

Courageous Engagement: Forging New Relationships

Exploring ways to build bridges and relationships with aboriginal
brothers and sisters in community

University of Winnipeg
June 21-24, 2011

What does it mean to build bridges in the variety of communities
we serve and live in?

How do we address and deal with the resistance that we know
exists in our communities so we can forge new relationships?

Deepening our understanding of Aboriginal and First Nation
cultural understandings through:

- Storytelling, history, & facts
- Experiencing respectful encounters of culture
- Theological Reflection from a First Nation
perspective
- Learning about cultural respect and traditions

Following these experiences we will explore how we can take our
learnings and experiences home to build bridges and forge new
relationships.

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**Diakonia of the
United Church
National Gathering**



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When

After lunch on Tuesday, June 21st, 2011 and finish with lunch on Friday, June 24th, 2011. Lunch will not be provided on Tuesday.

Where

The University of Winnipeg, in the heart of the city. Our meeting space - Convocation Hall in the Wesley Building, is at 515 Portage. It is walking distance from the residence we'll be staying in, and there will be transportation for those who need it.

Accommodations

The new University residence, McFeetor's Hall, on Langside, North of Portage Ave. Single rooms, some of which share a washroom with one other person. Parking information will be made available for those who need it.

If your travel plans necessitate an early arrival on Monday night or staying over on Friday, you will be responsible for the extra cost for your room.

Breakfast options:

Breakfast in Pangea's Kitchen (the cafeteria) is served until 11:00am.

Pangea's Kitchen hours in June are Mon-Thurs 8:00am-6:00pm and Friday 8:00am-3:00pm. The cafeteria will be closed on Saturday and Sunday.

Some great places in and around the area are: Ellice Cafe, 587 Ellice Ave.; Wagon Wheel, 305 Hargrave St. and there is a Tim Horton's in the 300 block of Portage (2 blocks east).

Music:

We will have access to a piano and hymn books. Please feel welcome to bring guitars, flute, etc. and contribute to the musical aspect of the event!

Travel Pool

We hope to pay a portion of everyone's travel costs, and therefore \$40 of the registration fee is allotted to the travel pool. Travel cheques will be mailed after the event. You are encouraged to consider your ecological footprint as you plan your travel to Winnipeg.

Financial Assistance

Application to the Kaufman Fund could be a source of funding for this event. To request assistance, contact: Joan Tuchlinsky at 59 Trafalgar Ave. Kitchener, Ontario, N2A 1Z5 (519) 893-0873 or joantuch@rogers.com

For student bursary(ies), contact Margaret Collard
e-mail Address: matthew123@sympatico.ca

Registration: \$350

This includes accommodation, lunches and dinners, and a contribution to the travel pool. This cost will be the same for all participants, including those arriving late or departing early. No reductions will be made for those who stay off site.

Please register on-line by **May 15th (NOTE NEW AND FINAL DEADLINE). The \$350 registration fee is due now.**

Please make all cheques payable to: DUCG

Mail cheques to:

DUCG 2011 National Gathering,

c/o 9 – 2655 Main St.

Winnipeg MB R2V 4V8

Click on link for on-line registration: [DUCG 2011 Registration Form](#)

