

The National Indigenous Organization is seeking volunteers who are committed to the vision of the United Church of Canada as an anti-racist denomination.

Indigenous Reference Group (3 vacancies)

The Indigenous Reference Group works with the Racialized Reference Group and the Dismantling White Privilege Working Group to advise the General Council Executive and National Indigenous Council on how The United Church of Canada may dismantle White privilege, decolonize, and become an anti-racist organization. The three groups work together and with others to shift the power structures within our church.

Skills

We are looking for Indigenous members with an understanding of The United Church of Canada and its history pertaining to Indigenous ministry and justice. Reference Group members will have a commitment to helping the United Church become an anti-racist organization. Individuals who have a lived experience of residential schools or day schools or are Sixties Scoop Survivors are encouraged to apply.

Membership and Expectations

The reference group will be made up of Indigenous members. Appointments are until the National Indigenous Spiritual Gathering in 2022. Meetings will be held online every 6-8 weeks. This includes joint meetings with the Racialized Reference Group and, occasionally, the Dismantling White Privilege Reference Group and others.

If you are interested in serving on this reference group, tell us about yourself and the gifts you would bring. See the attached or online application form. Deadline: <u>January 11, 2021</u>.

Online form: https://unitedchurch.formstack.com/forms/nic E-mail: nominate@united-church.ca Fax: 416-231-3103 (Attention Diane Bosman)

If you have questions or if we can offer any assistance, don't hesitate to contact: Diane Bosman, Member Engagement, <u>nominate@united-church.ca</u> or1-800-268-3781 ext. 2211. (The office is closed, but messages will be returned as soon as possible)