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To: Communities of Faith, Ministry Personnel, Board/Council Chairs and Central Treasurers

From: Rev. Faith March-MacCuish, Regional Executive Minister, First Dawn Eastern Edge Regional Council, Fundy St. Lawrence Dawning Waters Regional Council and Regional Council 15

Date: January 12, 2022

Re: **COVID-19 Financial Assistance Update**

As we continue to deal with these constantly changing and uncertain times, I would like to thank each of you for doing your part to follow the protocols that have been put in place to ensure continued safety in our communities. In a recent update from Erik Mathiesen, Executive Officer, Finance, General Council Office, please see attached financial program information that might help you as a community of faith in these times.

The attached tables below outline the latest information on possible federal wage subsidy support after period 23 (October 23, 2021), as the CEWS benefit comes to an end.

The Canada Recovery Hiring Program (CRHP) has been expanded to include charities and non-profits affected by health restrictions, and may apply in situations where payroll has increased due to new hires, but generally doesn't offer a benefit unless there has been an increase in payroll. For those who have successfully applied for CEWS, the spreadsheet is the same and it is at least recommended to do the calculation to determine eligibility.

The Temporary Lockdown benefit is new, and may provide a benefit where the revenue threshold and 50% lockdown is met.

For more information, check the attached links for news, announcements, and website links.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to be in touch.

Blessings,

Faith March-MacCuish
Executive Minister

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