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Convention *of Atlantic Baptist Churches*

Organized as the Baptist Convention 1846
Organized as the United Baptist Convention 1906

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**“OASIS: REFRESHMENT for the
JOURNEY!”**

UNITED in MISSION			
2009 Proposed Budget			
	2009	2008	2007
	Proposed	Approved	Actual
	Budget	Budget	Receipts
Association Mission Projects	97,700	97,700	94,824
Atlantic Baptist Mission Board	348,000	348,000	319,598
Canadian Baptist Ministries	548,000	548,000	513,236
Union of French Baptist Churches	76,000	76,000	75,000
Atlantic Baptist University	84,000	84,000	77,079
Acadia Divinity College	84,000	84,000	77,079
Baptist Historical Committee	18,000	18,000	17,039
Development	75,000	70,000	66,911
Pastoral Ministry Department	70,000	70,000	70,625
Public Witness & Social Concern	21,000	24,000	20,099
Youth and Family Ministries	102,000	102,000	108,265
Administration	260,000	246,000	253,826
Pension & Insurance Board	80,000	60,000	69,559
Council & Committees	68,000	68,000	65,274
Executive Minister's Office	198,000	208,000	295,835
Communications	107,000	107,000	0
Regional Ministry	477,000	498,000	491,302
Halifax Hospital Chaplaincy	tsf to ABMB	tsf to ABMB	4,512
Saint John-Kings Hospital Chaplaincy	tsf to ABMB	tsf to ABMB	3,008
	2,713,700	2,708,700	2,623,071
Increase over 2008 Budget =	0.18%		
Increase over 2007 Actual =	3.46%		

Dear Church Leader,

Over one hundred years ago local Baptist churches across our region gave birth to a ministry partnership we now call *The Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches*. This bold and courageous step put in place the organizational scaffolding which has allowed the successful emergence of vast and comprehensive ministries that have benefited our churches, our people and the broader Atlantic Canadian community. Churches have been planted and revitalized. Hundreds of missionaries have been sent out to contribute to the growth of the church worldwide. Thousands of young adults have received a university education steeped in a Christian worldview. Hundreds of pastors have been trained for leadership in our churches. Tens of thousands of teenagers have deepened their relationship with Christ at region-wide events. Thousands of retirees have received first class care and accommodations. Churches have received loans to expand their facilities in order to be more effective in ministry. And this list goes on and on...

This is the 2007 Yearbook of our Convention. The comprehensive financial reports found in this book are a tangible expression of our desire to be accountable to the delegates from the churches that own and support our Convention. We are grateful to your congregation for its ongoing financial support and we want to be as transparent as possible in order to help all those involved in our partnership see how carefully all contributions are treated.

Also included in this Yearbook are some statistics from our churches which you may find interesting and brief reports from our various ministries. If you would like a more complete picture of our current ministries we would encourage you to browse www.baptist-atlantic.ca at your leisure and to sign up at the site to receive a free monthly email update from our Convention containing news and information about upcoming events and initiatives.

May God bless you as you serve him and share in his work here in Atlantic Canada!

Sincerely in Christ,

Dr. Malcolm Beckett
Interim Executive Minister

Dr. Bruce Fawcett
Associate Executive Minister

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Convention Record

In the Union of 1905-06, three streams of Atlantic Baptists came together to form the United Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces, which became the United Baptist Convention of the Atlantic Provinces in 1963, and the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches in 2001. The three streams were the Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces, The Free Christian Baptist Conference of New Brunswick, and the Free Baptist Conference of Nova Scotia. The Yearbooks of the United Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces after the Union continued to date the number of Convention Assemblies, not from the date of the Union, but from the founding of the Baptist Convention of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island. The Convention Record published in the Yearbooks has made no mention of the two Free Baptist Conferences prior to the Union. However, in honour of the 100th Anniversary of the Union, the Convention Record this year shows for the first time the three streams prior to 1905-06.

1. The Record of the Baptist Convention of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island, later called the Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces (Regular Baptists) - 1846 to 1905. *The Baptist Convention was formed through the union of the Regular Baptist Association of New Brunswick and the Regular Baptist Association of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island in 1846.*

Places and Years of Meetings

In Nova Scotia

Yarmouth:	
First	1857, 1871, 1881, 1902
Temple	1890
Halifax:	
First	1869, 1883
North	1900
Wolfville	1851, 1877, 1888
Nictaux	1847, 1853, 1861
Amherst	1863, 1883, 1898
Bridgetown	1849, 1892
Liverpool	1855
Berwick	1865, 1896
Bear River	1875, 1894
Truro: First	1879, 1904
Canard	1859
Middleton: Pine Grove	1867
Windsor	1873

In New Brunswick

Saint John:	
Germain St.	1846, 1858, 1868, 1895
Brussels St.	1854, 1866, 1886
Main St.	1850, 1856, 1874, 1897
Leinster St.	1864, 1882, 1903
Fredericton	1848, 1870, 1878, 1889, 1899
Sackville	1852, 1860, 1876
St. Stephen	1872
Hillsboro	1880
St. Martins	1893
Moncton: First	1862, 1884, 1891, 1901

In Prince Edward Island

Charlottetown	1887, 1905
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Presidents

Rev. T. S. Harding	1846 - 1851	Rev. George Armstrong, MA	1877
Rev. C. Tupper, DD	1852, 1858 - 1859	Rev. S. W. DeBlois, MA	1878
Rev. Samuel Robinson	1853, 1865	Charles F. Clinch, Esq.	1879
Rev. John Davis	1854, 1864	Thomas M. King, Esq.	1882
Rev. Joseph Crandall	1855 - 1857	John March, Esq.	1883
Rev. I. E. Bill, DD	1860, 1863, 1873	Rev. A. W. Sawyer	1884
Hon. J. W. Johnstone	1861, 1862, 1866	Arthur Simpson, Esq	1885
Rev. Chas. Spurden, DD	1867	B. H. Eaton, MA, KC	1886
Rev. E. A. Crawley, DD	1868	Prof. R. V. Jones, PhD	1887
Rev. J. M. Cramp, DD	1869	Herbert C. Creed, DLitt	1888
Rev. D. McN. Parker, MD	1870	Edwin D. King, MA, KC	1889
John H. Harding	1871	Rev. Calvin Goodspeed, DD	1890
Rev. G. A. Day, MD	1872	Chas. B. Whidden, Esq.	1891
Hon. Jonathan McCully	1874	Rev. J. A. Gordon, DD	1892
Theo H. Rand, DCL	1875, 1881		
Avard Longley, MP	1876, 1880	Rev. D. G. McDonald, BTh	1893

Rev. Jos. H. Saunders, DD 1894
 Jonathan L. Parsons, BA 1895
 Rev. Geo. O Gates, DD 1896
 Rev. E. M. Kierstead, DD 1897
 Rev. John C. Spurr 1898
 Hon. H. R. Emmerson, MA 1899

Colin W. Roscoe, MA 1900
 J. J. Wallace, Esq 1901
 Rev. E. M. Saunders, DD 1902
 Rupert H. Haley, BA 1903
 William Cummings 1904
 Rev. George R. White, BA 1905

Secretaries

Rev. I. E. Bill 1846 -1850, 1852 - 1854
 Rev. Samuel Elder 1846 - 1849
 Rev. E. D. Very 1850
 Rev. William E. Hall 1851, 1852, 1854
 Rev. George Armstrong, DD 1853
 Rev. John Davis, MA 1855 - 1856
 Rev. David Nutter 1855
 Rev. S. W. DeBlois, DD 1856, 1857, 1860 - 1861
 Rev. A. H. Munro 1857
 Rev. Stephen March 1857
 Rev. Henry Angell 1858
 Rev. Robert D. Porter 1859
 Jas. E. Masters, Esq. 1859
 Rev. Isa. Wallace, DD . 1860, 1862, 1866 - 1869
 Rev. E. Budd DeMill 1861

Rev. E. C. Cady 1862, 1864, 1865 - 1866
 Rev. S. Bransford Kempton, DD 1863 - 1864
 Rev. Thomas Todd 1863
 Rev. I. Judson Skinner 1865
 John F. Masters, Esq. 1867
 Rev. W. S. McKenzie 1868 -1869
 Rev. George M. W. Carey, DD 1870
 Prof. D. F. Higgins, PhD . 1870, 1871, 1873, 1875
 Rev. William B. Boggs, DD 1871 - 1872
 Herbert C. Creed, DLitt 1874, 1891, 1896 - 1905
 John March, Esq. 1875 - 1876
 Rev. A. Cahoon, MA, DD 1877
 Joshua Goodwin, BA 1878
 Rev. E. M. Kierstead, DD 1879 - 1896
 Ingram B. Oakes, MA, DCL 1890

2. The Record of the Free Baptist General Conference of New Brunswick - 1832 to 1905

The Christian Conference of New Brunswick was founded in 1832. The name was changed to The Free Christian Baptist Conference of New Brunswick in 1847 and to The Free Baptist General Conference of New Brunswick in 1898. From 1835 to 1849, the General Conference met twice a year as the Upper Conference and the Lower Conference.

Places and Years of Meetings

Victoria Corner, Wakefield	1832
Queensbury	1833
Millstream	1834

Upper Conference

Wakefield	1835, 1836 1840, 1846(special), 1847
Southampton	1837, 1848
Brighton	1838, 1844
Queensbury	1839, 1843
Douglas	1841
Woodstock	1842, 1846
Nashwaak	1845, 1849

Lower Conference

Nashwaak	1835
Little River, Lower Hampstead	1836
Mouth of Oromocto, Burton Parish	1837, 1841
Upper Sussex	1838, 1840, 1845
Hampstead	1839, 1844
Upper Hampstead	1842, 1848
Millstream	1843
South Branch Oromocto River (Blissville)	1846
Midland, Springfield Parish	1847
Studholm	1849

1850 - 1905

Lincoln	1850, 1872
Wakefield	1851
Saint John	1852
Woodstock	1853, 1860, 1879, 1895
Hampstead	1854, 1870, 1878, 1889, 1900
Jacksonstown	1855
North Branch Oromocto	1856
Saint John, Waterloo St	1857, 1893, 1905
Victoria Corner	1858, 1866, 1876 1882
Millstream	1859, 1875, 1890
Douglas	1861
Carleton, Saint John	1862, 1886
Southampton	1863
Fredericton	1864, 1884, 1897
Five Points, Coverdale	1865
South Branch Oromocto (Blissville)	1867
Springfield (Midland)	1868

Presque Isle, Carleton Co.	1869
Saint John, First Church	1871
Waterville, Carleton Co.	1873, 1902
Tracey's Mills, Carleton Co.	1874, 1883, 1894
Penobsquis	1877
Middle Southampton	1880
North Head, Grand Manan	1881
Sussex	1885, 1898
Midland	1887
Blissville	1888
Marysville	1891, 1901
Corn Hill	1892
Waterloo St., Saint John	1893, 1905
Victoria St., Saint John	1896
Saint John West	1899
Lower Millstream	1903
Tracey Station, Sunbury Co.	1904

Moderators/Chairmen

Elder Samuel Nutt	1832, 1834
Elder H Cronkhite	1833
Elder J. Hamilton	1835
Elder A. Mersereau	1836, 1840, 1841, 1844, 1847
Elder Samuel Hartt	1837, 1839, 1852, 1854, 1856
Elder S. Cronkhite	1838, 1846
Leonard Slipp	1842
Elder Charles McMullin	1843, 1848, 1849, 1853
Elder J. Noble	1845
Elder Abner Mersereau	1850
Elder Edward Wayman	1851

Rev. Benjamin Merritt	1855, 1858-1859, 1861-1863
Rev. Joseph Noble	1857, 1869, 1890
Rev. E. McLeod	1860, 1864
Rev. G. A. Hartley	1865, 1866, 1870, 1876
	1882, 1886, 1899
Rev. John Perry	1867
Rev. J. T. Parsons	1868, 1880
Rev. Freeman Babcock	1871
Rev. John E. Reud	1872, 1881, 1884
Rev. A. Taylor	1873
Rev. G. W. MacDonald	1874

Rev. Joseph MacLeod	1875, 1883, 1889, 1905
Rev. T. VanWart	1877
Rev. A. Kinney	1878
Rev. C. T. Phillips	1879, 1888
Rev. J. W. Clark	1885
Rev. William Downey	1887
Rev. A. C. Thompson	1891
Rev. William DeWare	1892
Rev. J. Wesley Clarke	1893
Rev. G. F. Currie	1894

Rev. G. W. Foster	1895
Rev. B. H. Nobles	1896
Rev. G. Swim	1897
Rev. F. C. Hartley	1998
Rev. W. H. Perry	1900
Rev. David Long	1901
Rev. F. G. Francis	1902
Rev. Abram Perry	1903
Rev. J. Bolton Daggett	1904

Clerks/Recording Secretaries

(Clerks/Recording Secretaries not available for the years 1832-1849)

Richard Holmes	1850
B. J. Underhill	1851 - 1872

Prof. George E. Foster	1874 - 1880
Major D. McLeod Vince	1881 - 1905

3. Free Baptist Conference of Nova Scotia - 1866 to 1906

The Free Baptist Conference of Nova Scotia was founded in 1866 through the union of the Free Will Baptist denomination of Nova Scotia (founded in 1840) and the Free Christian Baptist denomination of Nova Scotia (founded in 1837).

Places and Years of Meetings

Barrington	1866, 1871, 1881, 1889, 1899
Kemptville,	1867, 1883, 1894, 1904
Cape Sable Island	1868
Beaver River	1869, 1879, 1886, 1891
Port Medway	1870, 1876, 1896
Canning	1872, 1878, 1898
Session Hill	1873
Glenwood	1874, 1901
Caledonia	1875, 1880, 1900

Clark's Harbour	1877, 1887, 1893, 1902
Centreville, Cape Sable Island	1882, 1890
Argyle	1884
Port La Tour	1885, 1895
Yarmouth	1888, 1897
Lower Argyle	1892
Pubnico	1903
Shag Harbour	1905
Yarmouth	1906

Moderators

Rev. G. E. Eaton	1866 - 1867
Rev. W. M. Knollin	1868, 1874
Rev. D. Oram	1869
Rev. C. Knowles	1870
Rev. W. Downey	1871
Rev. T. O. DeWitt	1872, 1875
Rev. S. N. Royal	1873, 1880
Rev. J. F. Smith	1876, 1879
Rev. F. Babcock	1877, 1881
Rev. W. C. Weston	1878, 1889, 1900
Rev. L. W. Gowen	1882
Rev. J. W. Freeman	1883, 1890, 1891
Rev. William Millar	1884

Rev. Edwin Crowell	1885 - 1886
Rev. C. B. Atwood	1887
Albert Gayton, Esq. MPP	1888
Rev. J. L. Smith	1892
Rev. T. H. Siddall	1893, 1896
Rev. G. M. Wilson	1894, 1903
Rev. Joseph K. West	1895, 1901
Rev. C. F. Cooper	1897
Rev. D. T. Porter	1898
Rev. J. E. Gosline	1899, 1906
Rev. J. B. Merrill	1902
Rev. Joseph E. Wilson	1904
Rev. Joseph W. Smith	1905

Clerks

Rev. J. I. Porter	1866 - 1888
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Rev. Edwin Crowell	1889 - 1905
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Record of the United Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces 1905 to 2008

Places and Years of Meetings

In Nova Scotia

Yarmouth, First	1920
Halifax, First	1909, 1917
Trade and Convention Centre	2000
Wolfville	1907, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1934, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1972, 1973, 1975, 1977, 1978, 1980, 1982, 1984, 1985, 1988, 1990, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1997, 1998, 2001, 2003, 2006, 2007
Liverpool	1906
Bridgetown	1911
Amherst	1913, 1918
Truro, First	1915

In New Brunswick

Saint John, Germain St.	1908, 1916
Fredericton	1914, 1921, 1933
Sackville	1971, 1974, 1976, 1979, 1981, 1983, 1986, 1987, 1989, 1991, 1994, 1996, 2004
Woodstock	1910, 1919, 1926, 1939, 1954
Moncton	
First	1912, 1935
Atlantic Baptist University	1999, 2002, 2005

In Prince Edward Island

Charlottetown	1905
Due to Federal Government restrictions on travel, on account of conditions arising out of the war, no Convention was held in 1945.	

Presidents of Convention

Rev. Joseph McLeod, DD	1906	Rev. H.R. Boyer, STM,DD	1939
Rev. W. Norman Hutchins, MA,PhD	1907	Prof. R.S. Longley, MA,PhD	1940
Chan. Cecil C. Jones, PhD	1908	Rev. Ernest S. Mason, BA.,DD	1941
Rev. Atwood Cohoon, DD	1909	Rev. W.H. Elgee, BA,BD,DTh	1942
Col. D. McL. Vince, DCL	1910	Kenneth A. Wilson, BCL,DCL,QC	1943
Rev. J.W. Manning, DD	1911	Rev. A. Gibson, BA,DD	1944, 1945
Rev. W.C. Goucher, DD	1912	Rev. M.O. Brinton, BA,BD,DD	1946
Nelson B. Smith, Esq.	1913	J.W. Boulter, Esq., MBE	1947
Rev. W.F. Parker	1914	Rev. Harvey L. Denton, BD,DD	1948
Rev. H.T. DeWolfe, DD	1915	Rev. A.C. Vincent, ThM,DD	1949
A.A. Wilson, KC,DCL	1916	Norman E. Peveril, Esq.	1950
Rev. C.R. Freeman, DD	1917, 1918	Rev. A.J. Langley, BTh,MA,BD	1951
Rev. Wellington Camp, MA,DD	1919	Rev. J.M. Armstrong, BA,BD,ThM,DD	1952
Rev. J.H. MacDonald, DD	1920	Hon. R.M. Fielding, QC	1953
Rev. Z.L. Fash, MA,DD	1921	Rev. F.C. Fenerty, BA(Th)	1954
Rev. C.W. Rose, DD	1922	Rev. G.N. Hamilton, BA(Th),DD	1955
Rev. N.A. MacNeill, DD	1923	B.D. Stevens, Esq.	1956
H.A. Rice, Esq.	1924	Rev. G.P. Allen, BA	1957
W.C. Cross, Esq.	1925	Rev. Henry E. Allaby, BA,DD	1958
Rev. O.N. Chipman, DD	1926	Stephen S. Steeves, Esq.	1959
L.W. Simms, Esq.	1927	Rev. W.P. Oliver, BA,BD	1960
J.A. Clark, DSc	1928	Rev. Harold L. Mitton, BA,BD	1961
Rev. M.S. Richardson, MA,DD	1929	L. Earl Peverill, Esq., CA	1962
Rev. E.H. Cochrane, MA,DD	1930	Rev. R.C. MacCormack, BA(Th),BD	1963
W.G. Clark, Esq.	1931	Rev. Harry G. Taylor, MA(Th)	1964
Rev. L.E. Ackland, BA,BD	1932	Kenneth E. Spencer	1965
Rev. J.A. Corey	1933	Rev. Charles J. Taylor, BA,BD,STM	1966
R.B. Wallace, MA, Esq.	1934	Rev. Keith R. Hobson, DD	1967
Rev. Waldo C. Machum, BA,DD	1935	Winston A. Steeves	1968
Rev. S.S. Poole, DD	1936	Rev. George L. McNeill, MA	1969
S.E. Fisher, Esq.	1937	Rev. Malcolm Harlow, BA,BD	1970
Rev. L.H. Crandall, MA,DD	1938	Gerald Phillips	1971

<i>Rev. Samuel J. Baxter, DipTh,BD</i>	1972	<i>Rev. Wrenfred Bryant</i>	1990
<i>Rev. Neil G. Price, BA,BCL,BTh,BD</i>	1973	<i>Rev. Brian MacArthur, BBA,MDiv,DMin</i>	1991
<i>H. Jack Stultz</i>	1974	<i>Dr. Carmen Moir, BSc,BEd,MA,LLD</i>	1992
<i>Rev. Laurie D. Fenerty, BA,BD</i>	1975	<i>Rev. Frederick Smith, BA(Th),MDiv</i>	1993
<i>Rev. Raymond J. Warner, BA(Th),BD</i>	1976	<i>Rev. Ronald Baxter, BA,MDiv</i>	1994
<i>Roger King</i>	1977	<i>Mr. Rupert Tingley, BSc,PEng</i>	1995
<i>Rev. Frank E. Locke, BA,BD</i>	1978	<i>Dr. Roy H. Pointer, MA,DMiss</i>	1996
<i>Rev. Kenneth Thompson, BA,BD</i>	1979	<i>Dr. Peter R. Sherwood, BBA,MDiv,DMin</i>	1997
<i>Loyal G. Brace, CDI</i>	1980	<i>Dr. Robert Wilson, BA,MA,PhD</i>	1998
<i>Rev. Byron W. Fenwick, BA,BD</i>	1981	<i>Dr. Richard Thomas, BA,MA,DMin</i>	1999
<i>Rev. James S. Webber, BA,BEd</i>	1982	<i>Rev. Gordon Sutherland, BA,MDiv</i>	2000
<i>Robert A. MacQuade, CA</i>	1983	<i>Sterling W. Gosman</i>	2001
<i>Rev. Carl A. Price, BA</i>	1984	<i>Dr. Malcolm W. Card, BA,MDiv,DMin</i>	2002
<i>Rev. Robert R. Steeves, BA,BD</i>	1985	<i>Dr. Lionel M. Moriah, BA,MDiv,DMin</i>	2003
<i>Kenneth Phillips</i>	1986	<i>George H. Powell, BA,MA</i>	2004
<i>Rev. Allison A. Trites, BA,BD,ThM,PhD</i>	1987	<i>Dr. W. Ralph Richardson, BA,MDiv,ThM,PhD</i> ..	2005
<i>Rev. James A. Cowan, BA,BD</i>	1988	<i>Rev. Peter L. Reid, BA,MDiv</i>	2006
<i>Mrs. Jessie Fitch</i>	1989	<i>Dr. Margaret F. Munro</i>	2007

Secretaries of Convention

<i>Rev. J.H. MacDonald, DD</i>	1905 - 1912	<i>Rev. L.E. Ackland, BA,BD</i>	1934 - 1941
<i>Rev. A.J. Archibald, MA</i>	1912 - 1921	<i>Rev. Ernest J. Barrass, DD</i>	1941 - 1943
<i>Rev. S.S. Poole, DD</i>	1921 - 1934		

General Secretaries of Convention

<i>Rev. Henry R. Boyer, BA,BD,STM,DD</i>	1923 - 1933	<i>Rev. Harry A. Renfree, BA,BD,DMin</i> . . .	1958 - 1967
<i>Rev. W.C. Machum, BA,DD</i>	1943 - 1953	<i>Rev. T.B. McDormand, BA(Th),BD,ThD,DD,LLD,LHD</i>	1967 - 1970
<i>Rev. R.E. Whitney, BA,DD,BD</i>	1953		
<i>Rev. J.Murray Armstrong, BA,BD,ThM,DD</i>	1954 - 1958		

Executive Ministers of Convention

<i>Rev. Keith R. Hobson, DD</i>	1970 - 1983	<i>Rev. Harry G. Gardner, BA,MDiv,DMin</i> .	1996 - 2007
<i>Rev. Eugene M. Thompson, BA,MDiv,DMin</i>	1984 - 1996	<i>Rev. Malcolm W. Beckett, BA,MDiv,DMin</i>	Interim Executive Minister, 2008

**CONSTITUTION OF THE CONVENTION
OF ATLANTIC BAPTIST CHURCHES
(Revised after Assembly 2006)**

ARTICLE I

The "**Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches**" (hereinafter referred to as "The Convention") came into existence on the basis of a statement of doctrine and polity entitled "1905/06 Basis of Union." The Convention shall be composed of those bodies which have covenanted to work together, under the Lordship of Jesus Christ, and under the authority of the Bible which is the all-sufficient ground of faith and practice.

ARTICLE II

- (1) The **Mission** of The Convention is to bring glory to God by making disciples of Jesus Christ (Matthew 28:18-20) and by demonstrating His love to a hurting world (Matthew 22:37-40) in the power of the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:8).
- (2) The **Objectives** of The Convention are to: Evangelize; Teach; and Serve.
- (3) The Convention will express its ongoing vision by providing the organizational framework, participatory processes, programs and personnel required to fulfil these objectives, while honouring the autonomy of the local church.

ARTICLE III

- (1) The following persons will be recognized as **accredited delegates** to The Convention Assembly, being in every case a member of one of the Churches in The Convention and a believer who has been baptized by immersion:
 - (a) Two delegates from each of the Associations of The Convention.
 - (b) Each church, connected with any of the Associations of The Convention, which contributes annually to the objectives of The Convention shall be entitled to send three (3) delegates for the first fifty members or fraction thereof to represent it at any meeting of The Convention Assembly, an additional two (2) delegates for the second fifty members or fraction thereof, and a further delegate for each one hundred additional members or fraction thereof, but no church shall be entitled to send more than ten (10) delegates and such delegates shall be officially appointed by the church.
 - (c) Every ordained minister in good standing within The Convention.
 - (d) Every holder of a License to Minister from The Convention or any of the above Associations.
 - (e) Active and retired missionaries of Canadian Baptist Ministries being members of churches in The Convention.
- (2) The following persons shall be ex officio delegates to The Convention being in every case a member of one of the churches in The Convention and a believer who has been baptized by immersion:
 - (a) The Officers of The Convention and the members of The Council of The Convention.
 - (b) All appointees to Boards and Committees of The Convention.
 - (c) The Director of Operations, the Director of Atlantic Baptist Mission, the Director of Youth and Family, the Director of Communications, the Editor of The Atlantic Baptist, the Area/Regional Ministers, and such other staff as are approved at any regular meeting of The Convention.
 - (d) The Principal, Associate Principal and the Faculty of Acadia Divinity College and the President and the Faculty of Atlantic Baptist University.

ARTICLE IV

The **Officers** of The Convention shall consist of the President, the Past President, the Vice-President, and the Executive Minister.

ARTICLE V

The **Vice-President** of The Convention, elected at the previous year's sessions and serving the year in office shall become the President for the ensuing year. Should he/she, during his/her term of office as Vice-President be required to replace the President due to the President's retirement from office for any cause he/she shall be deemed to be Acting President for the remainder of the term and be eligible as above for the position of President for the ensuing year. Should the Vice-President decline to serve as President, the Nominating Committee would then place other names in nomination in the usual manner.

ARTICLE VI

- (1) The **Council** of The Convention, acting as the agent of The Convention between assemblies of The Convention, shall have the **responsibility** to:
 - (a) provide visionary and strategic leadership;
 - (b) present to The Convention meeting in assembly suggested goals to achieve the mission of The Convention in the areas of evangelism, teaching and service;
 - (c) develop the policies and strategies to achieve the goals approved by The Convention meeting in assembly;
 - (d) on behalf of The Convention, hold all affiliated boards and agencies accountable to these goals;
 - (e) oversee the financial affairs of The Convention and the drawing of the budget for Assembly;
 - (f) report annually to The Convention meeting in assembly regarding the achievement of its work in the above areas.
- (2) The Council of The Convention shall be composed of the President, the Past President, the Vice-President, and twelve (12) persons (three of whom shall retire each year) elected by The Convention meeting in assembly. Council members shall be elected for a four year term. Any retiring member is eligible for re-election after a lapse of two years.
- (3) The Executive Minister shall be a member of The Council without vote.
- (4) The Council will normally meet four times each year in different locations throughout the Atlantic Provinces, one of which will coincide with the annual assembly of The Convention.
- (5) The Council will appoint Working Groups as needed for specific purposes and for defined periods of time. Members of these groups will be selected on the basis of their interest and expertise. By decision of The Council a Working Group may work with or under the supervision of a Senior Staff member, a member of The Council, or a Chairperson appointed by The Council.

ARTICLE VII

The Convention shall meet annually in Assembly, at a time and location as recommended by The Council and agreed upon by The Convention Assembly.

A special meeting of The Convention may be called at any time by the President on requisition of The Council or a majority of the constituted Boards or a majority of the Associations of The Convention.

ARTICLE VIII

The Convention may make or amend **regulations** concerning procedure for the issuing of Licenses to Minister, ordination of ministers and establishment of educational and moral standards relating thereto, provided that notice of motion is given at the previous Assembly of The Convention and provided further that there is a two-thirds affirmative vote.

ARTICLE IX(1) There shall be the following **Boards and Committees:**

- (a) **Board of Governors of Acadia University**, to which beginning in 1988 and every sixth year thereafter The Convention shall appoint four Governors, and in 1991 and every sixth year thereafter, The Convention shall appoint five Governors, to hold office from the 1st day of October next following until the 30th of September next following the date of taking office, in accordance with resolutions passed in 1891, 1966, 1985 and in accordance with an Act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia passed on May 19, 1891, and most recently revised in 1986 (an Act respecting Acadia University). Notwithstanding the above, all members of the Board of Governors appointed by The Convention who hold office as of August 31, 1986 shall be entitled to serve the remainder of their respective terms. However, in accordance with the above legislation, a Governor shall always be eligible for reappointment. Anyone shall be eligible for appointment to, or service upon the Board of Governors who is a member in good standing of one of the churches of The Convention or Canadian Baptist Ministries, but no member of the full time teaching staff at Acadia University is so eligible.¹
- (b) **Board of Trustees of Acadia Divinity College** of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches, shall be composed of eighteen (18) members, twelve (12) elected by The Convention, three (3) appointed by the Board of Governors of Acadia University from among The Convention appointees to the Board of Governors, and three (3) ex officio members with vote - the Executive Minister of The Convention, the President of the College, and the President of Acadia University. Of the twelve (12) trustees elected by the Convention, seventy-five percent (75%) shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee of The Convention and twenty-five percent (25%) shall be nominated by the Board of Trustees. The Board shall be responsible for the financing of the College and the government, conduct, management and control of the College, and all property, revenues, business and affairs of the College shall be vested in the Board and the Board shall have all powers necessary to perform its duties and achieve the objectives and purposes of the College, as noted in Bill No. 76, an Act to Incorporate Acadia Divinity College, House of Assembly, Nova Scotia, 1968. The Board of Trustees shall report to The Convention at its annual meeting.
- (c) **Atlantic Baptist Mission Board**, shall be composed of seven members elected by The Convention, the Director of Atlantic Baptist Mission and the Superintendent of the Home Mission Department of the United Baptist Woman's Missionary Union.
The Board shall:
 - (1) ensure that a central guiding vision is maintained in the areas of evangelism, church planting, ethnic ministries and special mission projects;
 - (2) in co-operation with Associations, make decisions regarding Pastoral Ministry Grants;
 - (3) work closely with the Council to achieve the goals of The Convention.
 - (4) assume responsibility for the property matters, trusts and investments of the previous Home Mission Board.
 - (5) report to The Council and The Assembly at its annual assembly.

¹ For Information: An Act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia (An Act Respecting Acadia University), as revised in 1986 provides that the Board of Governors of the University includes "that person who holds the office of Principal of the Acadia Divinity College, as long as the person holds that office".

- (d) **Atlantic Section of Canadian Baptist Ministries**, composed of three members elected by The Convention plus the President of Atlantic Baptist Woman. The Executive Minister shall be an ex officio member without vote.
- (e) **Board of Ministerial Standards and Education** with nine elected members together with the Principal of Acadia Divinity College or designate; the President of Atlantic Baptist University or designate; the Director of Atlantic Baptist Mission; the Executive Minister of The Convention and the Regional Ministers who shall be members without vote.
- (f) A **Board of Ministers' Annuity Fund** which shall be composed of five (5) members elected by The Convention, plus the Director of Operations and the secretary to the Board.
- (g) **Board of Governors of Atlantic Baptist University** shall be composed of not less than ten (10) and not more than twenty-five (25) members elected by The Convention. Of these members, seventy-five percent (75%) shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee of The Convention and twenty-five percent (25%) shall be nominated by the Board of Governors.
- (h) **Directors of Atlantic Baptist Senior Citizens' Homes, Inc.** shall consist of twelve (12) members elected by The Convention of which one (1) must be from each province in which there is an Atlantic Baptist Senior Citizens' Homes, Inc. facility.
- (i) **Board of Directors of the Foundation of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches** shall be composed of not less than twenty-one (21) and not more than twenty-four (24) members elected by The Convention, plus the following ex officio non-voting members: the President and the Executive Minister of The Convention. Of these elected members, seventy-five percent (75%) shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee of The Convention and twenty-five percent (25%) shall be nominated by the Board of Directors.
 The objects and purposes of the Baptist Foundation shall be to provide financial services for the benefit of the Churches, Council and Agencies of The Convention.
 The activities of the Baptist Foundation shall be carried on in the Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and Newfoundland & Labrador.
 The registered office of the Baptist Foundation shall be located in the Halifax Regional Municipality, County of Halifax, Province of Nova Scotia.
 The By-laws of the Baptist Foundation are to be approved by The Convention.
- (j) And such other Boards and Committees as may be established by The Convention.

ARTICLE X

Unless otherwise provided by this Constitution or the Act of legislation constituting the Board:

- (1) One-third (1/3) of the members of each Board and Committee of The Convention shall retire each year in the order of their appointment, as nearly as possible.
- (2) Board and Committee members shall be elected for a period of three (3) years and shall be eligible for re-election at the close of that period. No members of any Board or Committee however, or the holder of any office in The Convention shall serve longer than six (6) years consecutively on any Board or Committee or in any office, but any retiring member is eligible for election after a lapse of one (1) year. This rule does not apply to the Executive Minister, the Director of Atlantic Baptist Mission, the Director of Operations, the Director of Youth and Family, the Director of Communications, the Regional Ministers, the Treasurer of a denominational Board, nor a member of the Board of Governors of Acadia University.
- (3) Any member of a Board or Committee who removes from the geographical area served by The Convention shall automatically cease to be a member of such Board or Committee, and a replacement shall be made by the Nominating Committee next in session, if not sooner replaced as hereinafter provided.

- (4) Any member appointed to serve the unexpired term of another shall be considered as having filled the appointment for the full term of three years and shall, under the six-year rule be eligible for only one more three-year term before retiring for at least one (1) year.
- (5) Any member of a Board or Committee who has lost "good standing" or membership with his/her local church shall automatically cease to be a member of such a Board or Committee, and a replacement shall be made by the Nominating Committee next in session, if not sooner replaced as hereinafter provided.

ARTICLE XI

Any vacancies in the Convention Council, Boards, Committees, or representatives to other bodies, occurring between the Annual Assemblies of The Convention, may be filled, if it seems prudent to do so, by The Council, after seeking nominations from the Nominating Committee. Any persons appointed in this way will serve until the next Assembly of the Convention, and his/her name shall be added to the Report of the Nominating Committee to the next Convention Assembly, if he/she is willing to complete the unexpired term.

ARTICLE XII

This Constitution shall not be altered or amended except by vote of two-thirds of the delegates voting at any assembly of The Convention. Written notice of any proposed alteration(s) or amendment(s) that has been processed and recommended by the Council of Convention shall be mailed or emailed to each church of the Convention at least one hundred and eighty (180) days prior to such Assembly and a copy of the proposed alteration(s) or amendments(s) that have not been processed and recommended by the Council of Convention shall be given at the previous Annual Assembly of The Convention and a copy of the proposed alteration(s) or amendment(s) shall be made available to each delegate attending the Assembly.

ARTICLE XIII

The following rules of order shall apply to meetings of The Convention:

- (1) Every sitting shall be opened and closed with prayer.
- (2) Persons invited to a seat may speak on all subjects under debate, but vote on none.
- (3) No person shall speak more often than twice on any motion, unless by permission of the body.
- (4) Motions made and lost shall not be recorded in the minutes unless so ordered at the time.
- (5) The governance of the body and the regulation of its proceedings shall be strictly in accordance with parliamentary usage so called.
- (6) That the question be now put is not debatable and if resolved by a two-thirds affirmative vote, the pending question shall be put forthwith without debate and if the first mentioned motion is defeated, the debate on the pending questions shall continue until otherwise ended.
- (7) That there be a three (3) minute time limit for each speaker.
- (8) That there be 42 minutes for each issue under debate unless permission for extension is granted by the body on motion approved by a two-thirds affirmative vote. The motion to extend is not debatable.
- (9) That items be given in writing to the Executive Minister at least 24 hours before presentation for debate.
- (10) Immediately after the opening of The Convention assembly, these rules shall be distinctly read from the Chair.

REGULATIONS CONCERNING THE MINISTRY Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches

The call of God upon the life of a person to pastoral or specific ministries has historically been recognized within Baptist life by the setting apart of that person in the **act of ordination** or by the **granting of a lay license**. This action is usually associated with “full time” ministry and is an affirmation of that call by a local church. The spiritual standards for such ministries are: a profession of faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour; a conviction of a call to Christian ministry; a recognition of this call by the church of which the candidate is a member; a statement of doctrinal beliefs which testifies to the life of faith; and a quality of life in keeping with this faith.

It is crucial in our ministry to the contemporary world that we provide various means for our churches to set apart people for specific roles in ministry which are recognized by the broader Baptist community. In practice, *ordination* is usually sought by those entering **pastoral, educational or chaplaincy roles** within the church. Others, who are involved in **bi-vocational or “tent-making” ministries** or who choose, for various reasons, not to seek ordination, pursue the *Lay License to Minister*. The *License to Minister* is therefore divided between those seeking ordination and those seeking lay license. The similar spiritual standards and levels of commitment expected for each are reflected in the parallel processes to achieve such recognition.

GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR ORDINATION

I. Board of Ministerial Standards and Education

- A. Ministerial candidates who are considering training for the Baptist Ministry with ordination in view, will be individually interviewed by the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education to determine their fitness for the pastoral office (including conversion, call to ministry, educational standards, theology, style of leadership and suitability for ministry); to direct them in their course of study; to consider with them the financial obligations involved; and to assist in any way which lies within the jurisdiction of the Board. Further, the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education shall review the progress of the preparation of candidates from time to time and report the same to the appropriate Association committees.
- B. The Board of Ministerial Standards and Education shall include nine elected members, together with the Principal of Acadia Divinity College or designate, the President of Atlantic Baptist University or designate, the Executive Minister of The Convention, the Director of Atlantic Baptist Mission, and the Regional Ministers who shall be members without vote.

II. Licensing

All ministerial students or candidates for the ministry shall have Licenses to Minister from a Baptist Church in fellowship with Canadian Baptist Ministries.

III. Church Membership

A candidate for ordination shall have been a member in good standing of a Baptist Church in fellowship with Canadian Baptist Ministries for at least one year before receiving full recognition from the Examining Council.

IV. Pastoral Status

All candidates for ordination shall be pastors or pastors-elect of Convention Baptist Churches or shall be under appointment for evangelistic, chaplaincy or missionary work within, or approved by, the Convention. Theological students, having completed the full requirements for ordination, seeking post-graduate work in another country and likely to be called to a church during this post-graduate work, might well be permitted ordination to the church of which they are presently ministering, providing the Examining Council is assured of the sincerity of the candidates' purpose.

V. Listing of Ordained Pastors on the Accredited List of Ministers

Ministers who leave the ministry to enter secular callings or Christian work outside the denomination shall have their cases reviewed by the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education to determine whether their names shall or shall not remain on the Accredited List of Ministers within the Convention. This will be done with notice and right of appeal to the Executive of Council.

(NOTE: Also see the guidelines regarding permission to perform marriages after these Regulations.)

EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS FOR ORDINATION**I. The Educational Standards for Ordination**

- A. A complete course in Arts or its equivalent, followed by a complete course in theology at an accredited theological school: B.A. plus M.Div. (or B.D.)
- B. An M.R.E. or its equivalent degree is acceptable for those seeking to exercise a ministry in Christian Education. If a Minister of Christian Education or other specified area, who is ordained under this provision, seeks to exercise pastoral ministry, he or she shall normally be expected to make up any deficiencies in his or her preparation to satisfy Convention regulations.
- C. For those seeking to be ordained to **Church Music Ministry** the minimum standard shall be the completion of an accredited undergraduate degree plus a minimum of 30 semester hours of general theological education at a school accredited by the Association of Theological Schools and in consultation with the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education. The candidate must also show competence in Church Music, normally by a minimum of 30 semester hours of post-baccalaureate education in Church Music (or by some other means acceptable to the Board).

II. Acceptable Minimum Requirements

- A. Under special circumstances, one of the following lesser requirements for ordination will be acceptable with the approval of the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education (Credentials Committee).
- B. These special circumstances may include one or more of the following: inadequate educational preparation, age, family circumstances and qualifications for professional ministry. The Board may allow individual candidates to proceed to ordination after having fulfilled one of the following.

Candidate 35 years of age or over are expected to meet a minimum of two years' study at university level. However, the following options exist and an appropriate option should be selected and investigated in consultation with the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education. Subsequently candidates should contact the Principal of Acadia Divinity College (31 Horton Avenue, Wolfville, NS B4P 2R6) or the President of Atlantic Baptist University (PO Box 6004, Moncton, NB E1C 9L7) as appropriate.

1. Approved candidates for ministry who are a minimum of 35 years of age at the time of their first application to the Board may, on the recommendation of the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education, be considered for entry into the Bachelor of Theology programme at Acadia Divinity College, which requires one full year of Arts courses plus two years of theological study, all following Nova Scotia grade 12 level. [NOTE: A variety of educational standards exist for Bible Colleges across North America. Therefore the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education *may* deem a BTh or BRE degree from a Bible College in good standing with the American Association of Bible Colleges that meets the standards of the Acadia BTh degree an appropriate qualification for ordination. Candidate *may* be required to complete up to one year of theological studies (normally taken at Acadia Divinity College), or up to one year of study in Arts and Sciences (normally taken at Atlantic Baptist University). The Board will evaluate each academic transcript on its own merits and recommend the manner in which any deficiencies be made up. The Board *will* require candidates to complete a course in Baptist History and Polity, with specific emphasis on Canadian and Atlantic Baptist History and Polity.]
 2. Approved candidates for ministry of 55 years of age or older may be admitted with the approval of the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education to a two-year non-graduating course at Acadia Divinity College leading to an internal Certificate of Ministerial Studies, but carrying no formal academic credit.
 3. Approved candidates for ministry of 55 years of age or older who cannot complete the Certificate of Ministerial Studies at Acadia Divinity College should reappear before the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education to have their candidacy reviewed.
- C. Any exception to these requirements may be considered only when the Board regards such action as warranted and in the best interest of our denominational life.

III. Internship

Prior to ordination, the candidate shall have one year's satisfactory internship, with pastoral supervision under a counsellor appointed by the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education (Credentials Committee).

IV. Basic Requirement

- A. Prior to appearing before the Convention Examining Council for Ordination, all candidates shall be required to complete the course of study entered upon in agreement with the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education. This will necessitate the personal appearance of the prospective student before this Board prior to entrance upon his/her course of study.
- B. Only if that Board has deemed it absolutely necessary to have allowed a modification of such a course of study in the case of an individual, will it recommend his/her appearance before the Examining Council for Ordination.
- C. If a candidate plainly fails to take advantage of time and opportunity to prepare as fully as he/she might for the ministerial office, and at last attains an age at which lower academic demands may be allowed for ordination, he/she need not expect that his/her attainments will be measured by the reduced demands.

Those interested in preparing for ministry are invited to contact the Principal, Acadia Divinity College, 31 Horton Avenue, Wolfville, NS B4P 2R6.

PROCESS TOWARD ORDINATION**I. Church License for Persons Preparing for Ordained Ministry**

- A. The **first step** on the part of a person desiring to enter the ordained ministry of the Church is to secure from that church of which he or she is a member a *License to Minister*.
- B. The *Local Church License to Minister* is in effect both an affirmation and a recommendation. It is required that persons being considered for such license have preached or taught in their own churches to determine if they have gifts in the area of the desired ministry. There ought to be a review as to what they have been doing within the church. They should tell of their conversion, call to ministry and their faith in Jesus Christ. They should demonstrate leadership ability. They should be able to relate well to people. Their lifestyles, including family relationships and ethics, should be taken into consideration and there should be evidence of faithfulness in work habits. There should be evident progress in Biblical knowledge, spiritual growth, understanding of the ministry and Baptist beliefs.
- C. It is important that the church should exercise the utmost care and be thoroughly satisfied that the candidate has the qualities of mind, character and Christian experience which would fit the person for the important work of an ordained minister. A *Church License to Minister* should not be granted until the candidate has been a member of the church for at least one year.
- D. A *Church License to Minister* must be renewed yearly until such time as an Association License to Minister is granted.

II. Association License for Persons Preparing for Ordained Ministry

- A. The **second step** for a person who is acknowledged by a church as called to prepare for the office of an ordained minister, is the obtaining of an *Association License to Minister*.
- B. The *Association License to Minister* is in effect both an affirmation and a recommendation. It is required that persons being considered for such recognition have preached or taught in their own churches to determine if they have gifts in the area of the desired ministry. There ought to be a review of what they have been doing within the church. They should tell of their conversion, call to ministry and their faith in Jesus Christ. They should demonstrate leadership ability. They should be able to relate well to people. Their lifestyles, including family relationships and ethics, should be taken into consideration and there should be evidence of faithfulness in work habits. There should be evident progress in Biblical knowledge, spiritual growth, understanding of the ministry and Baptist beliefs.
- C. An *Association License* may be granted only on the following conditions:
 - 1. That one year has elapsed since the applicant was granted an unrescinded Church License to Minister and that the applicant is a member of a Convention Baptist Church;
 - 2. That the applicant has at least a period of satisfactory ministry and,
 - 3. That the applicant is definitely proceeding with academic preparation for the work of the ordained ministry.
- D. A Committee appointed by the Association shall examine the applicant personally on all the above and concerning loyalty to the aims and activities of the Convention.
- E. To remain valid an Association License must be renewed annually. Application for either the granting or the renewal of an Association License may be made to the Association in which the applicant received a Church License or to the Association where the applicant is located at the time of application.
- F. Each person seeking renewal of a License must apply to appear in person before the Association Committee and shall furnish satisfactory evidence of progress in studies, purpose to continue them, service responsibility fulfilled, and of continued loyalty to the aims and activities of the Convention.

- G. All *Licenses to Minister* granted or renewed by an Association shall be signed by its Moderator and Clerk.

III. The Examining Council

A. Candidate Preparation for Examining Council

1. Candidates for the ordained ministry of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches must appear before the Examining Council for Ordination of the Convention.
2. Both male and female candidates shall be examined for ordination.
3. Application for Examination must be made by the Church of which the candidate is pastor, pastor-elect or a member, the application having been duly authorized by the church.
4. The application should be forwarded to the Executive Minister of the Convention at least three months before the date of the Council meeting so that the members of the Examining Council can be notified not less than two months before the Council assemblies.
5. The candidate is required to have certification from the Credentials Committee of the Examining Council for Ordination which is the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education, affirming that he/she has completed the required studies and is, therefore, eligible to appear before the Council.
6. For the examination, the candidate shall prepare a written statement of not less than 2,000 words and not more than 2,500 words setting forth clearly his/her conversion, call to ministry, concept of ministry, views of doctrine, Baptist distinctives and relationship to the Convention.

The statement is to be forwarded to the Executive Minister at least three months prior to the meeting of the Examining Council for Ordination.

7. Baptists have always viewed the Scriptures as the sole rule in matters of faith and practice and the norm in questions of doctrine. Therefore in matters of doctrine all candidates must substantiate their position by primary reference to the Scriptures. The key is "What do the Scriptures say?" Candidates must accept all the claims which the Scriptures make with respect to their own inspiration and authority; e.g., 2 Timothy 3:14-17.
8. Each candidate shall satisfy the Examining Council as to his/her academic preparation and general fitness for the Baptist ministry. Known practicing homosexuals (including lesbians) shall not be eligible to appear for examination for ordination. Each candidate shall give satisfactory evidence of having rendered acceptable service during one year of internship or acceptable alternative in view of the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education. The internship supervisor shall be a Baptist recognized and accredited by the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches, and appointed by the Executive Minister.

B. Composition of the Council

1. The Examining Council for Ordination of the Convention shall consist of the representatives of each Association on the following basis: one representative for each Association and a further representative for each Association having a total resident membership of 3,000 or more, except for Prince Edward Island, which has 2 representatives, the same privilege to be granted to Newfoundland when the church membership reaches 2,000. Where there are two members from an Association, preferably one shall be male and one female. Each elected representative shall be elected for a period of three (3) years and shall not be eligible for re-election at the close of that period. A retiring member shall be eligible for re-election after a lapse of one (1) year.
2. In addition, the President, the Past President, the Vice-President and the Executive Minister of The Convention, plus the Principal of Acadia Divinity College, the President of Atlantic Baptist University, the Regional Ministers and the Chair of the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education shall be ex-officio members, entitled to speak but not to vote.

3. Normally the Past President and the Ministry Secretary of The Convention shall be respectively Chairman and Secretary of the Council. In case of either not being able to act, the Examining Council shall appoint a replacement.
4. Associations are to name official alternates to act in the event of the unavoidable absence of the appointee.
5. No ordained minister shall be eligible for appointment to the Council until at least three years after his/her own ordination, nor shall any Licensed person proceeding to the ordained ministry be eligible to serve.
6. No lay person shall be eligible for appointment to the Council until he/she has served for at least three (3) years in a leadership position in a local church and/or Association.
7. Observers may attend, but will not have the privilege of questioning, discussing, or voting on any candidate.
8. Up to two members, appointed by the church requesting the examination, may attend as advisory members. They should come equipped with a letter of recommendation of the candidate by action of the church concerned. They shall be fully accredited to speak, but without vote. They may sit as advisory members of the Council only during the examination of their own candidate.
9. Following the examination by the Council and the presentation by the advisory member(s) from the candidate's church, an in-camera session will be held.
10. Fifteen voting members shall constitute a quorum for a regular meeting. A special meeting can only be called with the permission of a two-thirds majority of the members.
11. The Board of Ministerial Standards and Education serves as the Ministerial Credentials Committee for the Examining Council. Decisions of the Board may be appealed to the Examining Council for Ordination.

C. Function of the Council

1. The Council shall convene at such a time and place as appropriate at the call of the President of Convention with at least six months notice being given to the churches. Candidates shall be scheduled for a specific time and to appear at stated intervals.
2. At the opening session of the Examining Council, a Chief Examiner shall be appointed from members of the Council.
3. It shall also be made clear at the opening session of the Examining Council to the Council, that the 1905-1906 Basis of Union Doctrinal Statement is recognized as providing the overall guidelines.
4. A two-thirds majority of Council members voting shall be required to recommend a person for ordination and accreditation. Persons with a conflict of interest shall so declare it and subsequently remove themselves from the voting process. All votes shall be by secret ballot.
In considering the evidence, Council members will make a free decision under the leadership of the Holy Spirit. The Council may recommend that a candidate be ordained; it may recommend that he/she be deferred pending further training and/or counselling; it may recommend that he/she not be ordained, as being unsuited for the ministry at this time.
5. Each candidate will be informed by the Council of the results of his/her examination immediately after the vote is taken and will be provided with appropriate guidance and direction.
6. The names of those candidates recommended by the Council for ordination by their churches shall be reported to the Convention for information and the candidates shall be commended to God in prayer at that time.

7. The decision of the Council shall be reported to the Church requesting the examination and to the candidate. A copy of the written statement made by the candidate and the recommendation of the Council shall be forwarded to the church.

IV. The Ordination Service

- A. It is desirable both from the standpoint of the candidate and the church that normally the ordination service be conducted at the hands of the local church from which the application came. It is recognized that in exceptional circumstances it may be wise at the discretion of the applying church, to hold it in some other location.
- B. Normally, the Moderator of the Association is to be requested to arrange and preside at the service. Having been requested to arrange an ordination service, the Moderator should meet with the local church and the ordinand, that their wishes with regard to participants in the service may be respected.
- C. The service of ordination ought to include within worship: the Report of the Examining Council; the Questioning of the Candidate as suggested in the manual; or exchange of vows; the Laying on of Hands; the Ordaining Prayer and either a charge to the Minister and a charge to the church or a sermon containing both elements. A form of service is included in the Canadian Baptist Ministries **A Manual for Worship and Service**.

RECOGNITION OF PRIOR ORDINATION

- I. Ordination within the framework of the Conventions/Unions comprising Canadian Baptist Ministries carries with it full transfer privileges to the Accredited Ministers' List, providing the minister is recommended by a letter of transfer from that Convention/Union.
- II. Ministers who are ordained, and recommended by a body in fellowship with the Baptist World Alliance, may be placed on our Accredited Ministers' List after meeting with the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education, provided they have met education standards acceptable to the Board. If they have not met our regulations, the Board shall recommend a program of study consistent with the prevailing standards. Their ministry experience shall be taken into consideration. They shall also provide a statement of faith.
- III. Ordained ministers coming from church bodies not affiliated with the Baptist World Alliance shall be invited to appear before the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education. They shall present a statement of their conversion, call to the ministry and view of Christian doctrine and give evidence of their accord and co-operation with the general program of the Convention. A course in Baptist History and Polity (with specific emphasis on Canadian and Atlantic Baptist History and Polity) will be required if this has not been a part of their training. If their theological education and/or ministry experience are unacceptable the Board shall recommend a program of study consistent with the prevailing standards. The Board shall require them to serve in their churches for at least one year prior to accreditation. During this one year waiting period, they shall be listed as "Ministers Awaiting Accreditation." When the above requirements have been met, they may be placed on our Accredited Ministers' List. We do not recommend re-ordination.
- IV. The Board of Ministerial Standards and Education or the Examining Council shall not recognize the ordination of practicing homosexuals (including lesbians).
- V. Each minister accredited by the Convention must be a member of a constituent church. A full time pastor shall be a member of a church he/she serves.

LAY MINISTRY**I. Church *License to Minister***

- A. The local church *License to Minister* is in effect both an affirmation and a recommendation. It is required that persons being considered for such license have preached or taught in their own churches to determine if they have gifts in the area of the desired ministry. There ought to be a review as to what they have been doing within the church. They should tell of their conversion, call to ministry and their faith in Jesus Christ. They should demonstrate leadership ability. They should be able to relate well to people. Their lifestyles, including family relationships and ethics, should be taken into consideration and there should be evidence of faithfulness in work habits. There should be evident progress in Biblical knowledge, spiritual growth, understanding of the ministry and Baptist beliefs.
- B. It is important that the church should exercise the utmost care and be thoroughly satisfied that the candidate has the qualities of mind, character and Christian experience which would fit the person for the important work of a lay minister. A Church *License to Minister* should not be granted until the candidate has been a member of the church for at least one year.
- C. A Church *License to Minister* must be renewed yearly but may be rescinded by the church for just cause. It remains valid as a local Church License, so long as the church which grants it considers it valid. It is the responsibility of the recipient to request a yearly endorsement by the church.

II. Association *Lay License to Minister*

- A. A person who as a first step has received the commendation of his or her church as one worthy to be licensed to do lay work afield, whose course is not set toward ordination, and who has found useful service in occupying pulpits with some regularity as a Sunday supply, or who has had experience as an interim minister, or has been involved as a Convention field worker, or as a Director of Christian Education, or other ministries, may secure an Association *Lay License to Minister*.
- B. Such a License may be granted if the candidate:
1. has clearly demonstrated the ability to conduct an acceptable service;
 2. has served in churches needing supply and,
 3. has followed or is prepared to follow a course of reading as determined by the Association including reading of practical value in preparing messages, conducting worship or giving leadership in Christian Education or has successfully completed the Lay Pastors Training Program.
- C. The Association *Lay License to Minister* is in effect both an affirmation and a recommendation. It is required that persons being considered for such license have preached or taught in their own churches to determine if they have gifts in the area of the desired ministry. There ought to be a review as to what they have been doing within the church. They should tell of their conversion, call to ministry and their faith in Jesus Christ. They should demonstrate leadership ability. They should be able to relate well to people. Their lifestyles, including family relationships and ethics, should be taken into consideration and there should be evidence of faithfulness in work habits. There should be evident progress in Biblical knowledge, spiritual growth, understanding of the ministry and Baptist beliefs.
- D. It is important that the Association should exercise the utmost care and be thoroughly satisfied that the candidate has the qualities of mind, character and Christian experience which would fit the person for the important work of a lay minister.

- E. The Licensing Committee of an Association will examine all applicants for Lay License according to the standards and requirements contained in the above paragraphs. Application for renewal of such License is to be made yearly unless the applicant has gone on to receive Recognition as a Convention Lay Pastor. Upon renewal by an Association the *Lay License* is to be signed again by the Moderator and Clerk of the Association.

III. Recognized Convention Lay Pastor

- A. A person within the Convention holding an Association Lay License to Minister may seek approval by the Convention as a Recognized Convention Lay Pastor. This recognition of an essentially part-time ministry should not be confused with accredited, ordained ministry, nor should it be regarded as a stepping stone to ordained ministry, which would require much more extensive training than is offered in the Lay Pastor Diploma. Recognition as an approved Convention Lay Pastor will be given upon attainment of the Lay Pastor Diploma in the Lay Pastor's Training Program and commendation by the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education. Recognition will commend the applicant to the churches of the Convention as a leader approved for lay ministry, the administration of the ordinances, and the carrying out of pastoral or other kinds of ministry.
- B. The process toward Recognition as a Convention Lay Pastor shall be as follows:
 - 1. Normally, prior to or within the first two years of entrance into the Lay Pastors Training Program an individual wishing Recognition shall meet with the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education to be approved as a Candidate for lay ministry. This interview will satisfy the Board as to the Candidate's conversion, call to ministry, education, and suitability for lay pastoral ministry.
 - 2. The Candidate will successfully complete the requirements for obtaining the Lay Pastor Diploma in the Lay Pastors Training Program or, if comparable course work has already been done, successfully complete any portion of the Lay Pastors Training Program as recommended by the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education. (Up to one-third of the courses offered in the Lay Pastors Training Program may be completed through other programs or agencies.)
 - 3. The Candidate will hold an Association Lay License to Minister prior to meeting with the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education.
 - 4. Following the completion of all required courses for the Diploma, the candidate shall prepare a written statement of faith (maximum 2500 words) setting forth his/her views of Christian doctrine and Baptist beliefs for submission to the BMSE at least six weeks prior to the meeting at which the candidate is to be interviewed by the Board or those appointed by the Board.
 - 5. The names of those considered to have completed their required studies and preparation, and to be eligible for Recognition, will be presented to the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education which will grant the necessary approval, and so report to the next meeting of the Convention.
 - 6. Matters of subsequent necessary discipline would be referred to the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education for their action.

IV. Listing of Licensed Persons, Recognized Convention Lay Pastors

The names of all Licensed persons shall appear in the Directory in special lists prepared by the Executive Minister, such lists to be reviewed annually. The names of all candidates receiving Recognition as Convention Lay Pastors shall appear in the Directory in a special category entitled "Recognized Convention Lay Pastors".

MINISTERIAL PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

Section 1: Board of Ministerial Standards and Education (BMSE)

1. The Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches (CABC) have given the BMSE authority to oversee all matters pertaining to ministerial credentials.
2. The CABC authorizes the BMSE to create policies and procedures for the handling of matters involving credentials which shall include the handling of complaints against persons holding credentials with the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches (CABC) which policies and procedures shall be published in the Yearbook and presented to all new pastors. These policies and procedures shall apply to all persons who hold or who have held credentials with the CABC.
3. In discharging its mandate of overseeing all matters pertaining to ministerial credentials, the BMSE shall be guided by the following Foundational Statements and Code of Ethics.

Section 2: Foundational Statements

2.1 Theological Foundation

The Holy Scriptures speak of the Church as the Body of Christ¹ and call its members to live lives that are rooted in Christ² and to grow together in love, thanksgiving and service to God and neighbour.³ To be a Christian is to be a new creation, and part of a new humanity guided and empowered by the Holy Spirit.⁴ The Church is called to exemplify a community of truth, justice and mercy, compassion and reconciliation, mutual service and steadfast faithfulness.⁵

Recognizing both the importance of leadership in the church and the accountability of leaders to the CABC, the BMSE as the credentialing body acknowledges that godly standards are expected of those who serve as spiritual leaders.

Accordingly, we affirm that every person is created in the image of God⁶ for loving, covenantal relationships with God, others and the world. We believe that peace arises out of right relationships.⁷ Personal dignity, freedom and sexual integrity are ensured by faithfulness to just covenants of mutual trust, care and respect. Such covenants undergird the moral framework of our communal life, responsibilities and entitlements.

Professional misconduct cannot be treated by the Church as a private matter since others' attitudes and relationships are bound to be affected. Great care is expected to be exercised in relationships in order to avoid abuses of trust, power, confidentiality and the responsibility of authority. Because children, adolescents, the infirm and elderly are more vulnerable to the tragic consequences of broken covenants and abusive treatment, special care must be taken to protect them.⁸

¹ Romans 12:5; I Corinthians 12:12-27; Ephesians 1:22-23 [New Revised Standard Version]

² Ephesians 3:17; Colossians 2:7

³ Colossians 1:6; John 13:12-17; John 15:12; Matthew 7:12; Luke 10:25-28

⁴ Romans 8:18-27; II Corinthians 5:17; Galatians 6:14-15; John 1:12-14, 16

⁵ Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:8; II Corinthians 5: 18-21; Colossians 1:18-23; I Timothy 5:11-16; Hebrews 13:1-

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⁶ Jeremiah 31:31-33; I Corinthians 11:17-22

⁷ Romans 5:1; Acts 10:36

⁸ Matthew 18: 1-7; Mark 9: 35-37; Matthew 25: 31-46; James 1:27; Luke 17:1-2

2.2 Nature of Pastoral Ministry

For a proper understanding of the policy and guidelines set forth in this document, two things must be highlighted about the nature of the pastoral relationship.

- A. The pastoral relationship is built on trust. Where this trust is betrayed or compromised by professional misconduct, or even questioned by rumour, damage follows in all areas of the church's ministry. Church members, counselees, colleagues and adherents must be able to expect dependable pastoral oversight without the intrusion of professional misconduct.
- B. By virtue of education, ordination, recognition, title, status and/or reputation, the pastoral leader is in a position to exert power. Therefore, no sexual liaison/contact outside the marital relationship is proper, whether or not the pastoral leader is functioning in a ministry role. Pastoral leaders must view themselves as holding their professional status continually.

NOTE: Pastoral leaders who are single must demonstrate discretion in any dating relationship.

Section 2A: Exercise of Pastoral Ministry Regarding Same Sex Marriage

Pastoral leaders accredited by the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches shall not officiate or co-officiate at a same-sex marriage ceremony.

A complaint that a pastoral leader accredited by the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches has officiated or co-officiated at a same-sex marriage ceremony will be investigated by the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education according to the Board's protocol (Section 5-7). If the complaint is proven to be true, the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education will revoke his/her authorization by the Convention to perform marriages. The Board will also take appropriate disciplinary measures according to its protocol (Section 5.6), which could ultimately lead to the loss of the individual's standing as an accredited minister within our Convention.

Section 3: Code of Ethics

3.1 Preamble

The call to Pastoral Leadership is a high and sacred calling, expressed through a life of service and modeled after the life of Jesus Christ. Implicit in the call to ministry are biblically-based prescriptions for relationships with God, His family and the world. Jesus clearly and succinctly outlines the basis for Christian character and integrity in Mark 12:30-31 when He summarizes the commandments: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength"[and] " Love your neighbor as yourself."

Pastoral leaders recognized or accredited by the CABC, while not expected to be without fault, must maintain a high standard of integrity in the church, the home and the community (1 Timothy 3:2).

3.2 Rationale

Every Christian is ultimately accountable to God. Those serving as pastoral leaders are also accountable to the local church(es), ministry or agency in which they serve. Because the BMSE has been mandated by the CABC to oversee all matters pertaining to ministerial credentials, all pastoral leaders within the CABC will be held accountable to this code of ethics. Written allegations of non-compliance with the Code of Pastoral Ethics will only be considered by the BMSE when they are of such a serious nature that they fall with the definition of professional misconduct. (see the Protocol for Cases of Alleged Professional Misconduct).

3.3 Pastoral Ethics

Section 3.3 is written in the first person for strength of emphasis.

3.3.1 Relationship with God

Soul Care:

Called as a servant of God to pastoral leadership (Matthew 4:19, Ephesians 4:11), I understand the primary importance of my relationship with Christ. This call is reflected in who I am in Christ, as well as in what I do.

Therefore, I will seek God in humility and actively cultivate my relationship with Him through such spiritual disciplines as:

- worship (Romans 12:1, Revelation 5:12-13, John 4: 23-24)
- study of the Word of God (II Timothy 3:16, Luke 11:28)
- prayer (Matthew 6:5, Luke 11:2-10)
- confession of sin (I John 1:9, James 5:16)
- repentance and a willingness to seek reconciliation (Acts 3:19, Luke 17:3)
- a willingness to forgive (Matthew 5:14-15, Matthew 6: 14-15)
- fellowship (I John 1: 3, 6, 7)
- sacrificial service (Philippians 2:1-11)

Self Care:

Seeking to be a vessel for God's use, I will endeavour to:

- put on the character of Christ (Romans 13:14, Colossians 3:1-17)
- maintain physical and mental wellness (1 Corinthians 6:19-20)
- be sexually pure (Ephesians 5:3, I Corinthians 6:18)
- practice sound financial management (1 Timothy 6:5-10, 2 Corinthians 9:6-7);
- be truthful (Ephesians 4:15)
- be a person of integrity (Ephesians 5:8-10, I Peter 1: 13-16)

3.3.2 Relationship within the Family Unit

The call to Christian ministry affects the whole family and not just the one called. Thus, whether I am married or single, with children or without, I will strive to be sensitive to the needs of those in my household.

As far as it depends on me, and as God enables me, my relationship with my spouse will be modeled after the sacrificial love of Christ. I will uphold the vows of marriage and will honor the principle of mutuality, submitting to my spouse out of reverence for Christ (Ephesians 5:21-33).

If I am married and have children, I will, together with my spouse, heed God's clear instructions concerning my responsibility for the nurture and instruction of my children (Deuteronomy 6:4-7, Ephesians 6:1-4).

3.3.3 Relationship With Those Among Whom I am Called to Serve

When Dealing with a Search Committee:

- I will candidate with only one church at a time;
- I will not knowingly compete with another pastor for a call;
- I will honestly present my strengths, weaknesses and challenges and will decline any call for which I am not suited.

While Serving:

Believing that God has called me to be a pastoral leader within the CABC, I will, in the power of the Holy Spirit:

- be a person of consistent Christian character and integrity;
- love the people whom God has called me to serve, ministering impartially to their needs and refraining from behaviour that may be divisive;
- help the people of my congregation and/or in my care, to identify, develop, and use their spiritual gifts for ministry for the edification of the Body of Christ;
- endeavour to lead the congregation to practice evangelism, compassion and service to the community and the world;
- consider confidences as a sacred trust not to be divulged without consent of the person involved, or unless there is danger to an individual, their family or society;
- be accountable to those whom I am called to serve, not using my position to exert undue power or influence;
- pray for the specific needs of those whom I am called to serve, as well as for needs in the local community and broader society;
- avoid giving any impression that suggests that I am qualified beyond my level of training, competence, and experience;
- act with integrity in all financial matters;
- responsibly exercise the freedom of the pulpit, speaking the truth of God's Word in love and acknowledging any extensive use of material prepared by someone else;
- encourage the congregation to enjoy fellowship and ministry opportunities with other churches, especially through the Association, Region and Convention;
- refrain from causing or using a conflict within the church I am presently serving to plant a new church;
- not use my influence to alienate my congregation, or any portion of it, from support of the governing body(ies) of the congregation or from support of the denomination. If my convictions change from those held by those with whom I minister, I will voluntarily resign my position, taking no person from the fellowship;
- avoid any perception of conflict of interest, legal or otherwise, by holding no other elected office in the congregation I serve nor acting as a signing officer nor voting at any meeting of a congregational council, board or committee unless otherwise authorized by the church. As a member of the congregation, I am permitted to vote at congregational business meetings.

When Resigning:

- I will give adequate notice, and will ensure that I deal fairly with the congregation throughout my departure;
- I will encourage the congregation to be open to new directions under the guidance of the Holy Spirit;
- recognizing that problems may be raised by my staying, if nonetheless I remain in this congregation as a worshiper, I will neither say nor encourage any critical remarks concerning my successor. Instead, I will affirm the pastor. I will see my role as a supportive and committed lay person, and will submit to the authority of present congregational leadership.

3.3.4 Relationship with Colleagues in Christian Ministry

In General:

God calls various people to provide ministry in diverse ways and settings. In submitting to God's authority,

- I will respect the ministries of pastoral colleagues as, together, we seek to fulfill the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20) in the spirit of Matthew 22:37-39.
- Once I have left a particular ministry setting, I will respect the need of that community of faith to bond with others who will serve them. I will not normally participate in events such as weddings and funerals, or provide pastoral care which would normally be handled by the current pastor. If invited to so participate, I will only do so with the blessing of the current pastor.
- I will not entertain or make use of criticisms of a predecessor or of another pastor and will abide by the principles as outlined in Matthew 18:15-17 for resolving any conflict.
- I will be supportive and caring of other pastors and will seek some form of peer support and accountability.

Within Pastoral Staff:

As a member of a pastoral team,

- I will act and speak with confidence in the other members of the team and will communicate openly and respectfully with them;
- I will respect the corporate wisdom of the staff team;
- I will receive constructive criticism graciously and remain open to suggestions from other members of the team;
- When conflicts arise within the team, I will engage in due process with other team members to seek resolution.

As a Senior Pastor,

- I will encourage all staff members and allow them to excel in their work;
- I will assist each staff member to grow in the Christian life and ministry;
- I will allow other staff members to encourage my growth.

As an Associate Pastor,

- I will support the leadership position of the Senior Pastor. If circumstances change and I can no longer, in good conscience, support the Senior Pastor, I will either resign or, if unethical or unprofessional conduct is involved, I will seek the counsel of my Regional Minister.

3.3.5 Relationship With Association and Convention

The principle of association is based on the belief that some ministries may be accomplished more effectively by combining the gifts and resources of a number of churches, than by churches working independently. Insofar as any congregation I serve is a member of an Association of Churches, who together comprise the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches, I will:

- be supportive of the mission and objectives of the Association and of the CABC;
- make every effort to work in harmony with the Officers, Council and pastors of the Association in which I serve and with the Officers, Council and Staff of the CABC and its agencies;
- consider my responsibilities in the Association/Convention as part of my ministry duties and manage my time to include such involvement;
- promote the Association/Convention and related agencies to my congregation;
- take advantage of opportunities provided through the Association, Region or Convention, to fellowship with other Christian ministers and lay people and to participate in a network of mutual accountability.

3.3.6 Relationship to Community

God's call to His church is to be salt and light (Matthew 5:13-16). Each local congregation, under the servant leadership of the pastor and other Christian leaders, is the embodiment of Christ to the community in which it serves. In order to be a witness of Christ's love for all,

- I will strive to have a positive and visible presence in the community;
- I will seek to understand the community and its history;
- I will seek to contribute to the life of the community beyond the church;
- I will also support, whenever possible, the broader fellowship of Christians within the community, recognizing that my church is an interdependent part of the universal church of Jesus Christ. Where I disagree with the view or position of another pastor or church on a particular issue, whether theological, doctrinal, or social, I will nonetheless remain committed to maintaining the bond of peace.

3.4 Church Ethics: Congregation to Pastor Relationship

The relationship between congregation and pastor is vital to the witness and ministry of any local church. While the BMSE has no authority over individual churches, we offer the following recommendations and urge congregations to honor the unique bond God intends for them to have with each pastor He provides.

- The congregation will undergird their pastor, through prayer and encouragement, in the discharge of all pastoral duties. The church will avoid comparison with other pastors, and will support the pastor in endeavors to witness to the Kingdom of God through community and denominational service;
- The congregation will ensure that the pastor has adequate time for study, continuing education experiences, and personal spiritual growth;

- The congregation will recognize the pastor's need for physical, emotional, and spiritual renewal by providing opportunities for weekly rest and annual vacation;
- The congregation will encourage the pastor to maintain wholesome marital and family relationships. They will respect the pastor's family and place no expectations upon the family that they would not place upon themselves;
- The congregation will allow the pastor to exercise the freedom of the pulpit responsibly, for the edification and instruction of the people of God;
- The congregational leadership will work together with the pastor in a relationship of mutual accountability;
- The congregation will respect and honor the freedom of the pastor to be present and give input at meetings of all standing and special committees, commissions, boards, or assemblies convened by the congregation to transact congregational business. However, except for the meetings of the general membership, the pastor will not have voting rights (unless otherwise authorized by the church);
- At each stage of the process of preparing the Budget for the pastor's salary, the church will ensure the pastor has the full right to present his or her needs.

Section 4: Policies and Procedures for Amendment of the Document

The policies and procedures developed by the BMSE may be amended from time to time in accordance with the following procedure:

4.1 Amendments proposed by the BMSE

- (a) If the BMSE wishes to amend the policies and procedures, it shall:
 - (i) Give notice of its intention to amend the policies and procedures to all persons holding credentials with CABC by regular mail or email. This notice shall include the actual amendment sought and notice of when the amendment will be considered by the Board which shall be at least sixty days after the date of the notice; and
 - (ii) Mail notice of the intended change to the policies and procedures to all churches in the CABC.
- (b) Any person wishing to comment on the intended change to the policies and procedures may do so in writing to the Chair of the BMSE or may attend and speak to the proposed amendment at the BMSE Meeting identified in the notice.
- (c) After hearing from all persons, if any, who wish to speak to the proposed amendment and after considering all written submissions, if any, the BMSE shall reach a decision concerning the proposed amendment and shall give notice of its decision:
 - (i) by mail or email to all persons who hold credentials with the CABC and
 - (ii) by mail to all CABC churches.
- (d) Any person wishing to appeal the BMSE decision to amend its policies and procedures pursuant to this subsection may do so by giving a written notice to the Chair of the BMSE within sixty days of the notice of the amendment in the policies and procedures being sent to the Churches of the CABC. If no such written appeal is received by the Chair of the BMSE, the amendment shall be considered final and binding.

- (e) If a notice of appeal is received by the Chair of the BMSE within sixty days of the notice being sent to the Churches of the CABC:
 - (i) The Chair of the BMSE shall pass the notice of appeal on to the President of the CABC for consideration by the Council of the CABC at its next scheduled meeting. The President of the CABC shall, upon receipt of a notice of appeal, request a written response from the Chair of the BMSE, which response shall be copied to the person filing the notice of appeal.
 - (ii) The Council shall consider the notice of appeal at its next scheduled meeting and shall permit both the person seeking to appeal the BMSE's decision and the Chair of the BMSE or designate to present oral submissions to Council.
 - (iii) If the Council elects not to disturb the decision of the BMSE to amend its policies and procedures it shall advise the person who submitted the notice of appeal in writing but no further notice is required and the decision of the Council is final and binding.
 - (iv) If the Council elects to vary or rescind the decision of the BMSE to amend its policies and procedures the decision of Council is also be final and binding. Notice of this decision of the Council shall be given as follows:
 - (a) by mail or email to all persons who hold credentials with the CABC and
 - (b) by mail to all CABC churches.

4.2 Amendments proposed by members of CABC churches or persons who hold or who have held credentials with the CABC

- (a) Any person who holds or who has held credentials with the CABC or any member of a CABC church may request that the BMSE amend its policies and procedures by submitting a written notice of the requested amendment, together with the reasons for the requested amendment, to the Chair of the BMSE.
- (b) Upon receipt of the requested amendment the Chair of the BMSE shall notify the person requesting the amendment that the requested amendment shall be considered at the next scheduled meeting of the BMSE and invite the person seeking the proposed amendment to attend that meeting to provide oral submissions to the BMSE regarding the proposed amendment.
- (c) After hearing from the person requesting the amendment, if that person wishes to address the BMSE, and after considering the written request for the amendment, the BMSE shall reach a decision concerning the requested amendment.
- (d) If the BMSE elects not to amend its policies and procedures it shall notify in writing the person seeking amendment and shall give reasons as to why it chose not to amend its policies and procedures.
- (e) If the BMSE elects to amend it policies and procedures as a result of the request for an amendment it shall give notice of its decision to amend;
 - (i) by mail or email to all persons who hold credentials with the CABC and
 - (ii) by mail to all CABC churches.

- (f) Any person wishing to appeal the BMSE's decision to amend its policies and procedures pursuant to this subsection may do so by giving a written notice to the Chair of the BMSE within sixty days of the notice being sent to the churches of the CABC. If no such written appeal is received by the Chair of the BMSE within sixty days of the notice being sent to the churches, the change shall be considered final and binding.

- (g) If a notice of appeal is received by the Chair of the BMSE within sixty days of the decision to amend its policies and procedures being sent to the churches of the CABC;
 - (i) The Chair of the BMSE shall pass the notice of appeal on to the President of the CABC for consideration by the Council of the CABC at its next scheduled meeting. The President of the CABC shall, upon receipt of a notice of appeal, request a written response from the Chair of the BMSE which response shall be copied to the person filing the notice of appeal.
 - (ii) The Council shall consider the notice of appeal at its next scheduled meeting and shall permit both the person seeking to appeal the BMSE's decision and the Chair of the BMSE or designate to present oral submissions to Council.
 - (iii) If the Council elects not to disturb the decision of the BMSE to amend its policies and procedures it shall advise the person who submitted the notice of appeal in writing but no further notice is required and the decision of the Council is final and binding.
 - (iv) If the Council elects to vary or rescind the decision of the BMSE to amend its policies and procedures the decision of the Council is also final and binding. Notice of this decision of the Council shall be given as follows;
 - (a) by mail or email to all persons who hold credentials with the CABC and
 - (b) by mail to all CABC churches.

4.3 A committee appointed by the BMSE shall review and propose revisions to the policies and procedures every three (3) years or as necessary.

Guidelines Pertaining to Granting of Permission to Perform Marriages

1. **Accredited Ordained Ministers** (serving in churches, in chaplaincy, on staff, retired or not currently serving a church) are automatically registered to perform marriages by this Convention through the Executive Minister while on our list of accredited ordained ministers.
2. **Ordained pastors whose credentials are not held by this Convention (but who are accredited and are in good standing with another denomination)** are registered because of serving one of our Baptist churches if they are not already registered under another denomination.
3. **Non-ordained pastors in the ordination track:** The following motion was passed at the 1988 Convention Assembly to amend the 1970 motion: "Pastors in full time service who have held Association Licenses to Minister for two years and have concurrently served two years in full time pastorates should be granted licenses to perform marriage ceremonies. Full time is to be interpreted as 25 hours per week or more. This privilege is to be accorded on a year to year basis." *(It is understood that these pastors hold licenses toward ordination, have met with the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education and have been approved as Candidates for Ordained Pastoral Ministry.)*
4. **Non-ordained pastors who are ready to begin the year of Internship** are registered to perform marriages the same day the Internship is set up with the Supervisor. In some cases the candidate is already registered because of qualifying under #3 above.
5. **Recognized Convention Lay Pastors** may be registered after being approved by the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education as a Recognized Convention Lay Pastors *and* after receiving a pastoral ministry placement in a local church of 25 hours per week or more. Both requirements must be met before permission is granted. A motion was passed by the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education in June 2004 in regard to this.

Because of provincial government regulations, permission to perform marriages is automatically revoked when a pastor moves from the province in which he/she is registered. If a pastor moves to another Atlantic Canadian province, he/she will be registered in that province upon request to the Executive Minister's office.

Registration is now on a permanent basis with the provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island until a pastor moves to another province. Pastors in Newfoundland must make their own arrangements with the government authorities. Unaccredited ordained ministers will cease to be registered by this Convention when they are no longer serving a Convention church. Non-ordained pastors will cease to be registered if they allow their Association License to lapse or when there is a lapse in their full time ministry. It is the responsibility of the pastor to ensure that he/she is properly registered to perform marriages before performing a wedding and should contact the Executive Minister's office to ensure that these arrangements are made. Those not registered may assist a pastor who is registered in performing the wedding ceremony.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES AVAILABLE TO PASTORS AND STUDENTS**Grants Administered by the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education****Ebenezer Moulton Bursary**

This Bursary, named in honour of the first Baptist minister in Canada (1761), is valued at up to \$1,000.00, the amount of the yearly grant or grants to be determined by the administering body, which is the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education in consultation with the Dean of Theology. The Purpose of the bursary primarily is to enable qualified full time pastors of Convention Baptist Churches, who are married, to enter Acadia Divinity College to pursue work leading to a degree in theology. The bursary is awarded for one year. A person receiving it may be eligible for the succeeding year upon application, and an eminently qualified candidate may be given preference over others for successive granting at the discretion of the administering body.

Some service, not necessarily commensurate with the value of the award, will ordinarily be required of the successful candidate, the administering body specifying the type and sphere of service. The grants will be made only when a candidate meeting the requirements can be found and surplus amounts will not be accumulative. At the discretion of the administering body, when a candidate is given an amount less than the potential, another qualified candidate may be awarded the balance.

Although the primary purpose of the bursary is to encourage married men, who are serving as full time pastors and who have not completed degree work to undertake studies to that end, married men who are already in course at the Divinity College may be considered eligible in circumstances of special need, but they will have secondary precedence. The bursary shall be considered always as an educational aid and not as financial assistance to secondary interests.

Bursaries to Pastors

A grant up to \$350.00 towards the cost of taking summer courses at Acadia Divinity College. Application should be made through the Executive Minister.

A grant covering tuition fees in undertaking courses by correspondence from Acadia Divinity College is available to pastors working towards ordination. Application should be made through the Executive Minister.

Bursaries to Ministerial Students

A grant based upon need and available funds may be available to qualified ministerial students undertaking regular pastoral education courses at Acadia Divinity College and Atlantic Baptist University. Application shall be made through the administrative officer of the respective College/University.

Grants Administered by the UBWMU

In recognition of substantial gifts to Acadia University by the United Baptist Woman's Missionary Union in 1923-28 and 1952-57, bursaries totalling not more than \$4,000.00 in any one academic year are available, on the recommendation of the UBWMU to women students at Acadia Divinity College. Bursaries are awarded first to young women preparing for overseas service with Canadian Baptist Ministries or to missionaries on home assignment who wish to pursue further studies at Acadia Divinity College; then bursaries may be available to young women enrolled in any ADC degree program. These latter awards are made by the UBWMU in consultation with the Principal or designate of ADC.

A bursary amounting to \$75.00, being the interest on a legacy bequeathed by Mrs. Jacob (Annie Bucknane) Smith of Saint John, NB, to the UBWMU, and held in trust by Acadia University, is available annually to a woman enrolled in one of the degree programmes at Acadia Divinity College. The award is made by the UBWMU in consultation with the Principal or designate of Acadia Divinity College.

The bursaries are renewable on the recommendation of the UBWMU. Applications for bursaries are to be sent before June 30th to Mrs. Eugenie Trites, Candidate Secretary of the UBWMU, 16 Marsh Hawk Drive, Wolfville, NS B4P 1B2.

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Music for Gathering was led by Rev. Garth MacKay on piano and Pastor Devin Johnstone on the University organ.

Dr. Harry Gardner opened the worship time by reading Psalm 103:1-5 and led the Assembly in prayer. The Assembly joined together in singing the hymn, "Great Is Thy Faithfulness."

The morning devotional period was led by Dr. Harry Gardner. It began with the singing of the hymn, "Rejoice the Lord is King." Dr. Gardner then read from 1 Corinthians 15:58 as the basis for his devotional thought, "Keep on Keeping On."

Dr. Gardner began with reminding the delegates that whenever we see 'therefore' in scripture it serves to tie us back to what was previously discussed. He briefly outlined the chapter and what developed to this point in the letter. In this chapter Paul is focusing on the Resurrection - of Christ's as well as ours as believers.

He noted that often when people ask us questions, as did a visitor recently to his home, there is something behind them. He was asked "is there a heaven" by someone who had lost a loved one. Whenever we are asked questions such as this we can respond by reminding them that Jesus is coming back. He talks about some having already died and that some were left in the faith as Paul was writing these words.

Dr. Gardner went on to share his testimony about coming to Christ as a student at Dalhousie University. As with Dr. Gardner, we need to have a sense of urgency within our hearts when it comes to sharing Christ with others. We recognize that Jesus is Lord, he is the Alpha and Omega and he has the last word in our lives. He encouraged the delegates to be disciples and apprentices as we give ourselves to the work of Christ.

He went on to read Philippians 1:6 for those who may be discouraged. He went on to comment that we are incomplete in our transformation and that Christ has an agenda for our spiritual development.

Dr. Gardner encouraged everyone to give themselves fully to the work of the Lord. This weekend has been encouraging as we saw that we are stronger together and that this requires submissive and humble hearts. Dr. Gardner used the image that at the foot of the cross we are all the same and must move forward to the day that we will experience complete transformation.

What the world around us needs is effective witnesses for Jesus Christ; both as pastoral leaders and our families. To accomplish this we need to give ourselves over fully to the Lord. This is what Dr. Gardner recognized as his next step in his spiritual journey as he provides leadership for the work of the Lord.

He closed by challenging everyone to "Keep on Keeping On." The assembly then joined in the singing of "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" and Dr. Gardner closed the devotional period in prayer.

Business Session

Rev. Peter Reid, Convention President, called the meeting to order. Dr. Ralph Richardson then opened the morning session in prayer.

Rev. Peter Reid reminded the delegates that recording devices were not to be used during the business session and that those with cell phones should turn them off or set to vibrate. He also remarked that the notices of motion to be presented at the morning business session will be discussed during the business session of the 2008 general assembly.

Rev. Reid called on Dr. Harry Gardner to read the Rules of Order – Article XIII of the Convention Constitution.

The Rules of Order, as found on page A-15 of the Yearbook, Article XIII of the Convention Constitution, were read by the Executive Minister.

It was moved and seconded that Mr. Daniel Ingersoll be appointed by the Convention Assembly as the Parliamentarian. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded that the Convention program be adopted. Motion carried.

Recognition of Visitors

Rev. Peter Reid extended a welcome to Visitors and recognized first time attendees to this Convention Assembly.

Rev. Reid recognized Denominational Representatives to this assembly and had those present to stand as he thanked them for being present and the connections we have with other Christian denominations. The list of representatives includes Rev. Cathy Lee Cunningham, Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island; Rev. Wayne McCarther, District Director, Nova Scotia, Canadian Bible Society; Mr. Russell Prime, Maritime Area of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ); Rev. Tim Archibald, The Synod of the Atlantic Provinces, The Presbyterian Church in Canada and Ms. Barbara Rafuse, The Maritime Conference, The United Church of Canada.

Appointment of Chief Scrutineer for Assembly 2007

It was moved and seconded that the Rev. Donald Dunn be appointed as Chief Scrutineer by the Assembly. Motion carried.

A time of prayer was held and Dr. Gardner commented that not everyone is comfortable with praying out loud. He encouraged those to pray silently within their group. After about five minutes, the delegates were called back to session with music from the instruments.

First Nominating Committee Report: Vice President

Rev. Peter Reid called on the Past President, Dr. Ralph Richardson, as Chair of the Nominating Committee, to present the first report of the Nominating Committee.

Dr. Ralph Richardson explained why there was only one name presented on the ballot for Vice-President of Convention. He outlined that there should be five names on the ballot and that the nominating committee contacted a number of clergy from New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island for this position. Once they completed their work, they were left with only two candidates. It was decided that these two names would be presented to the Convention Assembly for their consideration. Due to unforeseen circumstances the second name needed to be dropped and that this left Rev. David DuBois as the only nominee for Vice-President.

Dr. Richardson then turned the process over to Rev. Peter Reid. He asked for agreement from the Assembly that if he asked for further nominees three times, if there were none, then Rev. David DuBois would be Vice-President of the Convention by acclamation, otherwise it would go to balloting if other name(s) were received.

Rev. Reid opened the floor for further nominations for Vice-President. None were received and nominations were closed. He then declared that Rev. David DuBois was Vice-President by acclamation.

Rev. David DuBois was invited to come to the platform. He thanked those present for their confidence in his abilities. He recalled significant events in his life that led to this point; 1973 to Acadia; 1974 became a Baptist and attended the Coldbrook Baptist church and 1982 to Acadia Divinity College and working as a pastor while studying. He thanked the nominating committee for their work and reminded everyone that "GOD IS ABLE" as he reminded those present of Dr. Braxton's message that if we help him, David will not have to work so hard. He also asked for support in prayer during his term of leadership.

Dr. Margaret Munro led in prayer for Rev. DuBois and opened by remarking that she was a Maritimer by choice praying for a Maritimer by adoption. In her prayer she reminded us that there are bridges that need to be crossed, both cultural and territorial as we all seek to work together.

Second Nominating Committee report: Boards & Committees

Rev. Reid invited Dr. Richardson to continue with the Report of the Nominating Committee, asking if there are additional names to be included that they be presented clearly. He stated that those who are to be added to have already given their consent to allowing their name to stand. He directed that if there were further nominations that ballots would be provided.

It was moved and seconded that "the nominating report be received as a whole." Motion carried.

Dr. Richardson then presented the report to the Assembly. He then opened the floor for further nominations. None were received. It was moved and seconded that the nominating report be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

The Nominating Committee Report 2007 (as accepted) is as follows:

President: Dr. Margaret Munro, Stratford PE

Vice-President: Rev. David DuBois, Fredericton NB

Council – to retire 2011 – 3 nominees:

Mr. G. Andrew Myers, Sussex Corner NB

Mr. Avard Smallman, O’Leary PE

Rev. Sandy Sutherland, St. John’s NL

Pension and Insurance Board – to retire 2010 – 1 nominee:

Rev. Dennis Leamont, Arcadia, NS

Atlantic Baptist Mission Board – to retire 2010 – 3 nominees:

Mrs. Sheila Clyde, Truro NS

Mr. Floyd Saunders, Woodstock NB

Dr. Morley Shaw, New Glasgow NS

Canadian Baptist Ministries – to retire 2010 – 1 nominee:

Dr. Leslie McCurdy, Halifax NS

Board of Ministerial Standards and Education – to retire 2010 – 3 nominees:

Rev. Kimberly Beers, Timberlea NS

Rev. Tom Townsend, Doaktown NB

Dr. Robert Wilson, Kentville NS

to retire 2008 – 1 nominee (to replace Rev. Harry Waugh):

Mrs. Wendy DuBois, Fredericton NB

Board of Governors, Atlantic Baptist University – to retire 2010 – 4 nominees:

Dr. Terry Atkinson, Fredericton NB

Mrs. Elizabeth Jelley, Summerside PE

Mr. H. Ward White, Riverview NB

Dr. Bertrum H. MacDonald, Halifax NS

Board of Trustees, Acadia Divinity College – to retire 2010 – 4 nominees:

Rev. Greg Doyle, Parrsboro NS

Rev. D. Eric MacKinnon, Grafton NB

Dr. John Stewart, Fredericton NB

Mr. Ralph DeLong, New Germany NS

Baptist Foundation – to retire 2010 – 6 nominees:

Mr. Jim Dixon, Moncton NB

Mr. George Doak, Fredericton NB

Mr. John Lean, Riverview NB

Mr. Bill Marr, Riverview NB

Mr. Craig Read, Dartmouth NS

Mr. Stephen Shaw, Truro NS

Board of Directors, Atlantic Baptist Senior Citizens’ Homes, Inc. – to retire 2010 – 4 nominees:

Mr. Walter Balasiuk, St. George NB

Rev. John Hannem, North Sydney NS

Mr. Curtis Rupert, Dieppe NB

Mrs. Janice Smith, Bathurst NB

Baptist Historical Committee – to retire 2010 – 3 nominees:

Mrs. Florence Graham, Alberton PE
Mr. Michael Jarvis, Plaster Rock NB
Mrs. Carol Nauss, Chester NS

Christian Action Federation of New Brunswick – for the period 2007 to 2008

– 3 nominees: Mrs. Lois Clark, Jacksontown NB
Mrs. M. Joyce Schofield, Plaster Rock NB
Rev. Gary Taylor, Lakeville, Carleton County NB

It was moved and seconded that “at next year’s Assembly a report should be received from the 9 Governors of Acadia University who are nominated by the Convention outlining the relationship between the Convention and Acadia University.” Motion carried.

President’s Report & Council Report

Dr. Margaret Munro was invited to take over as Chair of the Assembly while Rev. Peter Reid presented the President’s Report and the Convention Council Report as circulated. Rev. Reid commented that there was much preparation that went into the planning for this Convention between the Council and the leadership of the African United Baptist Association. He saw that it has been very exciting for all of us to be together.

He reported that last fall, along with Dr. Bruce Fawcett, he met with the Board of Canadian Baptist Ministries. Out of this came the signing of the Covenant Partnership Agreement that exists between the Conventions, Unions and Women’s Organizations across Canada.

Dr. Harry Gardner commented on the process of Incorporation and that our Convention is the only one in Canada that is currently not incorporated. This has been studied over the past two years and he thanked Rev. Hugh McNally for agreeing to serve as a consultant in this process. He remarked that this past Saturday the Convention Council received a report on the process to be presented at the September meeting. Incorporation allows the Convention an opportunity to clarify who we are and the work that we do together. We will hear more of this process in the upcoming year. He also thanked Mr. Dan Ingersoll for his contributions to the process. It is anticipated that a report will be brought to next year’s Assembly.

Rev. Peter Reid brought a verbal report on the process of the search for a new Executive Minister. On September 15th the job description will be posted on the Convention web-site. Following this, nominations in writing, will be received with resumes until the end of November. The committee, which has already been struck, will review and short list those applications received with the goal of having a name to present at the next Convention Assembly. In the meanwhile, Dr. Bruce Fawcett, Associate Executive Minister, will provide oversight until January 1st when an Interim Executive Minister will be appointed.

Dr. Harry Gardner thanked Dr. Bruce Fawcett for his work on the “Year in Review” document that is being distributed to the delegates instead of a printed yearbook. He commented that the yearbook is available on the Convention website or upon request as a hard copy at no cost.

Notices of Motion from the Convention Council for Discussion and Action at Assembly 2008 were presented to the delegates as follows:

Regulations Concerning the Ministry: ***JOINT NOTICE of MOTION from the BOARD of MINISTERIAL STANDARDS and EDUCATION and the CABO COUNCIL to the CONVENTION ASSEMBLY in AUGUST 2007 for DISCUSSION and ACTION in AUGUST 2008***

REGULATIONS CONCERNING THE MINISTRY

Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches

Preamble

It is crucial in our ministry to the contemporary world that we provide various means for our churches to set apart people for specific roles in ministry which are recognized by the broader Baptist community. The call of God upon the life of a person to pastoral or specific ministries has historically been recognized within Baptist life by the setting apart of that person in the act of ordination. This action is usually associated with full time vocational ministry and is an affirmation by a local church of that call. In practice, ordination is usually sought by those entering pastoral, educational or chaplaincy roles within the church.

There is also the setting apart of a person as a Recognized Lay Pastor. This action is usually associated with those who are involved in bi-vocational ministries or who choose, for various reasons, not to seek ordination.

The spiritual standards for both ordained and lay ministry include: a profession of faith in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord; a conviction of a call to Christian ministry; a recognition of this call by the church of which the person is a member; a statement of doctrinal beliefs which testifies to the life of faith; and a quality of life in keeping with this faith. Once accepted as a Candidate for Ordained Ministry or as a Candidate for Recognized Lay Pastor individuals will be held accountable to comply with ministerial professional standards adopted by the Convention.

SECTION 1: GENERAL REGULATIONS REGARDING ORDINATION

1.1 The Role of the Local Church

The issuing of a *Church License to Minister* is an expression of confidence in a person's call to ordained ministry, and their suitability for ministry. It is important that the church exercise the utmost care and be thoroughly satisfied as to the qualities of mind, character and Christian experience which would fit the person for the important work of an ordained Christian minister. (See Section 2.1)

1.2 The Role of the Association

The granting of an *Association License to Minister* is an expression of confidence in a person's call to ordained ministry, academic progress, and suitability for ministry. It is important that the Association exercise the utmost care and be thoroughly satisfied as to the qualities of mind, character and Christian experience which would fit the person for the important work of an ordained Christian minister. (See Section 2.4)

1.3 The Role of the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education (“the Board”)

- A.** The Board of Ministerial Standards and Education interviews prospective ministerial candidates who are experiencing a call to ordained Christian ministry and who hold a Church License to Minister from a Baptist church in fellowship with Canadian Baptist Ministries or an Association License to Minister. The *Initial Interview* is usually near the conclusion of their first year of theological studies, and the *Exit Interview* is normally during the last year of theological studies.
- B.** In the *Initial Interview*, the Board will determine if the individual is to be accepted as a *Candidate for Ordained Ministry* based upon their fitness for the pastoral office including conversion, call to ministry, educational background, theology, overall suitability for ministry in this Convention, and alignment with the Convention’s core values. The Board determines the appropriate standard of academic training applicable to the Candidate; considers with them the financial obligations involved; and assists in any way that lies within the jurisdiction of the Board.
- C.** In the *Exit Interview*, the Board will determine if the individual is to be recommended to proceed to a year of *Internship* and then appear before the *Examining Council for Ordination* based upon the completion of the academic requirements, their personal and pastoral readiness, their style of leadership, their theology, and their spiritual gifts.
- D.** The Board:
1. may review the progress of the preparation of an applicant or a candidate from time to time and report the same to the appropriate Association committee;
 2. will receive and process appeals regarding Board decisions from persons previously interviewed.
- E.** The Board will receive applications from pastors seeking Recognition of a Prior Ordination. (See Section 3)
- F.** The Board will respond to allegations of professional misconduct in accordance with its protocol in the Ministerial Standards Document. Decisions of the Board relating to professional misconduct may be appealed as outlined in the Ministerial Standards Document.
- G.** If for a period of three or more consecutive years an Accredited Ordained Minister is no longer engaged in vocational ministry with a church, Association, or agency affiliated with the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches; or a recognized chaplaincy or interdenominational ministry; or actively pursuing further ministerial/theological studies, that individual’s accreditation will no longer be held by the Convention. This three-year rule does not normally apply to accredited pastoral leaders who are retired or on long-term disability. Accredited pastoral leaders nearing the three-year deadline who fall in this category who believe their circumstances warrant the retention of their accreditation may appeal to the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education for an extension of their accreditation.

If an Accredited Ordained Minister accepts a call to serve in a church (other than on an interim basis) that is not affiliated with the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches that individual will no longer be accredited by the Convention. Pastoral leaders will be expected to transfer their credentials to the new church or its denomination.

Previously accredited pastoral leaders who wish to renew their accreditation may apply to the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education.

- H. The Board shall include nine elected members, together with the Executive Minister of the Convention and/or designate, the President of Acadia Divinity College or designate, the President of Atlantic Baptist University or designate, and the Director of Atlantic Baptist Mission or designate. The Board shall also include the Regional Ministers who shall be members without vote.

1.4 The Role of the Examining Council for Ordination of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches (“the Examining Council”)

A. **Function of the Examining Council**

1. The Examining Council shall convene at such a time and place as appropriate at the call of the President of the Convention with at least six months notice being given to the churches. Candidates shall be scheduled for a specific time and to appear at stated intervals.
2. At the opening session of the Examining Council, a Chief Examiner shall be appointed from members of that Council.
3. It shall also be made clear at the opening session of the Examining Council to the members of that Council, that the 1905-1906 Basis of Union Doctrinal Statement is recognized as providing the overall guidelines.
4. Following the examination by the Examining Council and the presentation by the representatives from the Candidate’s church, an *in-camera* session will be held.
5. A two-thirds majority of Examining Council members voting shall be required to recommend a person for ordination and accreditation. Persons with a conflict of interest shall so declare it and subsequently remove themselves from the voting process. All votes shall be by secret ballot.
In considering the evidence, Council members will make a free decision under the leadership of the Holy Spirit. The Examining Council may recommend that a candidate be ordained; it may recommend that a Candidate be deferred pending further training and/or counselling; it may recommend that a Candidate not be ordained, as being unsuited for the ministry at this time.
6. Each Candidate will be informed by the Examining Council of the results of their examination immediately after the vote is taken and will be provided with appropriate guidance and direction.
7. The names of those Candidates recommended by the Examining Council for ordination by their churches shall be reported to the Convention.
8. The vote of the Examining Council and its recommendation shall be reported both to the church requesting the examination and to the candidate. A copy of the candidate’s written statement to the Examining Council shall also be forwarded to the church.
9. The Examining Council at its Annual Meeting shall elect members to an Appeal Board.
(See section 7.1 of the Ministerial Standards Document).

B. **Composition of the Examining Council**

1. The Examining Council shall consist of the representatives of each Association on the following basis: one representative for each Association and a further representative for each Association having a total resident membership of 3,000 or more, except for Prince Edward Island, which has 2 representatives, the same privilege to be granted to Newfoundland when the church membership reaches 2,000. Where there are two members from an Association, preferably one shall be male and one female. Each elected representative shall be elected for a period of three (3) years and shall not be eligible for re-election at the close of that period. A retiring member shall be eligible for re-election after a lapse of one (1) year. Associations are to name official alternates to act in the event of the unavoidable absence of the appointee.

2. No ordained minister shall be eligible for appointment to the Examining Council until at least three years after their own ordination, nor shall any Licensed person proceeding to the ordained ministry be eligible to serve.
3. No lay person shall be eligible for appointment to the Examining Council until they have served for at least three (3) years in a leadership position in a local church and/or Association.
4. In addition, the President, the Past President, the Vice-President and the Executive Minister of the Convention, plus the President of Acadia Divinity College, the President of Atlantic Baptist University, the Regional Ministers and the Chair of the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education shall be *ex-officio members*, entitled to speak but not to vote.
5. Normally the Past President and the Ministry Secretary of the Convention shall be respectively Chair and Secretary of the Examining Council. In case of either not being able to act, the Examining Council shall appoint a replacement.
6. Up to two church members, appointed by the church requesting the examination, are expected to attend the examination of their Candidate by the Examining Council. They should present a letter of recommendation for their Candidate from their church. They shall be expected to speak on behalf of the church regarding the ministry of the Candidate.
7. Observers may attend, but will not have the privilege of questioning, discussing, or voting on any candidate.
8. Fifteen voting members shall constitute a quorum for a regular meeting. A special meeting can only be called with the permission of a two-thirds majority of the members.
9. The Board of Ministerial Standards and Education serves as the Ministerial Credentials Committee for the Examining Council.

SECTION 2: CANDIDATE'S PROCESS TOWARD ORDINATION

2.1. Church License to Minister for Persons Preparing for Ordained Ministry

- A. The first step on the part of persons desiring to enter the ordained ministry of the Church is to secure from that church of which they are a member a *Church License to Minister*.
- B. The *Church License to Minister* is in effect both an affirmation and a recommendation. It is required that a person being considered:
 1. tell of their conversion, their call to ministry, their faith and life in Jesus Christ and their view of Christian doctrine with reference to their understanding and affirmation of the 1905/06 Basis of Union;
 2. give evidence of biblical knowledge and spiritual growth;
 3. have preached, taught and/or given leadership in the ministries of the church to determine their gifts for ministry;
 4. demonstrate an ethical lifestyle appropriate to a pastoral leader, including family relationships;
 5. give an account of their ministries in the church, how they have related to people, and how they have honoured their commitments; and
 6. articulate their understanding of pastoral ministry and basic Baptist beliefs.
- C. A *Church License to Minister* should not be granted until the person has been a member of that church for at least one year.

- D.** A *Church License to Minister* must be renewed yearly. It remains valid as long as the church which grants it considers it valid, but may be rescinded by the church for just cause. It is the responsibility of the recipient to request a yearly endorsement by the church until such time as an *Association License to Minister* is granted.

2.2 Educational Standards for Ordination

- A.** Prior to appearing before the Examining Council for Ordination of the Convention all Candidates shall be required to complete the course of study entered upon in agreement with the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education. There is a three year statute of limitations for completion of these educational requirements. Each Candidate must demonstrate acceptable progress during this period. If they are unable to complete their program of study in this time frame, they shall report to the Board, or meet with the Board, for consideration of extending their Candidacy and their statute of limitations.

B. **Basic Educational Requirements**

1. A Bachelor of Arts degree (or its equivalent) from Atlantic Baptist University or other recognized university, followed by a Master of Divinity degree obtained from Acadia Divinity College or from another seminary accredited by the Association of Theological Schools.
2. For those seeking to be ordained to Church Music/Worship Ministry, the minimum standard shall be the completion of a recognized undergraduate degree plus a minimum of 30 semester hours of theological education at the masters-level selected in consultation with the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education to be completed at Acadia Divinity College or another seminary accredited by the Association of Theological Schools. The Candidate must also show competence in church music, normally demonstrated by the successful completion of a minimum of 30 semester hours of post-baccalaureate education in church music or by some other means acceptable to the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education.
3. Any exception to these requirements may be considered only when the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education regards such action as warranted and in the best interest of the local church and the broader Convention life.

C. **Exceptions to the Basic Educational Requirements**

1. On occasion the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education may deem it appropriate to allow a modification of the basic requirements of study leading toward ordination. Under special circumstances such as inadequate educational preparation, age, family circumstances, and qualifications for professional ministry, one of the following exceptions to the basic educational requirements will be acceptable:
 - i. Approved Candidates who are a minimum of 35 years of age at the time of their first application to the Board may, on the recommendation of the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education, be considered for entry into the Bachelor of Theology program at Acadia Divinity College, which requires 30 semester hours of Arts courses plus 60 semester hours of theological study.

The Board of Ministerial Standards and Education may deem a Bachelor of Theology or Bachelor of Religious Education degree from a Bible College in good standing with the Association for Biblical Higher Education that is comparable to the Acadia Bachelor of Theology degree an appropriate qualification for ordination. Candidates may also be required to complete up to 30 semester hours of theological studies (normally taken at Acadia Divinity College), or up to 30 semester hours in Arts and Sciences (normally taken at Atlantic Baptist University). The Board will evaluate each academic transcript on its own merits and recommend the manner in which any educational deficiencies may be addressed. The Board will require Candidates to complete a course in Baptist History and Polity, with specific emphasis on Canadian and Atlantic Baptist History and Polity.

- ii. Approved Candidates who are 55 years of age or older may be admitted, with the approval of the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education, to a two-year non-credit, non-graduating program at Acadia Divinity College leading to a Certificate of Ministerial Studies.
2. If a Candidate fails to take advantage of time and opportunity to complete the basic educational requirements for ordination and reaches an age at which lower academic demands may be allowed for ordination, they need not expect that their age will necessarily qualify them for the reduced educational requirements.

2.3 Acceptance as a Candidate for Ordained Ministry

- A. A ministerial student proceeding toward ordination shall apply to appear before the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education for an Initial Interview normally near the conclusion of the first year of their theological education to be considered for acceptance as a *Candidate for Ordained Ministry*. (For application forms, please contact the Executive Minister's office.)
- B. In order to appear before the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education, the applicant shall have a current *Church License to Minister* from a Baptist church in fellowship with Canadian Baptist Ministries or a current *Association License to Minister*.

2.4 Association License to Minister for Persons Preparing for Ordained Ministry

- A. A person who is commended by a church to prepare for ordained ministry and has held a *Church License to Minister* for at least one year may apply to obtain an *Association License to Minister*.
- B. The *Association License to Minister* is in effect both an affirmation and a recommendation. It is required that a person being considered:
 1. tell of their conversion, their call to ministry, their faith and life in Jesus Christ and their view of Christian doctrine with reference to their understanding and affirmation of the 1905/06 Basis of Union;
 2. give evidence of biblical knowledge and spiritual growth;
 3. have preached, taught and/or given leadership in the ministries of the church to determine their gifts for ministry;
 4. demonstrate an ethical lifestyle appropriate to a pastoral leader, including family relationships;

5. give an account of their ministries in the church, how they have related to people, and how they have honoured their commitments; and
 6. articulate their understanding of pastoral ministry and basic Baptist beliefs.
- C.** An *Association License to Minister* may be granted when:
1. one year has elapsed since the applicant was granted an un-rescinded *Church License to Minister*;
 2. the applicant is a member of a church in fellowship with the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches;
 3. the applicant has given evidence of satisfactory ministry; and
 4. the applicant is making progress toward the completion of the academic requirements required for ordination.
- D.** A Committee appointed by the Association shall examine the applicant personally on all the above and concerning their commitment to the aims, core values and activities of the Association and the Convention.
- E.** Application for renewal of an *Association License to Minister* is to be made annually until the applicant has been ordained. Application for either the granting or the renewal of an *Association License to Minister* may be made to the Association in which the applicant received a *Church License to Minister* or to the Association where the applicant is residing at the time of application. Failure to renew the *Association License to Minister* will require that a person secure a letter of commendation from the Deacons of the church of which one is a member. Before being interviewed for the purpose of having the *Association License to Minister* reinstated, this letter must be presented to the Association Licensing Committee.
- F.** Each person seeking renewal of an *Association License to Minister* must apply to appear in person before the Association Committee and shall furnish satisfactory evidence of progress in studies, plans to continue them, active participation in the life of a church and continued commitment to the aims, core values and activities of the Association and the Convention.
- G.** Each *Association License to Minister* granted or renewed by an Association shall be signed by its Moderator and Clerk.

2.5 Recommendation to Internship

- A.** A *Candidate for Ordained Ministry* shall apply to appear before the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education for an Exit Interview, normally near the conclusion of their theological education, to seek the Board's approval to proceed to a year of supervised Internship. (For application forms, please contact the Executive Minister's office.)
- B.** Subsequent to approval by the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education, and a call to full-time ministry (i.e., at least 25 hours/week) the *Candidate for Ordained Ministry* may begin the year of supervised Internship. The Internship Supervisor/Mentor shall be an ordained Baptist minister recognized and accredited by the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches and appointed by the Executive Minister or designate.

2.6 Application to Appear Before the Examining Council for Ordination of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches (i.e., “the Examining Council”)

A *Candidate for Ordained Ministry* within the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches must appear before the Examining Council.

A. **Eligibility**

1. Each Candidate appearing before the Examining Council shall be recommended by the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education, having completed the required steps toward ordination.
2. They shall be pastors or pastors-elect of a member church of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches or shall be under appointment for evangelistic, chaplaincy, educational or missionary service within, or approved by, the Convention.
3. Theological students, having completed the requirements for ordination, seeking post-graduate study in another country and likely to be called to a church during this period of studies, may be permitted by the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education to appear before the Examining Council.
4. Each Candidate shall give evidence of having rendered satisfactory service during one year of supervised Internship or acceptable alternative as approved by the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education.
5. Both male and female Candidates shall be examined for ordination.
6. Heterosexuals engaging in sexual activity outside of marriage (as defined in the resolution “Statement Affirming a Christian View of Marriage” adopted by Assembly in 1999) and practicing homosexuals (including lesbians), shall not be eligible to appear for examination for ordination.

B. **Application**

1. A letter requesting that a Candidate appear before the Examining Council must be submitted to the Executive Minister *by the church* of which the Candidate is pastor, pastor-elect or a member; the letter having been duly authorized by the church. The letter should normally be forwarded to the Executive Minister of the Convention six months before the Examining Council meeting so that the members of that Council can be notified not less than three months before the Examining Council assembles.
2. *The Candidate* shall submit a Candidate Application Form which includes a written statement of not less than 2,000 words and not more than 2,500 words setting forth clearly their conversion, their call to ministry, their concept of ministry, their Statement of Faith, including Baptist beliefs, supported by reference to the Scriptures, and their relationship to the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches. The application is to be forwarded to the Executive Minister at least three months prior to the meeting of the Examining Council.

C. **Appearance before the Examining Council**

1. Baptists have always viewed the Scriptures as the sole rule in matters of faith and practice and the norm in questions of doctrine. Therefore in matters of doctrine all Candidates must substantiate their position by primary reference to the Scriptures. The key is “What do the Scriptures say?” Candidates must accept the claims which the Scriptures make with respect to their own inspiration and authority (e.g., 2 Timothy 3:14-17).
2. Each candidate shall satisfy the Examining Council as to their academic preparation and their general fitness for the Baptist ministry.

2.7 The Ordination Service

- A. The Candidate for ordination is eligible to be ordained to the Christian ministry by the local church upon completion of the year of supervised Internship and the recommendation of the Examining Council for Ordination.
- B. It is desirable both from the standpoint of the Candidate for ordination and the church that normally the ordination service be conducted at the hands of the local church from which the letter came. It is recognized that in exceptional circumstances it may be wise, at the discretion of the applying church, to hold the ordination service in some other location.
- C. Normally, the Candidate for ordination and leaders of the local church, in consultation with the Moderator of the Association, or designate, arrange the ordination service. The Candidate for ordination is free to select the participants, and shall normally include the Moderator of the Association or designate.
- D. Within the context of worship, the service of ordination normally includes: the reading of the Letter of Recommendation from the Examining Council; inquiries of the Candidate for ordination and the congregation by the Moderator of the Association as suggested in the manual (or exchange of vows); the Laying on of Hands; an Ordination Prayer; and either a charge to the Minister and a charge to the church or a sermon containing both elements. A form of service can be found in the most recent edition of *A Manual for Worship and Service* published by Canadian Baptist Ministries.
- E. It is the responsibility of the newly ordained minister to notify the Executive Minister that the Ordination Service has taken place. Then the Executive Minister will forward a Certificate of Ordination, and place the minister's name in the list of *Accredited Ordained Ministers*.

SECTION 3: RECOGNITION OF PRIOR ORDINATION

3.1 Within Canadian Baptist Ministries

Ordination within the framework of the Conventions/Unions comprising Canadian Baptist Ministries carries with it full transfer privileges to the list of *Accredited Ordained Ministers*, providing the minister is recommended by a letter of transfer from that Convention/Union.

3.2 Within the Baptist World Alliance

Ministers who are ordained, and recommended by a body in fellowship with the Baptist World Alliance, shall submit an application to meet with the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education. The application shall include their Statement of Faith. Upon receiving the approval of the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education their name may be placed on the list of *Accredited Ordained Ministers*. If they have not met the Convention's educational requirements, the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education shall recommend a program of study consistent with the prevailing standards. (For application forms, please contact the Executive Minister's office.)

3.3 Within Other Church Bodies

Ordained ministers coming from church bodies not affiliated with the Baptist World Alliance shall submit an application to appear before the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education. The application shall include a statement of their conversion, their call to the ministry, and their Statement of Faith; and commitment to the aims, core values and activities of the Convention. A course in Baptist History and Polity with specific emphasis on Canadian and Atlantic Baptist History and Polity will be required if this has not been a part of their training. If they have not met the Convention's educational requirements, the Board shall recommend a program of study consistent with the prevailing standards. They shall be required to serve in their church(es) for at least one year prior to accreditation. During this one-year waiting period, they shall be listed as *Ordained Ministers Awaiting Accreditation*. When the above requirements have been met, they may be placed on the list of Accredited Ordained Ministers. Re-ordination is not recommended. (For application forms, please contact the Executive Minister's office.)

3.4 The Board of Ministerial Standards and Education shall not recognize the ordination of heterosexuals engaging in sexual activity outside of marriage (as defined in the resolution "Statement Affirming a Christian View of Marriage" adopted by Assembly in 1999) and practicing homosexuals (including lesbians).

3.5 Each minister accredited by the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches must be a member of a constituent church. Full-time pastors shall be a member of a church they serve.

SECTION 4: GENERAL REGULATIONS REGARDING RECOGNIZED LAY PASTORS**4.1 The Role of the Local Church**

The issuing of a *Church License to Minister* is an expression of confidence in a person's call to lay pastoral ministry and their suitability for ministry. It is important that the church exercise the utmost care and be thoroughly satisfied as to the qualities of mind, character and Christian experience which would fit a person for the important work of a *Recognized Lay Pastor* (see Section 5.1).

4.2 The Role of the Association

The granting of an *Association Lay License to Minister* is an expression of confidence in a person's call to lay pastoral ministry, their academic progress, and their suitability for ministry. It is important that the Association exercise the utmost care and be thoroughly satisfied as to the qualities of mind, character and Christian experience which would fit the person for the important work of a *Recognized Lay Pastor* (see Section 5.4).

4.3 The Role of the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education ("the Board")

A. The Board of Ministerial Standards and Education interviews only those prospective ministerial candidates who are experiencing a call to become a *Recognized Lay Pastor* and who are intending to have their name circulated among churches for possible service as a lay pastor upon completion of the Lay Pastors Training Program. Prospective candidates must hold a *Church License to Minister* from a Baptist church in fellowship with The Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches or an *Association Lay License to Minister* prior to meeting with the Board. The Initial Interview is usually held during their third year of the Lay Pastors Training Program, and the Recognition Interview usually takes place once the Candidate has graduated from the Lay Pastors Training Program and has accepted a call to serve as a lay pastor of a Baptist church in fellowship with The Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches.

- B. In the Initial Interview, the Board will determine if the individual is to be accepted as a *Candidate for Lay Pastoral Ministry* based upon their fitness for lay pastoral ministry including conversion, call to ministry, life and ministry experience, theology, overall suitability for lay ministry in The Convention, and alignment with the Convention's core values (see Section 5.3).
- C. In the Recognition Interview, the Board will examine the Candidate to determine if the individual is to be accepted as a *Recognized Lay Pastor* based upon the completion of the academic requirements, their concept of ministry, their statement of faith, and their giftedness and suitability for lay pastoral ministry (see Section 5.5 B).
- D. The Board may receive and process appeals regarding Board decisions from persons previously interviewed.
- E. The Board will respond to allegations of professional misconduct (see Ministerial Standards Document, Sections 5-6). Decisions of the Board relating to professional misconduct may be appealed (see Ministerial Standards Document, Section 7).
- F. The Board may receive and process letters requesting the renewal of lapsed recognition (see Section 5.5 H).

SECTION 5: CANDIDATE'S PROCESS TOWARD APPROVAL AS A RECOGNIZED LAY PASTOR

5.1 Church License to Minister for Persons Preparing for Lay Pastoral Ministry

- A. The first step on the part of persons desiring to be considered as a *Recognized Lay Pastor* is to secure a *Church License to Minister* from the church where they are a member.
- B. The *Church License to Minister* is in effect both an affirmation and a recommendation. It is required that a person being considered:
 1. Tell of their conversion, their call to lay ministry, their faith and life in Jesus Christ and their view of Christian doctrine with reference to their understanding and affirmation of the 1905/06 Basis of Union;
 2. Give evidence of biblical knowledge and spiritual growth;
 3. Have preached, taught and/or given leadership in the ministries of the church to determine their gifts for ministry;
 4. Demonstrate an ethical lifestyle appropriate to a pastoral leader, including family relationships;
 5. Give an account of their ministries in the church, how they have related to people, and how they have honoured their commitments; and
 6. Articulate their understanding of lay pastoral ministry and basic Baptist beliefs.
- C. A *Church License to Minister* should not be granted until the candidate has been a member of the church for at least one year.
- D. A *Church License to Minister* must be renewed annually. It remains valid as long as the church that grants it considers it valid, but may be rescinded by the church for just cause. It is the responsibility of the recipient to request an annual endorsement by the church until such time as an *Association Lay License to Minister* is granted.

5.2 Educational Standards for Acceptance as a Recognized Lay Pastor

- A. Those wishing to become a *Recognized Lay Pastor* shall successfully complete the requirements for the Lay Pastor Diploma in the Lay Pastors Training Program. If comparable course work has already been completed then the individual shall be required to complete those portions of the Lay Pastors Training Program recommended by the Lay Pastors Training Program Committee. Up to one-third of the courses offered in the Lay Pastors Training Program may be completed through other educational programs.

5.3 Acceptance as a Candidate for Lay Pastoral Ministry

- A. A person proceeding toward lay pastoral ministry shall normally apply to appear before the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education for an Initial Interview during the third year of their Lay Pastors Training Program. At this Initial Interview the person will be considered for acceptance as a *Candidate for Lay Pastoral Ministry*. (For application forms, please contact the Executive Minister's office.)
- B. In order to appear before the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education for an Initial Interview, the applicant shall have a current *Church License to Minister* from a Baptist church in fellowship with the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches or a current *Association Lay License to Minister*.

5.4 Association Lay License to Minister

- A. A person who as a first step has held a *Church License to Minister* for at least one year and is sensing a call to prepare for lay pastoral ministry, whose intention is not set toward ordination, and who has some ministry experience as a supply preacher, interim minister, youth director, or in some other similar ministry, may apply to obtain an *Association Lay License to Minister*.
- B. The *Association Lay License to Minister* is in effect both an affirmation and a recommendation. It is required that a person being considered:
1. Tell of their conversion, their call to lay ministry, their faith and life in Jesus Christ and their view of Christian doctrine with reference to their understanding and affirmation of the 1905/06 Basis of Union;
 2. Give evidence of biblical knowledge and spiritual growth;
 3. Have preached, taught and/or given leadership in the ministries of the church to determine their gifts for ministry;
 4. Demonstrate an ethical lifestyle appropriate to a pastoral leader, including family relationships;
 5. Give an account of their ministries in the church, how they have related to people, and how they have honoured their commitments; and
 6. Articulate their understanding of lay pastoral ministry and basic Baptist beliefs.
- C. Such a License may be granted on the following conditions:
1. One year has passed since the applicant was granted an un-rescinded *Church License to Minister*;
 2. The applicant is a member of a church in fellowship with The Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches; and
 3. The applicant has given evidence of satisfactory lay ministry, including their ability to lead a worship service.

- D. The Licensing Committee of an Association will examine all applicants for an *Association Lay License to Minister* according to the standards and requirements contained in the above paragraphs and their commitment to the aims, core values and activities of the Association and the Convention.
- E. Application for renewal of an *Association Lay License to Minister* is to be made annually unless the applicant has been approved as a *Recognized Lay Pastor*. Failure to renew the *Association Lay License to Minister* will require that the person secure a letter of commendation from the Deacons of the church of which they are a member. Before being interviewed for the purpose of having the *Association Lay License to Minister* reinstated, this letter must be presented to the appropriate Association committee.
- F. Upon renewal by an Association, the *Association Lay License to Minister* is to be signed again by the Moderator and Clerk of the Association.

5.5 Becoming a Recognized Lay Pastor

- A. A person within the Convention who has been accepted by the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education as a *Candidate for Lay Pastoral Ministry* may seek approval by the Convention through the Board as a *Recognized Lay Pastor*. This recognition of an essentially part-time, bi-vocational ministry should not be confused with accredited ordained ministry and should not be regarded as a stepping stone to ordained ministry. Ordained ministry requires more extensive training and higher levels of demonstrated professional competency than is required of people who complete the Lay Pastors Training Program.
- B. A church whose pastor has successfully completed the requirements for the Lay Pastor Diploma in the Lay Pastors Training Program, following a vote of the members or appropriate board, may make application to the Board for their pastor to be granted a Recognition Interview with a view toward becoming a *Recognized Lay Pastor*. The Candidate, who must have served as the church's pastor for a period of at least six months, shall complete a Recognition Interview Application Form that includes a written statement (maximum 2,500 words) setting forth their Statement of Faith, including Baptist beliefs (supported by references to the Scriptures), and their relationship to the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches. This document shall be submitted to the Board at least five weeks prior to a second meeting with the Board. This Recognition Interview, which will normally take place within the first year of a Candidate being called to pastor the church, will include both an examination of the Candidate's statement as well as an assessment of the Candidate's giftedness and suitability for ministry based on their service in their current congregation.
- C. In the event that a person has successfully completed the Lay Pastor Training Program and feels called to serve in a Convention recognized ministry setting other than as the lay pastor of a local church (i.e. nursing home chaplaincy, itinerant preaching, interim pastoral ministry etc.), the church of which that person is a member, following a vote of the members or appropriate board, may make application to the Board for the person to be granted a Recognition Interview with a view toward becoming a *Recognized Lay Pastor*. The Candidate, who must have served the equivalent of six months pastoral ministry, shall complete a Recognition Interview Application Form that includes a written statement (maximum 2,500 words) setting forth their Statement of Faith, including Baptist beliefs (supported by references to the Scriptures), and their relationship to the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches. This document shall be submitted to the Board at least five weeks prior to a second meeting with the Board. This Recognition Interview, which will normally take place within the first year of the Candidate serving in the ministry setting, will include both an examination of the Candidate's statement as well as an assessment of the Candidate's giftedness and suitability for ministry based on their service in their current ministry setting.

- D. In order to appear before the Board for a Recognition Interview, the Candidate shall have a current *Association Lay License to Minister*.
- E. Both male and female Candidates will be eligible to become a *Recognized Lay Pastor*.
- F. Heterosexuals engaging in sexual activity outside of marriage (as defined in the resolution “Statement Affirming a Christian View of Marriage” adopted by Assembly in 1999) and practicing homosexuals (including lesbians), shall not be eligible to become a *Recognized Lay Pastor*.
- G. Following the Recognition Interview the Board will determine whether or not the Candidate qualifies to become a *Recognized Lay Pastor*. The decision of the Board shall be sent to the Candidate in an official letter from the Executive Minister with a copy to the church in which the Candidate is serving as a lay pastor.
- H. The names of those whom the Board approves shall appear on the Convention’s list of *Recognized Lay Pastors*, and they shall be commended to the churches of the Convention as a person approved for lay pastoral ministry, including preaching, the administration of the ordinances and the carrying out of pastoral or other kinds of ministry.
- I. If, for a period of five or more consecutive years, a *Recognized Lay Pastor* is no longer engaged as a lay pastor, interim pastor, or supply preacher that individual’s credentials shall no longer be held by the Convention. Those who have formerly been *Recognized Lay Pastors* who reengage in lay pastoral ministry may apply in writing to the Board to have the recognition reinstated. This five-year rule does not normally apply to credentialed pastoral leaders who are retired or on long-term disability.

Recognized Lay Pastors nearing the five-year deadline who believe their circumstances warrant the retention of their recognition may appeal to the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education for an extension of their credentials.

If a *Recognized Lay Pastor* accepts a call to serve in a church (other than on an interim basis) that is not affiliated with the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches that individual’s credentials will no longer be held by the Convention.

- J. A *Recognized Lay Pastor* will be held accountable to comply with the *Ministerial Professional Standards* adopted by The Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches (see *Ministerial Professional Standards* within *The Regulations Concerning the Ministry*).
- K. An allegation of professional misconduct against a *Recognized Lay Pastor* will be dealt with by the Board in accordance with *Section 5: Protocol for Cases of Alleged Professional Misconduct* found in its *Ministerial Standards Document*.

Term of Office of Members of the Convention Council: *NOTICE of MOTION from the CABC COUNCIL to the CONVENTION ASSEMBLY in AUGUST 2007 for DISCUSSION and ACTION in AUGUST 2008*

TERM OF OFFICE OF MEMBERS OF THE CONVENTION COUNCIL
Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches

Preamble: At the November 2005 Council meeting, a Committee was appointed to evaluate the current Convention structure, which was approved by the Convention Assembly in 2000, and to recommend changes to address any problem areas. One of the recommendations of this committee was that the term of office for members of Convention Council be the same as that of other Convention Boards and Committees. Article VI (2) states that the term of office for members of the Convention Council is one four year term, and that a person can only be re-elected after a lapse of two years. Other Boards and Committees have a three year term with the possibility of re-election to a second three year term. The main reason for recommending this change is the need for more continuity and greater effectiveness. However, the Council and the other boards are also concerned about members that do not attend regularly or do not contribute to the discussions and the decisions. This issue is the reason for the recommended addition to Article X (2).

(1) Moved that Article VI (2) be amended to read: “The Council of the Convention shall be composed of the President, the Past President, the Vice-President, and twelve (12) persons elected by the Convention meeting in assembly.”

(2) Moved that Article X be amended by inserting “Council” in the appropriate places and adding the following sentence after the first sentence of Article X (2), “Eligibility for re-election shall be based on two factors: the willingness of the member to serve a second term and a request from the concerned Council, Board, or Committee that the person be nominated for a second term.”

Report on Plans for Assembly 2008

Rev. Peter Reid invited Dr. Bruce Fawcett to present a report on next year’s Convention Assembly. Dr. Fawcett gave the dates of August 20-23, 2008 and meeting at Mount Allison University in Sackville, New Brunswick. He outlined the committee included:

- Rev. John Ferguson (Allison)
- Rev. Greg Jones (CABC)
- Mr. Daryl MacKenzie (CABC)
- Rev. Jon Dixon (New Minas)
- Rev. Rob Nysten (CABC)
- Mrs. Karen Gunn (CABC)
- Dr. Bruce Fawcett (CABC)
- Rev. Joe Page (Main St.)

This Convention Assembly will feature many opportunities for fellowship, refreshment and appreciating music in a variety of settings. Speakers for the Assembly are: Mr. Don Simmonds, Dr. Carson Pue and Dr. Gary Nelson. Devotional times will be led by Dr. Harry Gardner, President Acadia Divinity College and Dr. Brian MacArthur, President, Atlantic Baptist University.

It was moved and seconded that the 2008 Convention Assembly be held at Mount Allison University from August 20th to 23rd. Motion carried.

Auditor's Report for 2006 & Appointment for 2007

Mr. Daryl MacKenzie presented the auditor's report for 2006. It was moved and seconded that the auditors' report be accepted as circulated. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded that we accept the firm of Teed, Saunders, Doyle and Company as auditors for the Convention. Motion carried. Mr. MacKenzie commented that this firm has been the Convention auditors for the past 10 years.

Budget Presentation

Rev. Peter Reid presented the proposed budget for 2008 while commenting that this is a 1.98% increase over 2007. It was moved and seconded that the proposed budget for 2007 (\$2,708,700) be accepted. Motion carried.

Appointment of Chief Scrutineer for Assembly 2008

It was moved and seconded that Rev. Donald Dunn serve as Chief Scrutineer for the 2008 Convention Assembly. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded that the Convention Council be given permission to adopt the minutes of the Assembly business session. Motion carried.

Rev. Peter Reid introduced and prayed for Dr. Margaret Munro, Convention President.

Rev. Peter Reid expressed thanks to Rev. Tom McGaw for his work in keeping the minutes of this business session.

It was moved and seconded that the Business Session of the 161st Annual Convention Assembly be adjourned. Motion carried.

Concluding Service and Installation of Convention President

Music for Gathering was led by Rev. Garth MacKay on piano and Pastor Devin Johnstone on the University organ.

Rev. Peter Reid opened the service by leading a responsive reading based on Psalm 103: 1, 2, 21 22. Rev. Reid then led in prayer.

The organist and pianist led the singing of the hymn, "How Great Thou Art."

Dr. Harry Gardner led in prayer for the offering and then led the Memorial Moment for those pastors who had passed away during the previous year: Rev. John H. Bloedow, Rev. George S. Canton, Rev. Willard P. Clayton, Rev. William G. Duffett, Rev. Dr. Freeman C. Fenerty, Rev. Stanley J. Harrison, Rev. Robert P. Matthews, Rev. Eric A. Miner, Rev. John Porter and Rev. Charles O. Burrill. He read from John, chapter 1, as he encouraged those present to silently remember these servants and their families.

Dr. Gardner thanked Rev. Peter Reid for his years of service to this Convention as Vice-President, President and soon to be Past President. He remarked that Rev. Reid had become a pastor to him during this past year as well as the many pastors that Rev. Reid met with through the year.

Rev. Reid expressed his thanks to those who assisted him during his year of service as President of the Convention. He remarked that this Convention is about the people of God and the vision of our Convention.

Dr. Margaret Munro was then installed as the new President-Elect for this Convention. Participating in the Laying on of Hands were Dr. Ralph Richardson and Rev. Tracey Grosse, Moderator of the African United Baptist Association. Rev. Peter Reid then presented Dr. Munro with the gavel as the symbol of her office.

Dr. Allison Trites read from 2 Timothy 2:5 and Psalm 119:18 before Rev. Wayne McCarther presented the President-Elect with a Bible from the Canadian Bible Society.

Dr. Margaret Munro then went on to give her address.

She thanked those present for the privilege of serving as their Convention President. She expressed her appreciation for the prayers of the body. Dr. Munro was looking forward to her term of office. She remarked that during this Convention she had experienced a sense of God's presence during a wonderful Assembly. Throughout this Convention she sensed a spirit of love and reconciliation as people began to understand the pain of racism. We need to commit ourselves to a better future as God's family.

Dr. Munro asked for prayer for herself and the members of the Convention Council. The vision is that there would be no racism, no distinction between people and no aggression in this world. She commented that there be 'no in groups or out groups' and that all people would be seen as the same.

She then went on to reflect on a couple passages of scripture: Isaiah 11:6-9 which gives a picture of a perfect realm. Here there would be no predators or prey and no aggressors or victims; Galatians 3:28 where she saw no basis for differences among us. As believers we will strengthen our unity in Christ and celebrate our diversity. She recalled the words of Martin Luther King, Jr. when he spoke, 'I have a dream,' which for us is a God given vision.

The service closed with the singing of the 8th Century hymn, "Be Thou My Vision," to which Dr. Munro made some changes to make this "Be Thou Our Vision".

Dr. Munro led in the Benediction and declared that the 161st Assembly of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches was closed.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Tom McGaw
Recording Secretary to the 161st Assembly

UBWMU/Atlantic Baptist Women

The 101st Annual Convention August 17-20, 2007 was a combined, historical event. The African United Baptist Association, Atlantic Baptist Women, the General Convention assembly and Quest met together under the common theme; "Unity In Diversity-Celebrate Our Unity In Christ"

A combined women's event with the AUBA – "Women United In Christ"

Our 101 annual convention was held at Acadia University, Wolfville, Nova Scotia, August 17-18, 2007. This was a combined event with the women of the African United Baptist Association. The event was co-chaired by Rose Brooks, AUBA Women's Institute president and Lorraine Fenwick the ABW president. Worship music was led by Natalie Everett, Katie Jewett and Diana Seymour of Fredericton. The Silent Worship Ministry from St. Thomas United Baptist Church, North Preston, enhanced our worship time. Rev. Dr. Jeff Carter and Tony Peck, General Secretary of the European Baptist Federation provided a "Focus on Europe". Theme speakers were Rev. Sherrolyn Riley and Dr. Lois Mitchell, "Let's talk About Racism". Charnell Colley provided special music on Friday PM.

The Saturday morning Bible study was led by Rev. Deann Carter. The Keynote Speaker was Dr. Wanda Thomas-Bernard. The prayer time, led by Marlene Ruck-Simmonds and Eva Wood, was followed by the business session, finishing with the Memorial Moment. The decision was made at the business session to hold the 2008 Convention in May at Atlantic Baptist University.

The Luncheon was held at Wheelock Dining Hall on Saturday. A group of six women, who had just returned from a short term mission trip to Kenya shared highlights of their experiences at the luncheon. Jeremy McWilliams, who had been on short term mission in Europe, also shared his experiences at the luncheon. Alison Peck, Bristol, England brought greetings. Special music was provided by Wendy Clarke-Clayton and Carmelita Fisher.

Women from the AUBA, as well as Halifax and Eastern Valley Associations served as our Convention Planning Committee. Their hard work and resourcefulness played a major role in organizing the program and ensuring everything went smoothly. A total of 474 were registered for our women's event of the combined convention.

Our spring Executive meetings were held at the Middleton UBC, Middleton, NS and the fall meetings were held at First Baptist Moncton, NB. This is a time, not only to conduct business, but also to learn and develop leadership skills through interactive sessions.

Resources for our women's groups are provided by the program resource booklet. The program resource booklet "Unity in Diversity-Celebrate Our Oneness In Christ", was distributed at our 2007 convention. The booklet provides suggestions for Bible studies, mission programs and prayer times that can be used in women's groups.

The monthly On-Line Newsletter has been e-mailed to many Baptist women throughout the Atlantic during 2007. It is another means to communicate and help strengthen our connections throughout the Atlantic. It includes two columns, "Points To Ponder" and "News You Can Use".

The 2007 Children's Mission Action Project was "Welcome to My Neighbourhood in El Salvador". Little Lights and Global Adventures leaders were encouraged to use this mission education program in their local church children's ministries. Through the use of visuals, stories, songs, games and activities the children were encouraged to learn about and support this mission project.

Global Adventure leaders, high school and university students, led the mission program at 11 of our Atlantic Baptist camps in the summer of 2007. The Global Adventure camp program was, "Welcome to My Neighbourhood in El Salvador". DVBS was also part of the summer ministry. The DVBS program has been extended to include May and June. Four young women were hired from May - August. During May and June the four DVBS leaders worked in three churches leading children and youth programs and were mentored by the pastoral staff. A DVBS team is provided for churches by request. They lead a one week DVBS ministry, at no cost to the church. In 2007 17 churches hosted the DVBS teams. In the summer of 2007 we were privileged to be a supporter of a Home Missions outreach project, in Albert County, NB, "The Fundy Youth Project". The results of this project are most encouraging and the prayers of God's people were answered in exciting ways, as people came to know and follow Christ. We were also pleased to provide a cross-cultural opportunity for a young woman who gave leadership at the French Camp, "Camp Plein Aire Amite", in Quebec during the summer.

The WMS/ABW 2007 home mission project had two phases. Phase one provided support for the Coverdale Centres in Halifax and Saint John. Women participating were invited to contribute a toonie to support these centres that assist women who are or involved in or at risk of becoming involved in the justice system. Phase Two encouraged women to be involved in their own communities by providing items or offering to volunteer at shelters and food banks. This hands on project was supported by our women with love, generosity and enthusiasm.

Each year the UBWMU/ABW provides bursaries for women studying at ADC. In 2007 eleven women were given bursaries. ADC women graduates are presented with a quilt at our annual convention. Two quilts were given to the 2007 ADC graduates. The quilt presentations are one of the Canadian Baptist Women initiatives in which ABW participates.

The other Canadian Baptist Women initiative is the Great Canadian Women's Bible Study. Many women participated in the study 2007 study on the book of Esther during January. The toonie mission project accompanying the Bible study supported the Guardians of Hope ministry in Kenya, through CBM. In August we embraced a new CBW mission project. We agreed to support the Eva Rose York Bible & Technical Training School for Women in Tuni, India.

ABW is a member of the North American Baptist Women's Union. Sept. 19-22 the NABWU Assembly was held in Arlington, VA. Over 50 Atlantic Baptist Women participated in this event. This is an opportunity to network with representatives from the other 16 member bodies The Young Adult Committee, a recent initiative of NABWU, encourages young women to interact, contribute and be involved in NABWU. Our Atlantic Baptist region was represented by two young women who participated in the assembly program.

Tidings, our resource magazine for Great Commission people, is issued ten times a year. It provides articles of general interest, as well as information and updates concerning our CBM Global Field Staff and Home Mission opportunities. Our website also provides information about our organization. www.atlanticbaptistwomen.ca

ABW encourages women to grow spiritually mature, to discover and use their spiritual gifts, to develop gifts of leadership, to disciple and mentor others, to serve in ministry and mission as we seek to grow God's kingdom in our midst and around the world. We thank God for each woman who is actively involved in the WMS/ABW group of her church, is leading a children's mission education program, is involved in their Women's Association, or is serving as a committee or executive member. Together we are able to share the message of the Gospel at home and around the world. "Women Living the Great Commission –informed, involved and invested"

*Respectfully submitted,
Lorraine Fenwick, President
Marilyn Steeves, Executive Director*

Audited financial Statements for
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CONVENTION OF ATLANTIC BAPTIST CHURCHES

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches

We have audited the statement of financial position of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches as at December 31, 2007 and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Convention's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

Except as explained in the following paragraph, we conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In common with many charitable organizations, the Convention derives revenue from special event registration fees and donations, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the Convention and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to revenue, excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures, assets and fund balances.

In our opinion, except for the effect of adjustments, if any, which we might have determined to be necessary had we been able to satisfy ourselves concerning the completeness of special event registration fees and donations revenue referred to in the preceding paragraph, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Convention as at December 31, 2007 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

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CONVENTION OF ATLANTIC BAPTIST CHURCHES

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2007

	<u>Convention</u>	<u>Bookroom</u>	<u>Total 2007</u>	<u>Total 2006</u>
ASSETS				
CURRENT				
Cash (Note 3)	\$ 20,049	\$ 67,439	\$ 87,488	\$ 187,049
Term deposits (Note 3)	102,474	-	102,474	-
Marketable securities (Notes 2 and 3)	17,200	-	17,200	-
Accounts receivable (Notes 3 and 5)	491,569	16,772	508,341	473,840
Accounts receivable from Baptist Bookroom (Note 3)	143,115	-	143,115	82,235
Accounts receivable from related organizations (Notes 3 and 8)	43,589	-	43,589	50,409
Inventory (Note 2)	-	146,150	146,150	142,694
Prepaid expenses	<u>13,625</u>	<u>1,757</u>	<u>15,382</u>	<u>13,415</u>
	<u>831,621</u>	<u>232,118</u>	<u>1,063,739</u>	<u>949,642</u>
INVESTMENTS (Notes 2, 3 and 6)	<u>117,487</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>117,487</u>	<u>117,006</u>
CAPITAL (Notes 2 and 7)	<u>329,853</u>	<u>68,084</u>	<u>397,937</u>	<u>429,861</u>
DEFERRED COSTS (Note 2)	<u>34,320</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,320</u>	<u>51,480</u>
	<u>\$ 1,313,281</u>	<u>\$ 300,202</u>	<u>\$ 1,613,483</u>	<u>\$ 1,547,989</u>

LIABILITIES


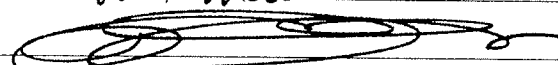
CURRENT				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 3)	\$ 161,607	\$ 33,783	\$ 195,390	\$ 140,558
Distributions payable to agencies (Notes 3 and 8)	238,458	-	238,458	216,198
Accounts payable to related organizations (Notes 3 and 8)	74,053	-	74,053	39,824
Accounts payable to Convention (Note 3)	-	143,115	143,115	82,235
Deferred revenue (Notes 2 and 9)	<u>35,070</u>	<u>32,321</u>	<u>67,391</u>	<u>145,697</u>
	<u>509,188</u>	<u>209,219</u>	<u>718,407</u>	<u>624,512</u>
FUTURE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS (Note 4)	<u>50,304</u>	<u>2,549</u>	<u>52,853</u>	<u>38,891</u>

FUND BALANCES

UNRESTRICTED	519,587	88,434	608,021	664,055
RESTRICTED (Note 2)	<u>234,202</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>234,202</u>	<u>220,531</u>
	<u>753,789</u>	<u>88,434</u>	<u>842,223</u>	<u>884,586</u>
	<u>\$ 1,313,281</u>	<u>\$ 300,202</u>	<u>\$ 1,613,483</u>	<u>\$ 1,547,989</u>

COMMITMENTS (Note 9)

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:


 _____ Chairman

 _____ Director

CONVENTION OF ATLANTIC BAPTIST CHURCHES

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

	Convention (Page 6)		Bookroom		Restricted Funds (Page 7)		Total	
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
REVENUE (Note 2)								
Administration fees	\$ 17,302	\$ 16,606	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 165,037	\$ 118,136	\$ 182,339	\$ 134,742
Bookroom sales	-	-	676,268	670,805	-	-	676,268	670,805
Church offerings and United in Mission (Note 8)	2,520,727	2,494,407	-	-	102,344	110,542	2,623,071	2,604,949
Conference and other revenue (Note 8)	285,288	486,437	(323)	41,593	85,697	60,547	370,662	588,577
Designated offerings	556,545	534,126	-	-	190,108	197,843	746,653	731,969
Interest and investment	8,423	5,709	-	-	481	522	8,904	6,231
Net unrealized loss (Note 2)	(2,383)	-	-	-	-	-	(2,383)	-
	<u>3,385,902</u>	<u>3,537,285</u>	<u>675,945</u>	<u>712,398</u>	<u>543,667</u>	<u>487,590</u>	<u>4,605,514</u>	<u>4,737,273</u>
EXPENDITURES								
Advertising	-	-	8,673	8,074	-	-	8,673	8,074
Amortization	37,351	37,110	19,092	11,828	-	-	56,443	48,938
Bank charges and interest	7,261	6,481	4,996	5,115	-	-	12,257	11,596
Conferences	85,589	112,509	11	3,773	-	-	85,600	116,282
Cost of sales	-	-	430,383	434,476	-	-	430,383	434,476
Distributions to Agencies (Note 8)	1,687,991	1,700,134	-	-	-	-	1,687,991	1,700,134
Equipment rental	5,708	3,906	4,075	4,139	-	-	9,783	8,045
Grants and assistance (Note 2)	17,300	56,250	-	-	107,080	116,370	124,380	172,620
Insurance	20,455	18,759	1,691	2,173	-	-	22,146	20,932
Meetings and travel	238,387	249,583	1,597	2,272	-	-	275,602	276,369
Assembly	-	-	-	-	36,678	36,164	36,678	36,164
Miscellaneous	15,214	7,165	(325)	1,406	-	848	15,219	9,419
Occupancy costs	13,365	12,667	56,326	64,929	-	-	69,691	77,596
Office	9,300	13,296	6,121	4,139	-	-	15,421	17,435
Postage	27,031	27,974	17,318	16,427	1,440	1,652	45,789	46,053
Printing	58,606	52,592	-	-	-	-	58,606	52,592
Professional fees	19,125	29,554	3,000	3,270	-	-	22,125	32,824
Programs and materials	92,198	215,614	-	-	-	-	92,198	215,614
Repairs and maintenance	7,615	4,234	-	-	-	-	7,615	4,234
Salaries and benefits	1,035,438	970,245	157,437	142,595	348,850	305,202	1,541,725	1,418,042
Telephone	24,602	23,936	4,950	4,876	-	-	29,552	28,812
	<u>3,402,536</u>	<u>3,542,009</u>	<u>715,345</u>	<u>709,492</u>	<u>529,996</u>	<u>484,750</u>	<u>4,647,877</u>	<u>4,736,251</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ (16,634)</u>	<u>\$ (4,724)</u>	<u>\$ (39,400)</u>	<u>\$ 2,906</u>	<u>\$ 13,671</u>	<u>\$ 2,840</u>	<u>\$ (42,363)</u>	<u>\$ 1,022</u>

CONVENTION OF ATLANTIC BAPTIST CHURCHES

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN)		
Operating activities		
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures	\$ (42,363)	\$ 1,022
Items not involving cash		
Deferred costs	17,160	(12,553)
Net unrealized loss	2,383	-
Amortization	<u>56,443</u>	<u>48,938</u>
	33,623	37,407
Changes in non-cash working capital balances		
Marketable securities	(19,583)	-
Accounts receivable	(34,501)	40,012
Accounts receivable from related organizations	6,820	4,822
Inventory	(3,456)	64,353
Prepaid expenses	(1,967)	934
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	54,832	311
Distributions payable to agencies	22,260	(19,086)
Accounts payable to related organizations	34,229	(631)
Deferred revenue	<u>(78,306)</u>	<u>13,631</u>
	<u>13,951</u>	<u>141,753</u>
Investing activities		
Increase in investments	(481)	(432)
Purchase of capital assets	<u>(24,519)</u>	<u>(152,982)</u>
	<u>(25,000)</u>	<u>(153,414)</u>
Financing activities		
Future employee benefits	<u>13,962</u>	<u>2,504</u>
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH	2,913	(9,157)
CASH AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>187,049</u>	<u>196,206</u>
CASH AT END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 189,962</u>	<u>\$ 187,049</u>
REPRESENTED BY:		
Cash	\$ 87,488	\$ 187,049
Term deposit	<u>102,474</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ 189,962</u>	<u>\$ 187,049</u>
SUPPLEMENTARY CASH FLOW INFORMATION		
Interest received	\$ 8,904	\$ 6,141

CONVENTION OF ATLANTIC BAPTIST CHURCHES
SCHEDULE OF CONVENTION OPERATIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

	General	Baptist Historical Committee	Ministerial Standards & Education	Executive Minister's Office and Communications	Youth and Family Ministries	Council and Committees	Regional Ministry	Public Witness	Development	Total 2007	Total 2006
REVENUE (Note 2)											
Administration fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,302	\$ 16,606
Church offerings and United in Mission (Note 8)	1,131,552	17,039	70,625	295,835	108,265	65,274	491,302	20,099	66,911	2,520,727	2,494,407
Conference and other revenue (Note 8)	-	-	-	27,399	203,754	13,172	33,316	2,120	961	285,288	486,437
Designated offerings	556,439	-	-	-	28	-	78	-	-	556,545	534,126
Interest and investment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,423	5,709
Net unrealized loss (Note 2)	-	-	-	-	(2,383)	-	-	-	-	(2,383)	-
	<u>1,687,991</u>	<u>17,039</u>	<u>70,625</u>	<u>323,234</u>	<u>309,664</u>	<u>78,446</u>	<u>524,696</u>	<u>22,219</u>	<u>67,872</u>	<u>3,385,902</u>	<u>3,537,285</u>
Budget	<u>1,303,000</u>	<u>16,000</u>	<u>62,000</u>	<u>294,000</u>	<u>408,020</u>	<u>68,000</u>	<u>487,000</u>	<u>24,000</u>	<u>60,000</u>	<u>2,964,020</u>	<u>3,203,390</u>
EXPENDITURES											
Amortization	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37,351	37,110
Bank charges and interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,261	6,481
Conferences	-	-	-	1,152	74,619	9,219	-	599	-	85,589	112,509
Distributions to Agencies (Note 8)	1,687,991	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,687,991	1,700,134
Equipment rental	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,708	3,906
Grants and assistance (Note 2)	-	12,800	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17,300	56,250
Meetings and travel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20,455	18,759
Miscellaneous	4,239	4,239	26,698	31,555	45,950	46,656	69,484	3,494	9,326	238,387	249,583
Occupancy costs	-	-	-	-	1,827	10,511	2,876	-	-	15,214	7,165
Office	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,365	-	-	13,365	12,667
Postage	-	-	1,754	15,105	28	2,498	4,280	-	492	9,300	13,296
Printing	-	-	1,195	47,429	253	344	6,412	30	246	27,031	27,974
Professional fees	-	-	2,197	-	219	4,088	8,725	68	132	58,606	52,592
Programs and materials	-	-	-	6,128	61,153	-	12,840	-	-	19,125	29,554
Repairs and maintenance	-	-	37,717	220,491	125,135	24,013	3,036	-	19,683	92,198	215,614
Salaries and benefits	-	-	1,064	1,374	2,863	140,553	437,424	12,941	37,164	1,035,438	970,245
Telephone	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,247	301	829	24,602	23,936
	<u>1,687,991</u>	<u>17,039</u>	<u>70,625</u>	<u>323,234</u>	<u>312,047</u>	<u>97,329</u>	<u>528,595</u>	<u>22,219</u>	<u>67,872</u>	<u>3,402,536</u>	<u>3,542,009</u>
Budget	<u>1,303,000</u>	<u>16,000</u>	<u>62,000</u>	<u>294,000</u>	<u>408,020</u>	<u>68,000</u>	<u>487,000</u>	<u>24,000</u>	<u>60,000</u>	<u>2,964,020</u>	<u>3,203,390</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,383)	\$ (18,883)	\$ (3,899)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (16,634)	\$ (4,724)

**SAUNDERS
DOYLE & CO.**
Chartered Accountants

CONVENTION OF ATLANTIC BAPTIST CHURCHES
SCHEDULE OF RESTRICTED FUND OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

	Convention Assembly	Correctional Services	December Communion	Hospital Halifax	Chaplaincy Saint John	Association Projects	Luke McLay Scholarship	Legacy	Total 2007	Total 2006
REVENUE (Note 2)										
Administration fees	\$ -	\$ 165,037	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 165,037	\$ 118,136
Church offerings and United in Mission (Note 8)	-	-	-	4,512	3,008	94,824	-	-	102,344	110,542
Conference and other revenue	82,701	2,996	-	-	-	-	-	-	85,697	60,547
Designated offerings	508	56,153	14,864	63,744	54,839	-	-	-	190,108	197,843
Interest and investment	-	-	-	-	-	-	481	-	481	522
	<u>83,209</u>	<u>224,186</u>	<u>14,864</u>	<u>68,256</u>	<u>57,847</u>	<u>94,824</u>	<u>481</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>543,667</u>	<u>487,590</u>
EXPENDITURES										
Grants and assistance (Note 2)	-	-	13,940	-	-	93,140	-	-	107,080	116,370
Meetings and travel	35,360	-	-	-	258	-	-	-	35,618	24,514
Assembly	36,678	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36,678	36,164
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	330	-	-	-	-	330	848
Postage	1,321	-	-	-	119	-	-	-	1,440	1,652
Salaries and benefits	3,841	224,096	-	66,025	54,888	-	-	-	348,850	305,202
	<u>77,200</u>	<u>224,096</u>	<u>13,940</u>	<u>66,355</u>	<u>55,265</u>	<u>93,140</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>529,996</u>	<u>484,750</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	6,009	90	924	1,901	2,582	1,684	481	-	13,671	2,840
NET ASSETS (LIABILITIES) AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>(8,339)</u>	<u>19,796</u>	<u>19,103</u>	<u>28,040</u>	<u>(1,999)</u>	<u>(365)</u>	<u>10,831</u>	<u>153,464</u>	<u>220,531</u>	<u>217,691</u>
NET ASSETS (LIABILITIES) AT END OF YEAR	<u>\$ (2,330)</u>	<u>\$ 19,886</u>	<u>\$ 20,027</u>	<u>\$ 29,941</u>	<u>\$ 583</u>	<u>\$ 1,319</u>	<u>\$ 11,312</u>	<u>\$ 153,464</u>	<u>\$ 234,202</u>	<u>\$ 220,531</u>

CONVENTION OF ATLANTIC BAPTIST CHURCHES

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2007

1. PURPOSE OF ORGANIZATION

The Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches ("the Convention") is a fellowship working through over 500 local churches in the Atlantic Provinces. In accordance with Article I of the Constitution of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches, the Convention came into existence on the basis of a statement of doctrine and polity entitled "1905/06 Basis of Union". The Convention shall be composed of those bodies which have covenanted to work together, under the Lordship of Jesus Christ, and under the authority of the Bible which is the all-sufficient ground of faith and practice. Financial contributions are received for distribution to approved overseas, national and local ministries.

The Convention is a registered charity and is thereby exempt from income tax as defined by Section 149(1)(f) of the Income Tax Act of Canada.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Revenue Recognition

The Convention follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the same period as the commitment to remit these funds is made by member congregations. Amounts received by the Convention after year end but made from the current year's budget allocations of member congregations are recognized as church contributions receivable.

Restricted Funds

The Convention has designated certain funding for special purposes and thus the financial statements have been presented in a manner which segregates operations according to their nature and purpose, as follows:

Convention Assembly Fund

The Convention Assembly Fund has been established to segregate revenue and expenditures related to Assembly. Use of the fund balance is designated annually by the Assembly.

Correctional Services Fund

The Correctional Services Fund has been established to segregate revenue and expenditures to operate chaplaincy services under contracts with various Correctional Institutions.

December Communion Offering Fund

The December Communion Offering Fund has been established to provide financial assistance to spouses of deceased pastors.

CONVENTION OF ATLANTIC BAPTIST CHURCHES

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2007

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

Hospital Chaplaincy Funds

The Hospital Chaplaincy Funds have been established to segregate revenue and expenditures to maintain hospital chaplaincy services in Saint John and Halifax.

Association Projects Fund

The Association Projects Fund has been established to enable regional church Associations to initiate local ministry projects. The fund received 3.61% (2006 - 3.94%) of total United in Mission revenue of the Convention.

Luke Timothy McLay Memorial Scholarship Fund

The Luke Timothy McLay Scholarship Fund has been established to award scholarships to students enrolled in any academic doctoral program in any discipline. The scholarships are to be awarded from the interest earned on the fund.

Legacy Fund

The Legacy Fund has been established by bequests from individuals. Use of the fund balance is reviewed and set periodically by the Council of the Convention.

Except for interest earned on investments in the Luke Timothy McLay Scholarship Fund, interest income is recorded in the operations of the Convention.

Marketable Securities

Marketable securities are classified as held for trading, and stated at fair value.

In determining fair value, adjustments have not been made for transaction costs as they are not considered material. The change in the difference between the fair value and cost of marketable securities at the beginning and end of each year is reflected in the statement of operations.

Fair values of the marketable securities in equities are determined using year-end quoted market prices.

The marketable securities of the Convention are held in the custody of RBC Dominion Securities.

The cost as at December 31, 2007 is \$19,583.

Inventory

Inventory is valued at lower of cost and net realizable value.

Investments

Investments in deposit certificates held in the custody of the Baptist Foundation are stated at cost which is equal to fair value.

CONVENTION OF ATLANTIC BAPTIST CHURCHES

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2007

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont'd)

Capital Assets

Capital assets are stated at cost less accumulated amortization. Amortization is being provided for using the following methods and annual rates:

Building	2.5%	straight-line
Computer and other equipment	15.0% to 25.0%	straight-line
Furniture and fixtures	20.0%	diminishing balance
Leasehold improvements	20.0%	straight line
Website	33.3%	diminishing balance
Bookroom equipment	20.0%	straight line

Other

Grants are received and disbursed on behalf of a number of regional and national autonomous organizations. Excerpts from the audited financial statements for these organizations are reproduced in the annual year book of the Convention.

Deferred Costs

In 2003, the Convention developed a major fund raising initiative called the InVision Campaign. The campaign covered a three year period from 2004 to 2006. Development costs incurred were initially deferred and have been amortized over the campaign period.

In 2006, the Convention developed another major fund raising initiative called Growing Healthy Churches. The campaign is expected to run for a three year period from 2007 to 2009. Development costs incurred have been deferred and are being amortized over the campaign period.

Contributed Services

Volunteers contribute an undeterminable number of hours per year. Because of the difficulty of determining their fair value, contributed services are not recognized in the financial statements.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. These estimates are reviewed periodically, and as adjustments become necessary, they are reported in earnings in the period in which they become known.

CONVENTION OF ATLANTIC BAPTIST CHURCHES

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2007

3. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Convention's financial instruments consist of cash, term deposits, marketable securities, accounts receivable, accounts receivable from Baptist Bookroom, accounts receivable from related organizations, investments, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, distributions payable to agencies, accounts payable to related organizations and accounts payable to Convention. Unless otherwise noted, it is management's opinion that the Convention is not exposed to significant interest, currency or credit risks arising from these financial instruments. The fair value of these financial instruments approximate their carrying values, unless otherwise noted.

4. FUTURE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS PAYABLE

Upon cessation of employment with the Convention, permanent employees are entitled to a retiring/severance allowance. This cash payment is equal to one half of one percent of the total accumulated salary paid to the employee over the course of their employment. During the year, the Convention recorded an expenditure of \$20,612 (2006 - \$5,247) pertaining to these future liabilities.

5. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Church contributions receivable	\$ 426,036	\$ 398,908
Correctional Services of Canada	18,494	7,535
HST refundable	12,798	5,364
Other	<u>34,241</u>	<u>36,293</u>
	491,569	448,100
Bookroom receivables	<u>16,772</u>	<u>25,740</u>
	<u>\$ 508,341</u>	<u>\$ 473,840</u>

6. INVESTMENTS

Investments are comprised of deposit certificates issued by the Atlantic Baptist Foundation as follows:

	<u>2007</u>		<u>2006</u>
	<u>Market Value</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Legacy Fund	\$ 100,101	\$ 100,101	\$ 100,101
December Communion Offering Fund	5,000	5,000	5,000
Luke Timothy McLay Memorial Scholarship Fund	<u>12,386</u>	<u>12,386</u>	<u>11,905</u>
	<u>\$ 117,487</u>	<u>\$ 117,487</u>	<u>\$ 117,006</u>

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7. CAPITAL ASSETS

	2007			2006
	Cost	Accumulated Amortization	Net	Net
Convention				
Land	\$ 45,000	\$ -	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000
Building	641,175	406,618	234,557	246,624
Computer equipment	62,704	46,717	15,987	11,425
Equipment	80,272	64,157	16,115	22,416
Furniture and fixtures	47,544	29,350	18,194	17,869
	876,695	546,842	329,853	343,334
Bookroom				
Furniture and fixtures	15,480	13,910	1,570	1,962
Leasehold improvements	86,080	25,824	60,256	77,472
Website	6,500	6,500	-	-
Equipment	43,876	37,618	6,258	7,093
	151,936	83,852	68,084	86,527
	\$ 1,028,631	\$ 630,694	\$ 397,937	\$ 429,861

8. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The accounts receivable from and accounts payable to related organizations, controlled by the Convention by virtue of controlling the appointment of directors, are non-interest bearing, unsecured and have no set terms of repayment.

Church offerings and United in Mission revenue are derived from member Churches.

The Convention provides funding to a number of affiliated agencies and organizations. The amount of distributions and nature of the relationships with these agencies and organizations are as follows:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Relationship</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Acadia Divinity College	Controlled	\$ 126,078	\$ 132,471
Atlantic Baptist University	Controlled	139,862	146,530
Canadian Baptist Ministries (CBM)	Significant influence	671,406	685,910
The Sharing Way	Division of CBM	154,115	148,287
Board of Publication	Controlled	-	-
Pension and Insurance Board	Controlled	69,787	79,190
Atlantic Baptist Mission Board	Controlled	447,444	428,758
Union of French Baptist Churches	Limited influence	79,299	78,988
		\$ 1,687,991	\$ 1,700,134

Further financial information on the controlled organizations is presented within the Yearbook of the Convention.

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9. COMMITMENTS

The Baptist Bookroom leases retail space which has been accounted for as an operating lease. The minimum annual lease payments over the next four years are as follows:

2008	\$ 57,395
2009	57,395
2010	57,395
2011	23,915

The lessor has provided the Baptist Bookroom with a tenant allowance in the amount \$47,299. This tenant allowance has been deferred and is being amortized against the rent expense over the term of the lease.

Convention Council Report to Assembly of Convention for 2007

Once again Convention Council has had a busy and challenging year. It has had a marvellous mixture of joy and sadness, welcomes and farewells and through it all, the members of Council know that we have been upheld by the faithful prayers of the many members of this great Convention. We thank you for giving us the privilege to serve on your behalf.

The Convention Council held one special meeting by conference call in March and four face-to face meetings: in April (Saint John, NB), August (Wolfville, NS), September (Moncton, NB), and November (Saint John, NB). Highlights from the ongoing business of Council at those meetings are found below in Part I. Highlights from the monitoring process with each of the subsidiary agencies are found in Part II. Highlights from the monitoring process with the Executive Minister and with Council itself are found in Part III.

Part I: Highlights from Council Meetings 2007

March: A conference call meeting was held to receive the resignation of Dr. Harry Gardner as Executive Minister effective January 1, 2008. Council agreed to grant Dr. Gardner a three month paid administrative leave October 1 through December 31, 2007. A farewell dinner was scheduled for September 21 in Moncton.

April: Council began with a retreat session directed by Dr. Gary Nelson. The focus of the retreat was to clarify the complementary roles of council and of senior staff in strategic planning within policy governance, and to clarify the goals, core values and direction of the Convention. One outcome of this retreat was the recognition of need for measurable criteria for performance review. Another was the decision to include Convention's core values in any by-law document to be developed in support of incorporation.

Council approved the appointment of Dr. Bruce Fawcett as Acting Executive Minister from October 1 through December 31. An Interim Executive Minister effective January 1 until the appointment of a new Executive Minister was to be determined later.

A search committee was appointed consisting of 5 members of council and 2 non-members to begin the process of seeking a new Executive Minister. The committee was charged with reviewing and revising the criteria and the search process guidelines and to set a closing date for receipt of nominations.

The audited financial statements for 2006 were received and the proposed budget for 2008 approved. Existing policies with regard to financial condition and asset protection were reviewed and found appropriate and the relevant staff actions fully acceptable.

Plans for Assembly 2007 were reviewed; a large attendance was expected with the combined assemblies of the Atlantic Baptist Women, the African United Baptist Association, and the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches. Council had an educational session on racial discrimination and reconciliation in preparation for Assembly.

Initial discussions of incorporation focused on the pros and cons of incorporating those boards not currently incorporated in their own right or in identifying them as departments of Convention. Legal opinion was in favour of incorporation the whole of the Convention.

August: The resignation of Rev. Hugh McNally as special consultant to the Council on Policy Governance was accepted with regret and deep appreciation for his assistance.

Revised Regulations for Ministry were received from Board of Ministerial Standards and Education to be presented as a Joint Notice of Motion for Assembly 2007 for discussion and vote at Assembly 2008. Revisions dealt with the clarification of the ordination track versus the lay pastor track toward ministry and with lapse of accreditation after a period of time not in active ministry.

Incorporation was discussed with a focus on moving toward incorporation of Convention as a whole rather than just specific Boards. Council was pleased to receive a copy of the By-Law from Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec as a template from which to develop our own By-Law. Council asked to have a draft document ready for its November meeting and then for distribution and consultation throughout the constituencies in early 2008.

The revised job description, criteria and search process for the Executive Minister were accepted and forwarded for inclusion on the Convention website.

September: During a time of reflection on Assembly 2007 Council noted the high numbers in attendance. The majority of evaluative responses were positive, especially regarding the times of worship, fellowship and contact with other parts of the Convention. A small number of negative comments were received and noted concerning the speaker and the late distribution of the liturgy for attendees.

Regional Ministers Greg Jones and Elias Mutale for Regions 6 and 7 respectively were reappointed for 5 years following positive reports from their Regions. Rev. Jones was also reappointed as Director of Development for 5 years.

Individual Council members agreed to serve either as a liaison with a subsidiary board on behalf of the President or as a mentor to a new Council member during this next year on a trial basis to enhance our understanding of the work of council and the subsidiary agencies.

The working group composed of Dr. Bruce Fawcett, Rev. Hugh McNally, and Mr. Robert Nickerson brought their interim report on incorporation, emphasizing the greater legal protection for member churches under incorporation. They confirmed that a complete draft of the by-laws would be ready for Council to review at its November meeting.

Dr. Malcolm Beckett was approved as Interim Executive Minister from January 1, 2008 until such time as a new Executive Minister is appointed and in place.

Finances were reviewed; revenues were up compared to the previous year. Council approved an interim salary increment for Dr. Fawcett and Dr. Beckett in acknowledgment of their very fine leadership and the increase in their responsibilities during this time of transition.

In response to the request voiced at Assembly from the elected members of the Acadia Board of Governors, a small group was named to establish stronger ongoing communications with that Board and its Chairperson.

November: An educational evening session was held with Rev. Rob Nylén and Rev. Dale Stairs to learn of the programs and projects being planned for the Ministry of Youth & Family. There was much positive discussion of events such as Spring Forth, Tidal Impact, and Youth Pastors' retreats.

Council received the resignation of Rev. Nylén as he responded to the call to return to pastoral ministry. A committee was established to search for his replacement; Rev. Dale Stairs was appointed as interim Director until that position is filled.

A Forum had been held in September with representatives of the AUBA, the Executive Minister and representatives of Council to discuss the relationship between the AUBA and the Convention. As a follow-up a small working group was appointed to work with the Executive of the AUBA to continue that dialogue regarding, especially with regard to the financial support for the Regional Minister for Region 7.

Guidelines for pastors' sabbatical leaves were approved for churches to consider as one way to recognize excellent performance and provide for a time of study and refreshment.

The Joint Notice of Motion regarding revises Regulations for Ministry was approved for inclusion with the material on incorporation for the constituency visits in early 2008.

The financial picture was reviewed as is normal practice at all Council meetings. Council agreed that there will be a need to carefully monitor and balance revenues with ministry opportunities as a way of ensuring good stewardship of Convention funds. Concerns were raised regarding the growing deficit being carried for the Baptist Bookroom. Council agreed to ask the Baptist Bookroom committee for a detailed report and business plan for discussion at the April Council meeting.

Part II: Highlights from Monitoring Reports from Subsidiary Boards 2007

Each year Council receives a compliance report from each of the subsidiary boards as a means of fulfilling Council's responsibility to the Assembly to ensure that our subsidiary agencies are indeed operating according to the mandate approved by the Assembly, the goals or Ends of Convention, and the Executive Limitations Policies of the Convention. For each subsidiary agency those policies are:

1. Treatment of Those Who Use Their Services
2. Treatment of Their Staff*
3. Compensation and Benefits*
4. Financial Planning and Budgeting
5. Financial Condition and Activities
6. Asset Protection

7. Communication and Support to the Council
8. Ends Focus of Grants or Contracts
9. Emergency Succession of the CEOs of Subsidiary Boards*

Note: Those items marked * do not apply to: the Atlantic Baptist Mission Board, the Pension and Insurance Board, or the Board of Ministerial Standards and Education because the Convention Senior Staff members who serve as CEO of these Boards are appointed by the Convention Assembly and these specific items come under the Limitations Policy for the Executive Minister.

This year as before, the Board Chairperson and CEO of each subsidiary board were invited to present their reports and discuss them with Council according to the following schedule:

- April: Atlantic Baptist Senior Citizens' Homes Inc. Board
 The Board of the Foundation of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches
 The Pension and Insurance Board
- Sept.: The Atlantic Baptist Mission Board
 Canadian Baptist Ministries*
- Nov.: The Atlantic Baptist University Board
 The Acadia Divinity College Trustees
 The Board of Ministerial Standards and Education

Note: Canadian Baptist Ministries reports as a Ministry Partner, not as a subsidiary board.

Except where noted in the comments below, each Board was found to be compliant with its stated mandate, contributing to the Ends of the Convention, and operating within the relevant Executive Limitations. Their reports were accepted by Council and a formal letter of acknowledgment signed by the Executive Minister and the President was sent to each Board Chairperson and CEO. Highlights are noted from the reports and from the discussion with each Board.

Atlantic Baptist Senior Citizens' Homes Inc. Board: They planned to undertake a review of their original mandate and motto to bring these into better alignment with current practice while continuing to support the values and vision of the Convention. A question of non-compliance was raised by Council in that staff members have not been required to sign the Covenant of Christian Workers as expected of our agencies. The Board took this under advisement for review prior to its next report. Council was very positive in its response to the forward thinking about seniors' residential needs and safety issues in nursing homes.

The Board of the Foundation of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches: This Board announced their plan to officially change the name to The Atlantic Baptist Foundation. IN reviewing the value of assets held by the Foundation Council asked the Board to consider an increased level of liability insurance. Council was pleased with the management of funds but encouraged the board to develop policies for grants for churches and for ministry students.

The Pension and Insurance Board: The representatives reported on developments underway with Canadian Baptist Ministries to handle pensions at the national level rather than at the regional level across the partner Baptist Unions and Conventions. This national plan might be in place by 2008. Meanwhile there are concerns about the increasing cost of administering the Convention Pension plan at the regional level.

The Atlantic Baptist Mission Board: The Board reported several new church plants throughout the Atlantic Convention. They also noted that “revitalization” grants were assigned with input from the Regional Ministers and have resulted in positive outcomes for churches that were struggling to maintain viability. Regional Ministers were reported as serving more and more as mission strategists with very positive results.

Canadian Baptist Ministries*: Dr. Nelson reported on the historic signing of a Covenant Agreement with each of the Canadian Conventions and Unions, solidifying their relationships as Missions Partners. He noted a gradual shift in donations: decreasing from the Conventions and Unions but increasing from individuals and churches. He also noted a decrease in giving toward the general administration budget but an increase in giving specified for particular ministries, missionaries, or mission projects.

The Atlantic Baptist University Board: The Board gave a very positive report on increased student enrolment, faculty accomplishments, and plans for a forth-coming capital campaign to expand the physical facilities in response to increased numbers of students and faculty as well as opportunities for new programs. Council was asked to consider a wording change in the policy dealing with “Treatment of Staff” since, within academic institutions, “staff” and “faculty” are two different categories of “employee”. Secondary to that request was one to develop a separate policy with regard to treatment of “Volunteers”. Those requests were noted for further work by Council and implemented with input from the other subsidiary boards. The University President also requested a change to the Convention Constitution permitting representatives of alumni, faculty and students to be voting members of the board, ratified by Assembly. That request was also taken under advisement and prepared as a notice of motion for Assembly 2008.

The Acadia Divinity College Trustees: With the agreement of Council, the Board presented a modified compliance report in light of their year of transition in leadership. They provided a positive report on student numbers, faculty achievements, and donations to the endowment fund. The Board also reported that, in preparation for accreditation, faculty were projecting some needed changes in the curriculum, especially in the areas of pastoral care and counselling. The Board raised their concerns over continuing problems of student indebtedness; with few scholarships or bursaries available numbers of students must take out major loans to meet their ongoing expenses.

The Board of Ministerial Standards and Education: With the agreement of Council, this Board also presented a modified compliance report in light of their year of transition in leadership. In addition to revising the Regulations for Ministry, the Board reported completion of comprehensive guidelines for working through the restoration of a pastor following an incident of moral failure. Council commended the Board for its work on this document, noting that it will be of value to church boards throughout the Convention. The Board also reported major collaborative work being done with the Foundation to establish a grant program for students in the Acadia Master of Divinity program to help alleviate their problem of debt load.

Part III: Highlights from Monitoring Reports from the Executive Minister and with Council itself 2007

Monitoring of Executive Minister

Normally each year Council receives a series of compliance reports from the Executive Minister. These are received as a means of fulfilling Council's responsibility to the Assembly to ensure that our Executive Minister is indeed operating according to the goals or Ends of Convention, and the Executive Limitations Policies of the Convention.

The normal schedule for receiving each compliance report is as follows:

1. Ends/Purpose Policies	Sep., Apr.
2. Global Executive Constraint	Sep., Nov., Apr.
3. Treatment of Those Who Use Their Services	November
4. Treatment of Staff	November
5. Compensation and Benefits*	November
6. Financial Planning and Budgeting	April
7. Financial Condition and Activities*	Sep., Nov., Apr.
8. Asset Protection*	April
9. Communication and Support to the Council	November
10. Ends Focus of Grants or Contracts	September
11. Emergency Executive Minister Succession	September

Note: Items marked * are also subject to external review at that same time as part of the external audit (Compensation and Benefits every three years).

This having been a year of transition, Dr. Gardner submitted the reports for April and September, while Dr. Fawcett submitted a modified report for November. Throughout the year the Executive Minister, and through his office the Senior Staff, were found to be in compliance with the Executive Limitations and contributing to the Ends of the Convention. Their reports were accepted by Council. Highlights from those reports and the discussion at Council follow:

April: Dr. Gardner included recommendations from Dr. Mitchell in the area of making evangelism practical. He reported that it is the intent for the Regional Ministers to become more pro-active missional strategists in working with their churches. He recommended that Council establish an ongoing schedule to receive reports from the various departments and standing committees of Convention as is currently done for the subsidiary boards. He also recommended that, given our financial constraints, Council begin some long-term planning in order to be able to fund new initiatives which may arise within the total scope of Convention.

September: Dr. Gardner reported from his recent meetings with the field staff noting areas of concern but also noting a desire to follow up on issues of racism which had surfaced as a result of Assembly 2007. Another highlight was a renewal conference held in June in PEI for pastors of churches with more than 250 members. It was a time of mutual support, prayer, exchange of ideas and concerns which he felt would go far to help strengthen the Convention as a whole. Dr. Gardner thanked the Council for its support to him during his term as Executive Minister and for the privilege he felt of being able to serve in that capacity on behalf of Convention.

He affirmed Dr. Fawcett as Acting Executive Minister until December 2007 and Dr. Beckett as Interim Executive Minister commencing in January 2008 and commended them to Council.

November: Dr. Fawcett acknowledged the increased scope of his work and also affirmed that he was maintaining good rapport with the staff, the subsidiary agencies, and CBM. He gave an overview of the planning for Oasis 2008 noting that it would be held at Mount Allison. He indicated that details of registration, programs, worship sessions, and speakers will be provided as these are confirmed. He expressed his appreciation for the support being given throughout the organization. He reported that the Convention website and Convention Connections continue to be significant vehicles for communication across our churches. Council strongly endorsed Dr. Fawcett and Dr. Beckett in their expanded roles and commended them for maintaining the quality of leadership needed to ensure that Convention continues to be a vibrant Christian witness in Atlantic Canada.

Council's Self-Monitoring Process

According to the Constitution of Convention, in its role as the agent of the Convention and within the framework of Policy Governance, Council is responsible to:

1. Provide visionary and strategic leadership;
2. Present to the Convention meeting in Assembly suggested goals to achieve the mission of the Convention in the areas of evangelism, teaching, and service;
3. Develop the policies and strategies to achieve the goals approved by the Convention;
4. Hold all affiliated boards and agencies accountable to these goals;
5. Oversee the financial affairs of the Convention and the drawing of the budget for Assembly;
6. Report annually to the Convention meeting in Assembly regarding the achievement of its work in the above areas.

Throughout the year, Council works to evaluate its own performance under these guidelines.

This is done in part by reviewing the goals of the Convention as the basis for all of the ministries and programs of the Convention, its senior Staff, and its subsidiary agencies. It is also done by scheduled review of its own performance against its responsibilities. Highlights of those reviews are noted below:

April: Rev. Hugh McNally led Council through a review of the current Ends Statements and definitions. Council recognized the need to work at finding more ways to engage in dialogue with the churches about the End statements to strengthen the consistency of our witness as a Christian body. In citing examples of the definitions in practice, Council noted the importance of discipleship within and among the churches and a gradually increasing number of churches engaging in the process of Natural Church Development. Agenda planning does include a regular schedule for monitoring reports, financial review and planning. However, it was noted that more time needed to be set aside for visioning, self-evaluation. It was also recommended that an exit interview be scheduled with Dr. Gardner as he leaves office in order to benefit from his experience when beginning the search for his replacement.

September: Council reviewed its vision and core values and heard from each of the Senior Staff in attendance how these core values are reflected in the Ends Policies and demonstrated in the programs and ministries of the Convention. Council also began the regular use of a policy governance framework for the meeting agendas to aid members in relating the agenda item to the relevant aspect of policy governance. A meeting evaluation form was initiated to monitor Council's attention to setting direction rather than micro-managing. Feedback was helpful to keep Council aware and engaged in the larger issues of Convention's purpose while empowering staff to carry on the daily implementation at the detailed level.

November: Council reviewed the section of the Policy Manual dealing with “Executive Minister and Subsidiary Board Linkages”. No revisions were found necessary. The President agreed to establish a regular schedule for reviewing all section of the manual. Council also agreed to consider a rewording of policies dealing with “Treatment of Staff” as noted above in the report from Atlantic Baptist University.

In closing, as this report covers part of both of our terms of office, I wish to extend my sincere thanks to Rev. Peter Reid who served as President during the period from September 2006 until August 2007 for his wonderful example of servant-leadership and his continued support throughout my term as President. My thanks also go to Rev. Hugh McNally, to each member of Council and to the Senior Staff for their unwavering support. It has been my honour and pleasure to serve as your President with Dr. Gardner and Dr. Fawcett during 2007, and now in 2008 with Dr. Beckett each in the role of Executive Minister. Each of these men made the work of the Council both stimulating and enjoyable.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Margaret F. Munro, President

UNITED in MISSION			
2009 Proposed Budget			
	2009	2008	2007
	Proposed	Approved	Actual
	Budget	Budget	Receipts
Association Mission Projects	97,700	97,700	94,824
Atlantic Baptist Mission Board	348,000	348,000	319,598
Canadian Baptist Ministries	548,000	548,000	513,236
Union of French Baptist Churches	76,000	76,000	75,000
Atlantic Baptist University	84,000	84,000	77,079
Acadia Divinity College	84,000	84,000	77,079
Baptist Historical Committee	18,000	18,000	17,039
Development	75,000	70,000	66,911
Pastoral Ministry Department	70,000	70,000	70,625
Public Witness & Social Concern	21,000	24,000	20,099
Youth and Family Ministries	102,000	102,000	108,265
Administration	260,000	246,000	253,826
Pension & Insurance Board	80,000	60,000	69,559
Council & Committees	68,000	68,000	65,274
Executive Minister's Office	198,000	208,000	295,835
Communications	107,000	107,000	0
Regional Ministry	477,000	498,000	491,302
Halifax Hospital Chaplaincy	tsf to ABMB	tsf to ABMB	4,512
Saint John-Kings Hospital Chaplaincy	tsf to ABMB	tsf to ABMB	3,008
	2,713,700	2,708,700	2,623,071
Increase over 2008 Budget = 0.18% Increase over 2007 Actual = 3.46%			



Youth & Family Ministries Report 2007

The purpose of the youth and family ministries department is to strengthen churches of our Convention by assisting them minister effectively to youth, young adults and families. Here was our work to this end in 2007

1. **Speaking & Consulting:** Throughout the year all the staff make a point of visiting as many churches as they can to speak, train, encourage and learn. It is a great privilege to meet with leaders throughout our region and we enjoy the opportunities to be apart of what local churches are doing.
2. **Springforth:** at our annual conference close to 2000 attendees gave witness to a move of God as new decisions for Christ were made and recommitments were witnessed. The organizers were Dale Stairs, Jody Linkletter and myself and over a hundred volunteers. We have also been preparing over this past year to unite the two Middle School sites under the same roof and move the Leaders Training to that new location as well starting in 2008.
3. **The Plan: Graduation Curriculum:** This year our department kept its commitment to our youth leaders to provide curriculum that responds to the needs of our constituency. With the help of Colin Cook, Peter Chasse and Penny Klepic I produced a six lesson graduation curriculum for those preparing for life after high school.
4. **Young Adult Mission Trip:** this Spring Dale Stairs and Kevin Munroe led a short term mission trip to Litomerice in the Czech Republic. This trip was made up of young adults from across the country, supporting the work of Jeff Carter, CBM field staff in Europe.
5. **Acadia Youth Ministry Institute:** Jody Linkletter led a group of Acadia students to Prague to study under instructor Marv Penner from Briarcrest in Saskatchewan. They studied with ten European youth leaders. Following the course, the Canadian participants took part in a ministry observation in local churches throughout Europe.
6. **Quest: Learning To Lead:** a record number of youth and leaders participated in an historic youth conference, jointly sponsored by the Atlantic Baptist Youth as well as the African Baptist Young People's Association. Their theme was "Crossing Boundaries" where their guest speaker Rev. Joao Matwawana encouraged the participants to go where God is leading them. The youth also participated in the Sunday afternoon Convention Covenanting Service.
7. **Converge Young Adult Worship Festival:** The third Converge was held on the property of Allison Baptist Church with approximately 55 participants. Jody also guided the Atlantic Baptist Youth who planned and facilitated the entire event along with Inter Varsity. They had five bands and their guest speaker was Dr. Gary Nelson who challenged them around justice issues.
8. **Family Mission Tour:** This year the FMT was located on Campobello Island, hosted by Edith Land Camp. Nine families (44 people) were involved in two main ministries: basketball camp and building projects around the camp. Families also enjoyed spending quality time together, loads of playtime, whale watching and great meals in a beautiful location.

- 9. Fall Training Tour:** In September we had three teams of two who each visited two locations and offered hands-on leadership training for volunteers around the region. Each location boasted an average attendance of 20 leaders. We visited four locations in NS (Halifax, Annapolis Valley, Yarmouth, Bridgewater) and two in NB (Newcastle, Florenceville). This event was well received.
- 10. Link:** An excited group of 45 leaders and “PK’s” gathered at Camp Malagash in NS for a weekend of encouragement and connecting. This weekend, led by Jody Linkletter, continues to be a time of incredible encouragement for those who attend.
- 11. Potential Impact:** our second ever *PI* was held at the Middle Sackville Baptist Church, under the direction of Dale Stairs. A group of 16 high school students, both male and female gathered to explore whether God might be calling them into vocational ministry. During this retreat they met with Christian leaders from a variety of vocations. Those who attended expressed an overwhelming desire to seek out God’s will for their life.
- 12. Youth Pastor’s Summit:** This gathering of full time youth pastors was held in Saint John, and was held at the Baptist Convention office as well as Kennebecasis Baptist Church. During this gathering youth pastors had a time to connect with others, talk about ministry trends, be encouraged by our chaplain Dr. Robert Berry and Dr. Harry Gardner and enjoy good food. Dr. Gardner was our guest speaker and he addressed the topic of the leaders own soul care.
- 13. Mission: Possible Parenting Seminar:** Dr. Dave Currie and his daughter traveled to Cornwall PEI, Truro and St. John’s NL in October. Dave & his daughter offered both advice and encouragement for those parenting teenagers.
- 14. Ministry Wives Retreat:** this annual retreat for the wives of clergy was held in Prince Edward Island. Each year this event offers a time of encouragement and refreshment for those serving in clergy families.
- 15. Canadian Youth Workers Conference:** Our staff led a group of ten youth leaders to participate in the first ever Canadian Youth Workers Conference in Vancouver in November. This was an historic event that saw major denominations come together for the purpose of bringing quality training to youth leaders. Prior to the conference CBM Youth hosted a Top 40 Leaders event which saw each region bring 10 of their veteran youth leaders to a listening session where we explored the future of Youth Ministry in Canada.
- 16. Atlantic Baptist Youth:** the ABY met five times during the year and provided leadership to Springforth, Quest and Converge. Jody Linkletter works very closely with the ABY President, Sarah Dail and the strong group of young adult leaders who were elected at Quest this past summer. The new members are: Sarah Dail (President), Dustin Day (NS Rep), Emily Feltmate (NS Rep), Amy Jones (Treasurer), Jordan LeBouthillier (NB Rep), Danielle MacDonald (PEI Rep), Sarah Jane MacPhail (NB Rep), David Pike (NL Rep), Marko Simmonds (AUBA Rep), Melissa Trites (Vice President), and Cory Vail (Secretary).
- 17. CBM Youth:** I had the privilege of chairing the CBM Youth committee, comprised of the youth directors from the other conventions and unions in Canada as well as Dr. Gary Nelson and two other CBM staff. Together we oversee a number of initiatives around leadership training and global discipleship.
- 18. BWA Youth Conference, Leipzig:** as the Canadian representative to the BWA I have been actively involved in the planning for the 15th Baptist World Youth Conference. My role is to find workshops for the 6000 anticipated registrants from 200 different countries. We also have 21 local Baptist churches in Canada involved in short term mission experiences in 9 countries in Europe & Africa prior to the conference.

- 19. Acadia Youth Ministry Courses:** as we continue to work closely with Acadia Divinity College in training youth ministers we offered the following courses, along with the above mentioned Youth Ministry Institute Youth & Short Term Missions in Wolfville (Fawcett); Evangelism & Discipleship in Youth Ministry (Nylon) online; Local Church Youth Ministry (Stairs) in Moncton, and Leadership (Fawcett) in Wolfville.
- 20. New “Dollar a Year Staff”:** we were pleased to add another Dollar a Year staff member in the fall. Kevin Munroe, member at Main Street Church, veteran youth leader and someone who has led many mission trips, will help lead one overseas mission trip each year. Kevin helped lead the young adult team to the Czech Republic in May and is planning to lead a Young Marrieds trip in 2009.

In the fall of 2007 I accepted a call to become the Senior Pastor of Main Street Church in Saint John. It has been a great privilege to be involved with the Youth & Family Department over the last number of years and I am grateful for all the opportunities I have had to serve our constituency. It is a tremendous privilege to serve the local churches, who week after week, invest in the lives of youth, young adults and families as they seek to see God’s Kingdom established here on earth. It is our hope that our work only further helps you carry out your mandate and that all along the way we can be an encouragement, a leader and a friend to you.

I am incredibly grateful for the terrific work of my colleagues Rev. Dale Stairs and Jody Linkletter. They serve the churches of our Convention with great passion and strength. I am confident in their leadership as our work transitions and we see God do a new work. Let me also recognize the contribution of our “Dollar a Year Staff” who carry a significant workload in our department: Gerry Carter (Registrar) and Rev. Dr. Robert Berry (Mission Strategist). Both these men add a tremendous amount of encouragement to us.

I want to extend my personal thanks to the Youth Working Group members who give direction and shape to all our initiatives. Their contribution is invaluable. I also want to thank the hundreds of volunteers who make all our events happen and do so in order to strengthen the local church and its witness to the gospel.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rob Nylon
Director, Youth & Family Ministries

Yearbook Report: Public Witness and Social Concerns
Submitted by Lois Mitchell, Director of Public Witness and Social Concerns

In Acts 1:8, Jesus tells His disciples that they will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes and that they will then be His witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and to the ends of the earth. What does it mean to be witnesses? At a very basic level, being a witness is all about giving an account for the things that we have seen and heard. Therefore, as witnesses of and for Christ, we have an opportunity and a responsibility to bring our understanding and experience of Christ into our everyday lives. The original disciples had *physically* walked with Jesus. They had seen Him perform miracles with their own eyes and had heard Him teach profound mysteries with their own ears. We might envy them the immediacy of their experience with Christ. But we are also called to be witnesses to our day and within our culture and beyond – to the ends of the earth.

Over the past few years I've had several opportunities to travel to Kenya, Bolivia and El Salvador on Short Term Mission experiences through Canadian Baptist Ministries. What a privilege to see God's Kingdom from different cultural vantage points and to then see more clearly the way the North American cultural context has shaped my understanding and interpretation of Scripture. As I continually wrestle with the responsibility of being a "witness", I've been learning to be careful that I don't confine Christ to my culture or assume that the world I see is THE world. It's a humbling but amazing journey!

As I've studied and taught about "globalization", I have been challenged by the statistics that document in stark detail the inequities impacting our planet. Poverty, water and food insecurity, climate change, environmental degradation, conflict and terrorism – the list goes on and on – all issues that affect the "neighbors" that we are called to love and presumably, care for. Awareness of these issues has been tough in some ways – after all, if I KNOW that injustices are stealing life from our brothers and sisters in Kenya or Rwanda or Bolivia or El Salvador – or down the street, it's hard to enjoy the comforts of middle class Canadian living.

Once we are aware of injustice, we have three logical options:

1. Denial (refuse to SEE what is going on)
2. See the injustices as being inevitable and somehow maybe even justifiable (after all, the fittest are meant to survive, right?)
3. Get engaged and allow God to use us in whatever way He chooses to make a difference in the world by demonstrating His radical love to ALL humanity and especially to the poor and vulnerable.

To deny the current realities is to stick our heads in the sand – to refuse to see the evil that is destroying lives, and, to hide from our responsibilities as global Christians. To adopt a "survival of the fittest" mentality (which might, for instance, argue that tsunamis or earthquakes or floods are nature's way of controlling the world population) is absolutely untenable from a Christian perspective. So, that only leaves the third option: to get engaged. To roll up our sleeves and let God teach us how to live in a manner worthy of our calling (Phil. 1:27).

C. Rene Padilla, a Latin American theologian has said this:

When the church is committed to... communicating the gospel through everything it is, does, and says, it understands that its goal is not to become large numerically, nor to be rich materially, nor powerful politically. Its purpose is to incarnate the values of the Kingdom of God... for the transformation of human life in all its dimensions, both on the individual level and on the community level. (Mosaic Magazine, Spring 2006)

This is what it means to be “witnesses”: to be open to be used by God, understanding that HE is the architect of His Kingdom. He IS in control and He has promised that evil will not triumph. It is understanding that we don’t have to fix all of the problems in the world, or even in our own lives. It’s trusting Him, in spite of the bleak circumstances for so many of the world’s poor and marginalized. AND, it’s being OBEDIENT to live the way Jesus has taught us to live, keeping our eyes fixed on HIM, the author and finisher of our faith (Hebrews 12:2).

As I continue to serve as Director of Public Witness and Social Concerns, this is my passion – to encourage our churches and individual Christians to get engaged as co-labourers with Christ. I have been invited to speak in a number of churches and at a variety of Association events during this past year and I continue to welcome these invitations. I also want to mention the formation of a new working group this past year – the *Rapha Initiative* working group. *Rapha* means “God who heals” and this working group is committed to reducing the stigma of mental illness within our churches and communities through helping people to understand the realities faced by those individuals – our friends and family members – who struggle with mental illness at some point during their lives. I also want to invite you to visit the CABC website, and to look at the resources available under the Public Witness page (see <http://www.baptist-atlantic.ca/departments/witness>). The *Rapha Initiative* material can be found at <http://www.baptist-atlantic.ca/departments/witness/rapha>.

THE ATLANTIC BAPTIST MISSION BOARD REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2007 YEARBOOK

The Atlantic Baptist Mission Board met in February, May and September of 2007. At the Annual Meeting of the Board held in September the following Officers of the Board were elected:

Dr. Morley Shaw, Chairman
Dr. Kevin Hicks, Vice- Chairman
Amanda Reddick, Recording Secretary

It is the responsibility of the Board to develop Ends Policies that comply to the Global Purpose of the CABC. The ABMB exists so that the churches of the CABC will be healthy, growing congregations, committed to the Great Commission and the building of God's Kingdom. To achieve this outcome, the ABMB utilizes available resources and enters into strategic partnerships. Evidence that this outcome is being achieved will be making and nurturing disciples of Christ, new churches being planted, and new people groups being reached for Christ. Through the Director of the ABMB, Dr. Malcolm Beckett, several ministries, programs and funding have been directed toward the accomplishment of the Board's Ends.

The Board's major endeavours in 2007 included:

- Visioning Retreat in Bedford, N.S. in February with facilitator, Jeff Benson. Board member, Dr. Robert Nickerson, facilitated the discussion on enhancing the Board's communication with the constituency.
- Meeting in May with CABC Council representatives, Rev. Hugh McNally, Mrs. Shirley Pearce and Dr. Bruce Fawcett concerning the nature of monitoring reports required by Council. In the Board's report to Council, there is an expectation of 30 minutes monitoring and 30 minutes "telling the story" of our work.
- Through a private member's bill in the Nova Scotia Legislature, the legal name of the Board has been changed from Home Mission Board to the Atlantic Mission Board of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches.
- Booth display at the Festival of Ministries at Convention Assembly in Wolfville, N. S.

At the May meeting each year the Board is diligent in monitoring the performance of the Director to ensure consistent progress towards achieving the Ends.

As part of the monitoring process, the Chairman and Director of Atlantic Baptist Mission Board met with CABC Council members in September to submit the Board's Compliance Report, which was well received by the Council.

The Lay Pastor's Training Program continues to be an effective tool for equipping men and women as they serve in churches and communities throughout the Maritimes. Another effective tool that assists many of our churches is the Discovery Process using the Natural Church Development method. The Director administers the Pastoral Ministry Grants and other funds in accordance to the policies of the Board. The ABMB is grateful to Dr. Malcolm Beckett for his continued faithful and competent leadership in administering the ministry of the Board.

At the September meeting the Board approved an educational component be planned in 2008 that focuses on *Ethnic Ministry: How churches can minister to New Canadians in Urban Centers*.

The Board is fulfilling the mandate given by Convention, especially in the areas of evangelism, church planting, and providing assistance to churches in reaching out to ethnic ministries within the urban areas of Atlantic Canada.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Atlantic Baptist Mission Board,

Dr. Morley A. Shaw,
Chairperson

**Atlantic Baptist Mission Board
December 31, 2007**

The Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants requires specific disclosures with respect to entities controlled by the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches. A full audited statement is available by requesting the same from the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches, 1655 Manawagonish Road, Saint John, NB E2M 3Y2

Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet)

Total Assets	(A)	4,130,507
Total Liabilities	(B)	159,709
Net Assets	(A-B)	3,970,798

Statement of Operations (Income Statement)

Revenues (including gains)	(C)	587,514
Expenses (including losses)	(D)	562,850
Net Income	(C-D)	24,664

Statement of Cash Flows (Statement of Changes in Financial Position)

Cash flows from Operating Activities	(E)	(9,858)
Cash flows from Financing Activities	(F)	0
Cash flows from Investing Activities	(G)	(211,282)

Details of any restrictions on the resources listed in (A) above (i.e. restricted fund balances):

Capital Grant Fund	228,772
Churches For New Communities Fund	2,455,829
Trust Fund	1,016,206

Significant differences in the entities disclosed accounting policies, from those followed by the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches:

None

Details of any events or transactions between the entity and the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches, in the period between your fiscal year end date and December 31. This applies only to entities with non-calendar year ends.

N/A

PENSION AND INSURANCE BOARD

Chairperson	Ronald Higgins	Secretary	Karen Gunn
Vice-Chairperson	Dale Somers	Treasurer	Daryl MacKenzie

FINANCIAL

The Pension and Insurance Board recorded a deficit exceeding \$25,000 for 2007, which gives the Board cause for concern going forward. The main sources of revenue are investment income, administration fees, a grant from the Atlantic Baptist Foundation and the grant from our “United in Mission” Fund.

PENSION FUND

The Canadian Baptist Ministries Pension and Insurance Committee has representatives from Canadian Baptist Ministries, Baptist Union of Western Canada, Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec, the Union of French Baptist Churches and the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches. Our Convention is permitted to send three representatives to serve on the national committee.

The Canadian Baptist Ministries Pension Plan is a Defined Contribution Plan, established for the employees of churches and related agencies affiliated with Canadian Baptist Ministries. This Plan is recognized as one of the top 50 Defined Contribution Plans in Canada. The contribution rate is 12% of total salary with 6% paid by the member and a corresponding amount by the employer.

Members have the option of placing their pension funds in one of four investment strategies; the Aggressive Fund, the Balanced Fund, the Moderate Fund or the Conservative Fund.

The net rates of return, after expenses, were:

Aggressive Fund	9.60%
Balanced Fund	8.74%
Moderate Fund	8.33%
Conservative Fund	6.65%

The combined value of the four funds for all members as at December 31, 2007 was \$162,008,806.

Members are encouraged to make additional voluntary contributions to their funds, which are eligible income tax deductions. These contributions need to be deducted from employment income. Voluntary contributions may be withdrawn at any time.

BASIC LIFE INSURANCE

All members of the Canadian Baptist Ministries Pension Plan are automatically covered under the insurance program administered by this Board. Premiums are billed to the members’ employers. Members who are covered under another group insurance program are not required to be part of this program.

The following basic insurance benefits are provided:

\$40,000 Basic Life Insurance	\$14.28/month
\$25,000 Accidental Death & Dismemberment	\$ 0.55/month
\$10,000 Spousal & \$4,000 Dependents Life Insurance	\$ 2.22/month
Long-Term Disability Insurance	\$ 2.07 per \$100 of Disability Income

OPTIONAL LIFE INSURANCE

Members are strongly encouraged to purchase optional life insurance to protect family members. Coverage is available for the member and their spouse and the premiums are very inexpensive. The amounts below indicate the monthly cost for every \$25,000 of life insurance coverage:

Age	Male	Female	Age	Male	Female
Under 30	\$0.75	\$0.75	45 – 49	\$3.75	\$2.50
Up to 35	1.00	0.75	50 – 54	6.50	4.50
35 – 39	1.25	1.00	55 – 59	10.25	7.00
40 – 44	2.25	1.50	60 – 64	15.00	10.25

MEDICAL/DENTAL PLAN

As of February 1st, 2008 Great West Life is the carrier of our Medical/Dental Plan. The monthly rates for 2008 are as follows:

Active - Single Coverage	\$114.00
Active - Family Coverage	280.00
Retired with Drug Coverage – Single Coverage	155.00
Retired with Drug Coverage – Family Coverage	314.00
Retired without Drug Coverage – Single Coverage	67.00
Retired without Drug Coverage – Family coverage	134.00

For those retired members who are under 70, out of Country coverage is provided at no additional charge.

Premiums collected are placed in a resource pool from which claims are paid, plus the administration costs. Responsible stewardships dictates that wise usage of these benefits will help to maintain the best possible coverage at affordable rates.

EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PLAN

This program is provided by Shepell-fgi and provides confidential counseling to members and their families. The monthly cost is \$5.00 per member.

FINANCIAL PLANNING SEMINAR

The Board recognizes the need for members and their spouses to receive information relating to financial planning, and help provide that by hosting Financial Planning Seminars. All members of the CBM Pension Plan, who have not previously done so, are encouraged to take advantage of this learning experience. This seminar will be helpful to members in working through their own personal financial situations, as well as giving them information to pass on to members of their congregations.

SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS

The Board also administers a fund, which provides supplemental benefits for retired pastors or their widow/widower as well as disabled pastors. Through grants received from the Baptist Foundation, the Board also administers rent subsidization for retired pastors who reside in apartments/houses owned and operated by the Atlantic Baptist Senior Citizens' Homes Inc. Assistance, as well, is provided to those individuals who are unable to cover the costs, in whole or in part, for the various insurances.

If you are aware of any retired pastor or widow/widower of pastors who may have a financial need, please contact the Convention Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Higgins, Chairperson

Karen Gunn, Secretary

**PENSION AND INSURANCE BOARD
DECEMBER 31, 2007**

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Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet)

Total Assets	(A)	502,592
Total Liabilities	(B)	20,822
Net Assets	(A-B)	481,770

Statement of Operations (Income Statement)

Revenues (including gains)	(C)	105,492
Expenses (including losses)	(D)	134,213
Net Income	(C-D)	(28,721)

Statement of Cash Flows (Statement of Changes in Financial Position)

Cash flows from Operating Activities	(E)	(15,178)
Cash flows from Financing Activities	(F)	0
Cash flows from Investing Activities	(G)	44,356

Details of any restrictions on the resources listed in (A) above (i.e. restricted fund balances):

None

Significant differences in the entities disclosed accounting policies, from those followed by the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches:

None

Details of any events or transactions between the entity and the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches, in the period between your fiscal year end date and December 31. This applies only to entities with non-calendar year ends.

N/A

2007 Report of the Baptist Bookroom Committee

The mission statement of the Baptist Bookroom is "To provide Christ-centered resources for salvation and spiritual growth", which complements the vision statement of our Convention "To bring glory to God by making disciples of Jesus Christ and by demonstrating His love to a hurting world in the power of the Holy Spirit".

The year 2007 was a challenging one for the store as we settled into our new location on McAllister Drive in Saint John. Customer traffic has increased, but the total sales for the year ended up being very similar to the previous year. Due to the stronger Canadian dollar, books, music and other products were sold at significantly lower prices.

Our committee is very thankful for the staff of the Baptist Bookroom, who have seen and continue to see the operation of this store as a ministry by which lives are touched for the Kingdom's sake. We are especially thankful for the store's manager, Heather Goodwin, who continues to serve the Lord in this ministry.

Despite all of the efforts of the staff and the support of the many faithful customers, the store experienced a loss in '07. The Bookroom Committee and manager have had to make some difficult decisions in recent months in order to ensure the future ministry of the store. Earlier this year we looked at all operating expenses and made reductions in many areas, including staffing.

Given the recent changes in operations we are confident we can continue to serve the Convention, churches and individuals, while at the same time maintaining a profitable business.

We ask for the support of churches, pastors and lay people as we seek to carry out our mission statement.

Please visit our website at <http://www.baptistbookroom.com>.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Scott Ryder, Chairman*

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2007**Director of Development****Rev. Greg Jones**

The year 2007 marked the first year of a new three year appeal called *Growing Healthy Churches: UIM Appeal 2007 – 2009*. Unveiled at Convention Assembly in 2006, and rolled out to the churches that fall, it has continued to build on the base laid by the *inVision* initiative of 2004 – 2006. The *Growing Healthy Churches Appeal* is aimed towards helping develop understanding of:

- What the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches **is** (*a family of approximately 500 Atlantic Baptist Churches who recognize that there are core aspects of their mission that can be accomplished much more effectively through this partnership. We are **STRONGER. TOGETHER.***)
- What we do through this mission partnership (we are churches *helping churches grow passionate disciples of Christ*)
- Our six core ministry priorities, all aimed towards *growing passionate followers of Christ* (healthy churches, effective pastors, creative mission, passionate next generations, focused compassion, and celebrated community)
- The kind of financial commitment required from each member congregation to adequately underwrite this shared mission

The name of *Growing Healthy Churches: UIM Appeal 2007 – 2009* was selected in recognition that this is why we exist as a mission partnership ... to be growing increasingly healthy churches, for it is healthy churches that will be disciple-producing churches. Although our focus is not exclusively here in Atlantic Canada, we do recognize that healthy, strong churches are required 'here' in order to resource the mission 'there'. (The *GHC* resources can be seen on-line at <http://www.baptist-atlantic.ca/departments/development>)

The financial results of Year 1 of the *Growing Healthy Churches Appeal for UIM* are as follows:

- Revenue increased to UIM for the fourth year in a row. This follows a general pattern of decreasing revenues to UIM for the ten years preceding 2004.
- Revenues in 2007 attained 98.76% of our budgeted goal for UIM of \$2.656 million dollars. Although this unfortunately translated into a shortfall of \$32,929, it was the closest that we have come to fully meeting our budget since 1989.

Please continue to uphold the financial requirements this shared mission partnership that we call *The Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches*. To fully meet our needs, we need your individual and congregational prayers and ongoing financial commitment for the important ministries we undertake together.

On behalf of your sister churches, I thank you for your continued partnership and support.

In Christ,

Rev. Greg Jones,
Director of Development

Communications Department Report 2007

The Communications department was established by our Convention Council in order to facilitate better communication among our Convention family and to help members of our constituency better understand and appreciate our ministry partnership. Dr. Bruce Fawcett, Associate Executive Minister, oversees communications initiatives with support from Mrs. Pat Dunwoody who serves as Communications Coordinator.

Five major priorities were established for 2007:

1. To continue to build www.baptist-atlantic.ca. Among other features during 2007 we added an ongoing listing of open ministry positions, a media library, and some new columns. Traffic at our website continued to increase with over 60,000 unique visitors in 2007.
2. To continue to strengthen the online Convention directory. The new people directory and church directory are used by several thousand people each month and are two of the most popular features on our website. The directories are ongoing projects requiring significant time to keep information up to date and continue to improve functionality.
3. To continue to produce our monthly bulletin insert, called *Convention Connection*, which is distributed to all our churches promoting the work of our Convention. These inserts are distributed eight times annually directly to local churches for inclusion in their Sunday bulletins. The various agencies of our Convention have been invited to share in this communications venture. Back issues can be viewed at <http://www.baptist-atlantic.ca/departments/communications/connection>.
4. To continue our monthly e-update. *Convention Update* is distributed free of charge to those in our database and those who sign up through the web site. This e-update is designed to link people to our web site so that they might find out more about Convention events and resources for individuals, families and local churches. If you would like to receive this update you can subscribe at www.baptist-atlantic.ca.
5. To produce our first-ever “Year in Review” booklet that featured the various ministries of our Convention. This full-colour glossy annual report highlighted in one location the breadth, scope and effectiveness of our ministry partnership.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Bruce Fawcett, Ph.D.
Associate Executive Minister

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MINISTERIAL STANDARDS AND EDUCATION

The Board of Ministerial Standards and Education held 3 regular meetings in 2007: February 27-March 1 at Acadia University, Wolfville, NS; April 24-26 at Old Orchard Inn, Wolfville, NS; and October 2-4 at the Coastal Inn in Sackville, NB. The Board affirms its Conflict of Interest each October and each member signs a confidentiality form.

The primary mandate of the Board is to meet on at least two occasions, Initial and Exit Interviews, with men and women who sense a call to Ordained Ministry, or who sense a call to lay pastoral ministry as a Recognized Lay Pastor. The Board is responsible to help discern their suitability for ministry; provide educational guidance; recommend candidates seeking ordination to the Examining Council; and examine lay pastoral candidates on their statement of faith. The Board also interviews ministers who are ordained and recommended by bodies outside of Canadian Baptist Ministries who are seeking recognition by the CABC of their ordination.

The primary focus of the February meeting is Exit Interviews with Candidates for Ordained Pastoral Ministry who are anticipating graduation from seminary and proceeding toward ordination; the primary focus of the April meeting is Initial Interviews with those who have just begun their theological education and are seeking acceptance as a Candidate for Ordained Pastoral Ministry; and the primary focus of the October meeting is Initial and Exit Interviews with lay pastor training students who sense God's call toward Recognized Lay Pastoral ministry. Others may be interviewed at each meeting, at the discretion of the Board, based on need and available space on the agenda. In February the Board interviewed 18 applicants, in April they interviewed 17 applicants and in October they interviewed 9 applicants.

In addition the Board held 2 conference calls: June 1st and August 3rd.

The October meeting was a time of transition, Dr. Harry Gardner, Executive Minister and President-elect of Acadia Divinity College, being on study leave, and longtime Chair of the Board Rev. Judith Tod Gates having completed her second term. The Convention Council allowed the new leadership until November 2008 to bring a full Monitoring Report, although a brief report was given.

The Board is also responsible to respond to written allegations of professional misconduct against a pastoral leader whose credentials are held by the CABC. In 2007, the Board made its decision on a case begun in 2006.

The Board continued to refine its process, finalizing new application forms and reference forms. The Restoration Document was approved to be sent to the constituency early in 2008 for feedback. Proposed amended Regulations Concerning Ministry were finalized and brought to Assembly 2007 as a joint Council/BMSE notice of motion for discussion and action in 2008. Constituency consultations were planned for early 2008 to discuss the changes to the Regulations, in addition to other items. A mentorship committee presented a recommendation, which was affirmed by the Board, that a training program be developed and implemented to provide for a pool of individuals trained in the general principles and skills of mentoring, and to contribute to the ongoing development of leaders in the CABC.

The committee on student indebtedness continued its work and was pleased when the Baptist Foundation pledged \$250,000 over a five year period to assist 2nd and 3rd year MDiv students at ADC to prepare for ministry (see www.baptist-atlantic.ca/news_events for details). The Board met with ADC Faculty in February to discuss ways in which the Board and the College can cooperate in preparing pastors for ministry in our churches.

It needs to be noted how much the Board has appreciated and benefitted from former Executive Minister, Dr. Harry Gardner and longtime Chair, Rev. Judith Tod Gates. Their guidance and leadership have helped create a strong process to be followed. They have also helped lead the Board to be an effective pastoral presence for our ministry candidates. It is a privilege to work with such a dedicated group of people.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Wayne Murphy, Chair

REPORT OF THE 2007 EXAMINING COUNCIL FOR ORDINATION

The Examining Council for Ordination met Wednesday August 15, Thursday August 16, and Friday August 17, 2007 in the Langley Room, Acadia Divinity College, Wolfville, Nova Scotia. Dr. Ralph Richardson, Past President of Convention, served as the Chair of the Examining Council. Dr. Brian MacArthur, President of Atlantic Baptist University, was appointed as the Chief Examiner.

The Council appointed an Appeal Board, in keeping with Section 7.1 of the Ministerial Standards Document, to serve for one year as needed. Members appointed were: Rev. Gordon James, Dr. Gordon Poley, Rev Victor Adams, Rev. Aubrey Trail, Rev. Brian Barron, Rev. Eugene Lanctin, Rev. Tom McGaw, Ms. Beth Crouchman, Mrs. Fern Huestis, Rev. Rhonda Britton. It was agreed that the Executive Minister's office would have the prerogative to choose the 7 people from this group who would serve on any particular appeal board.

The following Candidates were examined on their statements of faith and Christian commitment and were recommended to their churches for ordination at their hands:

Virginia DeAdder
Mitchell DeWare
Jonathan Dixon
Barbara Durling
Darryl Dykens
Chris Greer
David Hopper

Jeff Irving
Tim Johnson
Allison Kirkbride
Scott Kohler
Jarvis Lepper
Andrew Mack
Lois McLean

Dennis Nickerson
Marlene Quinn
Jeff Sears
Rod Thurston
Annette Wells
David Woodworth
Brenda Zwicker

All candidates were committed to God in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Malcolm W. Beckett, Interim Executive Minister

REPORT OF THE CONVENTION NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee met under the new Guidelines that were recently adopted by Convention Assembly. The Association Moderators in the Regions met together with the Regional Working Group under the guidance of the Regional Minister. Regions and churches are encouraged to take ownership of their responsibility in the process.

The Nominating Committee met on November 8, 2007 at the Baptist Convention Office in Saint John, NB. The meeting began with a devotional and prayer by the Chair, Rev. Peter Reid.

Dr. Bruce Fawcett, Associate Executive Minister, reviewed the Guidelines as well as the Nominating Process for each category. The term of office for Nominating Committee members was reviewed according to Article X of the Constitution.

A prayer time was held and the nominating process was followed. It was agreed that voting would be by consensus with the possibility of secret ballot if necessary. Correspondence received was read and discussed throughout the process.

The Nominating Committee met on January 29, 2008 by Conference Call. The meeting opened with prayer by Rev. Tracey Grosse. The purpose of the meeting was to finalize nominations. The nominating process was finalized.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Peter Reid, Chair

Rev. Dr. Bruce G. Fawcett, Associate Executive Minister

Report of the Baptist Historical Committee for 2007

The main purpose of the Baptist Historical Committee is threefold:

- 1) To collect and preserve historical materials from the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches, including the Churches, Associations, Council, Boards, Committees, and Camps.
- 2) To foster and maintain a good working relationship with the Esther Clark Wright Archives at Acadia University. Our Atlantic Baptist Archives are part of this collection.
- 3) To encourage the publication of monographs related to the history of Baptists in Atlantic Canada. This is done through the Baptist Heritage in Atlantic Canada series published jointly by Acadia Divinity College and the Baptist Historical Committee.

The Baptist Historical Committee is working on a new initiative to preserve the Built Heritage of our Atlantic Baptist Churches through digital photographs and a brief history of the church buildings. This initiative is building on the Annapolis-Digby pilot project that was completed during 2007. Our goal is to begin the initiative during 2008.

The Atlantic Baptist Archives continues to grow at a healthy rate. During 2007 records were received from 47 churches in the four Atlantic Provinces, including extensive records from Port Le Tour UBC (NS) dating back to 1869 and from the Hazelbrook UBC (PEI) dating back to 1885. Extensive collections of archival materials were also received from the estates of Miriam Ross, Perry and Edith Allaby, and Armand Steeves. The Executive of Atlantic Baptist Women (UBWMU) also deposited material. If you are wondering what church records should be sent to the Archives, please visit <http://library.acadiau.ca/archives/donations/guidelines.html> or call (902) 585-1011 for a brochure.

In November, Pat Townsend, the University Archivist and the Committee's Corresponding Secretary, made a presentation to the PEI Association talking about the importance of preserving the historical records of churches and informing the PEI churches of the records they currently have in the Atlantic Baptist Archives. We plan to make similar presentations in two or three Associations a year.

The Editorial Committee of the Baptist Heritage in Atlantic Canada series is working on four books, which they hope to publish during 2008. These new publications will be announced on the Convention website as soon as they are available for purchase. The Baptist Historical Committee had copies of the previously published books in the series, both individually and as sets, for sale at our booth at the Festival of Ministries at the August Convention Assembly. We will be doing the same this year at Mount Allison University.

We are grateful to the Convention for the annual grant from the UiM Fund that enables us to do the work we do as a Committee and to the Vaughan Library at Acadia University for their support of the Atlantic Baptist Archives.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Hugh McNally, Chair.

2008 CONVENTION YEARBOOK REPORT
OF THE
ATLANTIC BAPTIST SENIOR CITIZENS' HOMES INC.

This year, 2008 marks the 35th anniversary of the Atlantic Baptist Senior Citizens' Homes Inc. In the early 1970's, Moncton businessman Kenneth Spencer floated the idea of a retirement home for Baptist Pastors, Missionaries and their wives. At that time retiring Pastors, who normally lived in parsonages, had no where to live. Unfortunately Ken Spencer died before seeing his idea come to fruition in 1993. The Kenneth E. Spencer Memorial Home opened in 1973 and became the first of many the Atlantic Baptist Senior Citizens Homes Inc. would build in Atlantic Canada. Well over 1000 seniors are now served in the 3 nursing homes and the 10 seniors housing complexes across the Maritime Provinces.

2008 is a year to celebrate and express appreciation for the Lords leading and blessing during these 3+ decades of ministry and growth. Being 'in the right business at the right time' rings true for the Atlantic Baptist Senior Citizens' Homes as we continue to discuss growth opportunities in many communities in Atlantic Canada in response to the demographic realities of seniors in the general population. Managing the day-to-day operations of 13 facilities, while implementing new and improved care and service options and standards as well as discussing and responding to this growth industry keep us from becoming complacent and content with the status quo. It is our privilege and also exciting to be able to enhance the quality of care and service we offer through these 13 facilities.

Highlights from this past year

- Perhaps the biggest highlight is that we have continued to manage the 13 facilities under our direction. Always challenges and circumstances requiring our constant vigil and attention as we try to assure the needs and expectations of 1000+ seniors are being met or exceeded.
- The Board has reviewed the Mandate of the organization and has recommended changes to Council
- The Board of Spencer Home is actively involved in a number of projects while celebrating the 35th anniversary of the Home. Application has been made to incorporate a Spencer Home Foundation. With limited resources provided through provincial funding there are increasing demands for communities to support the operation and enhancements to care and service for non profit organizations. The purpose of the Foundation is to provide a vehicle for donations which will enhance quality for our clients. The Board also is involved in ongoing fundraising for the generators installed in 2006/2007. Again provincial funding was not adequate to install the important back-up energy required to support essential services during power outages. Special events and fundraising activities as well as personal donations support the loan payments for this equipment. The Spencer Home Board has also been consulting with Architects as part of the strategic plan to provide a more homelike environment with increased single room options as well as space needs to serve the current clientele with increased needs. We are excited to look to the future to maintain the reputation of ABSCHI as a provider of quality care and service

- **Drumlin Hills in Bridgewater, Nova Scotia should be ready for occupancy in September 2008. The local committee under the direction of Norman and Eleanor Hovland has been busy – 75% of the independent living apartments are already leased; several assisted living units remain available at the time of writing this report but we do expect few vacancies as we near the opening date.**
- **Service for tenants at the Gladys M. Manning Retirement Home has been enhanced with the addition of an emergency power generator.**
- **The Bayview Village lounge has been updated with new furniture designed to meet the needs of seniors.**
- **The PEI Atlantic Baptist Home, Charlottetown has been meeting with representatives of the Provincial government who have demonstrated an interest in a partnership. The outcome of these discussions will assist in establishing a direction in developing the property purchased adjacent to the Home. Enhancements to the Home are required to continue to provide a quality environment for the clients and workplace space for the staff.**
- **The Villa Chaleur Robert L Knowles Veterans Unit has expanded and will soon celebrate the addition of 3 private rooms and an additional common area for the enjoyment of the veterans living there. We will be pleased to again offer a private room to all Veterans living in this care facility.**

We continue to become aware of needs in various communities in Atlantic Canada where seniors' services may be required. We have a responsibility to respond to these identified needs in a wise and prudent manner as there are many factors and variables to consider before any particular project becomes viable and recommended to the Board for approval. These preparatory tasks/responsibilities for new projects can take months, even years, to complete. God's leading in this area of leadership is vital and we are thankful for this leading over the years. We do welcome and depend on God's wisdom as the future of the Atlantic Baptist Senior Citizens' Homes unfolds.

Our various other facilities –Courtyard Homes (Moncton), Hillcrest Village (Saint John), Caledonia Place (Hillsborough), Granite Court (Saint George), Taylor Court (Shediac), Church Court (Moncton), Central Court (North Sydney) – have experienced another successful year of operation. Our goal remains to enhance the quality of service provided in all of our facilities as resources permit. Interested persons are invited to visit our new web site www.abschi.com.

We continue to rely greatly upon the community and individuals to provide support to our organization. At this time of writing another annual report, we wish to again express our appreciation to all those who assist with the ongoing success of our organization and who support us in serving Atlantic Canadian Seniors - Board Members, Local Advisory Committee Members, local church members, staff members and numerous volunteers. Any success we enjoy in this Ministry is the direct result of the efforts of these many caring individuals and their willingness to serve and use their God-given talents. We are indeed thankful for this support.

Respectfully submitted,

**Steven Campbell
Executive Director
Seniors Housing**

**Barbara Cook
Executive Director
Nursing Homes**

ATLANTIC BAPTIST SENIOR CITIZENS' HOMES INC. FINANCIAL

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Statement of Financial Position

Total Assets	(A)	40,843,784
Total Liabilities	(B)	32,252,381
Fund Balances	(A-B)	8,591,403

Statement of Operations

Revenues	(C)	22,541,026
Expenses	(D)	21,937,657
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures	(C-D)	603,369

Statement of Cash Flows

Cash flows from Operating Activities	(E)	1,782,616
Cash flows from Financing and Investing Activities	(F)	1,491,949

Details of any restrictions on the resources listed in (A) above (i.e. restricted fund balances):

Resident Trust Funds	140,787
Restricted Cash – Replacement Reserves	414,949

Significant differences in the entities' disclosed accounting policies, from those followed by the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches:

Refer to Note 2 of Financial Statements

Details of any events or transactions between the entity and the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches, in the period between your fiscal year end date and December 31. This applies only to entities with non-calendar year ends.

We have nil transactions with the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches: Our fiscal year end was March 31, 2008.

ATLANTIC BAPTIST FOUNDATION REPORT 2007

It has been exciting to have a part in the growth of the various Churches and CABC Agencies as they expanded and updated their facilities to accommodate their local ministries. The highlighted activities attest to the devotion and expertise of the Foundation's Board of Directors.

Appreciation is extended to the Directors, Mrs. Karolyn Paynter, Administrator, Mrs. Lisa Lewis, Administrative Assistant and to Mr. Richard Steeves of Spencer Home, Assistant Executive Director (Administration) Consultant for their excellent work.

HIGHLIGHTS

The name was shortened and changed to:

ATLANTIC BAPTIST FOUNDATION

- Mr. Douglas Beaman, Kingston, NS elected as Chair of the Board
- \$8,400,000 in loans to churches and CABC agencies approved
- \$5,000,000 in 'Bridge Financing' approved, as funds are available
- Established a \$10,000,000. Asset Security Fund (for the protection of the Savings Account deposits)
- Retired Pastors Rental Subsidy allowance increased to \$2,500. per. yr.
(to those residing in an Atlantic Baptist Senior Citizens facility)
- The RRSP/RRIF Fund is becoming more popular and is continuing to increase in value
- Committed \$250,000 to the Atlantic Baptist Student Ministry Fund for Divinity student indebtedness
- Awarded \$50,000.to the ministry of Atlantic Baptist Mission Board
- Sponsored 2 teams in the ABU Golf Classic to support athletics

With the present size of Atlantic Baptist Foundation the Board recognized the time had arrived to appoint a full time Executive Director, to manage the affairs and promote the future growth envisioned by the Board.

We thank the Lord for his guidance through this year.

Douglas Beaman, Chair
Atlantic Baptist Foundation

**ATLANTIC BAPTIST FOUNDATION FINANCIAL
DECEMBER 31, 2007**

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Statement of Financial Position

Total Assets	(A)	40,719,534
Total Liabilities	(B)	36,390,514
Net Assets	(A-B)	4,329,020

Statement of Operations

Revenues	(C)	2,811,079
Expenses	(D)	3,086,457
Net Income	(C-D)	(275,378)

Statement of Cash Flows (Statement of Changes in Financial Position)

Cash flows from Operating Activities	(E)	N/A
Cash flows from Financing Activities	(F)	N/A
Cash flows from Investing Activities	(G)	N/A

Details of any restrictions on the resources listed in (A) above (i.e. restricted fund balances):

Restricted Trust Funds	392,872
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Significant differences in the entities' disclosed accounting policies, from those followed by the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches:

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N/A

ATLANTIC BAPTIST UNIVERSITY
Annual Report to the Convention

Atlantic Baptist University evidenced God's sovereign care throughout 2007 while effectively fulfilling its mission of transforming lives through "*quality university education firmly rooted in the Christian faith.*" Student enrollment for the 2006-2007 academic year was 687 FTE (full-time equivalency) as of June 30, 2007. Based on September 2007 enrollment, the projected number for the 2007-2008 academic year will be similar.

During Convocation on May 5, 2007, one hundred and fifty-seven degrees and five certificates were awarded to graduates in Arts, Science, Business, and Education. It is noted with congratulations that the ABU Leadership Award was presented to Dr. Karla Nelson in the morning convocation ceremony and to Dr. Craig Evans in the afternoon ceremony. Fall Convocation was held on Saturday, November 3, 2007 when an additional eighteen degrees were conferred and ten certificates in advanced education were presented. This was the first time advanced education certificates were awarded as the program was only initiated in 2006. Dr. Stephen Dempster was speaker for the fall ceremony in recognition of being the first professor at ABU to receive the Stephen and Ella Steeves Award for Excellence in Teaching.

ABU continues to attract highly qualified Christian faculty. Dr. Josephine Nhongo-Simbanegavi (D.Phil – University of Oxford) was appointed Associate Professor of History in 2006 but was not able to assume her position until the summer of 2007. Professor Laverne Lewycky (Communication Studies) concluded seven years service at the end of June 2007 but has continued to teach the occasional course.

There were two changes in Senior Administration in 2007. Roland Rackham retired in March 2007 as Vice-President for Institutional Advancement and Ron Gaudet was appointed Vice-President for Advancement in April 2007. Mr. Dale Somers resigned as Senior Director of Administration and Finance effective the end of June and Ms. Heather Burke joined ABU in July as Vice-President for Administration and Finance.

Fiscal year end June 30, 2007 marked the sixth consecutive year that operations concluded in the black. While the University continues to face the challenge of increasing operational costs, the faithful support of donors and churches is noted with thanksgiving. The future requires continuing dependency on the generosity of many supporters to which the University must respond with evidence of good stewardship. The mortgage owing at June 30, 2007 was \$1,615,229.

ABU invites Convention churches to pray for the University, to encourage students to attend, and to financially support its mission. By doing so, local congregations invest in students who may someday return to them as leaders equipped to serve the church and community.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Brian D. MacArthur,
President and Vice-Chancellor

Ed Barrett, Chair
Board of Governors Colossians 1:18b

ATLANTIC BAPTIST UNIVERSITY FINANCIAL

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Statement of Financial Position

Total Assets	(A)	16,727,009
Total Liabilities	(B)	2,768,614
Net Assets	(A-B)	13,339,006

Statement of Operations

Revenues	(C)	6,440,690
Expenses	(D)	6,495,838
Net Income	(C-D)	(55,148)

Statement of Cash Flows (Statement of Changes in Financial Position)

Cash flows from Operating Activities	(E)	711,911
Cash flows from Financing Activities	(F)	(39,439)
Cash flows from Investing Activities	(G)	(462,563)

Details of any restrictions on the resources listed in (A) above (i.e. restricted fund balances):

Endowed Trust Funds for scholarships	4,691,052
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Significant differences in the entities' disclosed accounting policies, from those followed by the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches:

N/A

Details of any events or transactions between the entity and the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches, in the period between your fiscal year end date and December 31. This applies only to entities with non-calendar year ends.

Atlantic Baptist University's fiscal year is June 30th. The above information is for the year ended June 30, 2007.

2007 Yearbook Report Acadia Divinity College

Part I

The year 2007 was a time of transition in the life of Acadia Divinity College. On June 30, Dr. Lee M. McDonald completed eight years of service to the College as President and Dr. Robert Wilson served as Interim President until the arrival of the new President, Dr. Harry G. Gardner on January 1, 2008.

Dr. MacDonald's years of service were marked with increased enrollment in all degree programs, the recruitment of several new members of faculty who are experts in their fields, an increased emphasis on scholarship and publications, many improvements to the College facility, fiscal responsibility and debt reduction. The Board hosted a retirement and appreciation event for the McDonalds in May that was well attended by the University and Convention constituencies.

With Dr. Wilson's encouragement, a 40th Anniversary Committee was established. The planned events and the literature will emphasize the long history of preparing pastoral leaders through the Faculty of Theology of Acadia University. Dr. Wilson together with a Board of Trustees member, Ken Elliot met with the Convention Council in November to present the Board's monitoring report. As Interim President, Dr. Wilson worked with the Faculty and Staff to establish several internal committees to begin work on the curriculum review, long range planning and to review various governance documents. The Board is appreciative to Dr. McDonald and Dr. Wilson for their leadership at this time in the College's life and ministry.

Our University Context: The connection with Acadia University is a strong one not only from a historical perspective but in terms of the present relationship. Because we are the Faculty of Theology of the University our degrees are awarded by the University and the President of the College serves as the Dean of Theology of the University. The President of ADC serves as a member of the Board of Governors of the Acadia University, a member of the Senate and the Executive of the Senate. Additionally the President serves on the Academic Council and the Chapel Committee of the University. Various members of our Faculty serve on Committees of the University and there is also a Faculty representative on the Senate. The President of the University serves as a member of the Board of Trustees of ADC.

Recently, there have been meetings with representatives of the Board of Governors, representatives of the Convention Council and Convention Staff to discuss the relationship of the Convention to the University. A number of the members of the Board of Governors of Acadia University are elected by the Convention Assembly and three serve on the ADC Board of Trustees as well. Because the enrollment of the University in 2007-08 was lower than it has been in thirty years there is heightened interest in addressing this with the various constituencies of the University. This conversation will also include dialogue with the leadership of Atlantic Baptist University.

Acadia Divinity College receives an annual operating grant of approximately \$680,000 from the Province of Nova Scotia. This is processed through the University and recently a Memorandum of Understanding for the next three years has been signed by the University and the Province. Steps are being taken to seek an understanding (beginning with the University) of the funding formula that is used in determining the grant for Acadia Divinity College.

Dr. Tom Herman is serving as the Acting President and has recently been appointed by the Board of Governors as Vice-President Academic. He has had a long history as a Faculty member of AU and is aware of the particular issues related to ADC. As part of the search process for the new President, several of our Faculty met with representatives of the committee. I have also had one meeting with the University Chaplain and will make that a regular part of my schedule.

Our Students: One of the big issues that is emerging is the delivery system of theological education. For some time ADC has sought to increase the number of on-line courses, distance education opportunities and intensive courses to address the growing number of requests of students to remain in their contexts and to begin their theological education. Additionally, a large number of students are part-time to allow them to work/minister in order that they will not have a large debt when they finish. While there are many who are full time there is a need to re-vision models of theological education. This is a major focus of the Association of Theological Schools. There is a need to ensure that the mentoring of students continues to receive a prominent focus in all of this discussion. Enrollment was excellent this past year with a large entering class in the M. Div. program.

Our Faculty: There is no question that the strength of any theological seminary rests in the quality and expertise of those who teach. ADC has been able to recruit faculty who demonstrate both of these characteristics. In addition to their teaching responsibilities each member of the Faculty serves in an administrative role within the College or the University. This may relate directly to students or the administration of the College. The Faculty meets every two weeks to discuss academic matters and overall community concerns. The next couple of years will be demanding for our faculty as we develop a strategic plan which includes the on going work of curriculum review.

Our Staff: A year ago, the Board appointed Ms. Pam Connell as the Financial Controller. She provided leadership to the development of the Budget that will presented to the Board and works closely with the President concerning financial issues related to the College. She has already demonstrated that her attention to detail and her commitment to the College makes her well suited to this position. Dr. David Watt, our Director of Development, and his Assistant, Mrs. Trisha Urquhart are to be congratulated for their great work in meeting the budget of the Annual Fund. They also have been successful in their recruiting work and organized one of the largest Day for Discovery events this past winter. I have appreciated the opportunity to observe the Student Services Department and to see the dedication of Ms. Shawna Peverill and Mrs. Gail Noel as our Registrar. Mrs. Noel has recently resigned her position as Registrar, Dean of Students and Lecturer effective June 30, 2008 so this will mean major changes in that department. She will be moving back to Newfoundland to be nearer to family. She has been a highly valued member of the ADC community contributing well to the overall life of students, staff and faculty. Additionally ,Dr. Ken Penner will complete his service to the College in early July 2008 since we do not intend to expand the biblical studies department in the creation of a full time faculty position. He has served as Assistant to the President and has a servant spirit. He has also coordinated the Simpson Lectures and is appreciated in the College community. His future plans are uncertain at this point. Mrs. Linda Shreve works part time for us in helping in many ways and she has filled an important role. Mrs. Marion Dorey is one of our longest serving staff members. She is the Receptionist and Faculty Secretary and is committed to the efficient functioning of the College. Her helpfulness is much appreciated. Dr. Carol Anne Jansen who completed her PhD studies last fall at the University of Alberta serves in an administrative role in addition to her teaching responsibilities. She is Assistant to the Academic Dean and also to the Director of the Doctor of Ministry program. Mr. Danny Zacharias who serves as the Technology Manager also is a Lecturer and is another person who demonstrates a love for Christ and a commitment to excellence in his work and teaching. He is also engaged in PhD studies.

Our Programs: By May of 2009 we will have completed a major Curriculum Review and will be well underway in a comprehensive Strategic Planning Process that will interface with the Ten Year Accreditation Review by the Association of Theological Schools. We know that we must review how we deliver the pastoral care and counseling curriculum. We have made a decision in Faculty to reinvigorate the emphasis on Chaplaincy which is a significant part of our institutional DNA. Any significant proposal that could involve funding will come to the Board for discussion and approval prior to implementation.

Our Finances: Overall, the College is in a healthy position financially and the proposed budget for 2008-2009 is much the same as in the previous year with a modest increase in the salaries of Faculty and Staff.

Our Alumni: Meetings were held with the Chair of the Alumni to discuss ways to enhance the relationship with the Alumni Association and to think together about support for their Executive in our mutual interest in seeing the College's influence expanded.

Our Convention Connection: There is a strong relationship with our Convention through the Executive Minister who is a member of the Board of Trustees. We will need to diligent in preparing the Monitoring Report for the Council of the CABC to be approved at our next meeting in October.

Future Emphases: The College will complete the Self-Study for the Association of Theological Schools for their on-site visit in the spring of 2011. In concert with this, the Board will embark on a strategic planning process in partnership with the Faculty and the Convention constituency. The spiritual formation of the pastoral leader who is well trained in the historical disciplines of biblical studies, theology, church history and practical theology will continue to be the focus of ADC's academic program. These leaders also need to be equipped as for ministry in contemporary culture. The challenge is to make disciples for Jesus Christ in a fast changing world. By God's grace ADC will continue to rise to the challenge.

Respectfully Submitted,

Greg Cox, Chair of the Board

Harry G. Gardner, President

2007 Annual Report of Acadia Divinity College

Part II

Initial comment: To our knowledge, Acadia Divinity College is in full compliance with all areas of interest and concern of the CABC Council. The following report on the activities further clarify the health and continuing ministries of the College.

I want to begin by thanking Dr. Gardner for his invitation to present part of the annual report of ADC. I had the privilege of serving as Interim President from July to December of 2007.

The year 2007 was a time of transition. Dr Lee McDonald, Principal/President for the past eight years completed his time with us by taking a sabbatical at Princeton University beginning July 1. On January 1, 2008, Dr. Harry Gardener, former Executive Minister of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches took up the roles of Dean of Theology and President of ADC. In preparation for his new role he spent some time at Spurgeon's College in London and travelled with a CBM team to Kenya.

May is the culmination of many things with the Commissioning Service and Convocation. Lee McDonald was the speaker at the Commissioning service where we had one of our largest graduating classes in recent years. On May 24, just before the Board of Trustees meeting, the College hosted a dinner in honour of Lee McDonald to recognize his contribution to the College during his eight years as Principal/President. During his tenure, academic excellence by the faculty and student aid were stressed, facilities were upgraded, and, perhaps the most significantly, pastoral courses focused more on local church leadership issues. Dr. McDonald also made significant progress in raising the remuneration of faculty and staff.

In September, we had one of the largest of student enrolment in a number of years and two areas account for this. The first is the Doctor of Ministry program which has over forty people registered and a number of acceptances pending. While it is one of the largest such professional programs in Canada, it continues to be academically rigorous. A number have chosen Acadia because of the flexibility and the attempts to match ministry mentors and thesis projects to the particular needs of the individual students in pastoral ministry, prison and hospital chaplaincies, para-church organizations and educational institutions. There are at least six Christian denominations represented in the student body. Six students have successfully defended their thesis projects Graduated. This is our largest number of Doctor of Ministry students to graduate at a single Convocation. Andrew MacRae continues to do excellent work in the area and Carol Anne Janzen has been of great assistance with the added work load. There are Already as many new students accepted as the number of students as we are graduating.

A second growth area is among part-time students. Increasing numbers of theological students are already placed in ministries and are seeking flexibility in beginning their programs before moving to the Valley. We therefore are offering more online courses, intensive courses in J Term (First week of January), Simpson Week intensives (begun this year) and Spring-Summer. In addition, a "Mondays in Metro and More" program allows students to get a full-year of theological education over three years on Monday nights and selected weekends. This has been particularly successful this year with Craig Evans, Lionel Moriah and Les McCurdy offering courses to over 70 participants, many of whom were auditors. This is the best response for such courses since the 1980s when we had a similar program in Halifax. We continue to explore creative program delivery systems to make both professional and lay theological education accessible.

The entering student body in September 2007 was one of our youngest since the 1980s and it is apparently part of a wider trend in theological education. They were very interested in being involved in the broader life of the University which is really encouraging. As part of our welcome to new students, the community held a Covenanting Service in the first week of September where the whole body of students, staff, and faculty gathered to covenant together to seek to be God's people together in our learning, relationships, and mutual spiritual growth. Rev. Tim MacFarland, the new University Chaplain was our guest speaker and presented us with a challenge to be open and genuine.

The Master of Divinity continues to be the core program around which the courses and program rotates. The Master of Arts and Bachelor of Theology degrees share common ingredients with the MDiv. With the new diploma programs, we expect people to choose a variety of learning opportunities as we increase our role in continuing education.

There are significant challenges before us for we are a small faculty with a broad spectrum of administrative and teaching responsibilities. With Dr. Bill Brackney joining the already prolific Craig Evans as a Distinguished Professor, the number of publications and major speaking engagements by the faculty increased. This has meant added work for the faculty and staff as we continue to meet the needs of students in a rapidly changing approach to theological education. There were no significant changes in personnel this year and the members of the community work very hard to make the educational experience of our students a positive one.

Conclusion: God continues to bless the work of ADC. The Trustees are dedicated to the mission of the College and give generously of their time to carry out their mandate on behalf of CABC. We have a great relationship with the staff of CABC and with Atlantic Baptist University with which we share several initiatives. Our future is bright and we are training our future leaders on both the undergraduate and graduate levels as not other denomination in Canada. As we look to the future under Dr. Gardener's leadership, we anticipate build on our strengths and becoming more responsive to the needs of the churches which we serve.

Prepared by
Dr. Robert Wilson

ACADIA DIVINITY COLLEGE FINANCIAL

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Statement of Financial Position

Total Assets	(A)	11,894,684
Total Liabilities	(B)	649,705
Net Assets	(A-B)	11,244,979

Statement of Operations

Revenues	(C)	2,064,276
Expenses	(D)	2,084,301
Net Income (Loss)	(C-D)	(20,025)

Statement of Cash Flows (Statement of Changes in Financial Position)

Cash flows from Operating Activities	(E)	224,861
Cash flows from Financing Activities	(F)	0
Cash flows from Investing Activities	(G)	21,059

Details of any restrictions on the resources listed in (A) above (i.e. restricted fund balances):

Restricted for endowment purposes	10,315,646
Internally restricted	519,412

Significant differences in the entities' disclosed accounting policies, from those followed by the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches:

No differences - we follow accrual method following GAAP

Details of any events or transactions between the entity and the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches, in the period between your fiscal year end date and December 31. This applies only to entities with non-calendar year ends.

Acadia Divinity College's fiscal year is March 31st. The above information is for the year ended March 31, 2007.

OBITUARIES**REV. ULRIC GATHORNE (RICK) DAWSON**

Rev. Ulric (Rick) Dawson was born in Central Bedeque, Prince Edward Island. He was a graduate of Yarmouth County Consolidated Memorial High School. He attended Acadia University, Dalhousie University and the University of New Brunswick receiving his Bachelor of Theology from Acadia University in 1966. Rick was ordained in 1966 and pastored at Arlington, Scott's Bay, Billtown, Lakeville, Woodville, Regal Road (Dartmouth), Cole Harbour, South Ohio and Cedar Lake United Baptist Churches in Nova Scotia and at Skyline Acres United Baptist Church in New Brunswick. He was active in the United Baptist Associations while serving in ministry.

Rev. Dawson passed away on January 7, 2008 at the age of 74. He is survived by his wife, Betty Lou; one daughter, Deborah; three sons, Steven, Paul and Jeffrey; four sisters; ten grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

REV. HALLETT MITCHELL FOSTER

Rev. Hallett Foster was born in Hampton, Nova Scotia in August, 1921. He graduated from UBBTS (now ABU) and was pastor of several churches which included Jeddore Baptist field, Margaree Valley, Deep Brook, Smith's Cove and Clementsport in Nova Scotia and the Lakeville field in New Brunswick. He was interim pastor at Chegoggin, Nova Scotia after retirement in 1985 and remained active in the Weymouth area churches in Nova Scotia until 2005.

Rev. Foster passed away on June 27, 2008 at the age of 86. He is survived by his wife, Georgia; two daughters, Annette and Sandra and their families.

REV. PATRICIA SHIRLEY “PAT” GOW

Rev. Patricia Gow was born in Bridgewater, Nova Scotia. She was a graduate of Acadia University with degrees in Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Education, Master of Divinity and Master of Theology (Pastoral Care). She also studied at the Andover Newton Theological School in Newton Center, Massachusetts where she worked toward a Doctor of Ministry Degree. Pat was ordained in 1989. She worked at Acadia University as Adjunct Faculty at the Divinity College teaching Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE), Grief Counseling and Basic and Advanced Pastoral Counseling. She worked as the Coordinator of Valley Pastoral Counseling at the Eastern Kings Memorial Community Health Center. Pat was Chaplain for three years at the Cape Breton Psychiatric Hospital in Sydney, Nova Scotia. She had also been an Associate Teaching Supervisor with the Canadian Association for Pastoral Practice and Education (CAPPE). Pat served as Interim Minister at various local churches.

Rev. Gow passed away on October 17, 2007 at the age of 57. She is survived by her parents, Frank and Shirley; one brother, Peter; one sister, Sharon; two nieces, Jennifer and Denise; many aunts, uncles and cousins.

REV. JULIAN GRACEN GREEN

Rev. Julian Green was born in 1913 in Grand Harbour, Grand Manan Island, New Brunswick. He was a faithful member of the United Baptist Church Clergy for over 30 years having served churches in North River, St. Martins, Oak Bay, Salisbury, Millville, Pennfield, Hoyt and Fredericton Junction, New Brunswick. He was a proud member of the War Amputations of Canada.

Rev. Green passed away on March 28, 2008 at the age of 95. He is survived by one daughter, Joan; two sons, Richard and Burton; half-brother, Steven; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

REV. RICHARD WILSON HORNER

Rev. Richard Horner was born in 1928 in Windsor, Ontario. After college and seminary training, he served almost fifty years as a pastor and teacher. During his ministry he served as a pastor of Baptist churches in New Brunswick, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Michigan, Ontario and Nova Scotia. In addition he served on the faculty of Baptist Bible College, Clarks Summit, PA; Bob Jones University, Greenville, SC; Detroit Baptist Theological Seminary, Allen Park, MI and London Baptist Bible College, London, Ontario.

Rev. Horner passed away on May 18, 2008 at the age of 80. He is survived by his wife, Marjorie; two daughters, Deborah and Esther; two sons, David and Philip; 18 grandchildren and two sisters, Ruth and Janet.

REV. HAROLD IVANY

Rev. Harold Ivany was born in October, 1912. During his ministry he served as a pastor in Baptist churches affiliated with the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches.

Rev. Ivany passed away on May 5, 2008 at the age of 95. He is survived by two daughters, Olga and Cynthia; one grandson, Scott; one granddaughter, Donna and five great-grandchildren.

REV. BRIAN R. LONG

Rev. Brian Long was born in December, 1953. He was a graduate of Brock University and later received a Masters of Divinity from Acadia and was ordained in May of 1979. He faithfully served his Lord as Pastor for 32 years. This included student pastorates in the Aylesford/Morristown and Middleton/Mount Hanley/Port George charges. In May 1977 Brian became the founding Pastor of Heartlake Baptist Church, Brampton, Ontario, moving to Birch Cove Baptist Church, Halifax, Nova Scotia in 1986 and to Kennebecasis Baptist Church, Quispamsis, New Brunswick as Senior Pastor in 1996.

Rev. Long passed away on June 1, 2008 at the age of 54. He is survived by his wife, Nancy; three daughters, Noreen, Annette and Julie; one son, Graham; one sister, Wendy; one uncle, Bruce and two grandchildren, Colby and Brian.

REV. THOMAS DAVID MCGAW

Rev. Thomas McGaw was born in Halifax, Nova Scotia. He was a graduate of Graham Creighton High School. He received his B.A. in Biblical Studies at Atlantic Baptist College (1984), M.Div., M.R.E. from Acadia Divinity College (1988) and a Diploma in Applied Information Technology (1998). Tom was ordained in 1989. He served as summer student pastor in the Guysborough Field of Baptist Churches and Port Mouton. He served as pastor in Baptist Churches in Arcadia, Chebogue, Rockville, New Canada, Northwest, Mahone Bay, and Lawrencetown in Nova Scotia. Tom provided pulpit supply from time to time since 2005. He served on the Board of Governors, Atlantic Baptist University. Tom was an active member of the Lawrencetown and Bridgetown Volunteer Fire Departments. Since 2005, he worked as Team Lead at Convergys in Cornwallis, Nova Scotia.

Rev. McGaw passed away on October 31, 2007 at the age of 48. He is survived by his wife, Roxanne; one son, Bruce; one daughter, Rebecca; his mother, Helen; two brothers, Dan and Jackson; two sisters, Debbie and Tina; one niece, Danielle and one nephew, Shane.

REV. DR. GEORGE LAIDLAW MCNEILL

Rev. Dr. George McNeill was born in Edinburgh, Scotland. He obtained an M.A. from Edinburgh University, studying theology at the Baptist Theological College of Scotland and London University. He served pastorates in Selkirk and Kelso in the Scottish Borders and volunteered for chaplaincy service with the British Army during the Second World War. Dr. McNeill served as minister Thornaby Baptist Church, Yorkshire; Cambuslang Baptist, Scotland; Bedford Baptist Church, Nova Scotia and First Baptist Church, Moncton, New Brunswick. During his ministry in Canada, he completed a Master of Divinity at Acadia University and Acadia honoured him with a Doctor of Divinity. Dr. McNeill served extensively on Baptist Boards of Association, Convention and Federation. He also served as President of the Atlantic Baptist Convention.

Dr. McNeill passed away on June 9, 2008 at the age of 92. He was predeceased by his wife, Margaret, after 63 wonderful years. He is survived by three sons, Alistair, Allan and Robert; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

REV. DR. HARRY OLIVER OHSBERG

Rev. Dr. Oliver Ohsberg was born in Mckeesport, PA. He earned a B.A. from Westminster College, B.D. from Bethel Theological Seminary and completed an M.A. at Seattle Pacific College. He obtained a Ph.D. from the University of Pittsburgh. Dr. Ohsberg served as instructor at the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton and Youth Director of the Alberta Baptist Conference. He pastored Bonnie Doon Baptist Church, Edmonton; Bethel Baptist Church, Winnipeg and in his home church, Riverview Baptist. Dr. Ohsberg served as interim pastor of the West Mifflin Baptist Church and the First Congregational Church. Dr. Ohsberg was Assistant Professor, Practical Theology; full professor of Christian Education and Associate Dean of Acadia Divinity College. He taught several years following retirement in 1991.

Dr. Ohsberg served as teaching Pastor on an interim basis at New Minas Baptist Church in Nova Scotia. He was recognized by his Religious Education Association, the National Association of Professors of Christian Education, the Association of Professors and Researchers in Religious Education. He is the author of two books as well as many articles in various publications.

Dr. Ohsberg passed away on June 12, 2008 at the age of 82. He was predeceased by two brothers, Charles and George. He is survived by his wife, Wilma; one son, Robert and three grandchildren, Karissa, Ian and Victoria.

Canadian Baptist Ministries Annual Report 2008

This report is being written early in the year during a difficult period of time globally. Political tensions in Bolivia are wearing on our field staff and our partner, bombs are falling in Lebanon and tribalism has reared its destructive head in Kenya. Health issues strike our field staff and some of our partnerships find themselves in conflict.

We tell you that so that you understand that mission happens in these kinds of uncertain times and places. Chaos may appear to reign, health issues may emerge and global politics might create uncertainty but ministry happens most profoundly in those places. However, now that **STEP**, **STM** and **Partners in Mission** are so intricately woven into the life of churches and conventions/unions in Canada, a hiccup in a partner country or with a field staff member can be felt around the CBM world in much deeper ways than before. This is missions in the 21st Century. We have long since given up the idea that there will ever be a time where it all gets in a box. There is no box.

He came to seek and to save that which was “lost”

These powerful words of Jesus were spoken to the religious establishment (the mutterers) of his day during his encounter with Zaccheus. Their muttered complaints about who he hangs out with are critical of his ministry. To these mutterers he cries out, “the son of man came to seek and to save what was lost.” The motivation is the same today

These are words that cause **Elie and Mirielle Haddad** to remain in Lebanon during this incredible time of uncertainty and not just survive but grow and expand the ministry of the Arab Baptist Seminary in Beirut to produce church leaders for numerous countries in the middle east. They are the words that fuel **Darrel and Laura Lee Bustin** and **Bill and Janice Dyck** to do more than simply train pastors but instead form passionate evangelists and missional church planters for the church in Indonesia. Students at the seminary go out each weekend and are involved in church planting and evangelism on a regular basis.

These are the same words that cause a STEP church such as **New Life in Duncan, BC** to commit themselves to the task of ministry in the slums of Nairobi alongside the ACC&S. Nothing but the passionate desire to be about the “seeking” ministry of God in Jesus Christ can explain the faithfulness of **Colin and Karen Godwin** in planting a church in Belgium and then, after they have nurtured leadership there to take over, feel a call to leadership training in Rwanda and as a result pick their family up this summer and move them to that country.

It may look different than it did 100 years ago but the same motivating force is at work- people and partners around the world so in love with Jesus Christ that they are willing to inconvenience themselves in the hope that some may come to know Jesus as Saviour and Lord.

No Longer Simply a Sending Agency

We have had to change in the last few years out of the great desire to make Christ known in word and deed. CBM is no longer simply a conduit for people called to do mission overseas nor are we only focused internationally. We function more like a broker and resource developer- serving as a catalyst that brings people together for the missional activity of the church locally and globally.

Church leaders from regions in Canada meet each other for the first time and find energy and new ideas for mission and ministry. **Short Term Ministry** experiences impact the participants so that they look at their local context with new ministry eyes. **STEP** church commitments allow churches to take on a global ministry with focus and intention- no longer dabbling at global mission but actually participating in it for the long term. Ministry leaders from across Canada meet each other for the first time and find support and stimulating new ideas.

We even broker partner to partner connections. In the summer of 2007, a group of Indian church leaders were introduced to some of our partners in Kenya. The richness of the conversations caused many to simply stand and listen as these wise leaders from very different geographical areas discussed agricultural development and shared their knowledge. Each of the groups went back with new ideas and skills and all **CBM/TSW** did was bring them together and create the opportunity for learning. In the next few years, this will only take more of our energy as we move things out to all the places that **CBM** works.

Short Term Ministries

As a result of the shift in strategies for CBM, Short Term Ministries is a growing dimension of ministry. Three years ago about 300 people were facilitated in short term ministry experiences in Canada or internationally. This will increase to over 1000 people in 2008. Numbers do not tell the final story; we are moving to develop more intentional orientation and reentry programs so that CBM’s Short Term ministry experiences have a life long impact.

A part of the increase in numbers of participants is stimulated by initiatives envisioned by the Canadian Baptist Youth Leadership Team ably chaired by **Rob Nylen**. They developed a summer 2008 emphasis which will see over 200 young people first participate in a short term mission experience in one of eight countries ending with attendance at the Baptist World Youth Conference in Leipzig Germany. Countries such as the Czech Republic, Belgium, France, Albania, Moldova, Kenya, Rwanda, Lebanon and Turkey will host these young people. We have also booked a hotel- in Leipzig which has been dubbed **Canada Baptist Place** and will allow for others not involved in the sponsored STM experiences to join in what will be the most Canadian Baptist youth ever at the World Conference.

The Sharing Way

CBM has placed a strong emphasis on Integral ministry which empowers the local church in communities around the world to be salt and light by both proclaiming and incarnating the Good News. TSW has made intentional adjustments in their strategy and program development to meet this new emphasis. They are focusing on capacity building with our partners and new ministry initiatives such as the following have been the result.

- Two food aid/food security programs in Africa in cooperation with the Canadian Food Grains Bank.
- New budgets and work plans for expanding our HIV/AIDS Guardians of Hope program into India.
- Agreement with Health Partners International to facilitate greater support for African partner clinics.
- The creation of a training program for development workers in the Global South which will be recognized and credited through institutions in Canada, Lebanon and Kenya.
- Continued development of justice initiatives program in Canada.
- Increased focus on children's issues in Rwanda, Bolivia and India.
- The development of a Chagas prevention program in Bolivia in partnership with the STM department of CBM and the National Chagas Commission of Bolivia.

CBM in India

If you grew up in Canadian Baptist church life, the powerful story of Thomas Gabriel's telegram inviting Canadian Baptists to come to Kakinada and begin a mission work is heart moving. Years have passed and that beginning work flourished. It was holistic in its approach to ministry developing education and health initiative through schools and hospitals linked with evangelism and new church development. Thousands came to Christ and we have much to be proud of in that work which began so long ago.

However in the last years this great heritage has been marred by church groups and factions fighting over the legacy of landholdings and resources that were left to them in trust. During those difficult times, ministry continued. Creative approaches to new ministry were developed through the TSW, leadership development work, through key theological institutions and pastors workshops along with grassroots ministry through the Bible Women and the community workers made for effective ministry even as the tensions continued. The **Harris** and others continued the work of pastoral development in partnership with **David Sarma** and **Babu Rao** working around the tensions. Babu Rao and David served as models for what key strategic National staff could do for us in the development of ministry and mission in other countries.

The infighting and factional diversions have resulted in the reality that currently there is no partnership agreement in place. Each factional group has looked to CBM to grant the "stamp of approval" which would justify their claims in court against the other factions. Over the years CBM leadership has been reticent to side with any group and instead hoped they might work it out among themselves. This has not taken place.

While India has a long history with CBM, both India and the CBM of 2007 are very different places. CBM must ensure that the funds are used most effectively to bring the maximum help and missional effectiveness where needed. We realize that no matter how harsh it may sound, we can no longer prop up projects which have outlived their usefulness.

2007 was a time to "tack" a new course radically different from the last 30 years. There are no guarantees that it will be any more effective than the one that has been chosen in the past but it contains the potential to be so. It will take seriously our four strategic drivers and the priorities set out by CBM's board for the next five years. It will be integral, involve key national leaders as CBM field staff, integrate Canadian churches in the strategy and provide the fertile ground necessary to build a new partnership in India with the local church while new denominational structures are formed.

This strategy emerged out of three years of evaluative trips by key executive staff and resource people and will include the following...

- The continued involvement of TSW in community development with the added feature of the local church being more in the equation.

- We have exposed some of our key India development leaders to the Integral church based approach of the African Brotherhood Church in Kenya by bringing them to an African Team meeting in the summer of 2007 for training with **Rupen Das** and **Sam Mutisya**. Another training session is planned for 2008 where Bolivian leaders will be involved
- We evolved the Praxis program to focus on Integral ministry and brought students from Canada to team with students in India in a learning experience with the South Lalliguda church and its BLESS program.
- Choosing a few strategic sites for ministry development
 - Tuni School in partnership with Canadian Baptist Women. Together we will focus on the development of the school's infrastructure and programs to better position them for the 21st century; providing students with enhanced skills to enter the job market productively. This will include everything from ESL to computer skill development.
 - Kakinada School for grassroots leadership development. The school in Kakinada needs repair and the curriculum needs updating to position pastoral training for the rural areas. Its framework and approach to theological education are ancient.
 - Working more intentionally in regions such as Orrisa and with the Sora people in the areas of grassroots leadership development.
- The unfolding of STEP India
 - The first STEP church for India- First Baptist Orillia- has just signed their agreement
 - STEP India will allow CBM to channel funds and STM groups to India.
- Redeploying funding to hospitals that are strategically positioned for service.
- A three year plan that comes out of dialogue with emerging young leaders of the church in India.

Renewing our Emphasis on mission and church planting to French Canada

Over \$200,000 is committed to French Canada and our work there. This includes work among International students, youth work and block grants for ministry and mission. In the 2007, CBM committed to the French Union to raise 1 million dollars over the next ten years for church planting in the French Speaking Canada. 2008 will see the deployment of the **Ria and Patrick Deneut** from Belgium to Quebec where Patrick will be seconded to work with the UEBFC in the area of Church Planting and nurturing young leaders. Ria will continue her development of ministry with women which has had such a transformational impact in the churches of Belgium.

National Staff

The CBM Board of Directors in the spring of '07 set out a strategic plan for the next three years that encouraged the development of fully integrated multi-national teams in all the fields where we serve. This had already begun to take place but the direction statement of the board has intensified the effort.

The decision to develop multi national teams is a strategic decision that also speaks to necessity as well. Visa problems in certain countries, language acquisition and cultural awareness are just some of the positives that nationals bring to the table. Team building in the balance of national and Canadian staff working alongside each other is a creative resource for our partnerships and the reality of a global world that is internationalizing its work force. It also allows for focused resourcing for our partners and the sharing of excellent national leadership with other countries.

The CBM African Team represent the riches of the multi national team development-- field staff in Angola (**Dorothy Sowden, Jim & Diane McBeth** and **Ana Salamão Canga**), Rwanda (**Bruno & Kathleen Soucy** and **Gato Munyamasoko**), Kenya (**Andy & Rebecca DesRoches, Paul & Kelly Carline, Aaron & Erica Kenny, Tim & Diane Bannister, Malcolm & Patty Card** and **Sam Mutisya**) provide a model of what we hope to do in other continents. In Europe **Vasil Vasilev** (Vasko) a Bulgarian ministry leader has joined the CBM team to work alongside **Jeff Carter** and the EBF in youth ministry training.

Redeployment and Retirements

Bob Swann, a long-time Global Field Staff, working with First Baptist Church, Vancouver as Mission Pastor, started a new role with CBM beginning in January. As Integral Mission Facilitator, Bob will represent CBM by speaking and meeting with churches and donors, helping to lead short-term teams and supporting The Sharing Way's development initiatives in Africa. Bob will split his time between CBM and FBC Vancouver.

Colin and Karen Godwin will join **Bruno and Kathleen Soucy** and **Gato Munyamasoko** as they work with the AEBR. The Godwins will work in the area of Grassroots Leadership Development developing training modules for both pastoral and lay training.

We regret to announce that **Ivan and Victoria Ho** will no longer serve as CBM Strategic Associates in Hong Kong and China, effective the end of April 2008. After a time of shared reflection and clarification of the work of God through the Ho family over the years, Ivan and Victoria have come to the belief that the time has come to focus on different ministry priorities. They are currently examining various ministry opportunities in Hong Kong. Ivan and Victoria were appointed by CBM in 1993.

While we regret the departure of Ivan and Victoria, we acknowledge that God has called them to a time of reflection and preparation for continued ministry. We thank them for their faithful years of service and we wish them God's blessings in their next chapter.

As some of you will recall, in 2007, we appointed **Rev. Pak Loh** as Chinese Ministry facilitator to provide strategic direction to our Chinese ministries. This new role was created to connect CBM more intentionally with the Chinese Baptist family, both in Canada and worldwide, while steering our ministries in China and among the Chinese diaspora.

This has also been the year of retirements and we celebrated that milestone with **Marilyn Smith** in the early part of 2008. Marilyn served Canadian Baptists in many roles and in particular was the Director of the TSW in a crucial time of its development. Most recently she has brought passion and focus to the new Justice Initiatives portfolio that is gaining great traction in partnership with **Lois Mitchell**. Marilyn, in retirement, will continue to focus on that portfolio.

Within the office we have seen a two long term employees transition into a new chapter in their life. **Doug Gibb** and **Karen Ng** represented together almost 60 years of service to the kingdom and in particular to the finance department of CBM. We are grateful for their faithful service.

Other Initiatives

LEGACY for Ministry™ (LfM) a program developed by the Baptist Union Development Foundation in Western Canada to encourage Canadian Baptists to have a current will and to make significant gifts to ministry in their wills, has been launched in Central Canada through a partnership of the BCOQ, BWOQ and CBM with the BUDF. Meghan McIntosh now works on a half time basis to direct this program in Central Canada, and has already held several workshops. CBM and the BUDF have also initiated discussions with CABC about cooperating to use LfM in Atlantic Canada as well.

The Canadian Baptist Refugee network met with CBM's Refugee Ministry Coordinator, **Anne Woolger-Bell** and **Blair Clark**, Associate General Secretary in early December and again in April. This network is gaining energy and focus once again transitioning to the ministry of working with claimants and refugees along with the traditional sponsoring of immigrants that has taken place over the years. We are represented by this network on the Canadian Refugee Council in Ottawa and the Refugee Round Table of the EFC. Several churches, including FBC Regina, West End in St Johns and FBC London, have begun significant work among government sponsored Karen refugees from Myanmar (formerly Burma). The developing crisis with Mexican refugee claimants entering Canada in growing numbers at border crossings like Windsor will also be part of this networks agenda.

Recognition of the quality of our field staff

It is always wonderful when we can celebrate with one of our colleagues as they are recognized for their ministry. In May, **Elie Haddad** will be honoured at the Tyndale Seminary Convocation as Tyndale's outstanding Alumni for 2008. We celebrate with Elie and Mireille in what they have so humbly entered into at the Arab Baptist Seminary. While awards may seem out of place in kingdom work—they do serve to say yes to what God is doing through His servants.

The Final Numbers

The last few years have been ones of growth for CBM. We have added field staff and ministry on the ground and facilitated the budget growth to make that possible. A review of the CBM audited 2007 budget statement portrays a growth of almost 3 million dollars. It also reveals the fact that the increase in funds has not been turned into administrative overhead but ministry deployment. A copy of the audited statement goes to all unions, conventions and women's organization within the Canadian Baptist family. They are also available on request by any church or individual within the same network.

Much has changed at CBM and one of the major seismic shifts has not simply been in the area of generosity but how people give. While budgeted amounts from convention, unions and women's organizations have been slowly in decline, the overall giving for each region has portrayed increased growth. Direct giving from Unions/Conventions and Women's organization breaks out in the following way for 2007.

CBWC	BCOQ	UEBFC	CABC	BWOQ	ABW
\$435,440	\$308,928	\$25,000	550,525	\$300,00	\$325,000

Total giving for regions tells a much different story however. Total giving is the giving that comes from all sources such as individuals, churches, associations/areas, major donor gifts, legacies and groups within a particular region. The picture gives us much to celebrate as Canadian Baptists take up the challenge of national and global ministry as well as the intentional ministry development they do within their regions.

CBWC	CBOQ	UEBFC	CABC	BWOQ	ABW
\$2,555,209	\$2,837,699	\$46,853	\$2,136,852	\$329,761	\$346,288

Praise the Lord for the generosity of the servants of God who call themselves Canadian Baptists.

Distributing our Canadian Resources

CBM is developing a more distributed system of resourcing our mandate of mission and ministry in Canada. Ministry personnel and resources are being deployed in Western Canada where **Dennis Shierman** and **Bob Swann** have been joined by contracted personnel, **Cam Roxburgh** (developing missional hubs of conversation) and **Cal Malena** (mentoring of key leaders of large churches). **Pak Loh** our new Chinese Ministry Coordinator works out of Ontario and Quebec and new personnel are being added in French Canada with the deployment of **Patrick and Ria Deneut**. In Atlantic Canada **Linda Naves** our Global Discipleship Coordinator and **Lois Mitchell** who focuses on Justice Initiatives will be joined by others in the coming years. All of these positions function cross regionally but they also provide a concentrated resource to the regions they live in.

Chaplaincy

Canadian Baptists have a significant role in a number of National Committees. One such committee is the **Interfaith Committee on Canadian Military Chaplaincy (ICCMC)** which is responsible for all chaplaincy work in the Canadian military. **Jeremy Bell**, Executive Minister of the Canadian Baptists of Western Canada now serves as our liaison on this committee. Jeremy is a reserve chaplain in the military and brings that experience to his involvement. Besides military chaplaincy Canadian Baptists are involved nationally in the Corrections Canada and in Hospital Chaplaincy. There is a hope that CBM might broker a meeting of all Canadian Baptist Chaplains in the coming years. Blair Clark as the Associate General Secretary continues to help us focus on the other various committees and associations that reflect our National life.

BWA

The Baptist World Alliance represents more than 200 million Christians who call themselves baptist and our role as Canadian Baptists is significant. Besides the influence of those serving on the committee and councils of this world body, there is the curious nature that people look to Canadians for a particular sensibility about globalization and multi national dialogue. In the last few months we hosted the visit of the new General Secretary of the BWA, Rev. Neville Callum a pastor and theologian from Jamaica. It was exciting to have him be a part of our CBM board in Moncton in October and also speak at some regional meetings.

Final Thoughts

We celebrate the growing commitment to local and global mission and are grateful for our part in the mission of the church. May God Bless us all in the work he has called us to be a part of.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary V Nelson
General Secretary
Canadian Baptist Ministries

CANADIAN BAPTIST MINISTRIES FINANCIAL

December 31, 2007

A full audited statement is available by request from the Canadian Baptist Ministries,
7185 Millcreek Drive, Mississauga, ON L5N 5R4

Statement of Financial Position

Total Assets	(A)	10,495,352
Total Liabilities	(B)	5,491,122
Net Assets	(A-B)	5,004,230

Statement of Operations

Revenues	(C)	10,948,619
Expenses	(D)	10,886,033
Net Income	(C-D)	62,586

Statement of Cash Flows (Statement of Changes in Financial Position)

Cash flows from Operating Activities	(E)	285,726
Cash flows from Investing and Financing Activities	(F)&(G)	(93,097)

Details of any restrictions on the resources listed in (A) above (i.e. restricted fund balances):

Restricted for Endowment Purposes	3,205,111
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Significant differences in the entities' disclosed accounting policies, from those followed by the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches:

None

Details of any events or transactions between the entity and the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches, in the period between your fiscal year end date and December 31. This applies only to entities with non-calendar year ends.

N/A

2007–2008 State of the French Baptist Union Report

Dear Delegates of the 2008 CABC Assembly,

We are happy to report to you some of the blessings and challenges that we, the Union of French Baptist Churches in Canada, a partner organisation of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches, experienced in 2007. Let me share with you some of the changes that have come about in our churches, ministry personnel and other ministries.

Our churches

A Montreal-area church, the *Église des Adorateurs chrétiens baptistes*, a Haitian congregation located just two kilometres north of the FBU offices, officially joined the FBU family last June. Pastored by Vilus Pierre, this dynamic church experienced, proportionately speaking, the highest increase in membership and the highest number of baptisms per member, in 2006. An Ottawa-area church, the *Centre évangélique francophone d'Ottawa*, a Haitian congregation of 30 members founded in 2002 by Pastor Jérémie Saintilma, started a one-year probationary period as well, expecting to become fully affiliated in August 2008.

Two churches, the Tracadie French Baptist Church, in New Brunswick, and the East-end of Montreal *Église évangélique baptiste missionnaire de la Pointe*, acquired larger facilities to meet their congregation's growing needs. Two other churches, the Côte-des-Neiges (Montreal) French Baptist church and the *Église évangélique baptiste d'Ottawa* are fast outgrowing their own facilities and are actively looking for new ones. Two recently planted ethnic churches, the Romanian *Agape Baptist Church*, and the African *Breath of Life Church*, both located in Montreal, are going through challenging times as each of them lost their pastoral leaders in the past year.

Our workers

Our pastoral team is becoming more and more international. The FBU called Dmitri Didorenko, a French church planter of Ukrainian origin, to start a church plant in a spiritually and economically needy neighbourhood of Montreal. Pierre Ndoumaï, a pastor and teacher from the Cameroun, joined the pastoral team of our Ottawa church and also started working half-time for our Leadership Training Program, designing our training manuals for our upcoming church-based program, *Formation MultiC*. Our Saint-Constant church hired a young but talented *Québécois* pastor, Jean-Sébastien Morin, as associate pastor, last summer. It is expected that he will become solo pastor when experienced French pastor Henri Frantz returns to France in August 2008, after four years of ministry among us.

Our ministries

Sem Pierre, our Coordinator of International Student Ministries on the University of Montreal Campus, is encouraged by the progress his ministry is making, as more international students contact him to take part in the various activities, both social and spiritual, that he has planned throughout the year. A number of them are following a Bible study on basic Christian beliefs with him. Our Youth Committee will be looking for new ways to continue stimulating youth ministry initiatives, as full-time Youth Director Georges Pierre was let go last December. The radio ministry CKZW, that we have been instrumental in launching, has been broadcasting the Gospel message every week on North America's first... Jewish radio station, Radio Shalom, since April 2007, during the Sabbath. They have a dedicated and enthusiastic team of volunteers who work hard to offer quality programming. The FBU is also offering them free office space. A third attempt to obtain a broadcasting licence for a *Christian* radio station will be made before the CRTC in 2008.

Our finances

We are happy to report that our affiliated churches' financial participation to our collective ministries has continued to increase in 2007, and that our membership and our partners have helped us reach our 2007 annual campaign goal of \$25,000 to meet Canadian Baptist Ministries' Challenge Grant of \$75,000 in support of church planting and development. But in spite of our efforts, the FBU faces its first (small) deficit in many years, ending 2007 in the red by about \$6,000, or less than 1%.

Our challenges

As we look ahead, the greatest challenge we continue to face is for new workers for French Canada. With a third of our pastoral work force approaching retirement age, recruiting spiritually and professionally qualified workers is crucial. ***So many French Canadians still do not know Christ!*** At the same time, we collectively strive to help our members reflect Christ more and more in their daily lives, so that their lives "may shine before men, that they may see their good deeds and praise our Father in heaven" (Mat. 5:16). ***Outreach and spiritual transformation: our mission continues.*** Thank you for your support throughout 2007. We count on your continued support in 2008.

Rev. Stéphane Couture

Director of Church Development & Human Resources

Union of French Baptist Churches in Canada

NAME OF CHURCH	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter	Received Otherwise	Removed by Death	Removed by Letter	Removed Otherwise	Net Gain/loss	Total Membership	Resident Membership	Avg Worship Attendance	Avg Youth Group Attendance	Youth and Leader in Mission Tours	Avg Ss Attendance	Youth in Weekly Bible Study	V. B.s. Type Events	Young Adult Group
Region I	NORTHWESTERN ASSOCIATION															
AROOSTOOK	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	25	18	30	5	0	17	0	23	0
BATH	0	0	0	2	1	0	-3	56	56	40	7	0	34	0	0	0
BEECHWOOD	2	0	1	0	0	0	3	100	85	93	0	0	71	0	30	0
CENTREVILLE	2	0	2	1	0	4	-1	84	83	80	15	11	27	15	48	0
COLDSTREAM	0	1	2	2	0	0	1	154	100	120	15	0	81	0	0	0
DE ST.-LEONARD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	17	12	0	0	2	0	0	0
D'MADAWASKA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	31	25	0	0	1	0	0	0
DOW SETTLEMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FLORENCEVILLE	1	2	0	1	1	6	-5	126	101	130	14	0	79	14	45	0
FOREST GLEN (REGULAR SERVICES NOT HELD)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRAFTON	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	105	89	60	12	0	35	0	25	0
GRAND FALLS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	10	20	9	1	0	0	0	0
HARTLAND	0	2	1	3	2	0	-2	253	154	85	18	0	63	0	40	0
JACKSONVILLE	3	3	0	2	1	0	3	120	44	228	50	10	138	0	30	0
KNOWLESVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	18	40	0	0	25	0	0	0
LAKEVILLE,GOOD CORNER,BLOOMFIELD	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	63	47	35	0	1	30	6	40	0
LINDSAY	5	1	0	0	2	0	4	59	59	63	17	0	40	0	18	0
MACKENZIE CORNER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	46	46	27	0	0	0	0	0	0
MARNE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MEDUCTIC	0	3	0	1	1	0	1	87	87	65	0	0	38	0	48	0
MOUNT PLEASANT	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	46	45	65	10	0	10	10	0	8
ORTONVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	68	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PEEL	0	0	0	0	2	0	-2	24	13	15	0	0	0	0	0	0
PEMBROKE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PERTH-ANDOVER	0	0	4	0	0	0	4	131	81	66	12	0	55	8	55	10
PLASTER ROCK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	146	143	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RILEY BROOK	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	9	9	11	0	0	0	0	0	0
SISSON RIDGE	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	27	27	52	7	0	5	0	0	0
TRACEY MILLS	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	88	53	45	5	0	20	0	0	0
UPPER KNOXFORD	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	20	9	12	0	0	3	0	0	0
VICTORIA	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	18	12	12	0	0	2	0	0	0
WATERVILLE	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	86	49	43	7	0	30	0	0	0
WICKLOW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WOODSTOCK	0	3	0	5	3	0	-5	736	521	351	35	0	183	15	138	0
TOTAL	20	19	10	22	13	11	3	2879	2086	1825	238	23	989	68	540	18

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Region I	QUEENS-SUNBURY ASSOCIATION															
BLISSVILLE	0	0	0	2	0	0	-2	20	20	12	0	0	8	0	0	0
CAMBRIDGE FIRST	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	79	49	30	0	0	10	0	0	0
CENTRAL WICKHAM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CODYS	0	1	0	0	2	0	-1	69	33	18	0	0	0	0	0	0
COLES ISLAND	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	34	28	26	0	0	0	0	0	0
CUMBERLAND BAY	2	2	0	3	0	0	1	119	100	50	20	0	35	0	15	0
FIRST CHIPMAN	0	0	0	6	4	0	-10	80	65	47	12	0	18	0	57	0
FIRST GRAND LAKE	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	24	24	39	0	0	7	0	0	0
FIRST HAMPSTEAD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	7	11	4	0	0	0	60	0
FREDERICTON JUNCTION	0	0	0	2	1	0	-3	147	88	150	32	0	27	0	125	0
FRENCH LAKE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	83	57	60	17	0	15	0	35	0
GEARY	3	2	0	0	0	1	4	131	105	150	26	18	90	30	114	10
HOYT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	115	36	40	0	0	8	0	40	0
JEMSEG	1	0	0	2	0	0	-1	125	73	70	28	0	12	0	45	33
LAKEVILLE CORNER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	35	65	26	0	15	0	85	0
LINCOLN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MAUGERVILLE	0	0	0	2	1	2	-5	85	80	45	0	0	35	0	40	0
MINTO	5	3	6	1	3	0	10	258	258	98	12	0	31	8	30	0
NEW MARYLAND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	163	121	80	11	1	45	11	30	0
NEWCASTLE CREEK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	47	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OROMOCTO	11	2	0	2	6	2	3	337	152	119	7	1	40	0	0	4
QUEENSTOWN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	8	11	4	0	0	0	60	0
RUSAGONIS	1	0	0	0	1	3	-3	256	198	107	30	12	25	10	45	0
SALMON CREEK	0	0	0	2	0	0	-2	69	69	24	0	0	12	0	30	0
SECOND CHIPMAN	5	6	0	7	0	0	4	274	178	57	0	0	59	0	0	0
SHANNON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRACY	1	1	2	6	0	0	-2	207	151	150	30	0	60	0	125	16
UPPER GAGETOWN	0	0	0	2	0	0	-2	26	20	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
WATERBOROUGH	0	0	0	2	1	0	-3	31	15	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
WATERVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	20	5	0	0	5	0	0	0
WICKHAM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIRRAL	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	16	13	18	0	0	8	0	0	0
TOTAL	29	20	9	42	19	8	-11	2995	2089	1519	259	32	565	59	936	63

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Region I	YORK ASSOCIATION															
BEAR ISLAND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BRUNSWICK STREET	15	16	2	12	6	2	13	912	667	587	60	27	150	24	182	38
BURT'S CORNER	5	3	2	3	2	0	5	140	112	100	20	0	45	0	55	12
DEVON PARK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DOUGLAS	0	2	0	3	0	0	-1	242	242	171	20	0	106	20	0	6
EEL RIVER LAKE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FAITH	6	6	6	3	5	3	7	188	183	165	40	3	81	0	214	12
FOREST CITY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	1	50	0	0	0	0	0	0
FOSTERVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRACE MEMORIAL	3	0	0	7	3	0	-7	599	429	200	12	0	25	8	70	25
GREENWOOD DRIVE	2	3	3	1	1	0	6	319	287	165	25	0	93	8	60	0
HANWELL	3	2	2	0	0	0	7	112	95	140	30	25	64	0	0	0
HARVEY	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	28	17	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
ISLAND VIEW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	56	29	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
KESWICK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	163	163	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
KINGSLEY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	225	132	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MACTAQUAC	0	0	0	2	0	1	-3	168	63	60	15	0	6	15	10	0
MARYSVILLE	9	2	1	6	4	0	2	365	302	168	45	18	27	12	30	0
MIDDLE SOUTHAMPTON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MILLVILLE	4	0	0	1	6	0	-3	86	66	55	18	0	35	20	45	6
NACKAWIC	0	0	0	3	0	0	-3	152	63	65	15	0	0	0	30	0
NASHWAAK VILLAGE	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	30	24	18	0	0	8	0	0	0
NASHWAAKSIS	5	1	0	2	6	0	-2	374	257	160	40	5	70	20	100	12
PRINCE WILLIAM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SCOTCH SETTLEMENT	8	1	7	0	0	0	16	16	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SECOND KINGSCLEAR	0	1	0	1	1	2	-3	105	101	60	15	0	40	15	0	5
SKYLINE ACRES	5	0	0	0	2	0	3	97	87	63	2	0	15	0	20	0
SPRINGFIELD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	84	47	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
STAPLES SETTLEMENT	0	0	0	0	2	0	-2	18	18	25	0	0	30	0	0	0
TEMPERANCE VALE	0	0	0	1	1	0	-2	40	21	25	0	0	3	0	0	0
UPPER HAINESVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	65	39	23	46	39	8	34	4617	3481	2327	357	78	798	142	816	116

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Region II	ANNAPOLIS COUNTY																					
ANNAPOLIS ROYAL FIRST	0	1	1	2	1	0	-1	131	84	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BEAR RIVER EAST	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	36	31	42	12	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0
BRIDGETOWN	2	5	0	5	4	0	-2	385	230	130	20	0	50	20	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CLARENCE	0	1	0	1	0	1	-1	82	26	10	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CLEMENTSPORT	0	0	0	0	3	0	-3	23	23	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CLEMENTSVALE	0	3	0	5	2	1	-5	165	121	55	0	0	20	4	20	0	0	0	20	4	20	0
DEEP BROOK	0	0	0	0	5	0	-5	76	31	40	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0
GRANVILLE BEACH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	21	26	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
GRANVILLE CENTRE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	14	20	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0
GRANVILLE FERRY	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	36	12	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
HAMPTON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	68	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HILLSBURN	2	1	0	2	2	0	-1	108	40	35	10	0	20	6	0	5	0	0	20	6	0	5
LAWRENCETOWN	0	2	3	9	5	0	-9	282	215	75	10	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0
LITCHFIELD UNION CHURCH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LOWER GRANVILLE FIELD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MARGARETSVILLE	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	84	45	34	5	0	14	0	30	0	0	0	14	0	30	0
MELVERN SQUARE	0	0	0	2	0	0	-2	78	47	34	0	0	6	0	12	0	0	0	6	0	12	0
MIDDLETON	4	6	0	8	6	0	-4	381	231	180	30	12	25	7	100	0	0	0	25	7	100	0
MILFORD-GRAYWOOD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MOUNT HANLEY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	20	20	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0
NICTAUX	0	3	0	5	1	0	-3	86	86	85	4	0	15	0	28	0	0	0	15	0	28	0
PARADISE	0	0	0	1	3	0	-4	174	174	50	0	0	25	0	30	0	0	0	25	0	30	0
PARKER'S COVE	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	84	84	55	15	0	60	4	0	0	0	0	60	4	0	0
PORT ROYAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PORT WADE	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	15	14	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TORBROOK	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	40	40	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VICTORIA BEACH	2	0	0	3	0	0	-1	28	20	26	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0
VICTORIA VALE	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	52	29	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WEST DALHOUSIE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	66	66	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WILMOT	2	6	0	1	3	0	4	109	76	60	5	0	32	0	15	0	0	0	32	0	15	0
WILMOT MOUNTAIN (PORT LORNE)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	15	34	5	46	38	3	-33	2724	1868	1130	111	12	336	44	277	5						

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Region II	EASTERN VALLEY ASSOCIATION															
ALTON	0	6	0	3	0	3	0	248	138	100	6	0	30	0	0	0
ARLINGTON	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	36	26	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
AVONPORT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	137	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AYLESFORD	0	0	0	1	8	12	-21	146	114	153	15	0	57	0	80	0
BERWICK	0	3	0	4	1	0	-2	219	219	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BETHANY MEMORIAL	6	0	0	3	0	0	3	260	260	110	28	0	39	9	32	0
BILLTOWN	1	0	0	4	2	0	-5	101	80	60	12	0	10	12	16	0
BLACK RIVER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	47	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLACK ROCK	5	2	0	1	0	0	6	98	38	40	0	0	8	0	0	0
BURLINGTON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	12	16	0	0	6	0	0	0
CAMBRIDGE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAMBRIDGE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	204	152	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CANNING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	180	141	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CENTREVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	217	149	160	38	15	18	13	73	0
COGMAGUN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
COLDBROOK	0	0	1	3	3	2	-7	45	45	67	0	0	12	0	55	0
FALMOUTH	0	1	0	3	0	0	-2	106	78	60	8	0	0	0	60	0
FIRST CORNWALLIS	0	0	0	4	1	0	-5	126	57	60	12	17	0	0	42	0
FOREST HILL	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	24	23	18	4	2	1	0	0	0
GASPEREAU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	92	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HALL'S HARBOUR	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	40	21	21	0	0	0	0	0	0
HANTSPORT	1	1	0	2	4	0	-4	260	148	70	20	10	30	0	45	6
HARMONY	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	68	48	38	0	2	0	0	0	0
KEMPT (SUMMERVILLE AND BRAMBER)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	109	99	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
KENTVILLE	3	8	0	10	5	0	-4	452	327	175	15	0	50	15	100	0
KINGSTON	7	6	1	2	0	0	12	405	227	135	12	0	40	0	55	0
MORRISTOWN	5	0	0	2	1	0	2	201	109	63	10	0	35	0	40	0
MOUNT DENSON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	48	44	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEW BEGINNINGS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEW MINAS	15	12	10	7	4	0	26	677	677	388	70	2	130	70	180	0
NEWPORT (SCOTCH VILLAGE)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	94	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PEREAUX	0	4	0	3	0	0	1	174	139	65	0	0	21	0	0	0
PORT WILLIAMS	0	1	0	3	4	0	-6	262	164	101	18	0	55	12	67	0
SCOTT'S BAY UNION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SOUTH RAWDON	0	0	0	3	1	0	-4	107	49	40	0	0	13	0	18	0
STONEY HILL (LOCKHARTVILLE)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	64	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
THIRD HORTON (CANAAN)	2	1	0	0	1	0	2	48	48	25	9	0	25	9	0	0
UPPER VAUGHAN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	68	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WALLBROOK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WATERVILLE	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	127	127	40	22	0	8	0	0	0
WEST BROOKLYN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	17	20	0	0	16	0	35	0
WHITE ROCK	0	0	0	1	2	0	-3	39	32	30	16	0	0	0	0	0

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Region III	MIRAMICHI-NORTH SHORE ASSOCIATION															
BAYVIEW (BATHURST)	0	3	0	1	1	0	1	122	58	40	0	0	0	0	30	0
CAMPBELLTON FIRST	0	0	0	3	0	6	-9	94	67	70	0	0	30	0	0	0
CARROLL'S CROSSING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	40	30	3	0	5	0	0	0
DOAKTOWN	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	105	77	40	5	0	25	0	0	0
EGLISE BAPTISTE CHALEUR	0	0	0	0	0	2	-2	8	7	9	0	0	0	0	0	0
LOWER DERBY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LUDLOW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	22	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEWCASTLE	9	1	0	1	7	14	-12	347	197	220	30	0	62	0	110	0
RESTIGOUCHE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
UNDERHILL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
UPPER BLACKVILLE (BETHEL/NEW ZION)	1	2	0	0	1	1	1	164	109	60	25	0	40	0	25	25
WELLINGTON STREET	0	0	0	0	2	0	-2	73	62	55	0	0	29	0	0	0
TOTAL	10	8	0	7	11	23	-23	1075	691	530	63	0	191	0	165	25

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Region III	PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND ASSOCIATION															
ALBERTON	0	0	0	1	0	4	-5	30	30	70	12	0	0	12	25	0
ALEXANDRA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ANNANDALE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BEDEQUE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	126	73	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BELMONT	0	2	0	2	1	0	-1	41	22	0	0	0	0	0	40	0
BONSHAW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	16	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAVENDISH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CENTRAL KINGS (DUNDAS)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CHARLOTTETOWN FIRST	8	1	0	8	3	0	-2	583	583	300	150	28	15	30	0	25
CLYDE RIVER	0	0	0	2	0	0	-2	18	13	20	0	0	3	0	14	0
CORNERSTONE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	88	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FAIRVIEW	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	47	47	19	0	0	0	0	0	0
KINGSBORO	1	0	0	5	0	0	-4	280	191	248	35	2	70	0	109	0
LONG CREEK	13	0	6	0	2	0	17	195	164	280	25	20	30	12	0	0
MONTAGUE	0	2	0	1	0	26	-25	38	38	38	0	0	4	0	15	0
MURRAY HARBOUR	0	2	2	2	0	2	0	111	77	85	16	0	42	5	125	0
MURRAY RIVER	0	2	0	1	2	0	-1	72	53	50	8	0	42	11	32	0
SPRINGFIELD WEST-O'LEARY	1	2	1	3	2	1	-2	201	154	120	20	10	65	20	55	0
STURGEON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUMMERSIDE	4	2	0	2	5	0	-1	140	140	160	15	4	70	0	0	0
TRYON-WESTMORELAND, INC.	0	0	0	0	4	0	-4	83	38	39	0	0	7	0	0	0
TOTAL	27	13	9	28	19	33	-31	2125	1736	1445	281	64	348	90	415	25

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Region III	WESTMORLAND-KENT ASSOCIATION															
ALLISON	24	14	0	2	2	0	34	609	609	640	70	18	400	30	125	20
BERRY MILLS	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	95	79	40	10	0	30	10	50	0
BRENTWOOD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	110	94	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BYNON MEMORIAL (CANAAN STATION)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	20	20	12	0	12	0	1	0
CALHOUN	0	0	0	1	1	0	-2	26	16	22	0	0	7	0	0	0
CHERRYFIELD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CORN HILL	1	2	1	2	0	0	2	74	29	24	0	0	8	0	20	0
DORCHESTER FIRST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	131	51	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
DUNDAS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	111	73	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FIRST NORTH RIVER	6	2	5	0	0	0	13	141	82	98	10	0	51	2	0	0
FOREST GLEN	0	0	0	1	1	0	-2	25	15	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRANGEVILLE	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	64	55	53	0	0	32	0	0	0
HAVELOCK	5	0	0	3	1	0	1	216	120	61	20	0	41	0	40	0
HIGHFIELD STREET	4	12	9	6	6	2	11	519	432	291	40	12	175	45	64	8
HILLGROVE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	116	95	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HILLSIDE	24	6	4	1	7	3	23	571	502	487	71	23	165	45	292	14
KINNEAR SETTLEMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LEWIS MOUNTAIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	74	67	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LEWISVILLE	0	9	0	5	0	0	4	352	182	200	0	0	0	0	0	0
MCKEE'S MILLS	0	0	0	1	1	0	-2	84	58	60	6	0	20	0	24	0
MIDDLE SACKVILLE	4	2	0	0	0	0	6	108	100	120	23	0	64	17	25	0
MIDGIC	0	0	0	3	0	0	-3	93	71	44	0	0	9	0	16	0
MONCTON FIRST	6	9	2	9	7	29	-28	617	511	324	0	0	32	0	0	0
NEW CANAAN	2	0	0	3	3	0	-4	81	25	25	0	0	20	0	35	0
PETITCODIAC	0	1	0	4	1	0	-4	458	458	160	50	12	91	0	210	0
RIVER GLADE	3	0	0	0	1	0	2	48	44	36	0	0	5	0	22	0
SALISBURY	11	6	0	5	3	0	9	409	312	206	25	5	135	0	100	0
SECOND NORTH RIVER	0	1	0	2	2	1	-4	173	127	72	15	0	21	0	28	0
SHEDIAC	2	6	0	1	1	0	6	36	36	60	0	0	0	0	40	0
STEEVES MOUNTAIN	0	0	0	2	1	0	-3	91	32	20	0	0	0	0	20	0
STEEVES SETTLEMENT	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	14	8	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUNNY BRAE	1	4	0	4	0	2	-1	325	155	120	30	2	63	30	70	8
THE GLADES	0	2	0	3	0	0	-1	42	42	30	0	0	6	0	0	0
UPLANDS	0	0	0	4	1	0	-5	150	114	56	35	3	29	40	0	0
UPPER POINT DE BUTE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VICTORY	0	0	0	1	3	0	-4	30	30	30	0	0	0	0	30	0
WEST LANE	1	0	0	0	3	0	-2	198	147	45	0	0	15	0	15	0
WHEATON SETTLEMENT	0	0	0	2	0	0	-2	89	85	50	10	0	5	10	25	0
TOTAL	95	76	21	67	45	37	43	6384	4913	3432	427	75	1436	229	1252	50

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Region IV	ANTIGONISH-GUYSBOROUGH ASSOCIATION															
BOYLSTON	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	15	13	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
CANSO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GOLDBORO	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	9	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GUYSBOROUGH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	11	18	0	0	6	0	0	0
HALF ISLAND COVE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ISAAC'S HARBOUR	0	0	0	2	0	0	-2	22	10	15	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEW HARBOUR	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	62	40	10	0	0	10	0	0	0
PORT BICKERTON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	14	30	0	0	0	0	0	0
PORT HILLFORD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEAL HARBOUR	0	0	0	2	0	0	-2	26	14	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
SONORA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	27	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	7	0	0	-7	196	135	152	0	0	16	0	0	0

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Region IV	CAPE BRETON ASSOCIATION															
CALVARY (NORTH SYDNEY)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	232	112	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CLYDE AVENUE (SYDNEY MINES)	0	0	0	3	2	0	-5	129	81	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GLACE BAY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	22	31	0	0	0	0	0	0
PORT HAWKESBURY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	19	31	3	9	7	0	0	0
SYDNEY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SYDNEY NEW LIFE BAPTIST CHURCH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	3	2	0	-5	402	234	62	3	9	7	0	0	0

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Region IV	COLCHESTER-PICTOU ASSOCIATION															
BASS RIVER	0	0	0	1	2	0	-3	55	11	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
BELMONT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	79	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BROOKFIELD	1	0	0	2	1	0	-2	83	55	70	10	0	28	0	20	0
CENTRAL NEW ANNAN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	10	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
DEBERT	0	0	0	3	0	0	-3	49	41	30	0	0	8	0	0	13
FIRST NEW GLASGOW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	217	217	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IMMANUEL	16	5	5	5	3	0	18	419	294	420	18	0	65	17	0	18
NUTTBY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	12	15	12	0	4	0	35	0
PORTAUIQUE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
STEWIACKE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	68	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRURO	0	2	0	7	2	0	-7	255	232	120	0	0	6	0	0	0
TRURO HEIGHTS	13	7	0	0	0	0	20	63	63	70	10	0	20	0	65	0
WITTENBURG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	74	65	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	30	14	5	18	8	0	23	1416	1105	749	50	0	131	17	120	31

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Region IV	CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION															
ADVOCATE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	15	45	0	0	0	0	20	0
AMHERST FIRST	0	0	0	3	0	3	-6	695	347	200	60	0	15	0	0	0
APPLE RIVER	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	7	7	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
DILIGENT RIVER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LITTLE RIVER	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	38	18	22	0	0	0	0	0	0
MACCAN	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	30	17	30	0	0	0	0	0	0
MILLVALE	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	13	6	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
OXFORD	0	2	0	2	1	0	-1	91	39	42	4	3	17	4	30	0
PARRSBORO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	62	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PORT GREVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	3	-3	26	23	21	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUGWASH MEMORIAL	2	2	1	2	0	0	3	79	54	61	12	0	14	0	0	0
RIVER HEBERT	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	42	42	32	0	0	0	0	0	0
SOUTHAMPTON	0	0	0	1	1	0	-2	36	25	55	6	1	8	0	0	0
SPRINGHILL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	357	227	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WALLACE RIVER	6	0	3	1	8	0	0	68	23	59	0	0	6	0	0	0
WENTWORTH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WESTCHESTER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	10	5	4	12	11	6	-10	1614	937	595	82	4	60	4	50	0

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Region IV	HALIFAX ASSOCIATION															
BAYERS ROAD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	412	152	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BAYSIDE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BEDFORD	5	7	0	4	10	0	-2	396	281	215	35	20	25	15	125	12
BETHEL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	86	73	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIRCH COVE	2	8	2	1	8	0	3	222	196	250	30	4	70	30	118	20
BIRCHY HEAD	7	0	0	0	1	0	6	42	36	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
CALVARY (SPRYFIELD)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	138	63	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DARTMOUTH FIRST	7	2	0	10	10	0	-11	338	319	285	30	20	85	30	40	15
EASTERN PASSAGE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	87	87	70	0	0	20	6	60	0
ELMSDALE	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	55	55	50	3	3	8	0	35	0
FAITH (LOWER SACKVILLE)	0	3	0	1	2	12	-12	226	102	84	0	0	10	0	62	0
FIRST HALIFAX	9	6	6	8	0	0	13	639	300	250	5	0	30	0	0	0
FOUNDATION	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	40	40	40	14	2	12	14	0	0
HAMMONDS PLAINS FIRST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	128	120	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HEAD OF ST. MARGARET'S BAY	0	1	0	3	2	0	-4	113	100	40	0	0	0	0	0	0
IMMANUEL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	135	96	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
INDIAN HARBOUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
JEDDORE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	143	89	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MULGRAVE PARK	5	0	0	3	1	2	-1	102	102	69	30	0	8	30	0	5
NEW BEGINNINGS MINISTRIES	4	3	0	2	0	0	5	183	168	200	14	0	65	0	0	15
NEW LIFE	5	1	0	0	1	0	5	60	55	60	24	0	20	24	21	6
REGAL ROAD	2	1	2	1	0	0	4	205	90	95	8	12	18	8	48	0
SACKVILLE	0	1	0	5	2	52	-58	88	72	71	0	0	22	0	0	0
SACKVILLE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	11	11	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEABRIGHT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SOUTH END	3	7	0	3	2	0	5	204	96	81	10	0	20	6	48	0
STEVENS ROAD	1	0	0	4	4	0	-7	456	274	142	30	26	27	18	50	8
TIMBERLEA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	78	73	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
UNIACKE	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	106	78	60	6	0	20	0	35	0
WEST DOVER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WEST END	11	5	5	4	2	3	12	396	108	95	30	7	25	0	40	15
TOTAL	69	45	15	50	46	69	-36	5203	3321	2187	269	94	485	181	682	96

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Region IV	NEWFOUNDLAND/LABRADOR ASSOCIATION															
CALVARY	0	1	0	0	0	3	-2	28	25	55	12	1	25	0	0	0
CLARENVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CORNER BROOK FIRST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	57	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GANDER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LEWISPORTE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NORTHERN CROSS COMMUNITY CHURCH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PLACENTIA BAY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WEST END (ST. JOHN'S)	5	2	0	1	0	0	6	178	126	200	20	0	90	0	160	45
TOTAL	5	3	0	1	0	3	4	303	246	255	32	1	115	0	160	45

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Region V	DIGBY COUNTY															
ASHMORE (BETHEL)	0	0	2	2	1	0	-1	81	39	30	0	0	10	0	0	0
BEAR RIVER	0	1	0	7	0	0	-6	221	112	46	0	0	10	0	12	0
CENTREVILLE (DIGBY NECK FIRST)	1	0	0	1	0	1	-1	34	13	9	0	0	0	0	0	0
CULLODEN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DIGBY	6	5	1	6	0	0	6	283	200	100	6	0	22	0	20	0
EAST FERRY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FREEPORT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	123	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HILL GROVE	1	1	1	0	2	0	1	91	62	40	6	0	25	0	60	0
LITTLE RIVER (DIGBY NECK SECOND)	8	0	0	0	0	0	8	86	51	0	5	0	30	0	0	5
NEW TUSKET	0	2	0	2	1	0	-1	87	63	47	25	0	32	0	35	0
NORTH RANGE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PLYMPTON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	83	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RIVERSIDE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROSSWAY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SAINT MARY'S BAY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SANDY COVE	0	0	0	2	0	0	-2	16	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SMITH'S COVE	5	5	1	2	2	0	7	110	75	35	0	0	3	0	0	0
TIVERTON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	72	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WESTPORT	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	80	20	30	10	0	12	0	24	0
TOTAL	21	14	5	23	6	1	10	1558	933	337	52	0	144	0	151	5

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Region V	LUNENBURG-QUEENS ASSOCIATION															
AENON	0	0	0	1	0	5	-6	113	113	72	25	0	33	30	25	25
BARSS CORNER	2	2	0	4	2	0	-2	220	132	60	9	1	38	0	25	0
BEECH HILL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIGTANCOOK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	47	47	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BRIDGEWATER	3	13	9	12	1	42	-30	669	524	285	30	20	60	30	80	0
BROOKLYN	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	58	58	29	0	0	23	0	0	0
BUCKFIELD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CALEDONIA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	54	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CANAAN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	22	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
CHARLESTON	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	30	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CHELSEA	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	67	42	36	0	0	11	2	0	0
CHESTER	5	2	4	6	0	0	5	375	250	100	12	0	40	0	50	0
DALHOUSIE EAST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GREENFIELD	0	4	0	3	0	1	0	73	54	65	20	0	34	0	0	0
KEMPT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	53	36	24	0	0	10	0	12	0
LAPLAND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LIVERPOOL	1	0	0	3	3	17	-22	441	188	80	5	0	35	0	0	0
MAHONE BAY	0	0	0	1	1	0	-2	108	43	30	0	0	0	0	0	0
MAITLAND BRIDGE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MILTON	0	2	3	2	0	0	3	164	99	70	0	0	11	0	0	0
NEW CANADA	1	0	0	2	2	0	-3	50	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEW CORNWALL	0	0	0	1	1	0	-2	61	42	31	0	0	25	0	0	0
NEW ROSS	2	0	0	3	1	0	-2	127	92	40	12	0	16	0	0	0
NORTH BROOKFIELD	0	0	0	1	2	0	-3	51	28	19	0	0	18	0	25	0
NORTHWEST	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	55	47	39	0	0	31	0	0	0
PARKDALE-MAPLEWOOD EMMANUEL	0	2	0	3	2	0	-3	123	64	35	8	0	10	0	0	0
PLEASANTVILLE	0	0	0	0	4	0	-4	144	102	65	10	0	30	16	45	0
PORT MEDWAY	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	22	18	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
PORT MOUTON	5	1	0	0	0	0	6	45	27	30	0	0	30	0	0	0
SOUTH BROOKFIELD (ZION)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	17	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRINGFIELD	0	0	0	0	3	0	-3	73	44	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WESTERN SHORE	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	17	17	26	0	0	31	0	0	0
WESTFIELD	0	0	0	2	0	0	-2	70	40	20	8	0	8	0	0	0
TOTAL	21	32	16	47	23	65	-66	3447	2276	1211	139	21	494	78	262	25

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Region V	SHELBURNE ASSOCIATION															
BARRINGTON TEMPLE	1	0	0	2	0	0	-1	122	67	35	0	0	45	0	36	0
BEAR POINT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	12	9	0	0	18	0	0	0
CENTRAL WOODS HARBOUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	21	15	0	0	15	0	0	0
CENTREVILLE	0	0	2	0	2	5	-5	52	52	31	0	0	48	0	60	0
CLARK'S HARBOUR ""STONE""	7	0	7	4	5	0	5	129	98	55	0	0	45	0	0	0
DOCTOR'S COVE	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	21	11	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
FIRST RAGGED ISLAND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	25	30	0	0	14	0	0	0
JORDAN FALLS	0	0	0	2	0	0	-2	76	76	45	8	0	30	0	37	0
LOCKEPORT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	55	23	17	0	0	10	0	14	12
LOWER WOODS HARBOUR	0	0	0	5	0	0	-5	110	96	80	0	0	70	0	60	0
NEWELLTON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	24	29	0	0	16	0	0	0
PORT LA TOUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	46	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SABLE RIVER FIRST	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	36	19	17	0	0	0	0	0	0
SHAG HARBOUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	78	50	80	0	0	32	0	0	25
SHELBURNE	0	0	0	3	0	0	-3	82	65	50	3	0	27	0	0	0
SOUTH SIDE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
STONEY ISLAND	0	2	3	0	0	3	2	105	98	30	0	0	75	0	45	0
TOTAL	9	2	12	17	8	8	-10	1064	816	530	11	0	445	0	252	37

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Region V	YARMOUTH ASSOCIATION															
ARCADIA	1	4	1	3	0	0	3	37	21	40	0	0	12	0	30	0
ARGYLE-PUBNICO	4	1	0	1	0	0	4	103	81	160	60	7	120	55	70	30
BAYVIEW (PORT MAITLAND)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	77	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BEAVER RIVER	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	43	21	24	0	0	0	0	0	0
BROOKLYN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	84	33	13	0	0	0	0	0	0
CARLETON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CEDAR LAKE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CENTRAL CHEBOGUE	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	28	20	40	0	0	12	0	30	0
FAITH MEMORIAL	0	0	0	2	1	2	-5	62	34	40	2	0	8	1	0	0
HEBRON	1	4	1	1	2	0	3	73	71	100	11	0	53	0	80	8
KEMPTVILLE	0	0	0	2	0	0	-2	98	53	60	20	0	25	0	30	0
LAKE GEORGE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PLEASANT LAKE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	47	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PLEASANT VALLEY	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	135	114	90	10	0	50	0	69	0
PLYMOUTH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	79	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROCKVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SANDFORD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	120	73	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
YARMOUTH NORTH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	201	150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ZION	2	2	0	9	0	0	-5	239	181	87	12	0	44	0	52	0
TOTAL	9	12	2	20	4	2	-3	1532	1053	654	115	7	324	56	361	38

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Region VI	SAINT JOHN-KINGS ASSOCIATION															
APOHAQUI	18	12	0	1	3	0	26	365	344	470	55	32	300	55	200	0
BROWNS FLAT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CENTRAL NORTON	0	0	0	4	3	0	-7	209	92	100	25	0	40	20	0	0
CHANCE HARBOUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
COLLINA	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	49	22	45	7	0	0	7	30	0
CORNERSTONE	4	0	2	8	0	0	-2	114	28	100	8	0	40	8	25	0
DIPPER HARBOUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EDITH AVENUE	1	0	0	2	3	0	-4	328	124	80	5	0	20	0	0	0
ERB'S COVE	2	3	0	2	0	0	3	88	58	40	8	0	20	0	24	0
FAIRFIELD	0	0	0	0	1	0	-1	84	46	45	0	0	20	0	50	0
FIRST ST. MARTINS	6	0	0	1	0	0	5	111	70	90	25	0	63	0	75	15
FOREST HILLS	13	3	3	8	7	0	4	693	450	291	40	0	120	95	271	10
GERMAIN STREET	0	2	0	2	2	0	-2	134	97	60	0	0	5	0	0	0
GRAND BAY	5	1	1	3	6	0	-2	443	357	0	45	26	85	15	120	0
HAMPTON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	202	52	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HEAD OF MILLSTREAM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HILLCREST	1	4	3	6	2	0	0	302	282	180	95	25	50	40	60	15
KEIRSTEAD MOUNTAIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
KENNEBECASIS	15	6	3	3	3	0	18	394	394	319	75	35	117	0	0	15
KIERSTEADVILLE	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	79	76	44	0	0	9	0	0	0
KINGSTON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	131	96	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LANCASTER	2	0	0	5	5	0	-8	271	240	135	8	2	35	8	0	0
LOCH LOMOND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LOWER MILLSTREAM	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	29	29	60	13	0	20	0	0	0
MACES BAY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MAIN STREET	12	4	6	10	1	0	11	583	583	361	30	0	253	8	120	20
MIDLAND	3	2	0	1	2	0	2	105	62	78	9	0	20	7	35	0
NEREPIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	55	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NORTON	4	0	0	1	0	0	3	92	53	70	18	0	0	14	50	0
PENOBSCUIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	188	118	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PORTAGE VALE	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	46	46	25	0	0	4	0	0	0
SALT SPRINGS	6	0	3	0	0	0	9	65	40	50	11	0	40	0	40	0
SMITHTOWN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	61	61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SNIDER MOUNTAIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	50	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUSSEX	3	0	0	9	6	0	-12	428	231	100	35	0	40	10	80	0
TABERNACLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	126	126	60	15	0	30	0	55	0
TOTAL	98	40	21	69	44	0	46	6034	4400	2853	527	120	1331	287	1235	75

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Region VI	SOUTHWESTERN ASSOCIATION															
ANDERSONVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BAYSIDE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BEAVER HARBOUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	72	72	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CALVARY (BLACK'S HARBOUR)	0	1	0	2	0	0	-1	85	85	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CASTALIA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FAIRHAVEN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45	20	20	5	0	12	0	0	4
GRAND HARBOUR	1	1	0	2	1	0	-1	172	172	40	0	0	45	0	75	0
LAMBERT'S COVE	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	30	20	15	0	0	15	0	0	0
NORTH HEAD	2	2	0	3	0	0	1	88	55	48	0	0	15	0	0	0
OAK BAY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PENNFIELD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	180	180	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
POCOLOGAN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	57	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROCKLAND DRIVE (MCADAM)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	226	116	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROLLINGDAM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	49	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEAL COVE	0	2	0	1	2	0	-1	76	76	65	15	0	45	0	0	0
SECOND FALLS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	140	62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ST. ANDREWS	3	1	2	1	1	0	4	277	138	101	15	0	16	8	80	25
ST. GEORGE	0	0	0	4	1	0	-5	279	222	0	12	0	56	0	120	0
UNION STREET	0	2	1	5	0	0	-2	373	248	155	15	0	35	0	150	0
WILSON'S BEACH	0	0	0	4	3	0	-7	239	189	70	0	0	35	0	60	0
TOTAL	7	10	3	22	8	0	-10	2495	1799	514	62	0	274	8	485	29

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Region VII	AFRICAN ASSOCIATION															
ACACIAVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BEECHVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CHERRY BROOK	7	5	0	3	2	0	7	287	234	155	6	0	15	0	0	0
COBEQUID ROAD	4	2	0	1	1	0	4	65	49	36	2	0	9	2	8	0
CORNWALLIS ST. (HALIFAX)	0	3	0	7	5	0	-9	161	161	150	20	0	25	0	0	5
EAST PRESTON	20	0	0	9	0	0	11	773	481	300	25	0	40	0	0	30
EMMANUEL	34	23	1	2	0	0	56	275	90	350	20	0	40	15	25	0
GIBSON WOODS	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	37	33	24	0	0	4	0	8	0
GREENVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GUYSBOROUGH ROAD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
INGLEWOOD	0	0	0	1	1	0	-2	19	19	15	0	0	0	0	0	8
LUCASVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	98	89	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MOUNT BEULAH	1	0	0	1	2	0	-2	5	5	5	1	0	0	0	5	1
SAINT THOMAS	20	5	0	13	1	0	11	943	897	350	35	0	85	0	0	0
SECOND NEW GLASGOW	4	3	0	4	0	0	3	160	153	40	7	0	9	0	0	0
SUNNYVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	15	12	0	0	2	0	0	0
TRACADIE	0	0	0	4	0	0	-4	74	16	20	0	0	11	0	0	0
VICTORIA ROAD (DARTMOUTH)	0	2	0	4	1	0	-3	150	119	70	9	15	14	9	0	0
WINDSOR PLAINS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ZION (TRURO)	1	0	0	2	0	0	-1	100	70	50	0	0	7	0	15	0
TOTAL	95	43	1	51	13	0	75	3319	2542	1577	125	15	261	26	61	44

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Statistical Summary	January 1 - December 31, 2007															
REGION I																
Northerwestern	20	19	10	22	13	11	3	2879	2086	1825	238	23	989	68	540	18
Queens-Sunbury	29	20	9	42	19	8	-11	2995	2089	1519	259	32	565	59	936	63
York	65	39	23	46	39	8	34	4617	3481	2327	357	78	798	142	816	116
REGION I TOTALS	114	78	42	110	71	27	26	10491	7656	5671	854	133	2352	269	2292	197
REGION II																
Annapolis	15	34	5	46	38	3	-33	2724	1868	1130	111	12	336	44	277	5
Eastern Valley	48	53	12	72	40	17	-16	6393	4646	2198	319	48	627	144	928	18
REGION II TOTALS	63	87	17	118	78	20	-49	9117	6514	3328	430	60	963	188	1205	23
REGION III																
Albert	25	44	14	23	23	1	36	2477	1880	964	227	0	516	138	364	58
Miramichi-North Shore	10	8	0	7	11	23	-23	1075	691	530	63	0	191	0	165	25
Prince Edward Island	27	13	9	28	19	33	-31	2125	1736	1445	281	64	348	90	415	25
Westmorland-Kent	95	76	21	67	45	37	43	6384	4913	3432	427	75	1436	229	1252	50
REGION III TOTALS	157	141	44	125	98	94	25	12061	9220	6371	998	139	2491	457	2196	158
REGION IV																
Antigonish-Guysborough	0	0	0	7	0	0	-7	196	135	152	0	0	16	0	0	0
Cape Breton	0	0	0	3	2	0	-5	402	234	62	3	9	7	0	0	0
Colchester-Pictou	30	14	5	18	8	0	23	1416	1105	749	50	0	131	17	120	31
Cumberland	10	5	4	12	11	6	-10	1614	937	595	82	4	60	4	50	0
Halifax	69	45	15	50	46	69	-36	5203	3321	2187	269	94	485	181	682	96
Newfoundland and Labrador	5	3	0	1	0	3	4	303	246	255	32	1	115	0	160	45
REGION IV TOTALS	114	67	24	91	67	78	-31	9134	5978	4000	436	108	814	202	1012	172
REGION V																
Digby	21	14	5	23	6	1	10	1558	933	337	52	0	144	0	151	5
Lunenburg-Queens	21	32	16	47	23	65	-66	3447	2276	1211	139	21	494	78	262	25
Shelburne	9	2	12	17	8	8	-10	1064	816	530	11	0	445	0	252	37
Yarmouth	9	12	2	20	4	2	-3	1532	1053	654	115	7	324	56	361	38
REGION V TOTALS	60	60	35	107	41	76	-69	7601	5078	2732	317	28	1407	134	1026	105
REGION VI																
Saint John-Kings	98	40	21	69	44	0	46	6034	4400	2853	527	120	1331	287	1235	75
Southwestern	7	10	3	22	8	0	-10	2495	1799	514	62	0	274	8	485	29
REGION VI TOTALS	105	50	24	91	52	0	36	8529	6199	3367	589	120	1605	295	1720	104
REGION VIII																
African	95	43	1	51	13	0	75	3319	2542	1577	125	15	261	26	61	44
REGION VIII TOTALS	95	43	1	51	13	0	75	3319	2542	1577	125	15	261	26	61	44
GRAND TOTAL 2007	708	526	187	693	420	295	13	60252	43187	27046	3749	603	9893	1571	9512	803
Grand Total 2006	778	603	237	636	504	223	255	62070	44727	27369	3536	936	9878	1725	10786	730
Grand Total 2005	878	653	245	722	510	90	454	63223	46118	28013	4108	799	10570	1592	10563	908
Grand Total 2004	886	627	267	803	521	189	267	63352	44831	31625	3942	895	11349	1540	11402	
Grand Total 2003	810	711	157	692	572	250	166	62766	46339	27427	3702	762	11387	1536	11247	
Grand Total 2002	924	681	216	741	657	257	166	63236	46965	28172	3956	1266	12518	1568	11551	
Grand Total 2001	831	729	207	774	644	164	183	63476	47208	27961	3676	891	13391	1722	12945	
Grand Total 2000	849	766	185	762	725	345	-28	62276	46858	26812			13453			
Grand Total 1999	942	702	212	722	618	256	259	62214	46469	26610			17375			
Grand Total 1998	1009	790	198	816	757	247	192	62784	46716	27907						
Grand Total 1997	986	737	134	851	704	301	18	63787	46143	29372						

NAME OF CHURCH	CONVENTION REVENUE				LOCAL CHURCH REVENUE			
	United in Mission	% of Church Revenue	Supplemental Revenue	Total Convention Revenue	Church Revenue	Mission & Benevolences	Other Church Groups	Total Church Revenue
Region I	NORTHWESTERN ASSOCIATION							
AROOSTOOK	7,199.00	12.71	480.00	7,679.00	56,638.00	15,870.00	3,929.00	60,567.00
BATH	5,000.00	9.32	200.00	5,200.00	53,633.00	14,172.00	9,529.92	63,162.92
BEECHWOOD	5,000.00	3.65	2,230.00	7,230.00	137,092.88	0.00	5,409.75	142,502.63
CENTREVILLE	3,535.00	1.71	1,445.00	4,980.00	207,288.00	21,032.00	1,419.00	208,707.00
COLDSTREAM	6,000.00	3.79	0.00	6,000.00	158,193.68	12,658.00	7,323.92	165,517.60
DE ST.-LEONARD	1,300.00	7.25	0.00	1,300.00	17,932.44	0.00	0.00	17,932.44
D'MADAWASKA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35,557.25	0.00	0.00	35,557.25
DOW SETTLEMENT	500.00	4.35	150.00	650.00	11,501.37	1,655.00	692.12	12,193.49
FLORENCEVILLE	9,000.00	4.82	1,300.00	10,300.00	186,554.00	25,362.95	9,230.61	195,784.61
FOREST GLEN	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
GRAFTON	2,545.00	2.54	175.00	2,720.00	100,000.00	16,350.00	5,289.00	105,289.00
GRAND FALLS	500.00	2.60	100.00	600.00	19,203.71	4,003.25	888.00	20,091.71
HARTLAND	12,000.00	7.08	845.00	12,845.00	169,565.00	21,679.00	26,315.00	195,880.00
JACKSONVILLE	13,500.00	3.70	1,861.83	15,361.83	365,191.00	66,647.00	3,975.69	369,166.69
KNOWLESVILLE	1,500.00	3.74	0.00	1,500.00	40,141.47	4,400.00	0.00	40,141.47
LAKEVILLE,GOOD CORNER,BLOOMFIELD	3,000.00	4.86	57.00	3,057.00	61,785.14	6,797.79	0.00	61,785.14
LINDSAY	4,795.00	5.87	0.00	4,795.00	81,726.23	10,729.34	998.70	82,724.93
MACKENZIE CORNER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16,465.54	0.00	311.99	16,777.53
MARNE	500.00	0.00	345.00	845.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MEDUCTIC	7,500.00	7.63	200.00	7,700.00	98,272.78	0.00	0.00	98,272.78
MOUNT PLEASANT	3,200.00	4.68	0.00	3,200.00	68,315.06	6,054.62	6,094.25	74,409.31
ORTONVILLE	300.00	0.53	0.00	300.00	56,231.43	1,069.73	598.50	56,829.93
PEEL	1,400.00	6.98	1,085.00	2,485.00	20,043.74	11,690.87	0.00	20,043.74
PEMBROKE	2,758.00	0.00	0.00	2,758.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PERTH-ANDOVER	6,655.00	5.42	250.00	6,905.00	122,812.96	33,464.69	0.00	122,812.96
PLASTER ROCK	3,000.00	0.00	4,899.00	7,899.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
RILEY BROOK	500.00	11.40	0.00	500.00	4,385.89	500.00	0.00	4,385.89
SISSON RIDGE	1,000.00	1.81	1,901.17	2,901.17	55,183.34	2,500.00	0.00	55,183.34
TRACEY MILLS	5,500.00	7.18	0.00	5,500.00	76,623.00	575.00	0.00	76,623.00
UPPER KNOXFORD	250.00	1.08	0.00	250.00	23,239.05	450.00	855.48	24,094.53
VICTORIA	1,620.00	8.08	315.00	1,935.00	20,061.00	4,500.00	1,948.00	22,009.00
WATERVILLE	2,100.00	3.86	30.00	2,130.00	54,416.71	4,680.00	6,307.58	60,724.29
WICKLOW	1,000.00	0.00	100.00	1,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
WOODSTOCK	60,000.00	10.14	28,660.00	88,660.00	591,574.00	148,007.00	29,370.00	620,944.00
TOTAL	172,657.00	5.93	46,629.00	219,286.00	2,909,627.67	434,848.24	120,486.51	3,030,114.18

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Region I	QUEENS-SUNBURY ASSOCIATION							
BLISSVILLE	275.00	1.24	0.00	275.00	22,235.42	0.00	0.00	22,235.42
CAMBRIDGE FIRST	6,000.00	10.00	100.00	6,100.00	60,000.00	0.00	0.00	60,000.00
CENTRAL WICKHAM	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CODYS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	21,340.22	8,002.05	0.00	21,340.22
COLES ISLAND	3,000.00	7.01	500.00	3,500.00	42,785.40	11,120.00	0.00	42,785.40
CUMBERLAND BAY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	51,860.49	6,205.12	4,656.54	56,517.03
FIRST CHIPMAN	3,064.00	3.51	250.00	3,314.00	87,198.61	6,047.00	3,164.39	90,363.00
FIRST GRAND LAKE	1,013.60	2.38	0.00	1,013.60	42,580.41	1,220.22	439.24	43,019.65
FIRST HAMPSTEAD	1,000.00	12.69	100.00	1,100.00	7,879.18	0.00	0.00	7,879.18
FREDERICTON JUNCTION	12,000.00	13.62	2,806.60	14,806.60	88,089.44	22,759.60	6,366.73	94,456.17
FRENCH LAKE	600.00	1.09	0.00	600.00	55,213.00	6,616.00	1,765.00	56,978.00
GEARY	6,770.00	2.79	2,434.00	9,204.00	242,247.16	33,005.46	11,219.87	253,467.03
HOYT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	64,069.87	4,442.09	1,418.25	65,488.12
JEMSEG	7,636.00	130.20	0.00	7,636.00	5,865.00	6,208.80	0.00	5,865.00
LAKEVILLE CORNER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	77,520.32	8,191.00	0.00	77,520.32
LINCOLN	5,355.00	0.00	1,632.00	6,987.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAUGERVILLE	4,715.93	5.89	1,725.00	6,440.93	80,092.64	8,570.25	2,518.97	82,611.61
MINTO	11,500.00	7.12	150.00	11,650.00	161,409.78	25,573.66	4,918.55	166,328.33
NEW MARYLAND	3,000.00	2.42	0.00	3,000.00	123,826.00	20,021.00	0.00	123,826.00
NEWCASTLE CREEK	650.00	0.00	0.00	650.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
OROMOCTO	14,000.00	7.61	950.00	14,950.00	183,982.53	7,721.40	4,096.84	188,079.37
QUEENSTOWN	500.00	0.00	200.00	700.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
RUSAGONIS	15,400.00	8.30	3,600.00	19,000.00	185,502.00	15,570.00	0.00	185,502.00
SALMON CREEK	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24,241.29	0.00	755.00	24,996.29
SECOND CHIPMAN	12,330.50	8.53	1,030.00	13,360.50	144,589.85	28,559.46	11,468.96	156,058.81
SHANNON	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,029.00	0.00	0.00	5,029.00
TRACY	12,000.00	11.15	800.00	12,800.00	107,640.52	36,063.31	11,436.31	119,076.83
UPPER GAGETOWN	1,270.00	7.86	50.00	1,320.00	16,164.57	2,285.00	0.00	16,164.57
WATERBOROUGH	228.60	0.97	100.00	328.60	23,467.37	1,612.85	0.00	23,467.37
WATERVILLE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,065.03	0.00	0.00	14,065.03
WICKHAM	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
WIRRAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	31,035.01	1,718.00	520.45	31,555.46
TOTAL	122,308.63	6.21	16,427.60	138,736.23	1,969,930.11	261,512.27	64,745.10	2,034,675.21

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Region I	YORK ASSOCIATION							
BEAR ISLAND	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BRUNSWICK STREET	76,000.00	6.67	17,621.00	93,621.00	1,139,334.00	168,052.00	31,854.00	1,171,188.00
BURTT'S CORNER	10,000.00	8.37	165.00	10,165.00	119,443.66	13,650.00	13,666.56	133,110.22
DEVON PARK	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
DOUGLAS	27,000.00	10.73	10,111.25	37,111.25	251,650.00	60,459.00	7,916.00	259,566.00
EEL RIVER LAKE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FAITH	10,660.00	3.28	1,716.96	12,376.96	324,606.60	51,967.15	0.00	324,606.60
FOREST CITY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,589.90	100.00	0.00	13,589.90
FOSTERVILLE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
GRACE MEMORIAL	39,034.50	8.62	4,799.01	43,833.51	452,624.00	66,435.00	7,294.00	459,918.00
GREENWOOD DRIVE	16,999.96	5.87	3,785.00	20,784.96	289,496.00	31,030.00	2,414.25	291,910.25
HANWELL	4,000.00	3.13	600.00	4,600.00	127,812.12	13,353.28	7,771.69	135,583.81
HARVEY	1,626.00	4.18	90.00	1,716.00	38,903.41	5,609.96	0.00	38,903.41
ISLAND VIEW	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	30,147.83	1,310.00	1,000.00	31,147.83
KESWICK	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
KINGSLEY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MACTAQUAC	2,338.83	1.96	395.00	2,733.83	119,231.68	8,494.18	4,586.52	123,818.20
MARYSVILLE	29,333.35	7.40	2,853.25	32,186.60	396,175.00	31,753.00	7,027.00	403,202.00
MIDDLE SOUTHAMPTON	325.00	0.00	0.00	325.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MILLVILLE	7,500.00	8.69	200.00	7,700.00	86,267.08	12,753.40	1,503.40	87,770.48
NACKAWIC	4,500.00	6.05	0.00	4,500.00	74,424.23	8,300.00	0.00	74,424.23
NASHWAAK VILLAGE	1,799.10	4.53	0.00	1,799.10	39,712.67	261.88	554.36	40,267.03
NASHWAAKSIS	13,500.00	4.33	7,306.66	20,806.66	311,660.21	26,271.42	15,490.02	327,150.23
PRINCE WILLIAM	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SCOTCH SETTLEMENT	1,860.00	7.50	2,100.00	3,960.00	24,801.30	7,250.00	0.00	24,801.30
SECOND KINGSCLEAR	11,500.00	9.40	0.00	11,500.00	122,389.00	3,000.00	0.00	122,389.00
SKYLINE ACRES	5,353.01	5.14	0.00	5,353.01	104,215.00	2,600.00	2,500.00	106,715.00
SPRINGFIELD	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
STAPLES SETTLEMENT	165.00	0.44	0.00	165.00	37,608.94	0.00	0.00	37,608.94
TEMPERANCE VALE	288.21	0.63	0.00	288.21	45,474.69	2,513.96	874.38	46,349.07
UPPER HAINESVILLE	750.00	0.00	0.00	750.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	264,532.96	6.37	51,743.13	316,276.09	4,149,567.32	515,164.23	104,452.18	4,254,019.50

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Region II	ANNAPOLIS COUNTY							
ANNAPOLIS ROYAL FIRST	6,916.71	8.83	771.95	7,688.66	78,301.41	3,338.20	1,356.53	79,657.94
BEAR RIVER EAST	1,378.45	3.44	0.00	1,378.45	40,103.35	2,376.63	1,361.08	41,464.43
BRIDGETOWN	21,448.40	11.99	4,033.23	25,481.63	178,906.00	60,218.00	7,338.00	186,244.00
CLARENCE	571.00	4.47	50.00	621.00	12,781.50	750.00	3,109.70	15,891.20
CLEMENTSPORT	430.00	0.00	0.00	430.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CLEMENTSVALE	4,670.25	6.17	1,933.00	6,603.25	75,670.19	1,589.66	2,847.81	78,518.00
DEEP BROOK	4,850.00	11.06	600.00	5,450.00	43,845.94	5,881.67	134.00	43,979.94
GRANVILLE BEACH	221.00	1.52	255.50	476.50	14,582.40	481.50	0.00	14,582.40
GRANVILLE CENTRE	1,200.00	7.21	100.00	1,300.00	16,655.00	1,798.53	0.00	16,655.00
GRANVILLE FERRY	1,920.00	5.64	0.00	1,920.00	34,046.09	14,050.00	0.00	34,046.09
HAMPTON	600.00	0.00	200.00	800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
HILLSBURN	2,475.00	4.99	400.00	2,875.00	49,600.00	2,900.00	2,000.00	51,600.00
LAWRENCETOWN	4,840.00	5.10	630.00	5,470.00	94,949.32	0.00	1,861.43	96,810.75
LITCHFIELD UNION CHURCH	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LOWER GRANVILLE FIELD	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MARGARETSVILLE	875.00	1.61	0.00	875.00	54,459.86	2,675.34	3,763.19	58,223.05
MELVERN SQUARE	4,613.00	10.58	247.00	4,860.00	43,607.49	5,643.00	3,794.00	47,401.49
MIDDLETON	14,669.00	4.89	9,666.14	24,335.14	299,704.00	44,828.00	5,070.00	304,774.00
MILFORD-GRAYWOOD	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MOUNT HANLEY	200.00	1.39	50.00	250.00	14,362.42	0.00	561.95	14,924.37
NICTAUX	6,500.04	5.99	1,148.50	7,648.54	108,540.98	10,901.01	10,097.74	118,638.72
PARADISE	5,495.00	8.45	1,365.00	6,860.00	65,000.00	8,700.00	2,500.00	67,500.00
PARKER'S COVE	1,000.00	1.63	250.00	1,250.00	61,427.79	3,343.48	1,985.01	63,412.80
PORT ROYAL	160.50	0.00	297.00	457.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PORT WADE	232.00	0.40	73.00	305.00	58,369.38	397.50	0.00	58,369.38
TORBROOK	1,825.00	6.50	50.00	1,875.00	28,096.89	2,272.00	905.00	29,001.89
VICTORIA BEACH	353.00	3.15	126.20	479.20	11,214.55	543.20	1,153.25	12,367.80
VICTORIA VALE	3,300.00	8.83	0.00	3,300.00	37,357.00	4,722.00	0.00	37,357.00
WEST DALHOUSIE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,891.32	0.00	0.00	2,891.32
WILMOT	4,479.45	4.93	515.56	4,995.01	90,937.00	8,348.00	6,318.00	97,255.00
WILMOT MOUNTAIN (PORT LORNE)	1,000.00	0.00	100.00	1,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	96,222.80	6.35	22,862.08	119,084.88	1,515,409.88	185,757.72	56,156.69	1,571,566.57

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Region II	EASTERN VALLEY ASSOCIATION							
ALTON	6,500.00	5.07	1,588.58	8,088.58	128,267.94	16,841.30	12,208.97	140,476.91
ARLINGTON	350.00	0.39	125.00	475.00	88,950.76	1,019.62	0.00	88,950.76
AVONPORT	1,000.00	0.00	100.00	1,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
AYLESFORD	10,000.00	3.53	2,100.00	12,100.00	283,093.75	21,448.99	5,880.64	288,974.39
BERWICK	11,000.00	0.00	100.00	11,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BETHANY MEMORIAL	9,000.00	6.06	335.00	9,335.00	148,401.56	11,507.97	8,541.48	156,943.04
BILLTOWN	4,000.00	6.10	0.00	4,000.00	65,603.79	2,584.53	10,513.06	76,116.85
BLACK RIVER	1,000.00	0.00	100.00	1,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BLACK ROCK	900.00	2.70	0.00	900.00	33,355.18	400.00	0.00	33,355.18
BURLINGTON	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16,311.60	630.00	1,599.40	17,911.00
CAMBRIDGE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CAMBRIDGE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CANNING	1,666.68	0.00	787.70	2,454.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CENTREVILLE	5,785.00	1.57	2,900.00	8,685.00	368,187.34	12,569.00	3,356.00	371,543.34
COGMAGUN	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
COLDBROOK	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	66,120.78	7,716.00	0.00	66,120.78
FALMOUTH	7,419.50	3.89	3,921.75	11,341.25	190,606.00	0.00	1,490.00	192,096.00
FIRST CORNWALLIS	1,788.75	2.04	600.00	2,388.75	87,784.00	3,350.00	953.00	88,737.00
FOREST HILL	300.00	1.77	0.00	300.00	16,983.62	0.00	0.00	16,983.62
GASPEREAU	2,208.00	0.00	105.00	2,313.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
HALL'S HARBOUR	1,000.00	4.41	0.00	1,000.00	22,655.70	1,400.00	995.00	23,650.70
HANTSPORT	5,626.50	4.70	1,906.00	7,532.50	119,662.00	6,689.50	4,926.00	124,588.00
HARMONY	1,209.25	2.73	0.00	1,209.25	44,365.91	1,302.00	0.00	44,365.91
KEMPT (Summerville And Bramber)	120.00	0.00	0.00	120.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
KENTVILLE	23,026.25	7.80	4,050.09	27,076.34	295,325.09	54,633.41	32,020.75	327,345.84
KINGSTON	16,169.00	9.96	4,095.00	20,264.00	162,301.93	34,788.94	4,436.49	166,738.42
MORRISTOWN	4,172.35	5.64	0.00	4,172.35	73,979.00	4,270.00	2,006.00	75,985.00
MOUNT DENSON	703.00	0.00	0.00	703.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NEW BEGINNINGS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NEW MINAS	57,460.37	6.13	12,898.38	70,358.75	937,877.00	102,850.00	250,877.00	1,188,754.00
NEWPORT (SCOTCH VILLAGE)	630.30	0.00	0.00	630.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PEREAUX	3,928.00	5.67	200.00	4,128.00	69,298.00	6,723.00	7,641.00	76,939.00
PORT WILLIAMS	9,912.50	6.34	811.67	10,724.17	156,426.60	14,341.54	12,237.75	168,664.35
SCOTT'S BAY UNION	0.00	0.00	181.50	181.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SOUTH RAWDON	2,255.85	3.73	370.00	2,625.85	60,518.51	4,953.22	1,196.95	61,715.46
STONEY HILL (LOCKHARTVILLE)	1,125.00	0.00	200.00	1,325.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
THIRD HORTON (CANAAN)	1,840.00	4.44	756.00	2,596.00	41,441.68	0.00	0.00	41,441.68
UPPER VAUGHAN	1,030.00	0.00	1,075.00	2,105.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
WALLBROOK	869.75	0.00	350.00	1,219.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
WATERVILLE	570.00	1.17	150.00	720.00	48,542.00	1,343.00	6,115.00	54,657.00
WEST BROOKLYN	1,250.00	0.00	0.00	1,250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
WHITE ROCK	4,151.00	22.03	100.00	4,251.00	18,845.69	2,129.50	0.00	18,845.69

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Region II								
EASTERN VALLEY ASSOCIATION								
WINDSOR	7,974.05	0.00	3,184.00	11,158.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
WOLFVILLE	23,481.77	0.00	4,759.62	28,241.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
WOLFVILLE RIDGE	2,700.00	6.03	0.00	2,700.00	44,791.18	2,700.00	0.00	44,791.18
WOODVILLE	2,930.00	9.33	350.00	3,280.00	31,400.91	3,660.00	0.00	31,400.91
TOTAL	237,052.87	6.55	48,200.29	285,253.16	3,621,097.52	319,851.52	366,994.49	3,988,092.01

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Region III								
ALBERT ASSOCIATION								
ALBERT MINES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	44,950.00	135.00	110.27	45,060.27
ALMA	1,450.00	0.00	0.00	1,450.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BALTIMORE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BERRYTON	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
DAWSON SETTLEMENT	4,068.00	7.76	155.00	4,223.00	52,420.71	10,363.32	2,194.19	54,614.90
ELGIN FIRST	14,500.00	17.46	840.00	15,340.00	83,038.01	8,040.00	7,115.71	90,153.72
ELGIN SECOND	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ELGIN THIRD (HILLSIDE)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FIRST HARVEY	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FIVE POINTS	8,252.16	0.00	634.62	8,886.78	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
GUNNINGSVILLE	15,100.00	8.07	4,993.00	20,093.00	187,031.95	40,313.72	4,497.44	191,529.39
HILLSBOROUGH FIRST	28,000.58	6.40	10,494.94	38,495.52	437,800.00	79,533.33	1,938.71	439,738.71
HOPEWELL HILL	900.00	1.20	200.00	1,100.00	75,166.94	31,511.95	2,470.66	77,637.60
LOWER CAPE	1,400.00	0.00	0.00	1,400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LOWER COVERDALE	15,000.00	6.72	0.00	15,000.00	223,056.00	0.00	0.00	223,056.00
LOWER TURTLE CREEK	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MIDDLESEX	3,500.00	7.98	200.00	3,700.00	43,842.10	4,790.00	5,584.16	49,426.26
NEW HORTON	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NIXON (3RD COVERDALE)	300.00	1.16	0.00	300.00	25,805.42	0.00	0.00	25,805.42
RIVERSIDE-ALBERT	2,000.00	6.64	1,000.00	3,000.00	30,113.00	5,406.00	625.00	30,738.00
RIVERVIEW	18,950.00	8.45	1,500.00	20,450.00	224,203.98	56,575.51	12,629.77	236,833.75
SALEM	2,000.00	5.57	75.00	2,075.00	35,882.66	5,205.00	2,859.68	38,742.34
STONEY CREEK	5,540.00	21.44	0.00	5,540.00	25,834.47	5,640.00	517.50	26,351.97
VALLEY	2,000.00	1.85	0.00	2,000.00	108,172.00	19,385.00	13,856.00	122,028.00
WELDON	1,785.50	5.90	860.75	2,646.25	30,261.20	5,226.51	1,908.49	32,169.69
WHITEPINE	2,434.82	0.00	1,780.70	4,215.52	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	129,381.06	7.95	22,734.01	152,115.07	1,627,578.44	272,125.34	56,307.58	1,683,886.02

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Region III	WESTMORLAND-KENT ASSOCIATION							
ALLISON	13,111.10	1.75	0.00	13,111.10	747,535.00	85,748.00	3,624.00	751,159.00
BERRY MILLS	5,000.00	9.47	0.00	5,000.00	52,789.46	10,940.94	4,071.77	56,861.23
BRENTWOOD	7,764.00	0.00	2,040.00	9,804.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BYNON MEMORIAL (CANAAN STATION)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	22,908.00	760.00	617.00	23,525.00
CALHOUN	3,036.00	8.94	265.00	3,301.00	33,975.22	3,036.00	0.00	33,975.22
CHERRYFIELD	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CORN HILL	3,607.00	7.14	270.00	3,877.00	50,551.83	7,012.00	94.00	50,645.83
DORCHESTER FIRST	829.00	1.97	0.00	829.00	42,166.00	1,654.00	950.00	43,116.00
DUNDAS	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FIRST NORTH RIVER	4,759.00	2.37	1,435.61	6,194.61	200,912.37	12,335.20	4,892.60	205,804.97
FOREST GLEN	300.00	3.21	300.00	600.00	9,342.88	600.00	0.00	9,342.88
GRANGEVILLE	2,584.50	4.41	0.00	2,584.50	58,627.79	2,357.20	2,188.07	60,815.86
HAVELOCK	8,760.00	8.32	200.00	8,960.00	105,305.81	41,370.30	0.00	105,305.81
HIGHFIELD STREET	88,180.51	15.95	0.00	88,180.51	552,783.00	125,749.00	32,171.00	584,954.00
HILLGROVE	250.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
HILLSIDE	41,550.00	5.39	15,014.00	56,564.00	770,428.00	93,728.00	20,817.00	791,245.00
KINNEAR SETTLEMENT	800.00	2.27	0.00	800.00	35,262.21	0.00	0.00	35,262.21
LEWIS MOUNTAIN	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LEWISVILLE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	334,088.00	40,150.00	9,488.00	343,576.00
MCKEE'S MILLS	4,000.00	4.41	1,200.00	5,200.00	90,650.19	13,203.00	2,342.46	92,992.65
MIDDLE SACKVILLE	13,321.00	5.65	750.00	14,071.00	235,818.00	58,450.00	1,544.00	237,362.00
MIDGIC	4,807.00	14.04	430.00	5,237.00	34,231.53	8,222.00	18,963.93	53,195.46
MONCTON FIRST	55,000.00	8.79	300.00	55,300.00	625,605.00	62,903.00	26,944.00	652,549.00
NEW CANAAN	1,334.00	4.40	0.00	1,334.00	30,287.63	0.00	0.00	30,287.63
PETITCODIAC	28,774.32	10.69	3,378.35	32,152.67	269,283.00	30,331.00	8,845.00	278,128.00
RIVER GLADE	1,200.00	2.77	0.00	1,200.00	43,338.85	2,270.00	1,214.66	44,553.51
SALISBURY	23,574.00	5.98	0.00	23,574.00	394,035.17	2,386.98	12,577.80	406,612.97
SECOND NORTH RIVER	9,000.00	8.89	0.00	9,000.00	101,293.43	17,599.18	1,773.00	103,066.43
SHEDIAC	3,300.00	5.98	200.00	3,500.00	55,199.00	9,300.00	3,870.00	59,069.00
STEEVES MOUNTAIN	5,000.00	12.47	240.00	5,240.00	40,085.87	14,976.38	2,830.00	42,915.87
STEEVES SETTLEMENT	300.00	2.70	50.00	350.00	11,120.00	0.00	0.00	11,120.00
SUNNY BRAE	22,000.00	9.15	3,000.00	25,000.00	240,402.61	63,759.00	9,680.00	250,082.61
THE GLADES	2,100.00	5.27	427.00	2,527.00	39,875.00	5,449.00	1,823.00	41,698.00
UPLANDS	4,000.00	3.48	1,875.00	5,875.00	114,955.00	12,440.00	3,624.00	118,579.00
UPPER POINT DE BUTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
VICTORY	1,800.00	3.00	100.00	1,900.00	59,971.22	0.00	0.00	59,971.22
WEST LANE	4,000.00	2.98	300.00	4,300.00	134,098.73	2,911.66	776.30	134,875.03
WHEATON SETTLEMENT	1,522.00	4.25	305.00	1,827.00	35,845.40	6,875.64	5,405.24	41,250.64
TOTAL	371,763.43	6.67	32,079.96	403,843.39	5,572,771.20	736,517.48	181,126.83	5,753,898.03

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Region III	MIRAMICHI-NORTH SHORE ASSOCIATION							
BAYVIEW (BATHURST)	6,075.00	4.90	4,880.00	10,955.00	123,890.50	19,439.00	0.00	123,890.50
CAMPBELLTON FIRST	8,597.20	7.80	2,218.40	10,815.60	110,179.10	18,323.86	8,125.95	118,305.05
CARROLL'S CROSSING	240.00	0.48	0.00	240.00	50,132.37	6,539.00	295.00	50,427.37
DOAKTOWN	2,000.00	2.67	650.00	2,650.00	75,000.00	0.00	900.00	75,900.00
EGLISE BAPTISTE CHALEUR	200.00	1.26	0.00	200.00	15,873.31	3,292.87	0.00	15,873.31
LOWER DERBY	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LUDLOW	214.00	1.47	0.00	214.00	14,510.57	905.13	1,136.00	15,646.57
NEWCASTLE	28,921.07	7.59	350.00	29,271.07	380,888.00	62,643.00	0.00	380,888.00
RESTIGOUCHE	8,000.00	0.00	0.00	8,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
UNDERHILL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
UPPER BLACKVILLE (BETHEL/NEW ZION)	27.80	0.03	1,419.63	1,447.43	96,440.48	1,823.41	6,752.97	103,193.45
WELLINGTON STREET	10,040.00	9.73	2,450.00	12,490.00	103,185.16	10,950.00	0.00	103,185.16
TOTAL	64,815.07	6.68	11,968.03	76,783.10	970,099.49	123,916.27	17,209.92	987,309.41

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Region III	PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND ASSOCIATION							
ALBERTON	1,171.00	0.84	0.00	1,171.00	139,507.40	4,804.75	0.00	139,507.40
ALEXANDRA	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ANNANDALE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BEDEQUE	5,525.00	0.00	500.00	6,025.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BELMONT	3,000.00	10.14	920.00	3,920.00	29,579.02	7,931.77	40.30	29,619.32
BONSHAW	500.00	4.87	0.00	500.00	10,267.35	847.50	0.00	10,267.35
CAVENDISH	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CENTRAL KINGS (DUNDAS)	500.00	0.00	800.00	1,300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CHARLOTTETOWN FIRST	44,000.00	8.76	785.00	44,785.00	502,500.00	87,031.00	6,946.00	509,446.00
CLYDE RIVER	550.00	1.89	500.00	1,050.00	29,048.30	5,267.58	4,420.85	33,469.15
CORNERSTONE	4,000.00	0.00	1,500.00	5,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FAIRVIEW	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	27,860.67	0.00	956.00	28,816.67
KINGSBORO	12,300.00	6.98	7,883.84	20,183.84	176,113.13	34,004.16	10,851.41	186,964.54
LONG CREEK	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	170,010.00	9,325.00	0.00	170,010.00
MONTAGUE	1,265.55	2.89	370.00	1,635.55	43,788.25	6,113.25	1,389.60	45,177.85
MURRAY HARBOUR	5,500.00	5.91	1,400.00	6,900.00	93,000.00	6,900.00	725.00	93,725.00
MURRAY RIVER	18,479.10	22.07	1,492.00	19,971.10	83,738.44	35,334.38	10,449.89	94,188.33
SPRINGFIELD WEST-O'LEARY	12,500.00	6.29	10,270.00	22,770.00	198,787.00	34,618.03	11,141.86	209,928.86
STURGEON	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SUMMERSIDE	10,500.00	6.53	2,968.85	13,468.85	160,815.51	20,838.04	3,549.45	164,364.96
TRYON-WESTMORELAND, INC.	6,500.00	11.15	600.00	7,100.00	58,272.06	12,154.95	548.32	58,820.38
TOTAL	128,290.65	7.44	29,989.69	158,280.34	1,723,287.13	265,170.41	51,018.68	1,774,305.81

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Region IV	HALIFAX ASSOCIATION							
BAYERS ROAD	21,709.61	0.00	8,247.51	29,957.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BAYSIDE	100.00	0.00	200.00	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BEDFORD	25,000.00	6.46	2,425.00	27,425.00	386,833.00	41,788.00	0.00	386,833.00
BETHEL	2,954.60	0.00	0.00	2,954.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BIRCH COVE	25,470.00	6.06	12,197.59	37,667.59	420,162.00	75,000.00	5,581.00	425,743.00
BIRCHY HEAD	600.00	3.32	0.00	600.00	18,062.35	780.00	0.00	18,062.35
CALVARY (SPRYFIELD)	1,802.00	0.00	145.00	1,947.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
DARTMOUTH FIRST	52,500.00	9.52	11,788.87	64,288.87	551,283.00	32,048.00	8,410.00	559,693.00
EASTERN PASSAGE	1,000.00	0.98	0.00	1,000.00	101,837.00	4,580.00	0.00	101,837.00
ELMSDALE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	77,657.79	2,201.00	0.00	77,657.79
FAITH (LOWER SACKVILLE)	10,464.80	8.78	6,360.23	16,825.03	119,199.00	11,853.00	15,898.00	135,097.00
FIRST HALIFAX	19,419.06	2.29	7,750.00	27,169.06	847,359.00	99,000.00	20,000.00	867,359.00
FOUNDATION	3,204.00	6.07	0.00	3,204.00	52,796.40	795.77	60.00	52,856.40
HAMMONDS PLAINS FIRST	500.00	0.00	200.00	700.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
HEAD OF ST. MARGARET'S BAY	1,500.00	2.67	1,100.00	2,600.00	56,193.60	2,900.00	0.00	56,193.60
IMMANUEL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
INDIAN HARBOUR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
JEDDORE	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MULGRAVE PARK	8,000.00	6.24	622.00	8,622.00	128,268.92	15,128.86	2,626.48	130,895.40
NEW BEGINNINGS MINISTRIES	6,500.00	2.34	0.00	6,500.00	277,767.85	25,271.19	0.00	277,767.85
NEW LIFE	2,750.00	2.64	100.00	2,850.00	104,224.31	13,827.88	326.00	104,550.31
REGAL ROAD	1,709.71	0.86	170.00	1,879.71	198,061.00	0.00	0.00	198,061.00
SACKVILLE	1,152.00	1.35	0.00	1,152.00	85,396.81	2,159.00	1,427.00	86,823.81
SACKVILLE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP	200.00	0.56	0.00	200.00	35,988.10	400.00	0.00	35,988.10
SEABRIGHT	218.00	1.91	322.25	540.25	11,441.34	1,658.50	0.00	11,441.34
SOUTH END	1,295.00	1.43	250.00	1,545.00	90,270.76	316.71	2,744.62	93,015.38
STEVENS ROAD	14,000.00	5.37	4,335.00	18,335.00	260,472.76	26,968.24	7,466.07	267,938.83
TIMBERLEA	6,500.00	0.00	600.00	7,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
UNIACKE	3,068.00	4.16	0.00	3,068.00	73,746.35	5,210.13	940.70	74,687.05
WEST DOVER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,788.00	0.00	0.00	8,788.00
WEST END	18,735.28	7.35	7,294.50	26,029.78	254,948.00	53,175.00	3,878.00	258,826.00
TOTAL	233,352.06	5.61	64,107.95	297,460.01	4,160,757.34	415,061.28	69,357.87	4,230,115.21

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Region IV	COLCHESTER-PICTOU ASSOCIATION							
BASS RIVER	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BELMONT	2,757.00	0.00	0.00	2,757.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BROOKFIELD	6,072.00	7.40	1,870.00	7,942.00	82,105.00	8,867.00	4,067.00	86,172.00
CENTRAL NEW ANNAN	200.00	1.18	100.00	300.00	16,986.71	0.00	1,030.57	18,017.28
DEBERT	4,958.00	8.89	1,939.72	6,897.72	55,747.07	5,030.22	1,430.50	57,177.57
FIRST NEW GLASGOW	16,000.00	0.00	2,934.70	18,934.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
IMMANUEL	37,916.70	7.07	12,557.05	50,473.75	536,354.00	90,125.00	3,596.00	539,950.00
NUTTBY	1,037.00	8.59	0.00	1,037.00	12,069.58	1,602.00	420.00	12,489.58
PORTAUIQUE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
STEWIACKE	5,529.00	0.00	1,640.00	7,169.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TRURO	9,550.00	5.14	3,250.00	12,800.00	185,858.00	17,650.00	5,000.00	190,858.00
TRURO HEIGHTS	4,560.72	5.34	825.25	5,385.97	85,352.00	5,220.00	0.00	85,352.00
WITTENBURG	5,342.00	0.00	500.00	5,842.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	94,422.42	9.69	25,616.72	120,039.14	974,472.36	128,494.22	15,544.07	990,016.43

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Region IV	CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION							
ADVOCATE	1,967.58	4.56	700.00	2,667.58	43,177.29	2,200.00	807.48	43,984.77
AMHERST FIRST	6,826.36	1.84	1,990.07	8,816.43	370,000.00	15,875.00	0.00	370,000.00
APPLE RIVER	30.00	0.23	50.00	80.00	12,805.00	470.00	0.00	12,805.00
DILIGENT RIVER	400.00	0.00	0.00	400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LITTLE RIVER	486.00	1.80	270.95	756.95	27,005.47	1,385.95	4,291.65	31,297.12
MACCAN	346.00	2.13	50.00	396.00	16,239.72	799.00	0.00	16,239.72
MILLVALE	1,500.00	9.89	50.00	1,550.00	15,172.94	1,500.00	2,985.81	18,158.75
OXFORD	2,682.72	7.58	400.00	3,082.72	35,390.02	5,845.37	3,738.32	39,128.34
PARRSBORO	2,899.00	0.00	600.00	3,499.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PORT GREVILLE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	32,296.52	1,805.00	0.00	32,296.52
PUGWASH MEMORIAL	1,600.00	1.74	450.00	2,050.00	92,137.87	4,982.59	1,743.00	93,880.87
RIVER HEBERT	1,578.81	5.73	790.00	2,368.81	27,537.21	2,617.29	2,220.00	29,757.21
SOUTHAMPTON	865.00	0.00	0.00	865.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SPRINGHILL	7,147.96	0.00	280.00	7,427.96	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
WALLACE RIVER	1,399.00	0.00	500.00	1,899.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
WENTWORTH	2,178.25	0.00	100.00	2,278.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
WESTCHESTER	500.00	6.74	50.00	550.00	7,418.10	1,461.00	798.60	8,216.70
TOTAL	32,406.68	4.77	6,281.02	38,687.70	679,180.14	38,941.20	16,584.86	695,765.00

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Region IV	ANTIGONISH-GUYSBOROUGH ASSOCIATION							
BOYLSTON	603.00	12.90	0.00	603.00	4,674.00	0.00	0.00	4,674.00
CANSO	100.00	0.26	100.00	200.00	38,849.24	0.00	450.00	39,299.24
GOLDBORO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	22,657.56	0.00	0.00	22,657.56
GUYSBOROUGH	2,368.80	9.06	0.00	2,368.80	26,152.00	2,830.00	281.30	26,433.30
HALF ISLAND COVE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ISAAC'S HARBOUR	100.00	1.06	0.00	100.00	9,413.70	100.00	0.00	9,413.70
NEW HARBOUR	250.00	0.81	2,148.00	2,398.00	30,742.16	8,466.53	2,409.81	33,151.97
PORT BICKERTON	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,788.04	568.50	0.00	12,788.04
PORT HILLFORD	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,282.65	0.00	0.00	12,282.65
SEAL HARBOUR	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	16,668.58	100.00	0.00	16,668.58
SONORA	500.00	2.43	50.00	550.00	20,591.00	1,390.00	3,328.00	23,919.00
TOTAL	3,921.80	2.01	2,398.00	6,319.80	194,818.93	13,455.03	6,469.11	201,288.04

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Region IV	CAPE BRETON ASSOCIATION							
CALVARY (NORTH SYDNEY)	5,871.61	0.00	100.00	5,971.61	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CLYDE AVENUE (SYDNEY MINES)	8,400.00	6.92	1,150.00	9,550.00	121,384.33	17,635.74	2,036.62	123,420.95
GLACE BAY	2,197.50	5.44	650.00	2,847.50	40,367.50	2,913.50	1,826.65	42,194.15
PORT HAWKESBURY	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SYDNEY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SYDNEY NEW LIFE BAPTIST CHURCH	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	17,669.11	10.92	1,900.00	19,569.11	161,751.83	20,549.24	3,863.27	165,615.10

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Region IV	NEWFOUNDLAND/LABRADOR ASSOCIATION							
CALVARY	11,000.00	7.61	1,060.00	12,060.00	144,514.00	23,220.00	0.00	144,514.00
CLARENVILLE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,790.00	0.00	0.00	13,790.00
CORNER BROOK FIRST	7,000.00	0.00	0.00	7,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
GANDER	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LEWISPORTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NORTHERN CROSS COMMUNITY CHURCH	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PLACENTIA BAY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
WEST END (ST. JOHN'S)	10,000.00	2.76	0.00	10,000.00	362,907.00	55,731.00	24,324.00	387,231.00
TOTAL	31,000.00	5.95	1,060.00	32,060.00	521,211.00	78,951.00	24,324.00	545,535.00

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Region V	YARMOUTH ASSOCIATION							
ARCADIA	987.80	2.18	0.00	987.80	45,392.24	0.00	0.00	45,392.24
ARGYLE-PUBNICO	1,918.00	1.00	0.00	1,918.00	191,033.82	13,294.97	0.00	191,033.82
BAYVIEW (PORT MAITLAND)	1,415.00	0.00	823.00	2,238.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BEAVER RIVER	1,175.75	3.01	700.00	1,875.75	39,054.19	2,620.00	320.00	39,374.19
BROOKLYN	3,629.00	12.11	500.00	4,129.00	29,955.62	7,328.75	0.00	29,955.62
CARLETON	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CEDAR LAKE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CENTRAL CHEBOGUE	240.00	1.65	0.00	240.00	14,504.11	240.00	0.00	14,504.11
FAITH MEMORIAL	649.75	0.97	1,400.00	2,049.75	66,865.44	1,186.79	391.00	67,256.44
HEBRON	4,500.00	3.38	1,072.82	5,572.82	133,129.00	8,184.00	2,002.00	135,131.00
KEMPTVILLE	2,200.00	3.26	5.25	2,205.25	67,567.65	0.00	3,059.74	70,627.39
LAKE GEORGE	300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PLEASANT LAKE	1,600.00	0.00	60.00	1,660.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PLEASANT VALLEY	4,687.50	7.56	200.00	4,887.50	62,004.57	6,836.00	0.00	62,004.57
PLYMOUTH	1,600.00	0.00	0.00	1,600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ROCKVILLE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SANDFORD	1,800.00	0.00	0.00	1,800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TEMPLE	2,648.00	0.00	0.00	2,648.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
YARMOUTH NORTH	7,538.50	0.00	3,873.85	11,412.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ZION	17,783.70	11.70	877.95	18,661.65	152,011.45	29,044.58	7,028.72	159,040.17
TOTAL	54,673.00	6.82	9,512.87	64,185.87	801,518.09	68,735.09	12,801.46	814,319.55

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Region V	SHELBURNE ASSOCIATION							
BARRINGTON TEMPLE	4,075.00	7.32	1,100.00	5,175.00	55,673.08	12,155.34	4,060.56	59,733.64
BEAR POINT	1,766.71	12.17	0.00	1,766.71	14,521.92	2,077.71	4,491.95	19,013.87
CENTRAL WOODS HARBOUR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,955.00	0.00	0.00	14,955.00
CENTREVILLE	3,989.81	7.28	1,201.00	5,190.81	54,800.00	2,521.20	2,090.00	56,890.00
CLARK'S HARBOUR ""STONE""	4,434.50	4.53	1,030.00	5,464.50	97,807.37	11,380.00	21,056.87	118,864.24
DOCTOR'S COVE	190.00	1.49	0.00	190.00	12,790.42	0.00	0.00	12,790.42
FIRST RAGGED ISLAND	1,350.00	7.88	100.00	1,450.00	17,139.00	1,088.65	5,122.60	22,261.60
JORDAN FALLS	4,123.83	4.60	1,028.52	5,152.35	89,669.82	5,602.31	1,552.81	91,222.63
LOCKEPORT	2,043.00	4.98	675.00	2,718.00	41,016.95	2,119.00	1,521.19	42,538.14
LOWER WOODS HARBOUR	2,050.00	2.39	3,035.00	5,085.00	85,647.50	10,532.44	5,998.69	91,646.19
NEWELLTON	250.00	0.70	650.00	900.00	35,805.49	0.00	0.00	35,805.49
PORT LA TOUR	2,947.00	0.00	0.00	2,947.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SABLE RIVER FIRST	637.00	4.80	0.00	637.00	13,274.61	337.00	2,447.19	15,721.80
SHAG HARBOUR	3,075.00	3.93	2,900.00	5,975.00	78,244.19	11,527.00	11,318.52	89,562.71
SHELBURNE	6,500.00	7.19	1,275.00	7,775.00	90,456.00	8,599.61	1,662.22	92,118.22
SOUTH SIDE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
STONEY ISLAND	3,000.00	4.02	1,500.00	4,500.00	74,705.64	1,093.00	5,614.41	80,320.05
TOTAL	40,431.85	5.21	14,494.52	54,926.37	776,506.99	69,033.26	66,937.01	843,444.00

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Region V	LUNENBURG-QUEENS ASSOCIATION							
AENON	6,875.00	6.43	50.00	6,925.00	106,940.86	11,996.91	2,878.88	109,819.74
BARSS CORNER	3,000.00	4.59	0.00	3,000.00	65,357.00	3,060.00	4,425.00	69,782.00
BEECH HILL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BIGTANCOOK	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,380.04	180.00	0.00	8,380.04
BRIDGEWATER	29,834.48	9.18	8,077.28	37,911.76	325,068.00	72,473.00	3,744.00	328,812.00
BROOKLYN	3,750.00	10.56	850.00	4,600.00	35,524.27	7,121.00	3,207.00	38,731.27
BUCKFIELD	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CALEDONIA	2,058.50	0.00	1,390.90	3,449.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CANAAN	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,465.00	600.00	0.00	2,465.00
CHARLESTON	188.00	2.28	0.00	188.00	8,234.92	178.00	0.00	8,234.92
CHELSEA	2,704.00	7.97	525.00	3,229.00	33,948.18	5,481.01	1,823.42	35,771.60
CHESTER	6,644.50	3.35	1,000.00	7,644.50	198,371.00	18,754.00	5,317.00	203,688.00
DALHOUSIE EAST	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
GREENFIELD	4,600.00	7.56	2,433.00	7,033.00	60,834.98	9,857.00	5,402.44	66,237.42
KEMPT	1,215.00	4.37	437.05	1,652.05	27,798.52	3,298.79	4,830.25	32,628.77
LAPLAND	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LIVERPOOL	3,500.00	3.09	1,712.50	5,212.50	113,372.53	10,809.06	8,233.15	121,605.68
MAHONE BAY	6,351.70	12.61	0.00	6,351.70	50,380.22	6,425.00	1,862.00	52,242.22
MAITLAND BRIDGE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MILTON	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	73,710.04	0.00	2,224.75	75,934.79
NEW CANADA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,121.49	0.00	0.00	18,121.49
NEW CORNWALL	1,200.00	4.56	200.00	1,400.00	26,332.61	1,679.80	0.00	26,332.61
NEW ROSS	2,226.10	3.46	210.00	2,436.10	64,300.65	2,781.12	1,388.96	65,689.61
NORTH BROOKFIELD	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,099.68	0.00	1,997.15	17,096.83
NORTHWEST	3,125.25	9.46	400.00	3,525.25	33,048.25	6,554.75	7,608.16	40,656.41
PARKDALE-MAPLEWOOD EMMANUEL	4,340.00	8.46	0.00	4,340.00	51,278.81	1,608.06	0.00	51,278.81
PLEASANTVILLE	3,200.00	3.09	1,605.00	4,805.00	103,468.00	9,169.00	3,914.00	107,382.00
PORT MEDWAY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,598.17	0.00	0.00	12,598.17
PORT MOUTON	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17,948.10	250.00	0.00	17,948.10
SOUTH BROOKFIELD (ZION)	1,060.00	6.75	0.00	1,060.00	15,699.58	0.00	0.00	15,699.58
SPRINGFIELD	2,500.00	6.69	600.00	3,100.00	37,382.94	5,008.10	3,486.29	40,869.23
WESTERN SHORE	4,365.00	16.07	486.00	4,851.00	27,169.28	6,650.20	6,424.88	33,594.16
WESTFIELD	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,500.81	37.00	408.01	19,908.82
TOTAL	92,737.53	5.97	19,976.73	112,714.26	1,552,333.93	183,971.80	69,175.34	1,621,509.27

Church Financial Statistics

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Region V	DIGBY COUNTY							
ASHMORE (BETHEL)	1,300.00	1.13	0.00	1,300.00	115,437.11	1,669.00	4,964.76	120,401.87
BEAR RIVER	4,438.66	6.93	110.00	4,548.66	64,087.64	8,450.60	2,974.09	67,061.73
CENTREVILLE (DIGBY NECK FIRST)	200.00	1.89	100.00	300.00	10,577.85	300.00	310.00	10,887.85
CULLODEN	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
DIGBY	6,831.00	6.30	4,820.00	11,651.00	108,502.80	16,544.62	5,696.61	114,199.41
EAST FERRY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FREEPORT	1,467.00	0.00	0.00	1,467.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
HILL GROVE	1,575.00	2.63	1,557.00	3,132.00	59,814.12	1,624.18	2,131.29	61,945.41
LITTLE RIVER (DIGBY NECK SECOND)	344.00	0.52	0.00	344.00	65,688.90	621.00	2,330.15	68,019.05
NEW TUSKET	4,352.00	3.71	830.00	5,182.00	117,254.72	8,517.00	10,313.28	127,568.00
NORTH RANGE	1,819.00	0.00	0.00	1,819.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PLYMPTON	0.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
RIVERSIDE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	97,726.75	0.00	0.00	97,726.75
ROSSWAY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SAINT MARY'S BAY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SANDY COVE	200.00	6.70	0.00	200.00	2,983.00	215.00	0.00	2,983.00
SMITH'S COVE	2,464.50	5.19	0.00	2,464.50	47,500.00	0.00	4,712.00	52,212.00
TIVERTON	2,445.50	0.00	507.75	2,953.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
WESTPORT	2,293.00	2.18	891.00	3,184.00	104,970.00	10,432.00	0.00	104,970.00
TOTAL	29,729.66	3.74	9,015.75	38,745.41	794,542.89	48,373.40	33,432.18	827,975.07

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Region VI	SAINT JOHN-KINGS ASSOCIATION							
APOHAQUI	14,000.00	2.74	0.00	14,000.00	511,077.85	0.00	0.00	511,077.85
BROWNS FLAT	0.00	0.00	2,200.00	2,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CENTRAL NORTON	12,080.00	10.07	1,625.00	13,705.00	119,944.69	27,607.86	3,180.00	123,124.69
CHANCE HARBOUR	355.00	0.00	1,345.00	1,700.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
COLLINA	1,136.00	5.12	275.00	1,411.00	22,194.51	2,934.50	1,708.10	23,902.61
CORNERSTONE	9,420.00	3.21	875.00	10,295.00	293,371.00	12,674.00	2,649.00	296,020.00
DIPPER HARBOUR	6,000.00	0.00	9,930.00	15,930.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EDITH AVENUE	12,218.00	9.82	2,390.00	14,608.00	124,468.70	16,176.50	806.00	125,274.70
ERB'S COVE	4,000.00	6.53	1,550.00	5,550.00	61,299.91	13,052.04	4,729.34	66,029.25
FAIRFIELD	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	46,194.59	0.00	7,949.34	54,143.93
FIRST ST. MARTINS	2,505.00	2.53	2,750.00	5,255.00	98,853.69	6,776.00	6,290.25	105,143.94
FOREST HILLS	17,442.50	3.62	12,146.58	29,589.08	482,261.00	93,272.00	22,667.00	504,928.00
GERMAIN STREET	1,500.00	0.93	1,200.00	2,700.00	160,442.65	10,015.00	2,870.00	163,312.65
GRAND BAY	26,000.00	7.71	8,610.50	34,610.50	337,056.00	89,638.00	0.00	337,056.00
HAMPTON	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
HEAD OF MILLSTREAM	104.00	0.00	0.00	104.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
HILLCREST	14,818.00	3.52	3,170.00	17,988.00	420,736.41	91,102.52	6,001.22	426,737.63
KEIRSTEAD MOUNTAIN	851.00	0.00	660.00	1,511.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
KENNEBECASIS	20,400.00	4.14	5,100.00	25,500.00	492,635.00	111,322.00	0.00	492,635.00
KIERSTEADVILLE	3,124.72	7.35	500.00	3,624.72	42,507.00	0.00	0.00	42,507.00
KINGSTON	12,146.50	0.00	2,836.17	14,982.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LANCASTER	20,000.00	7.72	2,222.00	22,222.00	258,969.00	26,635.00	11,990.33	270,959.33
LOCH LOMOND	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LOWER MILLSTREAM	500.00	2.37	300.00	800.00	21,132.97	1,124.00	2,399.86	23,532.83
MACES BAY	2,050.00	0.00	2,185.00	4,235.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAIN STREET	48,273.67	9.57	5,525.44	53,799.11	504,195.00	118,086.00	9,495.00	513,690.00
MIDLAND	1,250.00	1.13	0.00	1,250.00	110,510.46	12,509.03	0.00	110,510.46
NEREPIS	4,200.00	0.00	335.94	4,535.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NORTON	3,500.00	3.56	200.00	3,700.00	98,433.08	13,371.40	2,508.99	100,942.07
PENOBSCUIS	7,834.00	0.00	1,670.00	9,504.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PORTAGE VALE	2,346.87	7.77	0.00	2,346.87	30,203.00	5,547.00	0.00	30,203.00
SALT SPRINGS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	31,624.32	261.80	1,431.28	33,055.60
SMITHTOWN	1,995.00	0.00	6,760.75	8,755.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SNIDER MOUNTAIN	300.00	18.83	0.00	300.00	1,593.49	380.00	0.00	1,593.49
SUSSEX	7,500.00	3.19	315.00	7,815.00	234,962.00	10,671.00	8,274.00	243,236.00
TABERNACLE	5,781.30	4.97	1,663.80	7,445.10	116,214.00	17,500.00	3,400.00	119,614.00
TOTAL	263,631.56	5.71	78,841.18	342,472.74	4,620,880.32	680,655.65	98,349.71	4,719,230.03

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Region VI	SOUTHWESTERN ASSOCIATION							
ANDERSONVILLE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BAYSIDE	600.00	3.88	250.00	850.00	15,454.09	1,050.00	0.00	15,454.09
BEAVER HARBOUR	500.00	0.00	350.00	850.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CALVARY (BLACK'S HARBOUR)	600.00	1.59	0.00	600.00	37,716.00	2,726.00	2,515.74	40,231.74
CASTALIA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FAIRHAVEN	0.00	0.00	300.00	300.00	32,795.55	1,020.00	0.00	32,795.55
GRAND HARBOUR	7,046.25	4.56	2,826.50	9,872.75	154,381.28	20,835.76	6,440.74	160,822.02
LAMBERT'S COVE	3,891.50	10.39	0.00	3,891.50	37,452.94	5,163.50	0.00	37,452.94
NORTH HEAD	3,882.00	5.15	1,861.50	5,743.50	75,355.47	9,967.10	5,417.00	80,772.47
OAK BAY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PENNFIELD	0.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
POCOLOGAN	1,500.00	0.00	600.00	2,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ROCKLAND DRIVE (MCADAM)	11,619.50	0.00	3,263.11	14,882.61	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ROLLINGDAM	1,800.00	0.00	700.00	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SEAL COVE	1,966.00	2.46	206.00	2,172.00	79,768.00	14,144.00	3,451.00	83,219.00
SECOND FALLS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ST. ANDREWS	7,000.00	5.91	3,842.50	10,842.50	118,483.00	8,266.00	4,500.00	122,983.00
ST. GEORGE	9,056.10	5.61	4,406.56	13,462.66	161,531.34	0.00	1,215.00	162,746.34
UNION STREET	28,000.00	13.17	2,851.86	30,851.86	212,656.00	36,534.00	9,752.00	222,408.00
WILSON'S BEACH	3,500.00	3.21	1,135.00	4,635.00	108,992.59	27,885.00	3,213.12	112,205.71
TOTAL	80,961.35	7.83	22,793.03	103,754.38	1,034,586.26	127,591.36	36,504.60	1,071,090.86

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Region VII	AFRICAN ASSOCIATION							
ACACIAVILLE	120.25	0.00	0.00	120.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BEECHVILLE	400.00	0.00	0.00	400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CHERRY BROOK	3,284.25	2.57	0.00	3,284.25	127,844.00	3,455.00	4,425.00	132,269.00
COBEQUID ROAD	2,700.00	3.91	646.80	3,346.80	69,062.38	6,347.68	2,498.15	71,560.53
CORNWALLIS ST. (HALIFAX)	2,000.00	1.84	0.00	2,000.00	108,759.93	661.57	0.00	108,759.93
EAST PRESTON	5,863.00	4.07	0.00	5,863.00	144,021.16	6,854.75	2,000.00	146,021.16
EMMANUEL	3,014.13	0.69	150.00	3,164.13	439,159.66	8,048.50	3,600.00	442,759.66
GIBSON WOODS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17,305.95	0.00	517.00	17,822.95
GREENVILLE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
GUYSBOROUGH ROAD	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
INGLEWOOD	750.00	4.61	0.00	750.00	16,270.99	6,506.19	350.00	16,620.99
LUCASVILLE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MOUNT BEULAH	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,047.00	5,000.00	3,047.00	11,094.00
SAINT THOMAS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	197,530.12	5,124.99	0.00	197,530.12
SECOND NEW GLASGOW	5,674.75	8.69	369.01	6,043.76	65,306.00	7,545.00	1,689.00	66,995.00
SUNNYVILLE	250.00	0.99	0.00	250.00	25,324.72	412.00	0.00	25,324.72
TRACADIE	800.00	10.79	0.00	800.00	7,416.79	800.00	3,560.00	10,976.79
VICTORIA ROAD (DARTMOUTH)	1,823.50	1.27	100.00	1,923.50	143,294.00	1,824.00	7,775.00	151,069.00
WINDSOR PLAINS	800.00	0.00	0.00	800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ZION (TRURO)	3,541.80	5.72	0.00	3,541.80	61,973.15	3,931.30	3,000.00	64,973.15
TOTAL	31,021.68	2.17	1,265.81	32,287.49	1,431,315.85	56,510.98	32,461.15	1,463,777.00

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Statistical Summary	January 1 - December 31, 2007							
REGION I								
Northerwestern	172,657.00	5.93	46,629.00	219,286.00	2,909,627.67	434,848.24	120,486.51	3,030,114.18
York	264,532.96	6.37	51,743.13	316,276.09	4,149,567.32	515,164.23	104,452.18	4,254,019.50
Queens-Sunbury	122,308.63	6.21	16,427.60	138,736.23	1,969,930.11	261,512.27	64,745.10	2,034,675.21
REGION I TOTALS	559,498.59	6.20	114,799.73	674,298.32	9,029,125.10	1,211,524.74	289,683.79	9,318,808.89
REGION II								
Annapolis	96,222.80	6.35	22,862.08	119,084.88	1,515,409.88	185,757.72	56,156.69	1,571,566.57
Eastern Valley	237,052.87	6.55	48,200.29	285,253.16	3,621,097.52	319,851.52	366,994.49	3,988,092.01
REGION II TOTALS	333,275.67	6.49	71,062.37	404,338.04	5,136,507.40	505,609.24	423,151.18	5,559,658.58
REGION III								
Albert	129,381.06	7.95	22,734.01	152,115.07	1,627,578.44	272,125.34	56,307.58	1,683,886.02
Westmorland-Kent	371,763.43	6.67	32,079.96	403,843.39	5,572,771.20	736,517.48	181,126.83	5,753,898.03
Miramichi-North Shore	64,815.07	6.68	11,968.03	76,783.10	970,099.49	123,916.27	17,209.92	987,309.41
Prince Edward Island	128,290.65	7.44	29,989.69	158,280.34	1,723,287.13	265,170.41	51,018.68	1,774,305.81
REGION III TOTALS	694,250.21	7.02	96,771.69	791,021.90	9,893,736.26	1,397,729.50	305,663.01	10,199,399.27
REGION IV								
Halifax	233,352.06	5.61	64,107.95	297,460.01	4,160,757.34	415,061.28	69,357.87	4,230,115.21
Colchester-Pictou	94,422.42	9.69	25,616.72	120,039.14	974,472.36	128,494.22	15,544.07	990,016.43
Cumberland	32,406.68	4.77	6,281.02	38,687.70	679,180.14	38,941.20	16,584.86	695,765.00
Antigonish-Guysborough	3,921.80	2.01	2,398.00	6,319.80	194,818.93	13,455.03	6,469.11	201,288.04
Cape Breton	17,669.11	10.92	1,900.00	19,569.11	161,751.83	20,549.24	3,863.27	165,615.10
Newfoundland and Labrador	31,000.00	5.95	1,060.00	32,060.00	521,211.00	78,951.00	24,324.00	545,535.00
REGION IV TOTALS	412,772.07	6.17	101,363.69	514,135.76	6,692,191.60	695,451.97	136,143.18	6,828,334.78
REGION V								
Yarmouth	54,673.00	6.82	9,512.87	64,185.87	801,518.09	68,735.09	12,801.46	814,319.55
Shelburne	40,431.85	5.21	14,494.52	54,926.37	776,506.99	69,033.26	66,937.01	843,444.00
Lunenburg-Queens	92,737.53	5.97	19,976.73	112,714.26	1,552,333.93	183,971.80	69,175.34	1,621,509.27
Digby	29,729.66	3.74	9,015.75	38,745.41	794,542.89	48,373.40	33,432.18	827,975.07
REGION V TOTALS	217,572.04	5.54	52,999.87	270,571.91	3,924,901.90	370,113.55	182,345.99	4,107,247.89
REGION VI								
Saint John-Kings	263,631.56	5.71	78,841.18	342,472.74	4,620,880.32	680,655.65	98,349.71	4,719,230.03
Southwestern	80,961.35	7.83	22,793.03	103,754.38	1,034,586.26	127,591.36	36,504.60	1,071,090.86
REGION VI TOTALS	344,592.91	6.09	101,634.21	446,227.12	5,655,466.58	808,247.01	134,854.31	5,790,320.89
REGION VIII								
African	31,021.68	2.17	1,265.81	32,287.49	1,431,315.85	56,510.98	32,461.15	1,463,777.00
REGION VIII TOTALS	31,021.68	2.17	1,265.81	32,287.49	1,431,315.85	56,510.98	32,461.15	1,463,777.00
GRAND TOTAL 2007	2,592,983.17	6.21	539,897.37	3,132,880.54	41,763,244.69	5,045,186.99	1,504,302.61	43,267,547.30
Grand Total 2006	2,579,970.57	6.32	568,256.57	3,148,227.14	40,832,609.49	4,763,067.91	1,556,841.92	42,389,451.41
Grand Total 2005	2,462,001.31	6.38	682,213.05	3,144,214.36	38,615,183.43	5,002,572.83	1,537,448.33	40,152,631.76
Grand Total 2004	2,533,266.37	6.71	619,609.94	3,152,876.31	37,727,113.83	4,694,644.58	1,637,950.32	39,365,064.15
Grand Total 2003	2,396,360.55	6.90	566,528.36	2,962,888.91	34,715,363.86	4,579,741.89	1,742,296.43	36,457,660.29
Grand Total 2002	2,497,563.56	6.92	606,479.96	3,104,043.52	36,099,746.26	4,825,058.40	1,899,132.59	38,007,920.85
Grand Total 2001	2,529,749.10	7.27	626,080.43	3,155,829.53	34,813,244.48	4,659,391.23	1,506,358.05	36,319,602.53
Grand Total 2000	2,410,131.59	7.12	560,119.33	2,970,250.95	33,867,337.94	4,737,156.73	1,739,433.48	35,606,771.42
Grand Total 1999	2,443,219.00	7.63	588,581.00	3,031,800.00	32,010,524.00	5,108,453.00	2,015,623.00	34,030,397.00
Grand Total 1998	2,424,592.00	7.71	553,290.00	2,977,482.00	31,434,016.00	4,997,702.00	1,727,506.00	33,161,631.00
Grand Total 1997	2,543,055.00	8.09	537,553.00	3,080,608.00	31,439,889.00	5,201,557.00	1,765,908.00	33,207,092.00

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