

FIRST DAWN EASTERN EDGE REGIONAL COUNCIL

**44TH GENERAL COUNCIL COMMISSIONER
NOMINATION BIOGRAPHICAL SHEET**

MINISTRY PERSONNEL

NAME OF NOMINEE: Mr. Oliver Dingwell

ADDRESS: Torbay, NL

COMMUNITY OF FAITH: Cowan Heights United Church (St. John's, NL)

**DESCRIBE WHY YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING AS A GENERAL
COUNCIL COMMISSIONER:**

"I love The United Church of Canada, and I have a vested interest in its future. As one of the youngest ministry personnel in the denomination, I have a lifetime ahead of me in which to invest my skills, gifts, and passion into our future as a church, and I want to see it thrive!

Things are changing and evolving in our denomination, especially in light of the Covid-19 pandemic. The decisions and business that will come before General Council 44 will be for a church that is headed into uncharted waters, which I find incredibly exciting. As a recent seminary graduate, I've had the opportunity to study the issues facing our denomination in great depth. As a commissioner, I would bring this knowledge to the table, along with the desire and willingness to assess the long-term implications for the Church, knowing that I will have to live in and work with the circumstances that arise from this meeting for many years to come.

To my life of faith and work in the church I bring particular gifts and passions in the areas of liturgy, Christian education and discipleship, pastoral care, and administration. I currently serve our Regional Council as a member of the Pastoral Relations Committee and as the Chair of Appeals. I have previously served as a commissioner to the 41st General Council, Chair of Liturgy Committee (West District), Academic Committee (Emmanuel College), and Association of Theological Schools' Committee on Theological Education (Emmanuel College)."

MOVER/SECONDER: Miriam Bowlby/Cec Noseworthy

DATE: October 5, 2020

