

Who Do We Support?

Most of our groups meet monthly. We visit, learn, and pray together and we take up an offering. **But** do you know where that money goes?

Each year at our Annual General Meeting held at interMISSION, we set a budget. Our prayer as we do this is that the funds will come in and we will be able honour our commitment.

In this program you will get a summary of the organizations which **you** support with your offerings.

World Missions

Canadian Baptist Ministries - At CBM, we are committed to responding to the brokenness of our world through God's love, expressed in both word and deed. Our response to the love of God and his mission is rooted in the fact that he first loved us, and as a sign of our gratitude to him, we willingly and enthusiastically accept his invitation to join him in his shalom – peace with justice.



For almost 150 years, Canadian Baptists have witnessed the transforming power of the gospel through local churches around the world. We are so grateful for this ongoing work and are committed to bringing hope and healing to those who need it most.

Jennifer Lau, Executive Director, CBM



Baptist Women of North America (BWNA) - The Baptist Women of North America (BWNA) encourages and engages women from 17 member organizations across Canada and the

US. We are the North American branch of the Baptist World Alliance Women's Department.

Patty Lane, President of BWNA



Canadian Baptist Women (CBW) – Canadian Baptist Women is a collaboration of ABW, CBWOQ, BCY Baptist Women, Heartland Baptist Women (Saskatchewan and Manitoba) and CBM. We work together, as women across Canada to better equip Baptist Women outside of North America, through graduate degree scholarships, grants for leadership development and projects that strengthen vulnerable women.

We are currently sponsoring 3 women who are working on either their Masters Degree or PhD (Kenya, Rwanda and Lebanon) and one woman to a leadership opportunity at the UFBAL (South and Central American Baptist Women) quinquennial conference. These women would find it extremely difficult, if not impossible, to get this training without aid so we are thankful that we as Baptist Women in Canada can stand with them. This is not just helping these women, but the impact of their training strengthens God's kingdom. We also initiate the Great Canadian Bible Study with offerings that go toward a project that benefits women and children, chosen with input from CBM, most recently Eagle's Wings which is led by Kallie Hutton. We also encourage participation in the Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer which helps to strengthen and also fund Baptist ministries to women all over the world. Is that too long? If so, leave out the highlighted line or edit otherwise as necessary. Moreen Sharpe is the President.

Home Missions

Summer Ministries

- 1. Daily Vacation Bible School Workers** – Atlantic Baptist Women has a Vacation Bible School program for churches that do not have the leadership to carry out a summer VBS. ABW will provide a team of two young adults and the curriculum at no cost to your church. The young adults will receive training, and will come prepared to lead the VBS program, along with a mission component, at your church. VBS children will be encouraged to contribute to a mission offering for the designated project. During the summer of 2023 we sent two teams to 14 churches.

Outreach Ministries



Christian Action Federation - The Christian Action Federation of New Brunswick Inc. started in 1926 as the *New Brunswick Temperance Federation*. Although our name has changed over the years and our mission has expanded. We are here to provide education and

encouragement for individuals and groups so that all levels of society may have sound reasons for making wise decisions regarding alcohol, drugs, and other social issues.

We offer a plethora of topics for youth that are both proactive (helping youth set boundaries in their lives) and reactive (helping youth find freedom from their current situations). We continue to develop programming based on the needs in the culture in and around New Brunswick.

Newfoundland and Labrador Association – We promote the Baptist Work and Witness in Newfoundland and Labrador and support Youth Work within the province through camps and conferences. As Atlantic Baptist Women we support the annual Youth Conference held in Newfoundland.

Pregnancy Resource Centres – Pregnancy Resource Centres are places of help and hope that provide compassionate support and education in a caring, respectful environment for individuals and families impacted by unexpected pregnancy and other pregnancy-related challenges. Their free and confidential services offer encouragement at a time when feelings of loneliness and uncertainty may be overwhelming. Through peer mentoring, support programs, counselling/health services and referrals, pregnancy-related challenges with resources and accurate information. The staff and volunteers at the pregnancy centres offer care that demonstrates how we are all wonderfully made by God, our loving Creator.

The centres we support:

1. Tri-Country Pregnancy Care Centre, Yarmouth, NS
2. Valley Care Pregnancy Centre, Kentville, NS
3. Open Door Healthy Life Choices Centre (Pregnancy Pathways), Halifax, NS
4. Pregnancy and Wellness Centre of Moncton, Moncton, NB
5. Sussex Pregnancy Care Centre, Sussex, NB
6. Pregnancy Resource Centre of Saint John, Saint John, NB
7. Island Pregnancy Centre, Charlottetown, PE

TREY – TREY stands for Trauma Recovery for Exploited Youth. TREY is a faith based, non-government organization that provides a safe restorative family environment. It serves you ages 16 and up. It is home characterized by unconditional loves and acceptance. TREY embrace the creativity and uniqueness of survivors of sexploitation with a focus on healing in a long term, save, restorative family environment. TREY is located in Colchester County, NS.

Atlantic Baptist Mission Board - The Atlantic Baptist Mission Board is an independently incorporated Board within the Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada that works closely with CBAC Council to achieve the goals of CBAC. Specifically, the Board's role is to "ensure that a central guiding vision is maintained in the areas of evangelism, church planting, intercultural ministries, and special mission projects".

The Board is composed of eight voting members, (seven elected by the CBAC plus the Superintendent of the Home Mission Department of Atlantic Baptist Women), and the Director of Atlantic Baptist Mission. The Annual Meeting of the Board normally takes place in September of each year, with additional meetings being held as needed.



CBAC Youth and Family Ministries - The Youth and Family Department is a department of the Canadian Baptist of Atlantic Canada. If you hang out with us long enough, you will hear us ask this question "Will you join God's mission to change Atlantic Canada one neighbourhood at a time"? Our vision is to see every youth, children, and camp ministry answer the call to train and send the next generation as missionaries into the everyday rhythms of life. Our

mandate is to help these ministries by being a resource to the ministry leaders to fulfill this vision.

Hospital Chaplaincy Services (Halifax and Saint John) - People from across Atlantic Canada face stress and crisis daily in our large area hospitals. Many of them are far from home and removed from the spiritual resources of church and Pastor. Some have not been to church for years, or struggle with faith in God and their relationship with the church. Hospital Chaplains can provide a ministry to them all.

Baptist Hospital Chaplains are there willing to listen, care and love in Christ's name on behalf of the churches of the Canadian Baptist of Atlantic Canada. We have chaplains in the following hospitals:

Halifax, NS:

1. Queen Elizabeth Health Sciences Centre
 1. The Infirmary
 2. The Victoria General
 3. IWK
2. NS Rehab Centre

Saint John, NB

1. Saint John Regional Hospital
2. St. Joseph's Hospital

One person said, *"Through you I have experienced loving presence in the middle of my suffering. I cannot thank you enough."*

Acadia Divinity College, Wolfville, NS



ACADIA
DIVINITY COLLEGE

As early as 1830, Baptists in Nova Scotia, Canada established a "department of pious scholars" at Horton Academy in Wolfville (founded 1828) for ministerial training. With the

founding in 1838 of what became Acadia University, preparation for ministry was carried on under various formats until the School of Theology was put on a more formal footing in 1923.

After Acadia University was reorganized in 1966, the Baptists of Atlantic Canada began to operate the School of Theology under the name Acadia Divinity College, and on June 1, 1968, the College was established by an act of the Nova Scotia Legislature.

Today, the College exists as the seminary of the Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada (CBAC), functioning within its evangelical tradition, and continues as the Faculty of Theology for Acadia University. The University awards all of our degrees. All of our graduate degrees are fully accredited by the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada.

While we are a Baptist seminary, we recognize that the Church of Jesus Christ is much larger than our own church affiliation and so we welcome men and women from all church backgrounds. Currently, the College has students from more than 20 denominations.

We as Atlantic Baptist Women give to two funds at ADC. We give to the operational account and to one of the Chairs at the College. Endowed academic (teaching) chairs are established to ensure that permanent funding is available to the College to meet the costs of a professor's salary in each discipline.

Crandall University, Moncton, NB



The *United Baptist Bible Training School* was founded in Moncton, New Brunswick in 1949. The school began as a Bible institute and then a few years later added a residential high school program because many prospective students who wanted to attend were from rural areas where young people did not have access to a high school education. For the next two decades, students came from all over Atlantic Canada and beyond to learn in a Christian context and to live in a Christian community.

Academic excellence very quickly became a hallmark of the new school, and many people gave sacrificially to help expand the facilities and the programs. By 1968, high schools were being established across rural Atlantic Canada and the school transitioned to a Christian Junior Liberal Arts College to meet the educational needs of a new era. In 1970, the name was changed to *Atlantic Baptist College* to reflect this new direction.

In 1983, the New Brunswick Legislature passed legislation granting Atlantic Baptist College a charter and gave the College the authority to offer baccalaureate degrees. By 1996, the growing College moved from its original Salisbury Road campus to a new 200-acre campus on the Gorge Road on land donated by Mrs. Ruth Colburne. In the same year, the original Act of the Legislature was amended to change the name of the College to *Atlantic Baptist University*. This was done to reflect the continued growth and development of the University which by then was granting undergraduate degrees in Arts, Business, and Science and in the following years added bachelor degrees in Education and Organizational Management.

In 2008, and again in 2010, slight amendments to the Act were made to permit the awarding of degrees beyond the baccalaureate level and to change the name

to *Crandall University* in honour of Joseph Crandall, who founded several Baptist churches in the greater Moncton area during the mid 1800s. This new name was also intended to offer an invitation more clearly into the Crandall community to all prospective students and supporters who were not from a Baptist tradition. In 2010, the University opened the new Stultz Hall academic building, and in 2012 the new Mitton Court apartment building, to augment the existing Colburne House residence and Murray Hall to accommodate the continued growth of the student body.

In 2013, the University began to offer graduate degrees in Organizational Management and Education. By 2020, a Master of Management degree was added. Through these developments the University witnessed a significant increase in enrollment from both domestic and international graduate students. Along with the growth in the student body, the size of the staff continued to increase as did the size and breadth of the faculty. At the same time, the University has maintained small class sizes to preserve the individual attention and friendly and supportive spirit which it has always valued. As the University entered the 2020s, over 300 undergraduate scholarships were added and the number of athletic teams increased as Crandall students travelled to compete in the region, the nation, and internationally.

We as Atlantic Baptist Women, give to Crandall on a yearly basis.

As you meet and give of your offerings to the various ministries we support, please remember to pray for these organizations.

