Departing Canada, Encountering Latin America:

Reflections on the Centenary of Mennonite Emigration from Canada to Mexico and Paraguay

Hosted by the Centre for Transnational Mennonite Studies

October 21–22, 2022

Convocation Hall The University of Winnipeg and Livestream

One hundred years ago thousands of Low German–speaking Mennonites from Manitoba and Saskatchewan began to establish their first colonies in northern Mexico. A few years later Mennonites created a settlement in the contested Paraguayan Gran Chaco. This centenary conference presents papers from a variety of disciplines that explore the development of Mennonite life on the Canadian Prairies, the factors that drove emigration, the establishment and evolution of Mennonite communities in Mexico and Paraguay, and the subsequent migration of Mennonites from Mexico to other regions of Latin America.

Friday, October 21 (9:45 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.)

Mobile Families Across Space and Time

Conditions of Departure: Immigration to, and Emigration from, Mexico

Education and Identity in Canada and Mexico *Conform* Documentary Screening

Saturday, October 22 (10:00 a.m. - 5:15 p.m.)

Gender, Labour, and Foodways in Mexico, Canada, and Bolivia Indigenous, Mennonite, Mestizo: Encounters in Mexico, Paraguay, and Bolivia

Change and Persistence: Land, Environment, Technology, Church

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