



Anabaptist World Fellowship Sunday Worship Resources

Prepared by the
3 MWC member
churches (synods)
in Indonesia for
23 January 2022,
or at any time convenient
for your congregation.
These could be used during
the time of the Assembly,
5-10 July 2022.

Theme and texts

**a. Theme:
Following
Jesus
together**

**b. Why this theme
was chosen:**

This is the theme for
the Indonesia 2022
Assembly, 5-10 July,
2022

**c. Biblical texts
options:**

Old Testament:
Genesis 12:1-5

Psalm
104:1-4, 24, 31-33

Gospel:
John 20:19-23

New Testament:
1 Corinthians
12:3-13

d. Texts and theme:

- God's call to Abraham and Sarah expanded to include all followers of Jesus, a call to be a blessing to the world.
- As creatures of God's creation and followers of Jesus we together testify to the glory of God.
- As followers of Jesus in MWC we come together as a communion – sisters and brothers in Christ – learning from each other and supporting each other in times of suffering and joy.

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Prayer Requests

- Pray for the three Anabaptist synods in Indonesia: GITJ (Gereja Injili de Tanah Jawa – the oldest Anabaptist-Mennonite Global South conference in the world), GKMI (Gereja Kristen Muria Indonesia) and JKI (Jemaat Kristen Indonesia). Pray for the churches' safety and witness in Indonesia, part of a small Christian minority in the country with the largest number of Muslims in the world.
- Pray for the many MWC meetings in Indonesia in July 2022 – the member church delegates at the General Council, Commissions, MWC networks (mission, service, peace, education, health), and the global Assembly itself. Pray for health and safety of all participants. Pray that the Spirit will move in the midst of the gatherings, uniting and strengthening the body.
- Pray for a world divided by inequities, as demonstrated by COVID-19 in the last two years. Pray for sisters and brothers who are struggling with vulnerability due to illness, violence, disaster and injustice. May we embrace and support each one, as we work together to address these many systemic issues.
- Give thanks for the gifts of the Spirit, uniting and strengthening MWC member churches around the world.

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Song Suggestions

Indonesian Songs

#15 MWC 1978 Songbook, *Dhuh pangeran* (O Prince of Peace), by Saptojoadi, a Mennonite songwriter

#17 MWC 2015 Songbook, *Nyanyikanlah Nyanyian Baru* (Sing to God a new song)
2022 MWC Songbook, *S'gala puji syukur* (All our praise and glory)

Other Asian songs from MWC 2015 Songbook

#20 *Sari srishti ke malik tumhi ho* (All praise to the God of Creation)

#22 *Ki Ri Su To No* (May the peace of Christ be with you)

Other songs from MWC 2015 Songbook

#7 *Som'landela* (We will follow)

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Multimedia resources

See mwc-cmm.org/awfs

- Video greetings from congregations around the world
- Scripture texts read in multiple languages on video
- Song videos
- Assembly videos introducing Indonesia
- Photos
- Interactive map
- Sample bulletin covers
- Posters





5 Offering

- MWC invites congregations to take a special offering for our global Anabaptist church community on Anabaptist World Fellowship Sunday. One way to think about this offering is to invite every member to contribute the cost of at least one lunch in their community in order to support the core activities, commissions and resources in our global faith community of MWC. Sacrificing one lunch is our humble way of giving thanks to God and supporting the ongoing core ministry of God through MWC.
- MWC also invites congregations to designate part of their offering this year for the Assembly and related gatherings in Indonesia.
- mwc-cmm.org/donate



6 Additional Resources

In this package

- Liturgies
- Anabaptist historical context for AWFS
- Sermons
- Ideas for children's time
- Cultural contributions from Indonesia



GKMI synod



JKI synod

The biblical texts, prayers, song suggestions, sermon ideas and other resources in this package have been prepared by members of MWC out of their experience in their local context. The teaching does not necessary represent an official MWC position.

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