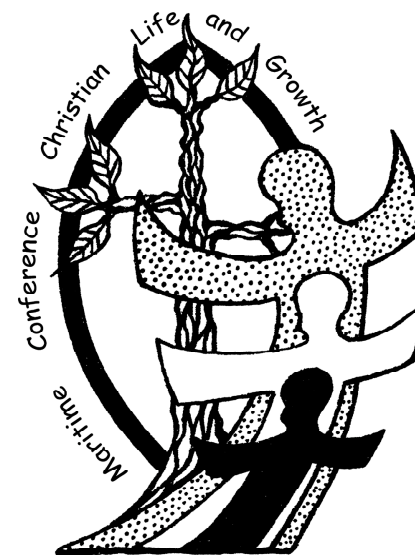
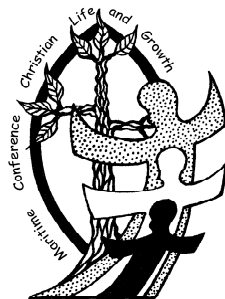


Rooted in a ministry of education, worship and communication the Maritime Conference Christian Life & Growth Committee values and supports programs, resources and initiatives that:

- Help people see where God is in the midst of change (providing resources programmes, etc.);
- Nurture Christian Education/faith formation in a diverse church (i.e. size, place, history, age, theology);
- Call us to listen to the Spirit and respond faithfully especially as we engage in practices of letting go;
- Provide leadership and/or initiatives that call us to honesty in the midst of the process of transformation;
- Support ongoing learning for all ages
- Encourage risk taking as we try new things



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**DO YOU HAVE A
PROGRAM TO SHARE?**

**MARITIME CONFERENCE
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**ANNOUNCES GRANTS
TO SUPPORT PROGRAM INITIATIVES
AND RESOURCE SHARING**

2007

Criteria for Grants to Support Program Initiatives and Resource Sharing

The Christian Life and Growth Committee will provide funding to support the development of new programs and the sharing of original resources that

- fit within the mandate and focus of Christian Life & Growth;
- have potential to appeal throughout the Conference;
- are designed for learning in community - either a Learning Community* or a Learning Circle*; and
- do not duplicate already existing programs

Program Developer will

- prepare an outline of the proposed program identifying purpose, intended audience, suggested schedule;
- provide a comprehensive and user friendly resource; and
- obtain permission for use of any copyrighted material included in the resource

Maritime Conference Christian Life & Growth will

- provide an grant of \$250-\$500 depending on the scope of the proposed program;
- assume ownership of the completed resource;
- establish price, if any, for the resource; and
- produce, promote and distribute the resource throughout the Conference.

*A **Learning Community** – is an ongoing group that meets regularly to study together. Individual members may come and go, but a Learning Community has an ongoing life of its own. Some examples: a women’s retreat group; a monthly gathering for church school teachers, an ongoing study group.

*A **Learning Circle** – is a group of people who covenant together to study on a regular basis, for a specific time period. A Learning Circle ends when the covenanted time has elapsed. Some examples: a series of evenings exploring faith issues with members of different community faith groups, a year-long learning group on the dynamics of congregational change, training for youth leaders (as defined by the United Church of Canada Learning in Community Group) .

“ This is a great opportunity for leaders to receive funding to ‘do more’ with a program on the pastoral charge and share the process for others to explore! ”

Dr. Shirley Cleave, Past Chair,
Maritime Conference Christian Life &
Growth Committee



“ I believe that Adult education is a key to congregational renewal and this initiative holds the potential of providing us with some solid home grown programs for congregational use. ”

Rev. Jack Spencer, Kensington Pastoral Charge,
Kensington, PEI