

SBC MB Conference Report

March 4, 2023

Our theme for the year is “Revival” taken from Psalm 40:1-3. We are waiting on God to bring a revival and a new song of trust in the LORD. Looking forward, we have great staff, and the student culture is lively. We are praying that 2022-23 will see us resetting, reconnecting, and rebuilding a hopeful future.

Staff Changes: This past year had some key changes.

- President Rob Reimer moved on to pastor a church in Steinbach.
- Terry Hiebert became the interim president for 2022-23.
- Layton Friesen, former EMC conference minister, is the new Academic Dean.
- Dave Reimer will be appointed the next president of SBC.

Enrollment

- 36 students graduated in April including 8 in our 4-month Pursuit discipleship program.
- 113 students are enrolled in courses in winter semester, including 47 in the BA in Biblical Studies 3-year program, and 55 students in residence.
- 8 Indigenous and 15 International students to support our vision for multicultural grads in meaningful vocations making followers of Jesus.
- 23 EMC, 11 EMMC, 1 CMC, 9 MBs.
- Leading programs are youth, counselling, missions, and worship
- Looking for new students to enter the pastoral program to fill ministry needs.

This Year’s Highlights

- Expedition Now—youth event in October gathered 200 people with great speakers, youth team challenges, and a powerful concert.
- Mission X team is ministering in the Mediterranean region with Arlene and Jacob Friesen.
- MissionX1 in Inner City Winnipeg and MissionX2 in Thompson and communities just returned.

MB Students:

Liam Bull	Meeting Place	Winnipeg MB
Sofia Epp	Steinbach MB Church	Paraguay (home)
Payton Falk	4 th Ave Bible Church	Niverville
Keyara Froese	Meadow Brook Church	Leamington ON
Wyatt Henry	Altona MB Church	Altona MB
Riley Hiebert	4 th Ave Bible Church	Niverville MB
Sam Neudorf	Westside Community	Morden MB
Nolan Penner	Justice MB Church	Justice MB
Ethan Thiessen	Linden MB Church	Linden AB

Action

- Support to SBC students needing aid or raising funds for mission trips.
- Send first and next career students with a ministry mindset to prepare for church ministry.
- Attend SBC Leadership Conference focusing church unity on March 17-18, 2023.

Terry Hiebert
SBC Interim President