The Historical Commission of the U.S. and Canadian Mennonite Brethren Churches announces an "Open Research Grant" of $1,500 to promote research and publication on the history and contributions of Mennonite Brethren women around the world. The Grant is made possible by generous support from the Katie Funk Wiebe Fund. Projects may include, but are not limited to, books, articles, lecture series, symposia, and multi-media presentations.

To apply, send the following materials by April 1, 2013, to Jon Isaak (jisaak@mbconf.ca), Executive Secretary, Historical Commission, 1310 Taylor Ave., Winnipeg, Manitoba R3M 3Z6:

- A two- to three-page summary of the project, stating its significance to the field of Mennonite Brethren women studies, a budget of anticipated expenses, a vitae, and one letter of recommendation.

Recipients of the award will be announced at the June meeting of the Historical Commission. Disbursements will be made June 10, 2013. The Prize Selection Committee may choose not to award the grant, if none of the applications is deemed acceptable.

The Historical Commission also announces a "Summer 2013 Archival Internship," designed to give a college student practical archival experience at each of the four Mennonite Brethren archival institutions in North America. Spanning five weeks from the middle of July to the middle of August (exact dates to be determined), the intern will spend a week at each of the MB archives (Winnipeg, Hillsboro, Fresno, and Abbotsford). Each archival site will host the intern, providing orientation to the context and collection, and involve the intern in its ongoing projects. In addition to experiencing a functioning archive, the intern will gather stories, images, and video during the four weeks, spending the fifth week producing a report that is compelling and image-rich—one that promotes the mission of church archives. Airline travel and accommodations will be provided by the Historical Commission. The internship comes with a stipend of $2,000.

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- A statement indicating why/how the internship would be helpful to you, a vitae, and one letter of recommendation.

The internship award will be announced April 1, 2013, allowing scheduling to be made in consultation with the intern. The Selection Committee may choose not to award the internship, if none of the applications is deemed acceptable.

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