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TO: Area Conferences of Mennonite Church USA
Constituency Groups of Mennonite Church USA
RE: Step Up Program at Orlando, Mennonite Church USA 2017 Convention

At this summer's denominational convention in Orlando, we're offering a fresh way to involve high school youth representatives into the delegate sessions. The goal of "Step Up" is to prepare and launch young people into future involvement as denominational delegates and church leaders who are involved with the broader church.

Through two interactive seminar sessions with other youth, Step Up reps will be prepared for involvement in delegate work and debriefed after the experience. Between these two sessions youth will attend delegate sessions at an assigned table to engage in conversation with adult delegates and participate in delegate work.

Each conference and constituency group is invited to nominate representatives who are already attending convention to participate in this program.

Each conference will be asked to name three representatives: one male, one female, and one person from a racial/ethnic group. Each constituency group should nominate two representatives to participate. **Reps should be regular attendees at an MCUSA congregation who are rising high school sophomores or older.** Please sign up your representatives at <https://goo.gl/6wJdXZ>.



If you have questions or suggestions regarding the Step Up program, please contact Brook Musselman at brookm@atlanticcoastconference.net.

Many Blessings,

Brook Musselman
Chair of the Step UP planning team

