

## **Ministry Partner Agreement as a Program Entity** **Between Mennonite Church USA Executive Board and Mosaic Mennonite Conference**

**Mosaic Vision:** *Embody the reconciling love of Jesus in our broken and beautiful world.*

**Mosaic Mission:** *Mosaic is a community celebrating and extending God's grace, justice, and peace. By the power of the Holy Spirit, we shape our relationships and work around missional, intercultural and formational priorities.*

**Mennonite Church USA Vision:** *God calls us to be followers of Jesus Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit to grow as communities of grace, joy, and peace, so that God's healing and hope flow through us to the world.*

### **Mennonite Church USA Executive Board and its staff agree to:**

- Foster a spirit of collaboration between the MC USA Executive Board and Mosaic Mennonite Conference for mutual benefit and witness as the body of Christ.
- Collaborate on shared vision and core priorities including intercultural leadership development, church planting accompaniment, and youth faith formation.
- Welcome Mosaic participation at the annual MC USA Hope for the Future gatherings.
- Provide access to the MLI database for pastoral search processes as requested for agreed upon fee.
- Maintain existing MLI database entries for agreed upon fee.
- Mosaic Conference will participate as a guest at the MC USA Delegate Assemblies and gatherings with other Program Entities.
- Invite relationship with Mosaic Mennonite Conference congregations desiring participation in MCUSA Delegate Assemblies.
- Supply the Mosaic Mennonite Conference communications director with an annually updated list of Executive Board and key staff emails for the purpose of subscribing to MC USA publications, webinars and other public-facing communications.
- Commit to regular communication between Mosaic Mennonite Conference Executive Minister and the Executive Director of Mennonite Church USA as mutually agreed, at least once per year.

### **Mosaic Mennonite Conference Board and staff agree to:**

- Foster a spirit of collaboration between the MC USA Executive Board and Mosaic Mennonite Conference for mutual benefit and witness as the body of Christ.
- Collaborate on shared vision and core priorities including intercultural leadership development, church planting accompaniment, and youth faith formation.
- Provide programs and support to further the mission of MC USA. These programs and support will include:
  - Assistance with translation into languages of Mennonite Church USA congregations.
  - Assistance with the Hispanic Ministries education initiative – included FTE.
  - Four MennoSnapshots articles on Anabaptist faith formation and intercultural best practices.
  - Participate with MC USA on church planting accompaniment.

- Participation at annual MC USA Hope for the Future gatherings.
- Maintain standards and records for ministerial credentials in ways that are in accordance with state and Safe Church requirements.
- Supply MC USA Executive Board chief communication officer with an annually updated list of Mosaic Mennonite Conference staff emails for the purpose of subscribing to PeaceMail and other important public-facing communications.
- Commit to regular communication between Mosaic Mennonite Conference Executive Minister and the Executive Director of Mennonite Church USA as mutually agreed, but no less than once per year.
- Actively seek to recruit staff members and interns from affiliated schools, colleges, and agencies.

Our goal is for a long-term, healthier, and reconciled relationship, so this ministry partner agreement will be in effect for five years. At the end of this time period, Mosaic and MCUSA Board will evaluate continuing as a Program Entity or different arrangement.