

Sushma needs a kidney



Sushma is the wife of Suraj Bhandari, the pastor at the Bhutanese Nepali Congregation in Pittsburgh, PA. For the last several years, Sushma has dealt with a kidney disease called IgA nephropathy. In simple terms, this disease produces too many of a certain kind of antibody, which deposits in the kidneys and causes damage. For the last year, she's been on at home dialysis and has done well on it. But recently, that kind of dialysis has become less effective. She needs to move to a stronger kind of dialysis, and has been put on the kidney transplant list.

Kidney transplants are more common than they used to be. But Sushma is a special case--she has the rarest blood type, type O, and that makes finding a kidney much more difficult.

As believers in the body of Christ, we care for each other in the way of Jesus--sharing what we have, and walking in solidarity with all of God's beloveds. I believe that if Jesus were around in his fully human form in 2025, he'd donate a kidney, because he walked among us for the sake of wholeness and healing for God's people. And so I want to ask you to consider kidney donation, as an act of hope and healing for Sushma, or someone you've never met. Even if you don't have type O blood, you can donate in honor of Sushma.

This week, I'll be signing up to be a kidney donor. Will you join me in helping to save a life, and to honor and encourage Sushma, Suraj and their family? You can sign up to be a kidney donor on Sushma's page: <https://nkr.org/HLJ848>

Amy Yoder McGloughlin

Trees, the Land, and Jesus: A Working and Learning Tour of Palestine

➤ February 4-19, 2026

This trip is sponsored by Mennonite Men and MennoPIN. To learn more about this delegation, reach out to Amy Yoder McGloughlin.

Don't forget to sign up for Allegheny's Celebration Weekend, August 1-3, 2025!

Rooms are first come, first served, and there's limited space. Contact Kathy Holsopple to register.

Fun for ALL AGES!

WELCOME OUR NEW CONFERENCE ADMINISTRATOR, BETH DALANSKY!

Beth is a member of Scottdale Mennonite Church. She'll begin with us in late June/early July, and will overlap with Kathy Holsopple for a period of training.

Welcome to Allegheny Mennonite Conference, Beth!



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Where's your Conference Minister?

June 1--Scottdale Mennonite Church
June 8--Community Mennonite Church
June 19--Pastor Peer Gathering
June 22--Philippi Mennonite Church
June 29--Crossroad Community Church
July 8-11--Mennonite Church USA convention
July 20--Masontown Mennonite Church
August 1-3--Allegheny Conference Celebration Weekend!