

## “Coming Together: the Journey of Faith and Peace”

Invitation to the

### Global Mennonite Peacebuilding Conference and Festival III

Harrisonburg, Virginia

15-18 June, 2023

Eastern Mennonite University warmly invites you to the third Global Mennonite Peacebuilding Conference and Festival (GMP III) that will be held on our campus in Harrisonburg, Virginia from 15-18 June, 2023. **The theme for this Conference and Festival will be “Coming Together: the Journey of Faith and Peace.”**

As the name suggests, this will be the third rendition of this conference, following two previous spaces and opportunities created by (1) Conrad Grebel University College in Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, and then (2) by the Mennonite Church in The Netherlands (*Algemene Doopsgezinde Sociëteit*), the Mennonite Seminary in Amsterdam, and the VU University (*Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam*). These spaces have been significant as an opportunity to gather academics, church workers, pastors, practitioners, artists, and others to share with one another the journey in working for peace as Mennonites/Anabaptists. Given the importance of creating such spaces, Eastern Mennonite University hopes to continue the conversation as we together share about, explore, and engage the theory, theology, and practice of Mennonite/Anabaptist peacemaking in our common quest of making God’s peace known and visible throughout the world.

We are thrilled that the GMP III will also serve as a space for the gathering of the [Global Anabaptist Peace Network](#) (GAPN). The GAPN was officially launched at the second GMP Conference and Festival in The Netherlands and will have their first in-person gathering just prior to the GMP III.

We hope to welcome you to our campus for this conversation! Please forward this invitation to others who would also be interested in participating in such a gathering. More information with regards to logistics as well as a Call for Papers, Workshop Proposals, and different forms of Art Submissions will be sent out soon.

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Peace,  
(On behalf of the Planning Committee)



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