

## Schedule:

(All meals and breaks are provided)

### Thursday, January 24

Registration: 10:00am to 1:30pm

1:30pm Plenary Session 1 – Opening: Ed Boschman

3:00pm Presentation #1 – *Article 12: New Testament and Early Christian Considerations*,

Presenter: Leith Anderson

4:00pm Conversation / Bible Study

6:30pm Presentation #2 – *Article 12: Contemporary Applications*, Presenter: Terry Brensinger

7:30pm Conversation / Bible Study

### Friday, January 25

9:00am Presentation #3 – *Article 13: A Case for Legitimate Protective Violence*, Presenter: Roger Poppen

10:30am Conversation / Bible Study

1:30pm Presentation #4 – *Article 13: A Case for Non-Violence*, Presenter: Del Gray

2:30pm Conversation / Bible Study

3:45pm Presentation #5 – *Article 13: Radical Peace-Making, Living with our Diversity*, Presenter: Tim Geddert

4:45pm Conversation / Bible Study

7:00pm Conversation – guided processing of issues

### Saturday, January 26

8:30am Presentation #6 – *Dealing with our Diversity*,  
Presenters: Ed Boschman, Larry Nikkel, Listening  
Committee

9:30am Conversation

10:30am Closing session

12:00pm Dismissal

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## ACCOMMODATIONS:

Please make your own hotel reservations by **January 11, 2013**.

Reserve your room online at: [www.usmb.org/studyconference](http://www.usmb.org/studyconference).

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Special conference room rate: \$99 (plus tax) includes breakfast buffet, complimentary internet, parking and airport shuttle. Hotel is one mile from Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport. Call the hotel for shuttle from airport.

## REGISTRATION:

Registration Fee: Early registration \$100.00 per person (\$135.00 after December 15, 2012) Fee includes event and all meals. (Please make check payable to USMB).

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS JANUARY 11, 2013.**

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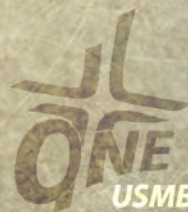
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## USMB Study Conference 2013

Sponsored by the USMB Board of Faith and Life

*Kingdom Citizens  
in a World  
of Conflict*

January 24-26, 2013

Phoenix, Arizona

*If it is possible, as  
far as it depends on you, live at peace  
with everyone. -Romans 12:18*



This USMB study Conference is the first of its kind in many years. Inasmuch as we are people of the Book, we are looking forward to some intense and inspiring Bible study together. Because we are first citizens of the Kingdom of Christ, we seek to be authentic and obedient followers of Jesus. It is our prayer that the Spirit of Christ will lead us to a place of clarity and unity about how to live as followers of the prince of peace in the real world, and with integrity in relationship to our earthly government. It would be great to see you there.

### Objectives – purpose:

1. To study and understand the biblical texts and the historical context which inform Articles 12 and 13 of the MB Confession of Faith (See [www.usmb.org/aboutusmb/confessionoffaith](http://www.usmb.org/aboutusmb/confessionoffaith) for complete Articles)
2. To more fully understand the complexities of the application of these Articles in a USA/current world context, including a review of various Christian views about these issues
3. To engage in a process, the goal of which is to review the Articles and pursue a greater sense of unity and commitment to the biblical teaching about them
4. To understand “evangelical” and “Anabaptist” perspectives on these Articles, with the goal of embracing the best of both
5. To create an atmosphere of trust and safety for exploring what we believe Jesus is saying to us on these important matters
6. To challenge each other to retain and expand our identity as a church that emphasizes reconciliation and peacemaking as an integral part of faithfully following Jesus

### Presenters

**Ed Boschman** is Executive Director of USMB. He has invested his life in serving the church in a variety of ministry and leadership roles. Ed and his wife Carol attend The Bridge Bible Church, Bakersfield, Calif.



**Leith Anderson** is president of the National Association of Evangelicals based in Washington, DC. Leith is also Pastor Emeritus of Wooddale Church in Eden Prairie, Minn, a large congregation that he served as Senior Pastor from 1977-2011.

**Terry Brensinger** is Professor of Pastoral Ministry at Fresno Pacific Biblical Seminary in Fresno, Calif. Before coming to FPBS in 2011, he taught at Messiah College in Grantham, Penn., pastored churches in Kentucky, New York City and Pennsylvania, and most recently served as the International Pastor/Teacher for the International Brethren in Christ Association. Terry received his BA from Messiah College, M.Div. from Asbury Theological Seminary, MA in Near Eastern Archaeology from Drew University, and his M.Phil. and Ph.D. in Old Testament Studies, also from Drew.



**Roger Poppen** has served in pastoral ministry for over 43 years including 23 years in various Baptist churches and 20 as Lead Pastor of Laurelglen Bible Church in Bakersfield, Calif. for 20 years. Roger currently serves as Pastor of Care Ministries at Shafter MB Church, Shafter, Calif. Roger is well known for his expository preaching and teaching of God's Word.

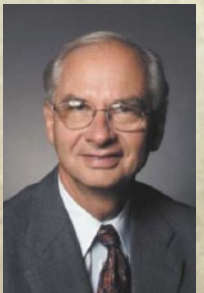
**Del Gray** is Assistant Professor of Biblical and Religious Studies at Tabor College, Hillsboro, Kan. He earned his BA in Biblical and Theological Studies from Bethel College in 1989, his MA in New Testament Studies from Trinity International University in 1992, and his Ph.D. in New Testament from Fuller Theological Seminary in 2005. Del is a member and in leadership of Parkview MB Church, Hillsboro, Kan.



**Tim Geddert** is professor of New Testament at Fresno Pacific Biblical Seminary (Fresno, Calif). He is also an adjunct instructor at Bienenberg Biblical Seminary (Switzerland) and a member of the USMB Board of Faith and Life. Tim earned his BA from the University of Saskatchewan, his M.Div. from

MBBS, and his Ph.D. from Aberdeen University. Tim is a member of College Community Church MB, Clovis, Calif.

**Larry Nikkel** is a former healthcare executive and President Emeritus of Tabor College and also represents the USMB on the board of Everence. For the last four years he has chaired the USMB Board of Faith and Life. Larry is a member and serves on the Leadership Board of First MB Church in Wichita, Kan.



### Valerie Rempel: Bible Study and Conversation Group Coordinator



Valerie is Associate Professor and J.B. Toews Chair of History and Theology at Fresno Pacific Biblical Seminary. She is also Director of the new Center for Anabaptist Studies at FPU. She earned her BA from Tabor College, an MA from MBBS, an MA from Vanderbilt University and her Ph.D. also from Vanderbilt. Valerie is a member and in leadership of the College Community Church, MB, Clovis, Calif.

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