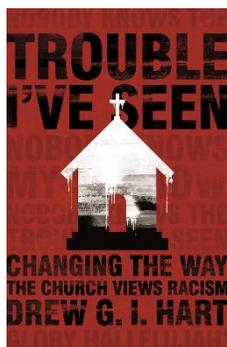

Report to Allegheny Conference from MennoMedia

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MennoMedia plans a new hymnal

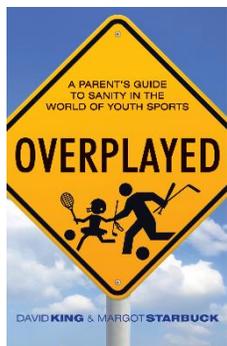
Mennonites sing together as a way to express our faith. This past year, a team from MennoMedia, Mennonite Church Canada, and Mennonite Church USA planted seeds for a new song collection to be released in 2020. It will be more than a printed hymnal, with electronic versions and other supporting products. Next year, a 10 to 12 member hymnal committee will be appointed and MennoMedia will hire a project director to oversee the process. We are eager to see this new song collection serve and nurture Anabaptist Mennonite believers as well as shape our common identity as followers of Jesus. To receive updates about the project, or to nominate a person for one of the committees, send an email to hymnalinfo@mennomedia.org.

Two new resources for the whole church



What if racial reconciliation doesn't look like what you expected? The high-profile killings of young black men and women by white police officers, and the protests and violence that ensued, have convinced many white Christians to reexamine their intuitions when it comes to race and justice.

In this provocative book, *Trouble I've Seen*, theologian and blogger Drew G. I. Hart places police brutality, mass incarceration, antiblack stereotypes, poverty, and everyday acts of racism within the larger framework of white supremacy. Leading readers toward Jesus, Hart offers concrete practices for churches that seek solidarity with the oppressed and are committed to racial justice. What if all Christians listened to the stories of those on the racialized margins? How might the church be changed by the trouble we've seen?



Should I sign up our seven-year-old son for the travel team? What should we do about our daughter's Sunday morning games? Am I the only one longing for a sane balance between children's sports, family time, and church commitments?

In *Overplayed*, David King and Margot Starbuck offer good news for Christian parents stressed out by these questions and stretched thin by the demands of competitive youth sports. Join King, athletics director at a Christian university, and Starbuck, an award-winning author and speaker, as they investigate seven myths about what's best for young athletes. Listen in as they talk to parents, pastors, and coaches about the peril and promise of children's sports. Learn practical ways to set boundaries and help kids gain healthy identities as beloved children of God—both on and off the field.

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