



## Indonesia 2021

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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

# GYS: Global Youth Summit 2021

**Life in the Spirit:  
Learn. Serve. Worship.**

GYS is a gathering of Young Anabaptists (age 18+) from all over the world. The fourth Global Youth Summit will be held just before Assembly Gathered of Mennonite World Conference, on 2–5 July 2021 in Salatiga, Central Java, Indonesia (about 50 km south of Semarang, location of Assembly Gathered, 6–11 July 2021).

Participants at GYS will learn through teaching, interacting, worshipping and playing alongside youth from different cultures and contexts.

Days will include worship, workshops, games, music from different countries and time for fellowship with young people from around the world.



Who will your church send to participate in this once-every-six-years opportunity to learn, serve and worship in one spirit along with youth from around the world?

In addition to the participants, each MWC member church can select one young person to represent them as an official delegate. These young leaders will be asked to survey the youth in their national church and report to other GYS delegates.



Photo: Marisabel Castillo

**“The best thing about GYS for me was worshipping God together in different languages but one mind.”**

Marisabel Castillo,  
GYS 2015 participant, Costa Rica

**“The best thing about the GYS was meeting different people from around the globe and learning as a group.”**

Wyclief Ochieng Otieno,  
GYS 2015 delegate, Kenya



Photo: Wyclif Ochieng

During delegate sessions at GYS, these representatives will present their reports and discuss topics concerning youth, church and Anabaptist faith. Delegates will be responsible to lead a worship session with their continent group. After GYS, the delegates report back to their national church about what they learned and experienced.



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**Mennonite World Conference**  
A Community of Anabaptist related Churches

**Congreso Mundial Menonita**  
Una Comunidad de Iglesias Anabautistas

**Conférence Mennonite Mondiale**  
Une Communauté d'Eglises Anabaptistes

**Meet the YABs committee:**

Ebenezer Mondez (Philippines) for Asia and the Pacific;  
 Larissa Swartz (USA) for North America;  
 Jantine Brouwer-Huisman (Netherlands) for Europe;  
 Makadunyiswe Doublejoy Ngulube (Zimbabwe) for Africa;  
 and Oscar Suárez (Colombia) for Latin America.

Photo: Karla Braun



Worship at GYS 2015. Photo: Dania Ciptadi

At the last GYS, a delegate from each continent was chosen to represent the young Anabaptists from their continent. These delegates, together with their mentor Tigist Tesfaye (Ethiopia), form the YABs committee.

The YABs Committee organizes the following GYS. During the years between GYS, they also connect with young people in their region, organize YABs Fellowship Week, and engage young adults around the world through social media (Facebook [www.facebook.com/younganabaptists/](http://www.facebook.com/younganabaptists/), Instagram [www.instagram.com/younganabaptists/](http://www.instagram.com/younganabaptists/)).

If you have a question about young Anabaptists around the world, please contact the YABs committee through Facebook or by email ([yabs@mw-cmm.org](mailto:yabs@mw-cmm.org)).

If you have questions about GYS, write to [Indonesia2021@mw-cmm.org](mailto:Indonesia2021@mw-cmm.org).

**More than just gathering: Taste and see the LORD is good**

Semarang offers Javanese hospitality and warmth and many cultural heritage sites rich in religious colours.

"Everyone is guaranteed to be comfortable in Semarang, because this city has high pluralism and is very tolerant," says Indonesia Minister of Tourism Mr. Arief Yahya.

Experience Indonesia: visit Thekelan Village

Thekelan Village is known for its tolerance among different religions. Every Christmas, Buddhists and Muslims in the region visit the church in Thekelan Village to wish the Christians a Merry Christmas.

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