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# Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale, Inc.

Sale Dates: April 12 - 13, 2019  
Website: [www.kansas.mccsale.org](http://www.kansas.mccsale.org)

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## General Meeting Eden Mennonite Church March 28, 2019

**Welcome:** Pastor Derek King opened the meeting with a devotional based on II Corinthians 8 which brings out competition/generosity like the MCC sale. God's kingdom wins through this competition!

**Thank you, Eden,** for your hospitality and snacks. Thanks to all the church liaisons and Committees for all the work you do preparing for another successful MCC Sale. Everyone under the age of 50 were asked to stand – only 5 stood up! We need to recruit the younger folks and get them involved.

**Sale Tax Issue:** Jim Robb received a call from Carrie Barker with Kansas Dept of Revenue. She was inquiring how KMRS planned to remit sale tax. Jim proceeded to tell her KMRS was exempt from paying sale tax per Publication KS-1510 ( Rev. 8/04) which specifically lists the KMRS. Carrie proceeded to inform Jim that 1510 had been revised twice in the last year. Jim has contacted our attorneys. Also contacted Tim Hodges who said that was not the intent of the law but he got no where with his inquiries. The regulation now states for religious groups to be exempt from Sale Tax cannot have reoccurring or more than one day events.

We need to prepare to collect sale tax for this year and work on changing this for future years. Our options include: 1) Provide KDOR documentation why we should be exempt along with asking for a private letter ruling. Not time to complete before this year Sale. 2) Write letters to Representatives and Senators. The Board will work on drafting a letter.

Sale tax in Hutch in 9.1%. The Board decided for this year we will charge sale tax at the five Auction sales and KMRS will pay the tax on food and booth sales.

Michelle Armster, MCC Central States, said God's got this! We need to focus on relief, development, and peace in the name of Christ. Work is done in miraculous ways. Trust God and all will work out Get ready for Sale! Great Religious event – serve the Lord.

**Treasurer's Report** (3/14/19 to 3/28/19):

Income:

\$15,545 - From Churches  
450 – MCC Bucks  
\$490 – My Coins Count  
\$3,499– Partners  
\$5,145 – Fellowship Meals  
\$985 – Memorial towards Quilt Auction

Expense:

\$450 – Insurance  
\$216 – Printing

Current balance - \$107,476

**Cash boxes** will be filled like previous years. If you need anything different contact Tim. Info will be in the cash boxes regarding the runners and MCC Bucks.

**Purchasing Committee** (Fred Goering): Bids were collected from churches and families. We met the budget plus some!

**Publicity** – Becky Blough

A bulletin/mailbox insert has been sent to Church secretaries with info about the Sale and listing volunteer needs. Encourage church members to volunteer and to involve their children. Be sure Sale bills are distributed in the community. Send pictures of pre-sale activities and items being donated to [photos@kansas.mccsale.org](mailto:photos@kansas.mccsale.org)

**Trailer Repairs:** New axels have been put on 2 cook trailers. Help is needed to add rims and tires. Call Jim Blough at 620-327-7370 if you are willing to help. Need helpers who can crawl under the trailer. Cost of tires and rims were donated by Brandon and Kristi Unruh.

**Booth Policy:** Booths will be opening at 4:00 pm on Friday. If you serve food and you are ready to sell, you can open earlier. Guide for booths along with important phone numbers will be handed out to the booths.

**Key Person** position has been filled. We will have building access starting Wednesday morning. Questions regarding the time buildings will be opened and closed, contact Matt Voth. No changes from last year.

**Volunteer Sheets:** If you have names of volunteers be sure to get to person named on the sheet. If you don't know who to contact, email/call Barb Reeves. Many booths are short volunteers. Let your congregation know if they want to help but didn't sign up, just ask at any booth if they need help.

**Volunteers Needed:**

Sausage Servers on Saturday at Feeding the Multitude, contact Jim Robb 620-747-0186

Sunflower North Sandwich booth – help Friday and Saturday, all ages welcome. Contact Rod Chrystie 620-727-7148

Quilter's Corner – to volunteer call Kathy Snyder, 316-804-8902 or email [bizsnyder5156@gmail.com](mailto:bizsnyder5156@gmail.com)

Feeding the Multitude table waters for Friday or Saturday, call Delon 620-960-9471

Plants and Things – volunteer sheet is attached. Or, go online to volunteer through volunteer genius  
Bring plants Thursday or Friday morning. Also need flats

New Year Cookies need volunteers for Friday 2:00 – 6:00; Saturday 7:00 – 11:00. Go online to  
volunteer or call Cedric at 620-747-0559

Verenike Friday Cooking – call Michael at 620-899-6347

**Matt Voht Report:** If there are any electrical, utility related questions/issues, contact Matt or Jim. This keeps costs down and keeps communication clear with electricians and State Fair maintenance. Remember cleanliness is important while working with food. Wash your hands. No dumb questions so don't hesitate to contact Matt with any questions. Serve with a smile. The Lord will lead and guide us.

**Silent Auction** has lots of great donations of variety and unique items. Check out Facebook and website. Last month someone mentioned donating a weekend at an Arkansas house. If this is available contact Matt Schmidt or Al Penner.

**Remington Students** will return this year on Thursday to help with set up and making more relief kits. They will help with setting up tables and unloading trucks, etc.

**Comforter Blitz** completed 290 quilts in three days; 320 ladies participated representing 66 churches, some from out of state!

**Children's Auction** needs items to sell. Bring to Pride of Kansas Building

**Michelle Armster - MCC Report:**

Remember who we do this for and why we do this. Number of disasters have spiked. We can meat, send comforters, school, relief and health kits. We do it together. MCC Sales provide funds to help around the world. In 2020 MCC celebrates 100 years! People have been blessed and will continue to be blessed through MCC. Remember, God's got this!

**Important Dates to Remember:**

April 6- Bohne Berrogi Making

April 9 – Verenike Making

April 12-13 – Sale Weekend

May 19 – Ride for Relief

May 23 – Annual Meeting, First Mennonite, McPherson

**2020 Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale** will be held April 17 – 18, 2020. Due to Easter being second weekend, this is the third weekend of April. Get this on your personal and church calendars.

**Important to remember** God is with us. Spread the word the purpose of all this work is to help people less fortunate than us. Closed in prayer.

Respectfully Submitted:

Barb BJ Reeves  
KMRS Secretary