



Interim Council

Mennonite Church Canada

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Congregational Vitality/Common Life Working Group

- 1) The Congregational Vitality/Common Life Working Group will develop a model for the fostering of congregational vitality. As the Working Group arises from the discussion of item 6 of the Addendum to the FDTF Report, the Working Group will pay particular attention to the items discussed there.
- 2) In completing its task the Working Group will pay particular attention to the following questions:
 - a) What are the effects of the 21st century context on congregational life and vitality?
 - b) How might congregations need to adapt for the changed context?
 - c) In this changed context, how can congregations be engaged in a longer-term exploration of:
 - i) What it means to “live out the gospel of Christ locally, across Canada, and abroad.”
 - ii) How congregations can “resource our common life together in being the church.” In particular, how can we build ways for congregations who have developed resources for themselves to share these across the entire system for others to pick up and use?
 - d) How do we animate missional imagination within congregations for evangelism, indigenous relationships, and other ways that might be imagined?
 - e) How can congregations be engaged to “work together and generously support our mutual ministry and transition from where we are to where God invites us to be?”