# Get Involved...

The ongoing work of the National Indigenous Ministry Council and the nine Indigenous Ministries requires the dedication of volunteers and supporters both financially and prayerfully. Supporting Indigenous Ministries means engaging in a partnership dedicated to creating lasting change in the relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people, as well as the church and First Nation communities.

In The Presbyterian Church in Canada, we consider our call to be agents of reconciliation and healing to be critical to our vocation as believers in a reconciling God. In 2 Corinthians 5, Paul writes that "we are new creations in Christ...who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and gave us the ministry of reconciliation" (verses 17-18, NIV). Please consider how you or your congregation may have a role in this ministry of reconciliation.

To learn more about the PCC's Indigenous ministries, visit presbyterian.ca/indigenous. To support Indigenous ministry with a donation to the Indigenous Ministry Fund, visit presbyterian.ca/donate-nimc or make a gift through the PCC's Gifts of Change giving catalogue.



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Since 1994, The Presbyterian Church in Canada has been intentional about supporting efforts of confession, truth, and reconciliation with Indigenous people and communities. As a result, Presbyterian Sharing provides funding support for nine ministries that operate in and for Indigenous communities in Canada. These nine ministries comprise the National Indigenous Ministry Council.

Each ministry operates under a minister, director or representative who meets with the Council for mutual care, encouragement and discussion. Though the relationship between The Presbyterian Church in Canada and Indigenous people is wrought with history and pain, in part as a result of the Residential Schools, the church is committed to the ongoing process of healing and reconciliation. This is one of several efforts to recognize wrongdoing, and prayerfully restore right relationships. The National Indigenous Ministry Council operates to uphold ministries engaging in this important work of sharing the reconciliatory action of Jesus in word and deed.

# **Anamiewigummig Fellowship Centre**

Anamiewigummig Fellowship Centre is a place of safety encouraging relationships and promoting healing and wellness initiatives. We serve many individuals including residential school survivors and intergenerational survivors. We provide Transition housing, daily Drop In centre and offering understanding, nourishment and support to those displaced, impoverished and ravaged by addiction and often mental health issues. We are hopeful for brighter futures and people's potential to blossom.

# **Winnipeg Inner City Missions**

Winnipeg Inner City Missions (WICM) provides a safe place to grow and learn for people who live in Winnipeg's inner city and North End—neighbourhoods rife with crime. WICM operates an employment project which provides transitional housing for adults age 30–50. We also operate an afterschool and summer day camp for ages 6–14, and a preschool learn-and-play program. Families involved in WICM's programs receive caring support from all staff. Healing and reconciliation is lived out daily through the programs at WICM.

# **Hummingbird** Ministries

Hummingbird Ministries has focused its healing ministry on Indigenous children in recent years. We use Circles, activities and meals to teach the Gospel of Jesus while upholding the traditions of Indigenous Peoples.

Art, workshops and presentations at local churches help elevate the dignity of Indigenous people and educate non-Indigenous people about valuable ways to embrace cultural differences and take part in reconciliation efforts. Grounded in The Presbyterian Church in Canada Confession of 1994, Hummingbird Ministries seeks to offer a place of worship (a Holy House) where Indigenous people may encounter Jesus Christ through kindness, respect and upholding of meaningful Circle practices.

### **Cedar Tree Ministries**

Cedar Tree Ministries is an outreach ministry for Indigenous people on Vancouver Island. Our ministry includes multiple First Nation worship services on the island, as well as a food bank, Sunday school, prayer meeting, youth group, children's after-school program and counselling services for youth and adults dealing with mental health issues and addictions. Our work specifically deals with healing, reconciliation and worship.

## Nazko & Area Dakelh Outreach

The Nazko and Area Dakelh Outreach (NADO) shares the love of Christ in the traditional territory of the Dakelh people, based in the remote reserve community of Nazko, BC. Rooted in prayer and biblical teaching, we offer a culturally-honouring and socially-transforming ministry of presence. In addition to a weekly house church worship service, NADO provides an after-school program for elementary school kids, pastoral care, community presence and leadership development opportunities for the local Indigenous community.

# **Mistawasis Memorial Presbyterian Church**

Mistawasis Memorial Presbyterian Church was established at the Mistawasis Nehiyawak First Nation since shortly after the signing of Treaty Six in 1875. Mistawasis' total population is 2,837. At the heart of our ministry is the desire to share the love of Jesus with the community. With weekly worship services, a girl's program and a sewing initiative, the church seeks to meet the needs of the community in tangible ways. Vacation Bible School has been a significant event for many years.

# Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry

Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry (SNCM) provides prayer, crisis counselling, nourishment and clothing to people on the margins. Through a mid-week worship Circle and an art program, people from all nations and walks of life experience the love of God and the guidance and strength of the Holy Spirit.

# Place of Hope Indigenous Presbyterian Church

Place of Hope Presbyterian Church offers hope and healing to Indigenous people dealing with multi-generational trauma and abject poverty. Pastoral care and healing initiatives are just a part of what we do to work alongside individuals scarred by Residential Schools, loss of cultural identity, poverty, homelessness and lack of education.

## **Edmonton Urban Native Ministries**

Edmonton Urban Native Ministries (EUNM) offers a range of services through our drop-in centre. In addition to attending to physical needs with hot meals, a clothing bank, an emergency food bank, bus tickets and haircuts, EUNM also provides for spiritual needs through morning devotionals, prayer, Bible sharing and worship services.