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**TO:** Ministry Personnel and Lay Members  
**FROM:** Faith March-MacCuish, Executive Minister  
**RE:** Regional Council Annual Meeting Registration  
**DATE:** **March 22, 2023**

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Greetings on behalf of the Regional Council Executive!

“The knock, the voice, the hand on the shoulder, the opening, the burning bush, the miracle before your eyes, the knowing deep within, the surrender, the response. God has been calling people since the beginning of time.” (*Go Deep*, Doris E. Kizinna 2009, pg.25)

As we celebrate “The Story of Our Discipleship” we acknowledge that we are not just members of a regional council, we are indeed disciples of Jesus. God has called and is calling each of us to be part of this continued ministry. It is a gift to have this wonderful community of faithful believers, thank you for all you do both large and small for our collective ministries.

This year as we prepare there is an excitement in the air as we will be gathering in-person for the first time since the pandemic forced us to change our course in 2020. It will be so good to reconnect and for some to connect for the first time. Please see the information below to help you with everything you need to be a participant and a vital part of our meeting. Blessings to you all and see you in June.

**“The Story of our Discipleship”** is the theme for the 2023 Regional Council in-person meeting being held on June 9-11, 2023 at Mount Saint Vincent University (MSVU), Halifax, NS.

### Webinars

In the past few years we have taken the time to attend webinars for listening, learning and discussion, this year will be no different. The webinars are considered part of the preparation for our time together. As our meetings are a little shorter in duration, the webinars will help us have a more fulsome discussion about the items that will be coming to our annual meeting. Please mark your calendars as we are hoping to have all members attend the webinars.

**Webinar #1: Orientation, Remits and Proposals**

Date: Tuesday, May 30, 2023 at 7:00pm-8:30pm (ADT)

**Webinar #2: Division Reports and Strategic Plan**

Date: Thursday, June 1, 2023 at 7:00pm-8:30pm (ADT)

**Webinar #3: President-Elect Nominee Introductions, Budget 2024 and 2022 Audited Statements**

Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at 7:00pm-8:30pm (ADT)

Please note that all ministry personnel and lay members will have to register for the meeting. The **registration deadline is May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023**. Please fill out the Annual Meeting registration form found on the website (<https://ucceast.ca/regional-council-15/rc15-annual-meeting-registration>).

If you require meals and accommodations they can be booked directly through MSVU. To book, go to the following link <https://ucceast.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/MSVU-Regional-Council-15-Letter.pdf>. Deadline to book meals and accommodations is May 19, 2023.

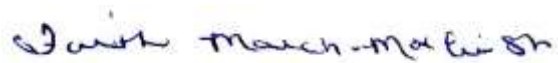
**Kitchen Party**

Did you read “Kitchen Party” on the agenda? Yes, you did! Saturday evening will be a time to spend time together, which is something we have not been able to do the last three years. Beverages will be available for purchase at the party location (no outside beverages will be permitted). We are hoping that we will have lots of people willing to share their talents (music, story, poetry) for us to enjoy! Make sure to let us know if you would like to share your talent when you register.

In preparation for the annual meeting please refer to the posted material on the Regional website (<https://ucceast.ca/regional-council-15/rc15-annual-meeting-2023>).

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

Sincerely,



Faith March-MacCuish  
Executive Minister