



Program Facilitator

Throughout 35 years of ministry, Peter Short has served in Quebec, Northwest Territories, and New Brunswick. In August 2003, he was elected Moderator of The United Church of Canada.

Peter brought the challenges of ministry to the national agenda through leading 36 retreats for over 1,000 people in ministry, creating and hosting the Arnprior Assembly on Ministry, and writing for the United Church Observer on questions of polity and practice in relation to the work and life of ministers.

Current foci include “The Fredericton Project”, a small scale, national and home-based project in support of people in the early years of their vocation.

The Planning Team

- The Very Rev. Peter Short-*Past Moderator*
- Rev. Debra Bowman- *Past President, BC*
- Marion Best-*Past Moderator*
- Keith Howard – *Emerging Spirit*
- Treena Duncan-*Personnel Minister, BC*

Vision and Goals

The BC Conference Leadership Development Program includes three components:

1. a vibrant mix of professional, skill and spiritual development.
2. mentoring relationships
3. a community of colleagues

The goals of the program are six-fold:

1. to provide an experience that considers the unique context of ministry of the United Church within British Columbia
2. to foster a desire to develop a network of mutual accountability.
3. to invite a searching and fearless inventory of one’s ministry, and the call to leadership
4. to be transformative in and of itself through ongoing relationships
5. to nurture further spiritual practices
6. to work with healthy leaders, i.e. not to be a “problem solving” program.



Registration still open!



Sowing Promise.....

.....Growing Leaders

Dates: Oct 20-25, 2013

Apr 27-May 2, 2014

A BC Conference Leadership Development Program

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*Watch the field behind the plow turn to straight dark rows
Put another season's promise in the ground.*

"Field behind the plow"

~By Stan Rogers

Sowing Promise, Growing Leaders

"Graceful, nurturing, open, mutual trust and a deep understanding.

This is the best experience for me in the United Church of Canada"

~Rev. Yoko Kihara

Location:

Naramata Centre, BC

Cost:

Tuition	\$300.00
Accommodation (includes meals)	
1 st Residential phase	\$730.00
2 nd Residential phase	<u>\$730.00</u>
Total Cost	\$1760.00
Single Supplement	\$300.00

Limited space available!

Payment plans are available

"Thank-you, thank-you leadership team for what is no doubt one of the toughest, transformative and wonderful opportunities in my 30 years in ministry"

~Rev. Val Taylor

The time together was collegial in the best sense of the word. I came to know, respect and befriend colleagues in ways long overdue. Peter Short's leadership was strong, sensitive, wise, creative and faithful. He told us things we already knew but had somehow forgotten along the way. I emerged from the journey refreshed and re-energized for ministry, having re-discovered and re-committed to my call. I cannot recommend "Sowing Promise" more highly."

~Rev. Ed Searcy

Request for Registration

The intent of the program is to build strength: enriching our leadership through input from resource people and the wisdom and experience of the participants. We will therefore be looking for participants who bring a variety of gifts and experiences for a well balanced learning opportunity. To help us achieve this balance we ask you to complete this request for registration and include with response to these questions:

1. Please include: Name, address, email and Ministry Category.
2. What is the most effective dimension or element of your ministry? Your leadership?
3. What is the least effective dimension or element of your ministry? Your leadership?
4. How do you feel that you can contribute to the success of this event with colleagues in ministry?
5. Provide the names and contact information of two people who support your application to participate in this program

Thank-you for your expression of interest in "Sowing Promise, Growing Leaders". Please note that the registration is still open!

Please send your response to Brenda Wolff, Registrar: bwolff@bc.united-church.ca

Priority will be given to first-time applicants