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A devotional for November by the National Prayer Team

This prayer invites us to look beyond our own plans and desires and to ask for God's ways to take root in our lives and in the world around us. We pray for His kingdom, a kingdom marked by love, justice, peace, mercy, healing, restoration, and freedom to become increasingly visible here on earth. We also surrender ourselves to His will, trusting that His purposes are good even when they challenge our own preferences or expectations.

As we reflect, we might ask: Where am I longing to see God's kingdom come? What areas of my life do I find difficult to surrender to His will? And as a denomination, what would it look like for us to embody the values of God's kingdom and participate in what He is doing in our community and beyond?

The FMCIC desires to be a movement that walks in and shares the holy freedom found through Christ. Pray for the Church Health Team as they develop resources and practices to support a healthy, whole, and holy church free from "everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles and run the race set before us" (Hebrews 12:1)

https://fmcic.ca/national-prayer-ministry/



A word from Bishop Linda on letting her name stand for another term as Bishop of the Free Methodist Church In Canada

https://vimeo.com/1242387897?fl=pl&fe=sh



Church revitalization isn't just about changing programs, structures, or strategies. Healthy churches are built on healthy relationships. Before we ask what a church needs to do differently, we need to allow God to make us different—renewing our hearts, restoring relationships, and empowering us to love, forgive, endure, and serve one another.

Prayer undergirds this entire process – it's the spark of renewal, creating space for God to restore the relationships essential to church health. Check out the first of a five-part series to learn more about the Revitalization tools and resources that the Church Health Team is working on to empower disciple-making churches https://vimeo.com/manage/showcases/12432438/playback... and https://fmcic.ca/empowered-for-endurance-part-two-pray/







WERE HIRING! ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE SR. DIRECTOR OF MINISTERIAL FORMATION - FMCIC NATIONAL TEAM POSITION

The Administrative Assistant to the Sr. Director of Ministerial Formation provides reliable and organized administrative and operational support to the department's Senior Director (SDMF) and the Ministerial Formation department.

This role is primarily responsible for supporting the day-to-day administrative needs of the SDMF, including scheduling and meeting coordination, travel arrangements, expense processing, correspondence, and administrative follow-up. The role also provides ongoing administrative support for the systems, records, volunteers, scholarship and internship processes, and operational activities of the Ministerial Formation department.

The Administrative Assistant plays an important role in ensuring that the SDMF and the Ministerial Formation department have the administrative support, accurate information, organized systems, and logistical coordination necessary to carry out their ministry responsibilities effectively.

To view this and other job posting across the FMCIC please visit:
https://fmcic.ca/ministry-opportunities/



Join Padre Andrew Klinger and Kevin Stenhouse (Director of Ministerial Formation) for a conversation about life as a military chaplain - what a "day in the life" looks like, how to sign up and begin, what training is involved, how the military can support your education and whether chaplaincy might just be the best way for you to serve in Christian ministry.

Please email Kevin with any questions:
Kevin.Stenhouse@fmcic.ca

*Please note the virtual coffee is not recorded.

Date: Nov 23, 2026
Time: 7:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89236789747?pwd=HIw9yLCifOcfomdiKa2aH81Uz5aM2s.1

Meeting chat link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/launch/jc/89236789747

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On October 31st Armadale Free Methodist Church held a very special service celebrating their 152nd anniversary; a congregation that has remained active since the beginning of the FMCIC! Pastor Maurice Vannest welcomed a large fellowship of attendees on this special occasion, many of whom represented multiple generations of the church family.

Associate Pastor Milton Solomon of the Armadale Tamil congregation led several songs of praise, and Assistant Pastor Sarah Newman preached a powerful message about God's ongoing mission and the need for an emboldened witness.

Bishop Linda was unable to attend in person but sent a letter of congratulations which was presented to the congregation by their Church Health Coach.







Calling all FM Treasurers, Bookkeepers and Finance Teams!

We are hosting our first 'Treasurers Call' on Wednesday, November 25 at 12:00p ET or 7:00p ET

Contact sandy.crozier@fmcic.ca to register and submit any questions you would like to ask the Operations/Finance Team.



Contact sandy.crozier@fmcic.ca to register or for more details.

Help your church grow in stewardship & generosity

The FM Generosity Ministry is offering 10 free tickets ($125 value) to any of our FM church pastors, treasurers and leaders that would like to attend.

Funding Ministry Conference
Knox Presbyterian Church, 50 Erb St. W. Waterloo
Friday November 20 1:30-8:30 (dinner included)
Saturday November 21 8:30a-3:30p (lunch included)

Key Note Speakers: Grace Pomroy & Paul Nazareth

Workshops:

- Narrative Budgets
- Why Your Ministry Matters – Learning to Tell the Story
- Jesus talks about money; we can too
- Stewarding Church Properties for the Future
- Money Follows Mission: What is God calling you into?
- Congregational Communication: Connecting your message with your community
- You've received a Bequest – Now What?



THE HEART OF CANADIAN FREE METHODISM course explores the history, beliefs, mission, and distinctive's of the Free Methodist movement. Rooted in historic Methodism and orthodox Christianity, the course helps participants understand our past, organizational structure and who we are today.

While this course is a prerequisite for anyone looking to enter the ministerial credentialing process, it's actually open to anyone! Lay leaders at the local church, church delegates and support staff and people that just love history and want to learn more about how the FMCIC is organized will enjoy this course.

Register: https://fmcic.ca/foundational-course-registration/

CHURCH HEALTH COACH, WESTERN ONTARIO
PLEASE WELCOME KIM HENDERSON



I am pleased to announce that Kim Henderson will be joining our Church Health Team as the Church Health Coach for Western Ontario, effective November 1, 2026. Kim will be succeeding Adrian Collins, who is retiring on October 31 after faithfully serving in this role. We are grateful for Adrian's contribution and the support he has provided to churches and leaders across the region.

Kim brings a wealth of experience, a deep understanding of our denomination, and a longstanding commitment to the health and mission of the FMCIC. She has served in pastoral ministry in Sarnia and the Niagara Region and, from 2008 to 2016, served on our National Leadership Team as Director of Personnel.

Many will already know Kim through her current leadership and involvement across the denomination. She chairs our national Women in Leadership Team, serves as a Network Leader, contributes to MEGaP when called upon, and has been involved in Bishop Linda's Future Force initiative. She also serves on a subcommittee of our Church Health Team, giving her valuable insight into some of the renewal and revitalization processes currently being developed.

Kim's familiarity with our denomination, its people, and our evolving Church Health initiatives will be a tremendous asset as she comes alongside pastors, leaders, and congregations in Western Ontario. Her part-time pastoral commitment also allows her to make room for this additional ministry of service.

Kim is excited about this opportunity, and we are delighted to welcome her to the team. Her church board has also expressed its support for her taking on this role.

Please join me in welcoming Kim and praying for her as she steps into this new season of ministry. We look forward to the contribution she will make to the health and flourishing of our churches across Western Ontario.

Jervis Djokoto
Senior Director of Church Health



If your church is raising up new leaders, now is the time to apply for a 2027 FMCIC Internship!

The FMCIC Internship Program helps develop healthy leaders within healthy local churches. Interns gain practical ministry experience, while participating churches may receive funding based on their proposal and job description.

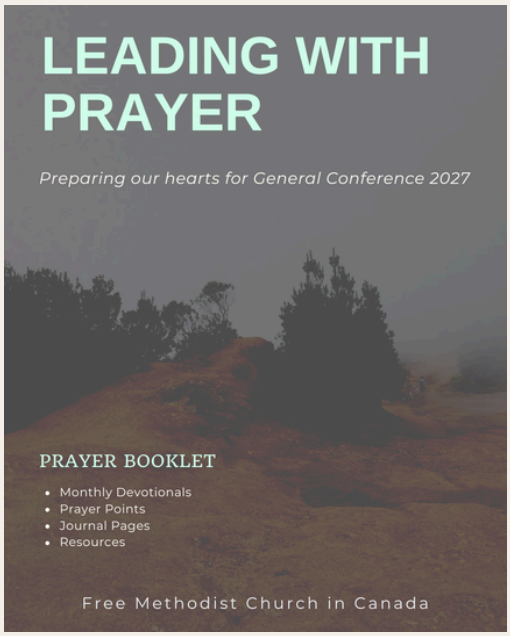
FMCIC internship funding can also be supplemented with other employment grants that may be available to you at the various levels of government, or through private grants.

Apply to host an FMCIC intern:
https://fmcic.wufoo.com/forms/2027-internship-program/

More details about the Internship Program:
https://fmcic.ca/intern-prog/

We look forward to partnering with your church as you invest in the next generation of leaders.

Blessings,
Kevin Stenhouse
Director of Ministerial Formation



You are invited to be part of our **national prayer initiative** as we journey together through the Lord's Prayer from October 2026 to March 2027. We have prepared a printable monthly devotional and prayer guide.

This Prayer Booklet contains:

- Monthly Devotionals
- Prayer Points
- Journal Pages
- Resource

House of Prayer October Newsletter: https://fmcic.ca/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/2026_10_October_HOPU95.pdf?utm_source=ActiveCampaign&utm_medium=email&utm_content=There%20is%20a%20lot%20happening%20in%20the%20FMCIC%21&utm_campaign=October%20E-Newsletter%20%20%28Copy%29

PDF Booklet: https://fmcic.ca/wp-content/uploads/2026/09/Leading-with-prayer-monthly-devotionals-links-Revised-1.pdf?utm_source=ActiveCampaign&utm_medium=email&utm_content=There%20is%20a%20lot%20happening%20in%20the%20FMCIC%21&utm_campaign=October%20E-Newsletter%20%20%28Copy%29

Join us for our Monthly National Prayer Meeting on November 25th, 2026. We begin at 7:00 PM EST.
Speaker: Jervis Djokoto
Topic: Reflecting on God's leadership on earth

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81605123945?pwd=UUxBNm5FdEdNS3lPamowakdjNE5rdz09
Passcode: 515693 Meeting ID: 816 0512 3945



General Conference 2027 marks the beginning of a new chapter for our Free Methodist family, and we hope your church will begin planning now to be part of it.

More Than a Conference – A Family Gathering
From April 15–18, 2027, we'll gather at The Westin Hotel in Ottawa for a weekend of worship, discernment, celebration, and connection. General Conference is where we make important decisions for our denomination, but it is so much more than a business meeting.

We want General Conference to be an eye-opening and inspiring experience. It will offer a broader perspective on the ministry taking place across our country and will remind us that we are part of something much bigger than our own local church. It is one of the few times we experience the breadth of our Free Methodist family as we gather from across Canada to worship and pray together, encourage one another, and discern His direction for our future.

As you prepare your 2027 church budget, we encourage you to plan now for pastors, delegates, and, where possible, emerging leaders, and families to attend. We believe General Conference 2027 will be a significant moment in the life of our denomination, and we look forward to gathering as one Free Methodist family.

Learn more at: https://fmcic.ca/gc2027