

Youth Ministry Survey for Pastoral Charges

Cambrian Presbytery is in the process of reviewing our Youth Ministry Position. The original Joint Needs Assessment Report will require updating. Cambrian congregations are being asked to please review the original report with a view to keeping it current in identifying ways this position could potentially resource their particular needs. To that end, we have provided some questions for your review purposes, but welcome additional questions / ideas congregants and official boards may have for the current JNAC Committee.

**** Please return this questionnaire to the Presbytery office by April 30, 2010
- Thank you ****

1. Name of Congregation / Pastoral Charge

2. Are there youth / young adults involved in your congregation right now? What are the approximate ages?

3. Have you identified any key leaders within your congregation/pastoral charge with an interest in ministry with youth?

4. On a scale of 1 to 5 (with 1 being the most important and 5 the least), how would you rate these duties and responsibilities of a youth ministry worker?

Duties and Responsibilities	Rating
To facilitate the Cambrian Presbytery Youth Planning Committee in providing two Presbytery events for youth.	
To coordinate additional events in each of the Pastoral Charge Partnerships.	
To coordinate the development and oversight of a Youth Council for Cambrian Presbytery.	
To develop a youth leadership training program to assist congregations with their leadership development needs.	
To assist, enable, and advocate for youth and young adult ministry at the congregational and presbytery levels.	
To support transition from youth involvement to young adult involvement in the United Church of Canada. (eg: assist in connecting university/college student with local congregations.)	
To promote and support the development of community between youth and young adults in a geographically challenged Presbytery.(eg: Chat rooms, email newsletters etc.)	
To be involved in events/programs beyond Cambrian Presbytery (for example, Youth and Teens at Conference - Y-Tac, Youth at Conference of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario - Yatcomano, Young Adults and Youth Committee - YAAY) , congregational youth events.	

While there are some obvious updates needed in the original JNAC report, please consider the following as you review it:

- 5. Are the overall aims and objectives of this ministry position in keeping with your congregational view of youth ministry desires?**
- 6. Are there areas of youth ministry needs or concerns that you feel should be included in such a position and are not reflected?**
7. With the understanding that the focus of a Presbytery youth ministry worker would be to support your pastoral charge's ministry efforts, what support would your congregation be most interested in receiving from such a worker? Rate these on a scale of 1 to 5 with 1 being the most important and 5 the least:
 - Programming ideas
 - Training adults to work with youth
 - Transitioning between childhood and youth, or youth and young-adulthood.
 - Another area not identified in the original JNAC report.
- 8. Would your congregation avail itself of supports through this ministry position?**
- 9. Would your congregation be willing to continue supportive funding to this ministry position?**
- 10. Other ideas and comments are most welcome.**

Commitment to enhancing youth ministry in United Church life throughout our Presbytery communities is a goal that can be met with your continued action in the process. If further discussion with a member of the JNAC Committee would be helpful, our contact information is below. Thank you in advance for participation in this review and re-visioning process.

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