



Indonesia 2022

05-10
07 2022

bersama-sama mengikuti Yesus melintas batas
sesarengan ngetut wuri Gusti Yesus nratas wewates
following Jesus together across barriers
seguir a Jesús juntos, superando las barreras
suivre Jésus ensemble à travers les frontières

Church beyond walls

As the world continues to fight the pandemic, Indonesian Mennonite churches are learning new ways of gathering, of reaching out to the community, and of what it means to be a church beyond the four walls.

They do what they can to educate people about COVID-19, how to prevent infection, and what to do if someone is sick.

"We also have to take care of church members who lose their income. We take special offerings to help members in need," said Lydia Adi, international relations representative of *Jemaat Kristen Indonesia* (JKI) and former Global Youth Summit delegate.

Gereja Injili di Tanah Jawa (GITJ) and *Gereja Kristen Muria Indonesia* (GKMI) also tapped into the Mennonite World Conference's COVID-19 response fund to help underprivileged church members in remote areas with food and hygiene supplies.

Virtually united

The pandemic has forced churches to find different ways to gather. "Urban churches do virtual services. We also encourage older members to watch the livestream. However, in smaller towns, the internet may not be reliable so we organize socially-distanced service with masks on and sanitizing stations," said MZ Ichsanuddin from GITJ, MWC executive committee member.

Beyond virtual weekly services and cell groups, JKJ is moving its three full days of youth conference Unlimited Fire purely online. "We want to empower young leaders to reach out to the nation in a relevant way. Today, that way is online," said Pastor Anton Sidharta of JKJ Maranatha Church and founder of Unlimited Fire, "Going virtual has enabled us to reach out

to young people from all over Indonesia, even overseas! Without online tools, meeting them or flying them to the conference would have been far costlier and require much more time."

Churches are also finding new ways to combine resources. "Recently, interdenominational churches in Batam Island hosted a drive-in revival meeting which we participated in. People listened through the radio in their cars as the worship team led from the stage, and the speaker - who was not there in person, was projected onto a big screen," Anton added.

Meanwhile, GKMI will launch a mobile application to connect churches and members so they could collaborate on how to impact their communities.

"Change is inevitable, we shouldn't be afraid of it. We have to be transformed so that the gospel continues to spread and be experienced in new ways," said GKMI moderator Pastor Agus Mayanto.

Longing for face-to-face gathering

Despite the challenges, hope remains that MWC churches will be together in 2022. "Churches in Indonesia have been through a pandemic before," said National Advisory Council chair Rev. Paulus Widjaja, "By the grace of God, we will get through this, and it is our hope that the world can come of this pandemic together, stronger, and more united. We look forward to welcoming you to Indonesia in 2022!"



Indonesian Mennonite churches exploring new ways to worship.
Photo: Unlimited Fire Media, GITJ Juwana, Agus Setianto.



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Assembly Scattered

Before and after
Assembly Gathered
various locations in Indonesia

1-4
July
2022 **Global Youth Summit (GYS)**
Salatiga, Central Java, Indonesia
Theme:
Life in the Spirit:
Learn. Serve.
Worship.

5-10
July
2022 **Assembly Gathered**
Holy Stadium, Semarang, Central Java, Indonesia
Theme:
Following Jesus together across barriers.

Assembly Gathered Program

July Daily Themes

- 05 Tuesday (opening): following Jesus together across barriers
- 06 Wednesday: following Jesus, learning together
- 07 Thursday: following Jesus, living together
- 08 Friday: following Jesus, caring together
- 09 Saturday: following Jesus, celebrating together
- 10 Sunday (closing): following Jesus together



Socially-distanced worship at GITJ Juwana, Indonesia.
Photo: Slamet Kristanto

Morning Program

Each morning will feature speakers chosen by the Young Anabaptist Committee and by one of the MWC Commissions. Youth will be actively involved in the program on stage. Singing together will be a major part of our celebration.



Morning Program.
Photo: Dania Ciptadi

Afternoon activities

Afternoon activities will include workshops, service opportunities, local tours, sports, Global Church Village and Anabaptist World Cup. Workshop suggestions can be submitted to Estifanos Gedlu at workshops2022@mw-cmm.org until 31 July 2021



Afternoon program: Global Church Village. Photo: Jim Cheng

Evening Worship

Each evening will have special music and speaker from one continent.



Evening Worship at PA 2015 in the USA.
Photo: Kazutomo Ray Epp

Children's All-Day Program

Children will join the morning singing with their families. From there they will be welcomed into their own program in different age groups. The program will involve story telling around the biblical message. There will be games, crafts, singing and tons of fun. The program will include lunch and end before supper.



Children's Program.
Photo: Wilhelm Unger

Teen and Youth Program

Youth will have a special focus during all parts of Assembly. This will include small groups for youth, Young Anabaptist speakers, inspiring music, service opportunities, youth-related themes in workshops, sports activities and hang out time at the Global Church Village. And at the end of each full day, there will be a **bonus** late-evening youth program.



Giant card game for teens and youth
Zat PA 2015 in the USA.
Photo: Aubrey Kreide

Registration

Registration opens in
December 2021

Registration fee for adults will be A \$35, B \$75, C \$150, D \$550 US or E Rp. 500.000 depending on country of citizenship (see rate groups on website). Registration includes lunch and supper, Semarang airport pick-up and drop-off and Semarang hotel shuttles to and from Assembly site.

There will be special rates for children, youth, families, volunteers and GYS attendees.

Please see website for more details: mw-cmm.org/A17-registration

Lodging, breakfast included

Hotel Rooms:
\$30 to \$50 US room per night at a 3- to 4-star hotel
Dormitory-style lodging at local school: \$10 US per person per night

Registration fee GYS:

including food and lodging
A \$15, B \$35, C \$75, D \$275 US, E Rp. 200.000 depending on country of citizenship (see rate groups on website).

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