

Fraser Presbytery  
British Columbia Conference

**“Vision for Mission”**

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**VISION AND VALUES**

Fraser Presbytery envisions a dynamic United Church of Canada presence and witness in the Fraser Valley, that is alive as followers of Jesus Christ, has thriving congregations, is vital to the community, and is sustainable for the future.

Fraser Presbytery values the richness of the diversity and honours the capacity of congregations to faithfully make decisions regarding their future.

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**MISSION**

Fraser Presbytery’s Mission is to mobilize, resource and support the United Church of Canada ministry within Fraser Presbytery.

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**STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS**

Fraser Presbytery commits to the following Strategic Directions:

1. Develop intercultural and multigenerational ministries
2. Facilitate collaboration amongst congregations in regions for “vision for mission”
3. Resource for change and administration management: including staff, volunteers and financial resources

# Goals for “Vision for Mission” 2011

Fraser Presbytery proposal for January 25, 2011

## Strategic Directions

### **A. Develop intercultural and multi-generational ministries**

Goals: 2011

- 1 Provide opportunities for education, awareness and training at Presbytery meetings and within the Presbytery for enabling “multi-generational” and “intercultural” vision and practice.
- 2 Acknowledge, encourage and identify and help to resource networks of people within Fraser Presbytery who can offer leadership and facilitation of matters related to “multigenerational” and “intercultural” initiatives.

### **B. Facilitate collaboration amongst congregations in regions for “Vision for Mission”**

Goals: 2011

- 1 Provide accessible and affordable resources (financial and people) to the Presbytery and its ministries to facilitate collaboration
- 2 Raise awareness and shift the culture within Presbytery towards collaboration amongst congregations and within communities for the sake of “vision for mission”.

For the future work: Identify and learn about what social and spiritual issues are in the community and plan for action

### **C. Resource for change and administration management: including staff, volunteers and financial resources**

Goals: 2011

- 1 Develop a clear communication plan for Presbytery “Vision for Mission” to inform and encourage and implement it.

- 2 Provide environmental data for every area with training sessions on how to interpret and benefit from the information for ministry. (*Environics*)
- 3 Identify people with skills and programs for change management and transition, in our midst and outside.
- 4 Negotiate with BC Conference for resources (people and money) for the implementation of "Vision for Mission".
- 5 Develop policy regarding the sale of buildings, in consultation with BC Conference.
- 6 Re-assess workload of Presbyters to free up time for "Vision for Mission" perhaps implement some "pilot projects" in cooperation with national United Church policies.
- 7 Train leadership (lay and ministry personnel) in change management.
- 8 Develop an orientation for Presbyters.