




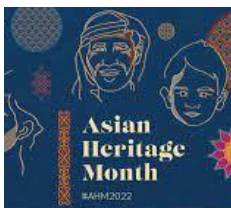


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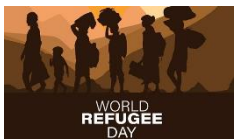





This resource was created to provide opportunities for prayer, awareness, education, and engagement.

Most of the dates/observances listed here support groups of people who face marginalization, discrimination, and exclusion. As the Free Methodist Church in Canada engages in the work of these task forces, Women in Leadership, Racial Justice and Ethnic Equity, and LGBTQ2S+, these dates/observances can help start or continue conversations in your church.



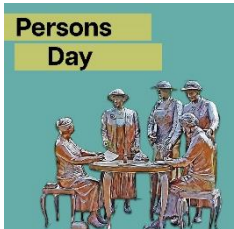

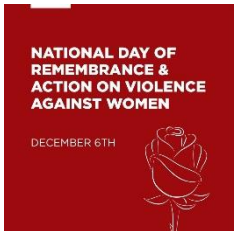

Free Methodists want to introduce people to Jesus, change the world one person at a time, and alleviate suffering. We are free.

Date		National Date or Observance	Resource
February		Black History Month	https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/black-history-month.html
February 22		Human Trafficking Awareness Day	https://www.canada.ca/en/public-safety-canada/campaigns/human-trafficking/htr.html
March 8		International Women's Day	https://women-gender-equality.canada.ca/en/commemorations-celebrations/international-womens-day.html
March 21		International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination	https://www.un.org/en/observances/end-racism-day
April 22		International Earth Day	https://www.un.org/en/observances/earth-day https://earthday.ca/
May		Asian Heritage Month	https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/asian-heritage-month/about.html

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June		National Indigenous History Month	https://www.rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca/eng/1466616436543/1534874922512
June 20		World Refugee Day	https://www.unhcr.ca/how-to-help/events/world-refugee-day/world-refugee-day-events/
June 21		National Indigenous People's Day	https://www.rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca/eng/1100100013718/1534874583157
June 24		Saint-Jean-Baptiste-Day	https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/celebrate-canada/saint-jean-baptiste-day.html
June 27		National Multiculturalism Day	https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/celebrate-canada/multiculturalism-day.html
July 1		Canada Day	https://www.canada.ca/en/services/culture/events-celebrations-commemorations/major-events-celebrations/canada-day.html
September 30		Orange Shirt Day	https://www.orangeshirtday.org/ https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/national-day-truth-reconciliation.html
October		Women's History Month	https://women-gender-equality.canada.ca/en/commemorations-celebrations/womens-history-month/2022-theme.html

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October 1		National Seniors Day	https://www.federalretirees.ca/en/news-views/news-listing/november/celebrating-national-seniors-day
October 11		International Day of the Girl	https://women-gender-equality.canada.ca/en/commemorations-celebrations/womens-history-month/international-day-girl-child.html
October 18		Person's Day	https://women-gender-equality.canada.ca/en/commemorations-celebrations/womens-history-month/persons-day.html
November 11		Remembrance Day	https://www.canada.ca/en/services/defence/caf/militaryhistory/remembrance/remembrance-day.html
December 6		National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women	https://women-gender-equality.canada.ca/en/commemorations-celebrations/16-days/national-day-remembrance.html
December 10		Human Rights Day	https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/services/human-rights-commemorative-days/human-rights-day.html https://www.un.org/en/observances/human-rights-day