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A Community of Anabaptist
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To all Mennonite, Brethren in Christ and related churches worldwide
To Mennonite World Conference General Council members and associate members

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Greetings from Bogotá, Colombia!

Each year Mennonite World Conference (MWC) encourages Anabaptist-related churches around the world to worship around a common theme on a Sunday close to January 21, usually the fourth Sunday in January. On that date in 1525, the first Anabaptist baptism took place in Zurich, Switzerland.

World Fellowship Sunday (WFS) provides an opportunity for Anabaptists to remember their common roots and celebrate worldwide *koinonia*. Churches are encouraged to plan a WFS worship service that will help them enter into fellowship, intercession and thanksgiving with the global faith family.

For 2013, Mennonite World Conference asked the Colombian Mennonite and Brethren in Christ churches to prepare worship materials. The attached materials focus on the theme: "Justice and Witness of the Church today" and include biblical texts, prayers, song suggestions and sermon ideas. They are the fruit of the joint work of the three Colombian Anabaptist conferences.

We encourage each MWC member body to choose and adapt materials that fit their context, and to translate (if necessary), copy and distribute the enclosed materials to all local churches.

Please have someone from your church record how you celebrated the day. MWC would be grateful to hear from you after World Fellowship Sunday so that we can share your experiences with others in the worldwide family of faith.

Grace and Peace,

César García
General Secretary