



“DIAKONIA: ReClaiming The Ministry of all God's People”

DOTAC* CONFERENCE

June 22 (7 pm)- June 26 (noon), 2002

Pre-Conference Event

June 21 (1:30 pm)-June 22 (11:30 am)

IN WINNIPEG, MANITOBA, CANADA

Mid way between the
Pacific and the Atlantic!

- ✧ Gathering of diakonia from the Americas – to build community
- ✧ New groups will be joining – mutual support
- ✧ Business sessions – to stay well informed
- ✧ Input and information – to stretch minds and hearts
- ✧ Socializing – deepening friendships that last over years
- ✧ On site visits – a day in the middle of the conference will show diakonia in action
- ✧ “Action – reflection” model: good adult education
- ✧ Simultaneous translation: French, English, Spanish, Portuguese

**FOR MORE DETAILED INFORMATION
CHECK THE WEBSITE
www.ccsnline.ca/dotac**

**DOTAC = Diakonia Of The Americas and Caribbean*

Accommodation

There are three accommodation options for the Pre-Conference and Conference. We will attempt to fulfill requests to the best of our ability.

Canadian Mennonite University (CMU) Residence:

Cost per night \$CDN 16.00
or \$US 10.00

Accommodation on the campus is limited and will be filled on a first come basis. It is a typical university residence. It is clean and modest. All rooms are double occupancy, with bathroom facilities down the hall. A number of the rooms have bunk beds, and the bunks are twin size and very sturdy. *Please indicate on your registration form if you are willing to sleep in an upper bunk.*

Accessibility

There are rooms and bathroom facilities which have modifications for better accessibility. If you have accessibility needs please describe your requirements thoroughly in your registration so an assessment can be made of the space for suitability to your needs.

Smoking and alcoholic beverages are not allowed on the campus of the University. There is free parking on site.

Please note: Daily breakfast in the Canadian Mennonite University dining hall is included in the registration fee for the Conference and delegates staying in a hotel or with a billet may have breakfast at the University if desired.

Billeting

Billeting with a Winnipeg family:
Cost for the whole stay of
\$CDN 20.00 or \$US 12.00

This option is economical and will provide delegates an opportunity to get to know a local Winnipeg family. Priorities in choosing billeting sites include proximity to the Canadian Mennonite University.

Accessibility

Billets are being sought that provide accessibility, but we can not guarantee that we can meet a request for an accessible home.

If needed, daily transportation will be provided from the billet to the conference site from June 21 to June 26.

Hotel

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Viscount Gort Hotel and the Assiniboine Gordon Inn on the Park. Both hotels are a short car ride from the University Campus (not within walking distance). Hotel reservations will be made by the registrar at these hotels *only*. Delegates wishing to stay at other hotels in the city are responsible for making their own reservations.

Payment for rooms must be made directly to the hotel upon your arrival. If reservations are not cancelled within 48 hours of planned arrival, payment for the first night may be required by the hotel.

If needed, daily transportation will be provided from the hotels listed above to the conference site from June 21 to June 26.

Viscount Gort Hotel

single room **approximate** cost including taxes \$CDN 85.00 \$US 52.00 per night
double room **approximate** cost, including taxes \$CDN 94.00 \$US 57.00 per night

Assiniboine Gordon

Inn on the Park

(no wheelchair accessibility)
single or double **approximate** cost including taxes \$CDN 65.00 \$US 40.00 per night

Other Accommodation Options

Some delegates may want to stay with friends or family, or choose from another of Winnipeg's many hotels or Bed and Breakfasts. Daily transportation to the University from optional accommodation will not be provided.

Program and Workshop Details

The details of the Conference program and Pre Conference Workshops were not available at the time of printing. They will be forwarded to all those who register, and will be posted on the website.

Costs

DOTAC Meeting, June 22-26, 2002

Registration cost is
\$CDN 400
or \$US 240.00

(includes all meals, starting with supper
June 22 until lunch June 26)

Pre-Conference Workshops,
June 21-22, 2002

Registration cost is
\$CDN 100.00
or \$US 60.00
(includes all meals starting with
breakfast June 21 until lunch June 22)

**COSTS MAY BE REDUCED
IF FINANCIAL SUPPORT
FOR TRANSLATION CAN BE
SECURED. PLEASE CHECK
WITH THE WEBSITE OR
YOUR ASSOCIATION FOR
UPDATES.**

Registration deadline is May 1, 2002

DOTAC has some financial assistance available to assist with travel costs to the Conference. Priority is given to participants from the South. For more information on support that is available contact one of the DOTAC Central Committee members through your association.

Denominational or Association support may be available to assist with registration, accommodation and travel

costs. Some Associations may establish a travel pool for their members. Contact your denomination or Association directly to inquire.

Please don't let the lack of financial resources be a deterrent to your attendance. Contact the registrar, if you need support.

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Translation

Simultaneous translation in Spanish, Portuguese, French and English will be provided for the Conference business, program and worship sessions. One day Conference participants will be visiting local agencies and organizations (for eg. First Nation's agencies, Economic Development Projects, Farms) to learn about diaconal ministry and social justice issues in the Manitoba context. Translators will accompany participants on these visits and provide translation.

If you are able to assist with translation between English and either Spanish, Portuguese or French, for small group work and during these site visits, would you please indicate this on your registration form.

Accessibility

The meeting space at The Canadian Mennonite University is at street level and is equipped with elevators. Washrooms can accommodate a wheelchair. Every effort will be made to provide Site visit locations that are accessible. Please detail your needs on your registration form.

Childcare

Childcare is available for the hours of program time, **IF REQUESTED BY APRIL 2002**, for children of any age at no cost. Parents are responsible for the meal and accommodation costs for children. Once the number and ages of children requiring care is determined, we will engage reliable staff who will provide age appropriate care, which might include outings to the zoo (very nearby the site), Children's museum, park and so on. Be sure to indicate on your registration form if you require childcare.

Travel Information and Documents

Travel Documentation

Recent changes to travel security mean that it is necessary to carry **photo identification** to enter Canada and to fly within Canada. With the exception of the United States, visitors from outside Canada must have a valid passport to enter the country. While not required, it is recommended that citizens/residents

of the United States travel with a passport.

Flying to the Conference? Winnipeg is located in the middle of Canada, with direct flights from Toronto, Hamilton, Calgary, Vancouver, Minneapolis and Chicago (these are subject to change). The airport is only a 15 minute drive from the Canadian Mennonite University. Transportation from the airport to the University and/or hotels will be provided. Please indicate your flight information on your registration form and update the registrar if there are any changes to your arrival time.

The Winnipeg Airport Authority can tell you about getting to and from Winnipeg International Airport or check with your travel agent.

Weather

June is a beautiful time of year on the Canadian Prairie. Average temperatures for June range from 23C to 10C, although temperatures as high as 38C and as low as 0C have been recorded. It is recommended that you bring a light jacket or sweater and some long pants and bring an umbrella or raincoat. On June 21, the longest day of the year in the Northern Hemisphere, the sun will rise at 5:40 am and set at 9:41pm.

