

Dear Pastor,

Diaconal Ministries Canada (DMC) has resources available to strengthen diaconal ministry. It is our privilege to distribute this folder to all the pastors of the Christian Reformed Churches in Canada.

Through this folder **we** hope to:

Communicate: available resources to enhance your church's diaconal ministry.

And we hope that **you** as pastor will:

Connect: with your deacons by attending one of their meetings to encourage and explore with them the possibilities of diaconal ministry within the church and the church's neighbourhood. There are many congregational members who may like to be involved in diaconal ministry if they are aware that they will be able to meet a need.

Converse: What has been a recent highlight in diaconal ministry?
What are the most active parts of your ministry?
What challenges you in your ministry?
In what aspect of diaconal ministry might your church members currently require leadership and encouragement?

Commit: to challenge your diaconate to access one new resource for diaconal ministry during each church year.

As we journey together to "inspire, equip and encourage deacons, churches and their partners in transforming communities with the love of Christ" (mission statement of DMC), may God bless us mightily to transform communities in His name.

Grateful for your participation,



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