones?
9. Promotion:
 - News release: Elizabeth
 - Other?
10. Finances and budget FY2024
11. Other business
12. Date of next meeting: May 2025?
 - Could it be a ZOOM meeting next May? We talked about alternating in-person and videoconference. Is this still a good idea?
13. Adjournment

GAMEO Chair Report for AGM, 1 May 2024

I am part of long line of builders, believers, artists, and contemplatives. Each Saturday, we pray a version of Psalm 100 at our dinner group. Let me share it with you as our opening.

Welcome to each of you here for our annual GAMEO meeting, this year in Goshen/Elkhart. And thank you for your part in making GAMEO “a reliable source of information on Anabaptist-related history and theology.”

This year is special in that we are being hosted in Goshen by GAMEO General Editor, Elizabeth Miller, the director of the Institute for Global Anabaptism (ISGA), and in Elkhart by GAMEO board member, Olivia Krall, Archives Coordinator, Mennonite Church U.S.A. Thank you, Elizabeth and Olivia, for arranging the various aspects of this meeting!

As you know, GAMEO is a long-term project, largely dependent on volunteers like you and on generous donors, both institutions and individuals. It is a project that grows bit by bit each year. Over time, the growth has amounted to something quite impressive. Reviewing the accompanying reports (financial, editorial, and statistical), you can see that this has been another solid and productive year for GAMEO.

However, every few years, there are some bigger challenges to process at our meeting. This appears to be one of those years for reasons listed below and in the agenda.

- Content: As with any encyclopedia, content generation remains a high priority, both updating existing articles and adding new articles. We will discuss adding congregational statistical updates, dealing with older/outdated terminology, and making biographical and article submissions easier for contributors using languages other than English. Which articles need to be updated/revision? What strategy might work best for doing the update/revision work? How can non-English submissions be added?
- Technology: Like any institution, the developments of technology continue to be an ongoing opportunity and challenge. Specifically, we've talked about adding linguistic capacity for articles in Russian, Ukrainian, Amharic, etc. The aim is to facilitate posting original language content with an English translation, thereby demonstrating more of a global sense for GAMEO. How much of our reserves can we spend on the upgrades needed? Which options available seem best suited for our needs? Why? Next steps?
- Administrative leadership: My role with the Mennonite Brethren Historical Commission is coming to an end, and so I need to hand over the role of GAMEO chair. I have also been administering the fundraising task. Who among us could/should/would take on the chair role? And who wants to mail out the 20+ annual invoices? Are there changes to our fundraising strategy needed? If so, what are they?

I look forward to our meeting and the items to be discussed.

Respectfully submitted,

Jon Isaak, Mennonite Brethren Historical Commission, GAMEO chair

GAMEO Management Board
Virtual Meeting (via Zoom)
2023 May 12 – 1:00-3:00 p.m. (Eastern)

Present: Jon Isaak (Chair; Mennonite Brethren Historical Commission), Elizabeth Miller (General Editor; Institute for the Study of Global Anabaptism), Ken Sensenig (Mennonite Central Committee), Roberta Miller Yoder (Mennonite Church USA), Laureen Harder-Gissing (Mennonite Historical Society of Canada), Aileen Friesen (D. F. Plett Historical Research Foundation), Anicka Fast (Mennonite World Conference), Alf Redekopp (Associate Editor), and Bert Friesen (Associate Editor).

1) Opening and introductions

Jon Isaak welcomed all participants and called the meeting to order, pointing out that three attendees were participating for the first time (Elizabeth, Anicka and Roberta) and two had participated from the beginning in the 1990s (Bert and Alf). He proceeded to share the biblical verse from II Corinthians 5:18, “all this is from God who reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.” He share of his recent visit with Cesar Garcia, General Secretary, Mennonite World Conference, observing his work with reconciling groups who hold varying perspectives, emphasizing that we need to respect individual differences and work together in the ministry of reconciliation that has been given to us from God. In our GAMEO project we also share in this ministry of reconciliation as we share differences and work together.

Jon invited each participant to share who they were represented at the meeting and to say something about their current environment (weather or something else).

- Jon: 22 degrees Celsius in Winnipeg with leaves bursting and lots of signs of Spring;
- Bert: called in from Calgary
- Laureen: was experiencing warm weather in Waterloo, but a little worried about potential frost killing fruit blossoms
- Anicka: reporting 36 degrees in Burkina Faso at 5 p.m.
- Ken: situated at Ephrata, Pennsylvania reported 80 degrees Fahrenheit
- Roberta: who works in Elkhart, called in from home in Goshen; she is filling in at this meeting for MC USA Archivist, a position that is currently vacant; cloudy and 70 degrees Fahrenheit
- Aileen: reported like Jon sunny Winnipeg
- Alf: reporting from St. Catharines, Ontario, a warm week with fruit blossoms, almost finished and optimistic about getting sour cherries from the tree in his back yard
- Elizabeth: sees a sycamore tree outside her window

2) Review of Chair’s Report and Agenda

Jon Isaak noted his written report. He said our discussion would focus on content, technology, and structural issues. He asked each of us to find at least one thing out of our meeting to volunteer to do this next year.

Consensus 1: to accept the agenda as circulated.

3) Minutes of May 15 2022

- Alf reviewed the minutes of May 15, 2022. The following updates grew out of the minutes:
- No response or commitment has come from Arnold Neufeld Fast about writing a new B.H. Unruh article.
- Ken has submitted updates and several articles on newer conservative Mennonite groups.
- Aileen did not write the news release. She spoke to Richard Thiessen but he was not prepared for a greater role with GAMEO. The D.F. Plett Historical Research Foundation has hired a student to work at identifying articles for updating, based on the earlier work of Kerry Fast.

Consensus 2: to accept the minutes as circulated and reviewed.

4) Reports circulated before the meeting

a) General Editor (Elizabeth Miller)

Elizabeth introduced herself, sharing how she has worked in the U.S. and in Columbia, a career spanning interest in history and teaching to administrative work internationally with MCC. She sees that her current role with the Institute for the Study of Global Anabaptism (ISGA), will help generate GAMEO content from the international community. Projects that she has worked with in the past (about Paraguay and Columbia) and others that are currently before her (related to Zimbabwe and Ethiopia) also promise additional content.

Her report also raised the question about GAMEO's domain ownership in the context of ensuring the project doesn't experience disaster should Peaceworks, our current host, close down. This question came in the context of ISGA consolidating various domains that it owns.

b) Statistical Report (Laureen Harder Gissing)

The distributed report was a copy of the report she presented in January to the Mennonite Historical Society of Canada (MHSC). The list of new articles was compiled by Richard Thiessen. Alf added that there is now also a regional sub-committee in the province of Alberta that is generating content from that region.

c) Admin website report (Alf Redekopp)

Alf reported that the current arrangement re. receiving the e-mails sent to "admin@gameo" has not been onerous and he is willing to continue.

d) Technical issues / Peaceworks relationship (Bert Friesen)

This issue raised in Elizabeth's report re. Domain hosting was discussed. We were reminded that originally GAMEO was hosted at Conrad Grebel University College (CGUC) but because CGUC depends on University of Waterloo for its technology support, GAMEO decided it would be simpler to be hosted by Peaceworks, an independent commercial venture.

Consensus 3: that Laureen explore the contract arrangements between MHSC and Peaceworks re. GAMEO, specifically with regards to what happens if Peaceworks were to close operations, and that Elizabeth would explore what it would mean for Goshen College to take over the hosting.

5) GAMEO priorities

- a) Updating references and interpretation on Indigenous people

Consensus 4: that Laureen look at the two major articles that have not been updated and also at other articles related to Pennsylvania where interpretation needs to be reviewed and that Ken also work with Laureen on this latter aspect.

- b) B.H. Unruh biography revisions

Consensus 5: that Jon prepare an edited updated entry for B.H. Unruh, and pass it by management.

(This is a change from last year's decision to have an entirely new article.)

- c) Expanding content from global south

Elizabeth and Anicka will continue to work with students and keeping track of works that have been produced that can be included in GAMEO, so that there will be more congregational and biographical content about and by the people who it is about.

Aileen who works with students finds that her students are less interested in congregational and biographical content, and more interested in themes and topical articles.

Student involvement in these three contexts looks promising for the future of GAMEO.

- d) D.F. Plett Foundation initiative

A summer researcher has been hired to look through Kerry Fast's report which proposing changes and better language or under-represented groups. Aileen will ultimately edit the work and Jeremy Wiebe, work with getting the content into GAMEO.

Consensus 6: that Alf create a user profile in GAMEO for Aileen and / or Jeremy Wiebe to facilitate this initiative.

- e) Ukrainian Place names

Consensus 7: that Aileen will begin to review Ukrainian and Russian geographic place names.

6) Financial Report and budget

Bert reported that GAMEO finances are stable. Jon reported that sending invoices to institutions continues to work well for raising funds. Bert indicated that MWC is working on 3-year projections for finances, and that at our next in-person meeting we too should discuss what that means for us.

7) Next Meeting – May 2024

Elizabeth Miller extended an invitation for the GAMEO Management Board to meet in Goshen.

Consensus 8: that we meet in Goshen 24-25 May 2024.

8) Closing Review

Each participant confirmed the tasks that they had agreed to do in the upcoming year.

- Jon: BH Unruh
- Bert: Finances
- Elizabeth: work with students; explore domain name hosting
- Alf: admin e-mails and website updates, set up new users
- Anicka: translate and edit works for GAMEO. Also contact Michèle Sigg from DACB about speaking to our board about experiences of working in a multilingual project.

- Aileen – supervise Plett Foundation initiative; review Ukrainian place names
- Laureen- review Peaceworks contract details; review Indigenous content
- Roberta: contact Jason re. list of potential articles: transfer report to new archivist
- Ken: collaborate with Laureen on Pennsylvania content ; generate new or updated articles on plain people; make personal financial contribution and encouragement to others to do the same

9) Adjournment at 3:03 p.m.

Recorded by Alf Redekopp

GAMEO General Editor Report
Elizabeth Miller
April 29, 2024

News release of management board meeting: After our May meeting in 2023, I wrote a short press release that was originally published on the Goshen College website, before being republished in *Anabaptist World* and other church papers.

ISGA support of GAMEO: In the spring and fall of 2023, I worked with two Goshen College students to prepare biographies of church leaders from Colombia and Zimbabwe for publication in GAMEO. The biographies were based on previously published material. Students wrote the biographies using the templates created by the *Dictionary of African Christian Biography* and according to GAMEO guidelines. In both cases the originating communities of the biography subjects were consulted before publication of the biography in GAMEO. There is a third biography awaiting publication, pending consultation with the community of origin.

This spring I also worked with Workineh Yami, a master's student at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, to create four biographies of leaders from the Meserete Kristos Church in Ethiopia. As an MKC church leader and seminary professor, Workineh had access to sources and individuals that allowed for significant primary source collection, despite currently living abroad in Elkhart, Indiana. We are currently finalizing the approvals for these biographies and hope to publish them in GAMEO this summer.

Unfortunately, we were not able to get the congregational profiles from Paraguay published with the collaboration of the ISGA Research Fellow, but this could be a future student project.

Gratitude for article from GAMEO board: My gratitude to Jon Isaak for completing an update of the B.H. Unruh biography, which had been identified as a priority at our meeting last year. Richard Thiessen also published a biography of John A. Lapp on GAMEO, soon after John's passing. And I know that others of you have also been working on producing, editing, and revising content.

Ongoing discussions:

- a. **Multilingual content.** Over the past few years, GAMEO has made commitments to publish in multiple languages. This grows out of GAMEO's vision to both reflect and serve a global church communion, but it is also a strategic move. Global scholars and church members are more likely to feel invested in GAMEO and willing to donate their time to contributing content, if it will be published in a language accessible to the church communities who could benefit from that same content. I have certainly found this to be true in working on biographies with global church partners.

Until this year the majority of GAMEO's non-English publishing had been in French, German, and Spanish. This year, however, there have been requests to publish also in Russian, Amharic, and Ukrainian. As we consider expanding the range of multilingual publishing we do, there is a need to also consider how this could affect the structure and accessibility of our overall site. What are our goals with multilingual publishing? What needs to shift in order to accommodate more multilingual content? Should there be a way for users to quickly identify all the articles within the site that are in a particular language? Do we continue to "double publish" articles in English and a second

language? How will search accuracy be affected by searching across multiple languages at one time? Are there changes we should make in the GAMEO site at this point in time, so as to allow for greater multilingual capacity and function in the future?

- b. **Outdated articles.** As you all are well aware, GAMEO is managed and run by an amazing group of volunteers. It has continued to grow and offer new content each year, despite no paid staff. This is something to celebrate! At the same time, that growth has meant that there is a large collection of articles that are now outdated. Last September, for example, we received an email from a church who had accessed our article on Hispanic Mennonites article, hoping to use it for their church's own Hispanic Heritage Month celebration. Instead, they found an article that hadn't been updated since 1989. We were able to add a more appropriate photo to that article and prioritize an update for it, but we only realized it was in need of updating because a user alerted us. I mention this experience to show how much of our system depends on users identifying outdated or incorrect material for us; we really have no systematic way of doing this ourselves or of dedicating resources to quality updates. What are ways to manage the quality collection that we have, so that outdated material is updated in a systematic manner, to assure that GAMEO continues to be a widely-used resource?

The spring semester of 2024 has been unusually busy for me, and I have not been able to dedicate the time and attention to GAMEO that I hoped in these months. I remain committed to finalizing an update to the Hispanic Mennonites article, updating the article on Anabaptists and the dramatic arts, and publishing Workineh's biographies in the coming months, in addition to consulting Kenyan partners on a biography we have prepared. Thank you for your grace, and I look forward to gathering with you soon at our annual meeting.

GAMEO “Admin” Report – 2024

Receiving e-mails that are addressed to admin@GAMEO.org has not been an onerous responsibility. Two-thirds of the message I would consider as “junk” (offers from one business or another) and of the other one third, most have been about content (offering corrections, additional information or new articles). When I have received new submissions that were either solicited by one of the GAMEO sub-committees or otherwise clearly fit into the most common types of entries (biography, church or institutional), the work has been fairly easy.

One item that was a bit more challenging was receiving the first Spanish article. I worked with General Editor Elizabeth Miller in editing and posting it. The article was posted in English as well, just like the earlier French articles.

Currently there is no way to isolate searches by language type – a feature that would be nice. We could get around this by creating a category for each language type and make sure that all of the non-English language articles get assigned the appropriate category. So, we could have the following category: Category:French Language Articles or Category:Spanish Language Articles. **Should this be done?**

I was also reminded that several years ago the Editorial Committee discussed the issue of internal links within French language articles to other articles in GAMEO. There was a difference of opinion as to whether or not links within French language articles should be made to only other French language articles in GAMEO or to also link to English language articles. As far as I know, our practice has been to link from French language articles to English language articles and from French to French and not English when a French one is available. This topic could be revisited as we continue to add other language articles.

Some other more challenging articles were:

- Lauren Friesen’s submission on “Drama and Mennonite culture” (eventually passed on to Elizabeth Miller, General editor to incorporate into existing 1990 article on [“Dramatic Arts”](#))
- Victor Wiebe’s submission on [“Voices Together \(Hymnbook\)”](#) (it raised the question for me if the broader article on “Hymnody” should rather be revised and include this data)
- Buhler’s submission on [“Western Canadian Mennonite Slow Pitch Ball Tournaments: 1982-1998”](#) (it raised the question for me, if I should return it and ask for revisions or if should I just move ahead with editing it to make it meet our criteria and writing guidelines)

I feel that I have not devoted as much time to GAMEO as it deserves; perhaps, most noticeable by the lack of changes on the home page where a new biography gets featured. Feedback and suggestions are most welcome for frequency and for which biography to feature next.

Alf Redekopp
GAMEO Associate Editor
April 27, 2024

GAMEO statistics, last 12 months (January 24, 2023-January 24, 2024)

- About 86% of engaged users found GAMEO through an organic search eg. “googling it.”). Just over 11% found GAMEO through a direct search (eg. typing the URL into a browser). These percentages are similar to last year.
- The highest percentage of users were from the United States (48%) followed by Canada (40%) and then in descending order at less than 3% each: Germany, United Kingdom, Netherlands, Australia, India, France, Poland and Switzerland. The top 10 regions producing engaged sessions were: Alberta, Ontario, Manitoba, British Columbia, Pennsylvania, Saskatchewan, Ohio, Virginia, California and Illinois. These results are very similar to last year.
- The number of article pages with over a thousand views doubled in the past year. The article pages with over a thousand views were (in descending order): World Mennonite Membership Distribution, Molotschna Mennonite Settlement, Church of God in Christ, Mennonite, Hutterian Brethren, Dariusleut, Chortitza Mennonite Settlement, Mennonite Confession of Faith 1963, Dordrecht Confession of Faith, Beachy Amish Mennonite Fellowship, Nationwide Fellowship Churches, Menno Simons, Anabaptism, Lehrerleut, Scotford Hutterite Colony, Schmiederleut, Names (Mennonite), McMinnville Old Order Amish Settlement, Birch Hills Hutterite Colony, Midwest Mennonite Fellowship, Big Stone Hutterite Colony, Palatinate, Forest River Hutterite Colony, Pibroch Hutterite Colony, Spring Prairie Hutterite Colony, Spokane Hutterite Colony, Old Order Amish, Old Colony Mennonites, Mennonite Brethren Church, Mid-Atlantic Mennonite Fellowship, Eastern Pennsylvania Mennonite Church.
- Articles added to GAMEO in 2023 are listed below.
- The number of engaged sessions was 351,000, an increase of over 67% since last year. According to the definition in Analytics, “An engaged session is a session that lasts longer than 10 seconds, has a conversion event, or has at least 2 page views or screen views.”
- As per last year, the overwhelming majority of users were English-speaking. Other languages in the top ten were: German, Dutch, Spanish, French, Russian, Polish, Portuguese, Chinese, and Italian. This list is quite similar to last year.

Snapshot of activity, August 2022-January 2024



List of Articles Added to GAMEO in 2023¹

31 December 2023

- North Shore Japanese Christian Church (West Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada)

30 December 2023

- Goerzen, Henry David (1928-2019)

28 December 2023

- Bergen, Isaac "Ike" (1938-2023)
- Cobbtown Christian Church (Jay, Florida, USA)
- Rempel, Dietrich "Dick" (1935-2023)

27 December 2023

- Way of Life Community Church (Bayou La Batre, Alabama, USA)
- Way of Life Community Church (Mobile, Alabama, USA)

¹ Compiled by Richard Thiessen. Does not include rewritten articles or articles with significant edits

25 December 2023

- True Vine Evangelical Outreach Ministries (Birmingham, Alabama, USA)

20 December 2023

- New Vision Ministries (Bessemer, Alabama, USA)

19 December 2023

- Mennonite Christian Fellowship (Atmore, Alabama, USA)

17 December 2023

- Wall, David (1927-2019)

14 December 2023

- Grace Fellowship (Atmore, Alabama, USA)

13 December 2023

- Grace & Truth Church (Birmingham, Alabama, USA)

10 December 2023

- Evangelical Garifuna Church of New Orleans (New Orleans, Louisiana, USA)

9 December 2023

- Straight Mountain Mennonite Church (Springville, Alabama, USA)

8 December 2023

- Faith Chapel Mennonite Church (Cleveland, Alabama, USA)

7 December 2023

- Crestview Mennonite Church (Crestview, Florida, USA)

5 December 2023

- Byrneville Mennonite Church (Century, Florida, USA)

3 December 2023

- Celebration Fellowship (Atlanta, Georgia, USA)

2 December 2023

- Calvary Mennonite Church (Brewton, Alabama, USA)

30 November 2023

- Ambassadors for Christ Church (Birmingham, Alabama, USA)

29 November 2023

- Berean Christian Fellowship (Tallahassee, Florida, USA)
- Silent Light / Stellet Licht (Film)

24 November 2023

- Bethel Community Mennonite Church (Brewton, Alabama, USA)

21 November 2023

- Poarch Community Church (Atmore, Alabama, USA)

14 November 2023

- Pearl River Bible Church (Philadelphia, Mississippi, USA)

13 November 2023

- Open Door Mennonite Church (Jackson, Mississippi, USA)

11 November 2023

- Nanih Waiya Indian Mennonite Church (Preston, Mississippi, USA)

9 November 2023

- Lighthouse Fellowship Church (Buras, Louisiana, USA)
- Mashulaville Mennonite Fellowship (2009-)(Macon, Mississippi, USA)

26 October 2023

- Toews, Helen (1926-2022)

25 October 2023

- Choctaw Christian Church (Louisville, Mississippi, USA)

22 October 2023

- Cornerstone Community Church (Macon, Mississippi, USA)

20 October 2023

- Mlotshwa, Samuel M. (1914-2012)

7 October 2023

- Jubilee Mennonite Church (Meridian, Mississippi, USA)

27 September 2023

- Cardona Tabares, Gildardo (1929-2020)
- Cardona Tabares, Gildardo (1929-2020) (ES)

14 September 2023

- Fargo-Moorhead Faith Mennonite Fellowship (Fargo, North Dakota, USA)

10 September 2023

- Bugnion, Francois-Louis (1822-1880)
- Liederperlen (Choral Music Publication)

4 September 2023

- Community Bible Church (Wolf Point, Montana, USA)

30 August 2023

- Disciples Mennonite Fellowship (Duluth, Minnesota, USA)

23 August 2023

- Sunrise Hutterite Colony (Summit, South Dakota, USA)

8 August 2023

- Faith Mennonite Church (Geneva, Nebraska, USA)
- Friesen, Anna (1885-1981)7 August 2023
- Grand Island Mennonite Church (Grand Island, Nebraska, USA)
- Luitjens, Jacob (1919-2022)
- New Hope Mennonite Church (Omaha, Nebraska, USA)

4 August 2023

- Beth-El Community Church (Milford, Nebraska, USA)

1 August 2023

- Cairo Mennonite Church (Cairo, Nebraska, USA)

30 July 2023

- Peace Community Fellowship (Burlington, Iowa, USA)

29 July 2023

- Evangelical Mennonite Church (Fort Dodge, Iowa, USA)

28 July 2023

- River City Mennonite Church (Moline, Illinois, USA)

27 July 2023

- Iglesia Amor Viviente New Orleans (Metairie, Louisiana, USA)

26 July 2023

- House Church of Freeman (Freeman, South Dakota, USA)

25 July 2023

- Omaha Chin Christian Church (Omaha, Nebraska, USA)
- White Chapel Mennonite Church (Glendive, Montana, USA)

24 July 2023

- Lao Christian Fellowship (Mountain Lake, Minnesota, USA)

10 July 2023

- Third Way Church (St. Paul, Minnesota, USA)

6 July 2023

- Mennonite Worker, The (Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA)

3 July 2023

- Shalom Mennonite Church (Eau Claire, Wisconsin, USA)

2 July 2023

- Sermon on the Mount Mennonite Church (Sioux Falls, South Dakota, USA)

30 June 2023

- Belize Colony (Loreto Department, Peru)
- Blanca Flor Colony (Quintana Roo, Mexico)
- Campo Alto Colony (Canindeyú Department, Paraguay)
- Cerro Blanco Colony (Chihuahua, Mexico)
- Colonia Uruguaya Colony (San Pedro Department, Paraguay)
- Comanche Colony (Coahuila, Mexico)

- El Bajío Colony (Quintana Roo, Mexico)
- Guanacevi Colony (Campeche, Mexico)
- Huizache Colony (San Luís Potosí, Mexico)
- Los Pinos Colony (Tamaulipas, Mexico)
- Madelón Colony (Boquerón Department, Paraguay)
- Masisea Colony (Ucayali Department, Peru)
- Mazapil Colony (Zacatecas, Mexico)
- Monte Claro (Boquerón Department, Paraguay)
- Neu-Bergthal Colony (Caaguazú Department, Paraguay)
- Neufeld Colony (Caazapá Department, Paraguay)
- Neu-Sommerfeld Colony (Caaguazú Department, Paraguay)
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17 June 2023

- Hart, Lawrence Homer (1933-2022)

16 June 2023

- Rochester Mennonite Church (Rochester, Minnesota, USA)

14 June 2023

- Pleasant View Mennonite Church (Mount Pleasant, Iowa, USA)

13 June 2023

- Northside Christian Family Center (Omaha, Nebraska, USA)

8 June 2023

- Mercy Church (Sioux Falls, South Dakota, USA)

5 June 2023

- Église Bethésda Mennonite de Saint-Hyacinthe (Saint-Hyacinthe, Quebec, Canada)
- Église Jésus-Christ Appelle Tous (Trois-Rivière, Quebec, Canada)

30 May 2023

- Jubilee (Maple Ridge, British Columbia, Canada)

28 May 2023

- Camp Likely (Likely, British Columbia, Canada)

26 May 2023

- Penner, Peter (1925-2021)
- Groening, George (1918–2022)

25 May 2023

- Bartel, Norman (1929-2020)
- Dueck, Peter Albert (1923-2015)
- Friesen, Erna (1932-2021)

24 May 2023

- Iglesia Torre Fuerte (Iowa City, Iowa, USA)

23 May 2023

- Iglesia Menonita Centro Cristiano (Washington, Iowa, USA)

22 May 2023

- Enns, Peter (1933-2022)
- Ratzlaff, Harold (1932-2022)

18 May 2023

- Anabaptist Disciples of Christ
- Anabaptist Financial
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16 May 2023

- St. Paul Hmong Mennonite Church (St. Paul, Minnesota, USA)

12 May 2023

- First Mennonite Church (Lincoln, Nebraska, USA)

11 May 2022

- Faith Mennonite Church (Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA)

8 May 2023

- Emmanuel Mennonite Church (St. Paul, Minnesota, USA)

16 April 2023

- Des Moines Mennonite Church (Des Moines, Iowa, USA)

11 April 2023

- Christ Community Church (Des Moines, Iowa, USA)
- Nickel, Isaac J. (1895-1960)

10 April 2023

- Iglesia Cristiana El Balsamo (Muscatine, Iowa, USA)

6 April 2023

- Iglesia Menonita de Muscatine (Muscatine, Iowa, USA)

5 April 2023

- Casa de Oracion Emanuel (Davenport, Iowa, USA)
- Templo Alabanza Menonita (Moline, Illinois, USA)

3 April 2023

- Saint Julian's Table (Beausejour, Manitoba, Canada)

14 March 2023

- Raleigh Mennonite Church (Raleigh, North Carolina, USA)

10 March 2023

- Emmanuel Mennonite Church (Gainesville, Florida, USA)
- Grand Rapids Mennonite Fellowship (Grand Rapids, Michigan, USA)
- Keller Park Church (South Bend, Indiana, USA)

9 March 2023

- Americus Mennonite Fellowship (Americus, Georgia, USA)

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- Dover Christian Fellowship (Dover, Ohio, USA)

7 March 2023

- Bellefontaine Community Fellowship (Bellefontaine, Ohio, USA)
- Jubilee Mennonite Church (Bellefontaine, Ohio, USA)

23 February 2023

- Église Mont-Sinaï (Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo)
- Église Mont-Sinaï (Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo)(FR)

21 February 2023

- Kusangila, Kitondo James Jean-Pierre (1947-2021)
- Kusangila, Kitongo James Jean-Pierre (1947-2021)(FR)

15 February 2023

- St. Louis Mennonite Fellowship (St. Louis, Missouri, USA)

27 January 2023

- Maple Avenue Mennonite Church (Waukesha, Wisconsin, USA)

26 January 2023

- Iglesia Evangélica Menonita (Milwaukee, Wisconsin, USA)

10 January 2023

- Old Colony Mennonite Church (Whitecourt, Alberta, Canada)

6 January 2023

- Bowling Green Mennonite Fellowship (Bowling Green, Ohio, USA)

5 January 2023

- Christ Community Mennonite Church (Schaumburg, Illinois, USA)
- North Suburban Mennonite Church (Libertyville, Illinois, USA)

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for the year ended December 31, 2023

	Actual This Year	Budget This Year	Actual Last Year	This Year to Budget	This Year to Last Year	Variance This Year to Last Year	Variance This Year to Budget
045 - GAMEO							
INCOME							
Contributions	7,297	7,000	7,157	104%	102%	140	297
Other Income	174	0	79		219%	95	174
Total Revenue	7,471	7,000	7,237	107%	103%	234	471
	3,702						
EXPENSES							
Staff Costs	0	0	0			0	0
Travel Costs	0	0	0			0	0
Office Costs	2,650	3,500	3,090	76%	86%	440	850
Meeting Costs	0	0	73			73	0
Administration Costs	0	0	0			0	0
Total expenses	2,650	3,500	3,163	76%	84%	512	850
Exchange gain/(loss)	0	0	0			0	0
Net Fund Activity	4,821	3,500	4,074	138%	118%	747	1,321
Beginning Balance	22,065	22,065	18,570	100%			
Management Fees	(1,119)	(560)	(579)	200%	193%		
Fund transfers	0	0	0				
Ending Balance	25,767	25,005	22,065	103%	117%		

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