

A RESOURCE BOOK FOR PROGRAMMES OF INTERFAITH DIALOGUE

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IMPORTANT NOTE! PLEASE READ!

This downloadable version of the Resource Book omits some key items, specifically the guidelines for inter-religious dialogue produced for the Lambeth Conference and by the Anglican Church of Canada, as well as sample syllabi to assist in designing programs. The full Resource Book is published in binder format, and copies are held by the regional deans or their delegates, the Synod Office, and the Ecumenical and Multifaith Unit.

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INTRODUCTION

The Reason for Dialogue

This resource book has been assembled by the Ecumenical and Multifaith Unit of the Diocese of New Westminster in order to assist parishes and other groups in developing programmes of dialogue with non-Christian faith communities in their localities. It is our hope that such programmes will build a foundation for long-term communication and mutual understanding, manifested in co-operative action on issues of peace, social justice, ethnic and religious diversity, and environmental stewardship.

Why is this important?

Dialogue and co-operation between faiths is vital to building a path to peace and justice. Millions have died in clashes between faiths throughout the centuries, and continue to die as victims of religious extremism or sectarian conflict. It has been said that there will be no peace until there is peace between religions, and there will be no peace between religions without dialogue and co-operation. This is only possible if people of faith take the initiative to approach the other, and with them create structures of mutual concern and action. Lest there be any doubt that such action is part of our ministry as ambassadors of Christ, St. Paul reminds us that our Lord “has given us the ministry of reconciliation... [since] in Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself” (2 Cor 5:18-19).

How can parishes and individual Christians make a difference?

We need to think globally and act locally because in building inter-religious relationships here, we both model and enact our ministry of reconciliation. We need to do this so that we might live out our incarnational faith, building a community in which all God’s children can live in peace, and work together to create “a future with hope” (Jer 29:11). In doing so, we not only positively affect our own local community, but we share this healthy model of being and doing with surrounding communities, and eventually, the whole world. Realising big dreams starts with small steps.

Perhaps no place in Canada is better situated to lead the way in this great project than the Lower Mainland of British Columbia. Forty percent of people in this region were born outside Canada, twice as many as in the nation as a whole. Fifteen percent represent faiths other than Christianity, compared with just six percent nationally. These numbers from 2001 have no doubt grown, and they will continue to grow. And yet the forums for communication remain limited, the opportunities for dialogue and co-operation are infrequent, and the people committed to this vital aspect of building God’s realm of justice and peace are few.

We Anglicans in the Lower Mainland can change that, becoming an example of what reconciling and incarnational faith can achieve. As our region becomes increasingly diverse, as we look to the 2010 Olympics and the building of the Inter-Spiritual Centre, we can seize the initiative to transform hearts, transform lives, and transform our world.

The Christian Mission and Interfaith Dialogue

Learning about the faith of another has the capacity to strengthen our own. The questions we are asked by non-Christians about what we believe and why we believe it compel us to examine those beliefs, and articulate them. Moreover, as we hear about the beliefs of others, we discover points of contact and divergence, helping affirm our own convictions while coming to respect those of others. In short, in learning about the faith of others, we learn more about the Christian faith, and become better evangelists for Christ among those who are receptive to the Gospel.

Some have argued that multifaith dialogue is incompatible with the conviction that Jesus is, in his own words, “the way, and the truth, and the life,” and that “no one comes to the Father except through me” (Jn 14:6). Moreover, some will claim that we have an injunction by our Lord to “make disciples of all nations” (Mt 28:19), and that any dialogue should be aimed toward this goal. However one wishes to interpret these passages and evaluate the truth claims of other religions, the fact is that other faiths *do* exist. We have two choices in relation to other faiths – conflict or dialogue.

In 2001, Francis, Cardinal Arinze, then President of the Pontifical Council for Inter-Religious Dialogue, spoke at Westminster Abbey, near Mission before an ecumenical gathering. He talked about the elusiveness of certainty, given the sinful nature of human beings, and about the grace of God working in the lives of many people through the ages and around the world. As the child of followers of a Nigerian tribal religion, he knows as well as anyone that the kingdom of Christ can manifest itself in unexpected ways, among those who have never even heard the name of Jesus. Arinze repeated the point that Christians must cherish what is true, honourable, good and noble in the faith traditions of others; for in cherishing such things, we are cherishing that which is of God. The grace of God, he concluded, is shed on people and in places in ways we cannot even imagine.

If we believe that Jesus Christ is indeed the mediator of salvation *and* Creation, and that he died for the sins of the whole world, then that must mean something to us when we consider what his reign looks like. It means that his kingdom cannot be about hatred or exclusion. It means that it cannot be about partiality or judgement. Our king, enthroned on his cross, remembers the faithful of the world who suffer for their faith, whichever faith they profess. He remembers the creatures of the Earth destroyed as a result of greed and exploitation. He remembers refugees fleeing bombs, victims of hatred beaten and killed, those who are addicted to drugs or alcohol, those who live with disease, with depression, with loneliness and despair. All the suffering of the Earth causes our Lord to

weep, for all of this occurs in his kingdom. But our Lord enthroned in glory at the right hand of the Father also remembers the joy and the hope and the creativity in his creation. The web spun by a spider, the drawing made by a child, the love between friends, the prayers offered in church, mosque, and temple, all, as the Cardinal said, true, honourable, good, and noble.

The boundaries of the kingdom of God are broad, and its inhabitants diverse. The One who reigns over that kingdom is Love – love more deep and complex and multifaceted than we, with our limitations, can ever imagine. It is enough to humble us all, whenever we dare think a word which would limit those boundaries, exclude some inhabitants, and so deny the One who is Love itself.

How to Use This Book

This book is not intended as a blueprint for interfaith dialogue, but as a toolbox to help construct a programme that uniquely fulfils specific goals and interests. A good way to begin exploring the development of a programme is to read some of the literature in the bibliography section, review the sample programme outlines, and perhaps speak with representatives of the multifaith groups listed here to find out information specific to your neighbourhood or community.

The next step is to approach one or more faith communities in your neighbourhood, using the contact information in this book. Explore with them the possibility for dialogue, and discover points of agreement with respect to goals and interests. Next, work together to construct a programme or event. This may take the form of a multi-part educational series, looking in depth at the history and beliefs of your respective traditions; a more informal “one-off” evening of fellowship and small-table discussions; attendance at one another’s worship or a joint worship event; or any combination thereof. There is no right way of doing interfaith dialogue – however, there are some basic “do’s and don’ts.”

- **DO** research before making contact with a faith community. Help shape your own goals and expectations, and learn a little bit about communicating sensitively with people of another faith and culture.
- **DON’T** assume another faith community will be as interested in dialogue as your parish might be. Most communities are happy to share their faith and their stories with “outsiders,” but some may feel as anxious or threatened by dialogue as some Christians do. If a faith community isn’t interested, we need to respect that.
- **DO** be sensitive to the traditions and beliefs of others. There may be certain seasons or customs that limit or preclude certain ways of sharing. Again, research is useful, but also asking questions will be necessary. People of other faiths will not assume knowledge on our part, any more than we would of them.

- **DON'T** come with a ready made programme, expecting a faith community to simply sign on to it. Mutuality is key in interfaith dialogue as it is in any intentional relationship; and the needs, interests, and goals of all parties must be accommodated as much as possible.
- **DO** plan for the future. If dialogue ends with a single programme or event, then a relationship cannot grow. An interfaith programme should have as a goal and a subtext “what happens next.” In discovering points of contact and shared concern, we can explore ways of working together to help strengthen and care for the wider community we all share.

It is the hope of the Ecumenical and Multifaith Unit that this book will provide a foundation for that path to peace and justice which inter-religious dialogue and co-operation can build. Should you have any questions or require further information, please don't hesitate to contact a representative of the Unit through the Synod Office, at 604-684-6306. Good luck!

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NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL INTERFAITH ORGANISATIONS RESOURCES AVAILABLE ONLINE

In addition to local groups, there are numerous national and international groups working towards greater inter-religious dialogue and co-operation. These can act as both resources in developing local programmes, as well as additional venues for individuals to get involved in this important work.

The first place to look is our own **Anglican Church of Canada** website, where one can find an excellent Interfaith Resource Kit, produced by the Faith, Worship, and Ministry Department - <http://www.anglican.ca/faith/relationships/irk.htm>. The Co-ordinator for Dialogue, The Revd Canon Linda Nicholls, is an excellent resource who can assist parishes and individuals. She can be contacted at 416-924-9199 (ext. 209) or lnicholls@national.anglican.ca. In a similar vein, the **Anglican Communion** provides news, information, and resources at <http://www.anglicancommunion.org/>.

The Inter-religious Relations and Dialogue Team of the **World Council of Churches** has published many useful documents accessible online. These include guidelines for dialogue with various faith traditions, study guides, curricula, and programme outlines. The Team also publishes a biannual called *Current Dialogue*, highlighting the current worldwide scene in interfaith dialogue.
<http://www.wcc-coe.org/wcc/what/interreligious/index-e.html>

Nationally, the **Canadian Council of Churches** has useful online resources. Of special note are resources directed primarily at children and youth.
<http://www.ccc-cce.ca/english/faith/inter.htm>

The **Across Boundaries Multifaith Institute** sponsors educational programmes and retreats in addition to publishing a quarterly journal focussing on the multifaith scene in Canada – *Voices Across Boundaries*.
<http://www.acrossboundaries.net>

C-DET, the programming umbrella of the **Canadian Council of Christians and Jews** offers several initiatives aimed at nurturing respect and understanding of multi-religious and multicultural diversity.
<http://www.cccj.ca/programs.html>

In a similar vein, the **National Muslim-Christian Liaison Committee of Canada** provides support and information to those engaging in Christian-Muslim dialogue. The contact people are Stuart Brown (ccocce@oecumenisme.ca) and Barbara Siddiqui (Barbara.Siddiqui@tdsb.on.ca).

The **North American Interfaith Network** has an excellent page of links to resources.
<http://www.nain.org/interfaith.htm>

Although it has an American orientation, the **Pluralism Project** has a huge number of resources on its website, including research reports, directories, news, bibliographies, and programme resources.
<http://www.pluralism.org/>

Full of useful information, the website of the **United Religions Initiative** includes a quarterly newsletter, information on establishing local “cooperation circles,” news and activities for children and youth, and information on peace-building exercises.
www.uri.org

The initiatives and programmes of the **Council for a Parliament of the World's Religions** provides news and information on the status of global interfaith dialogue.

<http://www.cpwr.org/>

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CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND YOUNG ADULT RESOURCES

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NON-CHRISTIAN FAITH COMMUNITIES CONTACTS – LOWER MAINLAND

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The following list provides contacts for faith communities in the various regions of the Lower Mainland. Obviously, not all those groups listed will be willing or able to participate in an interfaith programme. Some communities may be too small, too culturally isolated, or too theologically uncomfortable to engage in dialogue, and inquiries should be made sensitively, and keeping this in mind.

Organization	Contact	Faith	Phone	Email	Address
VANCOUVER & NORTH SHORE					
Islamic Information Centre		Muslim	604-434-7526	iicenter@telus.net	3127 Kingsway St Vancouver, BC V5R 5J9
Masjid Alhaq		Muslim	604-873-1787		
Dar-Al-Madinah Islamic Society		Muslim	604-873-8580	www.daralmdinah.com	7155 Victoria Drive Vancouver, BC V5P 3Y9
Pakistan Canada Association/Jamia Masjid		Muslim	604-803-7344	abuosama@itergate.bc.ca	655 W 8th Ave Vancouver, BC, V5Z 1C7
Masjid Alhaq		Muslim	604-873-2787	www.thebema.com	4162 Welwyn St Vancouver, BC
Zawiyah Foundation Centre	Imam Fode	Muslim	778-881-9403		1330 E 66 th Ave Vancouver, BC
Sunni Muslim Islamic Centre	Suleman Chabu	Muslim	604-301-0620		202 - 6628 Fraser St. Vancouver, BC
Fraser Street Musulla	Br. Tanoli	Muslim	604-321-0366		6707 Fraser St Vancouver, BC
Vancouver Mosque		Muslim	604-803-7344		655 W. 8 th Ave. Vancouver, BC V5Z 1C7
Shaarey Tefilah		Jewish (Orthodox)	604-873-2700		785 W 16 th Ave Vancouver, BC, V5Z 1S8
Chabad of Downtown		Jewish	778-371-9508	rabbi@chabadcitycentre.com www.chabadcitycentre.com	1260 Howe Street Vancouver, BC, V6Z 1R5
Chabad of Kitsilano	Rabbi Lipa Dubrawsky	Jewish (Orthodox)	604-737-1574		3673 West Broadway Vancouver, BC, V6R-2B8
Beth Hamidrash Congregation	Ilan Acoca	Jewish (Orthodox) Sephardic Orthodox	604-872-4222	info@bethhamidrash.com	3231 Heather Street Vancouver, BC, V5Z 3K4
Beth Israel Congregation		Jewish (Conservative)	604-731-4161	info@bethisrael.ca	4350 Oak St Vancouver, BC, V6H 2N7

Chabad Lubavitch		Jewish	604-266-1313	info@lubavitchbc.com www.lubavitchbc.com	5750 Oak Street Vancouver, BC, V6M 2V9
Congregation Har El	Rabbi Shmuel Birnham	Jewish (Conservative)	604-925-6488	harel@telus.net www.harel.org	1305 Taylor Way W Vancouver, BC
Temple Sholom	Philip L. Bregman	Jewish (Reform)	604-266-7190	templesholom@telus.net	7190 Oak St Vancouver, BC, V6P 3Z9
Ahavat Olam Congregation	David Mivasair	Jewish (Unaffiliated)	604-875-0240	info@ahavat-olam.ca	P.O. Box 19569 Vancouver, BC , V5T 4E7
Chava @ Abrasha Wosk Synagogue		Jewish	604-261-9376	pnitkiin@louisbrier.com	1055 W. 41 st Vancouver, BC V6M 1W9
Fuji Hindu Temple		Hindu	604-324-8359		5460 Gladstone St. Vancouver, BC , V5P 4C7
Shiv Mandir		Hindu	604-874-0175		1795 Napier Street, Vancouver, BC, V5L 2N1
Maha Lakshmi Temple	Prameya Chaitanya	Hindu	604-874-0175		467 E. 11th Avenue Vancouver, BC, V5D 2C8
Amitabha Society of Canada	Rev. Chin Kung	Buddhist (Mahayana)	604-266-1916		855 W 47th Ave Vancouver, BC, V5Z 2R7
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