

Some of our leaders...



Murray MacAdam



Janet Marshall



Joe Mihevc



Geoff Ryan



Sr Gregory



Brice Balmer



Ron Ewart



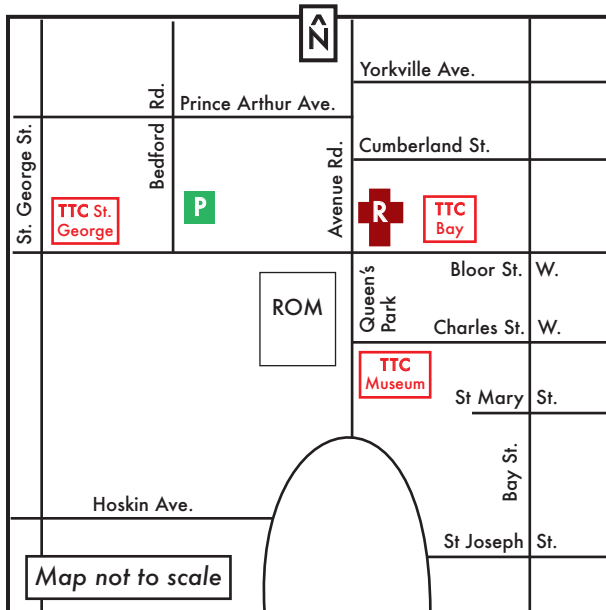
Brad Lennon



Coral Prebble



Paul MacLean



We are here to help you discover and realize your church's potential. Since our founding in 1995 we have helped hundreds of congregations and church bodies take the next courageous and faithful step into a hopeful future.

Our experience is with real congregations like yours, congregations that have both struggles and hopes, that are composed of people who are faithful and committed and those who long for a deeper experience of God in community. These real congregations often struggle with how they relate meaningfully to a rapidly changing Canadian context, how they create



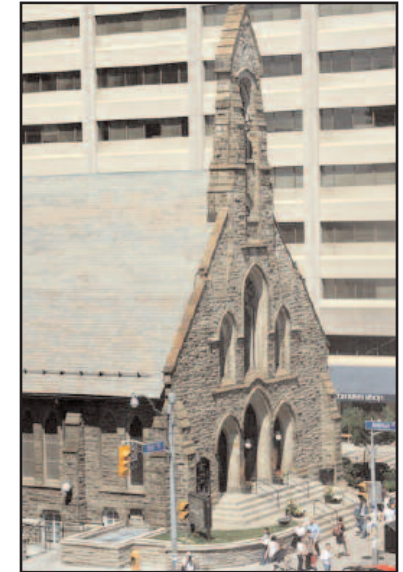
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a Christian from a diverse mix of generations, and yes, how they build, they build, or manage the bottom of these every-day realities. And at these every-day realities is the hope, that your congregation will truly be God's agent for creating and sustaining healthy individuals and communities. Hope helps sustain congregations and their leaders in the journey of realizing their full potential.

We provide a full range of practical services - coaching, short workshops, facilitation, planning. We know and care a lot about real congregations, like yours. Give us a call.

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Potentials for Engagement



Saturday, January 30, 2010
 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
 Church of the Redeemer
 162 Bloor St. W.
 at Avenue Rd.,
 Toronto

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Healthy, Engaged Churches

Christian communities are at their best when they have an outward focus, when they are motivated by creating life, when they are able to dream and act collectively. They are enlivened by creative engagement with the wider community of which they are a part. But what is their role? How can they make a unique spiritual and social contribution to the health of communities and neighbourhoods?

We will explore this theme with leaders drawn from civic life, social services and a wide spectrum of Christian tradition. And we will make use of the experience, expertise and questions brought by our participants.

Schedule of Events

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| 8:45-9:15 | Registration & coffee |
| 9:15 | Welcome & worship |
| 9:30 | A fresh look at mission |
| 10:30 | Break & book display |
| 11:00 | Workshops |
| 12:15 | Lunch (provided) |
| 1:15 | Workshops (repeated) |
| 2:30 | Break |
| 2:45 | Panel: Faith communities as effective agents and partners |
| 4:00 | Conclusion |

Plenary Sessions

A fresh look at mission: what is the unique contribution churches can make to their neighbourhoods? Led by Paul MacLean, executive director of *Potentials* and Mary Jo Leddy, Romero House and Regis College.

A panel on faith communities as effective agents and partners: with Joe Mihevc, city councillor; Coral Prebble, coordinating minister at St James United Church, Etobicoke; Mary Jo Leddy; and Brice Balmer, executive director of the Interfaith Social Assistance Reform Coalition.

Workshops

- 1) Reaching Out, Welcoming the Wounded, and Creating Community with Sr Georgette Gregory.**
The Mustard Seed: a mighty story of a community ministry.
- 2) Stained Glass Urbanism and Community Development with Geoff Ryan.** Engaging politicians and policy makers for under-resourced communities.
- 3) Green Awakening Network with Ron Ewart.**
Lessons from an environmental partnership.
- 4) From Compassion to Action with Janet Marshall.**
Making the step from a pastoral heart to a thirst for justice.
- 5) The Conundrum of Condominiums with Brad Lennon.** Strategies for sharing the good news with residents of apartments and condos.
- 6) Sparking Congregational Action on Social Issues with Murray MacAdam.** Moving beyond traditional outreach to address deeper issues of poverty, homelessness and environment.

For fuller descriptions of our workshops and leaders, please visit our website: www.potentials.ca

Registration Form

Please submit by January 8, 2010. You can also register via e-mail at potentials@bellnet.ca and forward payment.

BRING A TEAM! Groups of 4 or more from a congregation/parish pay only \$30 per participant after the first 3 registrations.

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Congregation and Denomination

Address _____

City _____

Postal Code _____

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

I enclose a cheque payable to 'Potentials Centre for Development of Ministry and Congregations' for:

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My workshop choices, in order of preference are:

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