

Intercultural Engagement Team

Highlights from Fall 2022

Last month your #IET travelled to Saskatchewan together to learn about the #BuffaloProject with Tearfund Canada, but we were also there to make new friends and grow in relationship with our Indigenous neighbours. Over several days we broke bread and formed strong bonds. We were hosted by Lima Nanai and the Loka Koa mission, who have been serving faithfully for over twenty years, and model right-relationship with our First Nations; because of Lima we had the privilege and honour of being invited to the Treaty 4 Tribal Council office. There we met Bev Desnomei, Robert Bellegarde and others. Robert shared with us some of the history and traditional teachings of the Cree, and even blessed us with a pipe ceremony. Then Bev shared from her own experience, telling us some of the ways her faith in Christ has grown because she can now freely encountered Him through her own culture. We visited with educators and leaders on the Peepeekisis Reserve, and later travelled to Cote Nation, where Chief George Cote welcomed us with the love of Christ. Chief George was extremely gracious, allowing us to hear stories and experiences from members of his community, and even welcoming us in worship at his home church on the Sunday morning. In many ways, this summary is insufficient, and cannot begin to reflect the time and truth offered to us by these brothers and sisters, but we are grateful for the leading of the Holy Spirit, and the right-relationships that have only just begun.



The IET is here to help your congregation discern and discover intercultural missions here at home and around the world

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Earlier this week Bishop Cliff and the #IET met with Superintendent Ahmed, who shared some updates from the Provisional Annual Conference of #Ghana. It was a great encouragement to hear about the growth and perseverance of our Ghanaian church planters, in rural and urban regions. Pastor Ahmed also told us they are continuing to pray and raise support for a future Women's Christian College (the land has been set aside but building funds are still needed).

Plans are now in place to take a small #FMCiC team to Ghana in the new year. We will be participating in their annual ministers conference, and Pastor Ahmed will be showing us all there is to celebrate about this multiplying mission! Please keep our Ghanaian mission and ministers in your prayers!



Earlier this week Bishop Cliff and the #IET met with some of our Free Methodist family from Sri Lanka: Sister Pramila and Superintendent Jayamani. They shared with us many updates and prayer requests. The political and financial crisis is slowly starting to stabilize, but the high cost of food and fuel is still a great concern. In spite of all the challenges, the congregations are still gathering together to worship, bear witness, and lift each other up!

