



What motivates you?



What motivates you to get out of bed in

the morning and go to work, serve others, and make a difference in the lives of the people around you?

What opportunities and possibilities cause you to get involved and step out into new areas?

At MB Seminary, we get excited about making a difference by educating and equipping followers of Jesus to serve God and his kingdom! Whether they are pastors, workers in the marketplace, board members, entrepreneurs, missionaries, Sunday school teachers, or church planters, our goal is to develop and strengthen the biblical, missional, and leadership capacity of those who serve God.

This is a key season in the life and ministry of MB Seminary, and I invite you to join with us and:

Pray

I send out a prayer email update each Monday morning. If you would like to pray for MB Seminary with me, please send an email to markwessner@mbseminary.ca

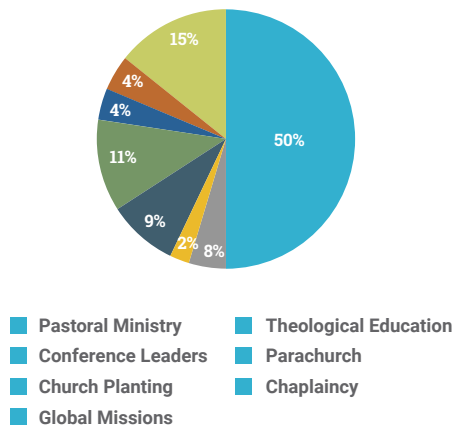
PRAYER TEAM



Share

The impact of MB Seminary is throughout Canada. Will you help us by sharing stories of how God has shaped and equipped you through MB Seminary and MinistryLift?

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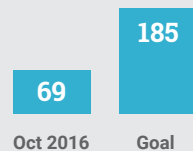
Give

We have three primary sources of funding: individuals, churches, and our national conference. Will you help financially support MB Seminary in 2016?

INDIVIDUALS



CHURCHES



“And pray in the spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the lord’s people.”

(Ephesians 6:18)



Learning to be a Pastor

"I am learning how to be a pastor," Jon exclaimed.

Jon Muehling works half-time as a pastoral apprentice at Westwood Community Church in Winnipeg, MB. Learning from both the lead pastor Russ Toews and children/youth pastor Terry Doerksen, Jon is getting a variety of experiences in church life and leadership. Preaching, leading college and career, participating in meetings and gaining great experience in new ministry initiatives keeps Jon engaged every week.

Why only half-time? Jon is a participant in the Elevation Apprenticing Program that prepares new pastors for life-long, evangelistically-oriented ministry in the local church. It provides qualified candidates with a pathway to formal education paired with hands-on ministry experience.

The program integrates ministry and education, and offers a context-based learning model where much of the training happens in the church. The formal educational component takes place through MB Seminary and Canadian Mennonite University (CMU). Jon will take five courses each year and will complete his Master of Arts in Christian Ministry at the end of four years.

The pastoral apprenticeship program is managed and supervised by Mennonite Brethren Church of Manitoba

and provides opportunities for the candidates to apply their academic training in context, gaining experience in administration, teaching and preaching, leadership,

I am thankful for the individualized attention I have received with MB Seminary faculty at CMU. My faculty adviser regularly meets with me to not only discuss my classes, but also to discuss my work in the church and life in general. It is clear that MB Seminary faculty genuinely care for the students, and they also do an excellent job in gathering the Mennonite Brethren students for monthly prayer times and discussions.

Elevation is tailored to the individual, taking each student's specific needs, interests, gifts, and circumstances into account. Our post-Christendom culture means people are losing interest, leaving the church, and living without hope. Muehling says the effort of the Elevation program is "to raise up leaders within this context" and to find confidence that "we're all on this journey together."

Jon enjoys biking, woodworking, and watching hockey. When not reading for courses, he finds C.S. Lewis a good conversation partner. He and his wife Melanie (and expected child) live in Winnipeg, MB.

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