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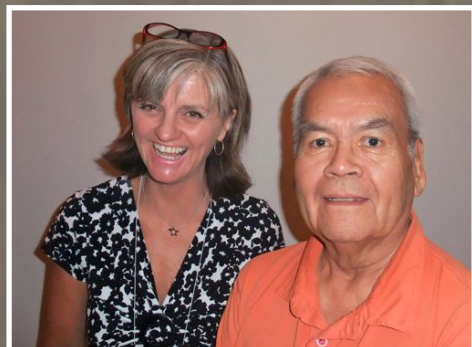
# NATIVE MINISTRIES

*BC Conference of the United Church of Canada*

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JUNE  
2011

## ANNUAL GENERAL GATHERING 2011 PRINCE RUPERT - MEMORIES...



Moving left to right;

Top row - Doug Goodwin, Ray Jones, Alvin Dixon, Jim White, David Smith, Gale Glover, David Martyn, Peggy Monague, Irene Champagne, Sunni Shular.

Middle row - FEASTING!! David Smith, Bob Burrows, Charlene Burns.

Bottom row - Irene Campagne, Alvin Dixon, Bob Burrows, Michael Hare, Marie Dickens, Donna Zeigler, Sunni Shular, Mona Alexcee.

# NATIONAL ABORIGINAL GATHERING - AUGUST 19-21, 2011

The National Aboriginal Spiritual Gathering of the United Church of Canada is being held in Prince Rupert, August 19-21, 2011. The event will provide opportunity for representatives from Aboriginal ministries from across The United Church of Canada to gather for the purpose of sharing and nurturing the vision of Aboriginal Ministries Council and Circle. The gathered people will be empowered to be the voice of the Aboriginal community on matters of spirituality and ministry. Through listening for Creator's voice, reflecting on the Gospel message and story-telling; and with the Spirit's guidance, future directions will emerge. Attendees will include two members of Aboriginal Pastoral Charges/Ministries/Outreaches of The United Church of Canada. With numbers expected to exceed 200 people, it is bound to be an incredible, memorable time of fellowship, learning, music and sharing stories.

**At this time, your communities should have received registration forms for this Gathering. The event is fast approaching and due to tourist season in Prince Rupert, we would need to know how many people are planning to attend so that you are assured accommodation and meals. Please fill out the form and return as soon as possible.**

## INDIGENOUS SPIRITUALITY AND RECONCILIATION SESSIONS

St. Andrew's Wesley United Church, in Vancouver, is hosting 2 events in June 2011 as part of the 'Explorations in Indigenous Spirituality and Reconciliation' discussion series. Share in dialogue and wisdom with some of BC's west coast dynamic elders and leaders. If you are in the area, please feel free to attend. Both events are FREE and are open to everyone.

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Located at the south west corner of the intersection of Burrard and Nelson Streets in downtown Vancouver.

Pay parking may be accessed through the laneway on the south side of the church.

[www.standrewswesleychurch.bc.ca](http://www.standrewswesleychurch.bc.ca)



ST. ANDREW'S-WESLEY  
UNITED CHURCH

Wednesday, June 15, 2011 at 7 PM

### Indigenous Worldview and Spiritual Foundations: The Coast Salish People

LEADERSHIP

Latash Maurice Nahanee

Come and sit in a circle with a leader and teacher of indigenous culture to hear about another perspective on the sacred creation to which we all belong. In his teaching Maurice Nahanee of the Squamish Nation, will speak about matters such as the ancestors, the spirit world, ceremonies, blessings, the elders, medicine men, higher power, lineage, protocol, gifts, blankets, naming, masks, and the place of food in community. A place for listening, conversation and questions.



Monday, June 20, 2011 at 7 PM

### Indian Residential Schools and Reconciliation in Canada

LEADERSHIP

Chief Robert Joseph - Executive Director,  
Indian Residential Schools Survivor Society

Samaya Jardey - BC Regional Liaison Truth and  
Reconciliation Commission

Rev. Dr. Wendy Fletcher - Historian, Principal  
and Dean of the Vancouver School of Theology

What were our ancestors thinking when they created the residential schools? What were the assumptions and beliefs from which churches and governments were operating when they instituted residential schools and devastated the spiritual and cultural foundations and languages of Aboriginal Peoples across Canada? What role do we have today to understand the ongoing impacts of our shared history and engage in the process of reconciliation?

Our three guest speakers will offer perspective on these questions based on their own experience and on their research and teaching on the reality of Indian residential schools in Canada. We will learn more about the current process of truth and reconciliation in Canada, particularly in the light of the TRC event planned for Vancouver in 2013. Questions and response will be encouraged in the process of the evening session.



### A Meeting Place for Youth, Young Adults, and Their Leaders

"Present yourself" at Rendez-vous 2011 to connect with United Church youth and young adults from across the country. Discover exhilarating worship, exciting opportunities for learning, growth, and service, and many examples of excellent youth and young adult ministries. You will be challenged, inspired, and encouraged to "go big" when you go home. Held in partnership with Emmanuel College and the University of Toronto Multi-faith Centre. Sponsored by the Mission and Service Fund, The United Church of Canada Foundation, and the TD Friends of the Environment. Deadline for registering is June 25th.



# Did you know?

## Congratulations

**Sunni Shular** receives her ordination at BC Conference General Meeting in Penticton last month.



At the same time we say 'Wilgilkniitsn' - 'We will see you again' to Sunni and Ian. They have accepted a call to southern Ontario. Ian and Sunni have shown incredible dedication to Peirce Memorial United Church and have been nurturers of the congregations in Anspayax, Hazelton, and Kitsegukala. All our love for the new chapter in their life. They will be missed.

## Gathering

**Prince Rupert Presbytery Fall Gathering** will be in Bella Coola, September 22-25, 2011.

**Native Ministries Council Annual General Gathering** will be held in Cape Mudge, April 26-29, 2012.

## Informing

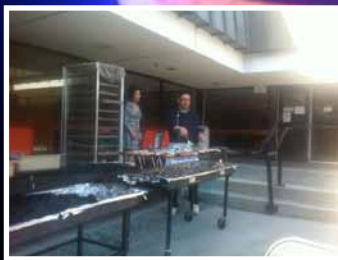
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# BEHOLD! - AN INTERCULTURAL EVENT



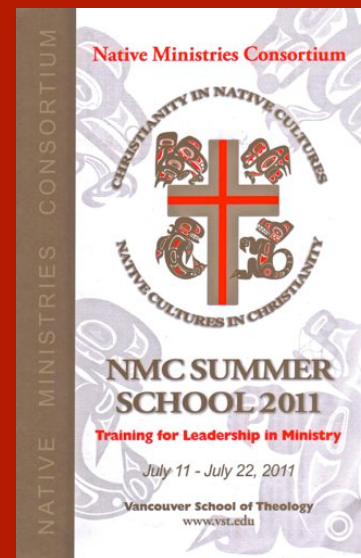
Vancouver BC, Student Union Building UBC - This past May, the United Church of Canada celebrated it's inter-culturalism through a gathering called "Behold". It is considered by many, to be a tremendous success. Ray Jones, Doreen Angus, and Jim Angus, (Native Ministries Council Executive Elders) and Larry Grant (Squamish Nations Chief), led the procession to begin the ceremony. There were various presentations by different cultural groups throughout the 3 days. Native Ministries Council hosted a salmon barbeque for the delegates. Thanks to AMS Services at UBC and to Sandra Gray for coming out to lend a hand!

## SUMMER SCHOOL @ VST

Native Ministries Consortium and Vancouver School of Theology are pleased to once again offer two, 1 week sessions of Summer School. Native Ministries Consortium have bursaries available. See [www.vst.edu/main](http://www.vst.edu/main) for more information.

Native Ministries Council also has funding available. Please contact us for more info on the application.

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**BC CONFERENCE  
GENERAL MEETING**

**Stuart and Joan Phillip**, welcomed the delegates of the BC Conference General Meeting to Penticton on May 26. He is the Grand Chief of the Okanagan First Nation and she is the elected Chief Councillor for the Penticton First Nation Band. They spoke with humour, sincerity, honesty, love for one another, and appreciation for the United Church of Canada. It was an inspiring welcome!



**FAITH ADVENTURE  
CAMPS**

**Faith Adventure Camp!** The Youth and Young Adult Working Unit of BC Conference and Prince Rupert Presbytery are pleased to offer again this year. A team will be coming to the following communities in August.

- Kitimat** - youth from Ryerson United.
  - Hazelton and Gitsegukla** - youth from Shaughnessy United
  - Haida Gwaii** - a mixed youth group
- For more info, contact Doris Kizinna at [dkizinna@bc.united-church.ca](mailto:dkizinna@bc.united-church.ca)

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA  
**NATIVE MINISTRIES  
EDUCATION FAIR 2011**

**HELPING YOU TO LIVE THE CALL**

*Please join us:*

- June 18 - Hazelton
- June 19 - Haisla
- June 21 - Bella Bella
- June 22 - Bella Coola

The fair is for anyone interested in going into ministry, or interested in what educational resources and supports are available. Besides displays, presentations, and a bite to eat in fellowship with one another, there will also be learning opportunities. A Team of BC Conference staff members will be present, as your resources. Please join us!

**FOR MORE INFO PLEASE CALL  
CLARE HILL AT 778 684 6775  
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**"Good with fish mix  
for lunch, or jam  
and butter for  
breakfast. Enjoy!"**

Doreen Angus  
NMC Board of Director



**A RECIPE FROM KISPIOX**

**DOREEN'S BREAD**

- 14 mugs of flour (coffee mug)
- 2 cups of skim milk powder  
(or add c. milk to your liquid)
- 6 Tbsp. baking powder
- 1 Tbsp. salt
- 1 cup sugar
- Add 4 eggs
- 1 cup oil

Mix all to muffin consistency using about 1 1/2 to 2L water. It's not exact, so be careful. Use a tablespoon to place about 20 pieces of bread on a baking sheet. Bake 20 - 25 minutes until golden brown. I do it at 400 degrees F.

**CAN YOU NAME  
THIS  
COMMUNITY?**



**EDGER MEMORIAL  
UNITED CHURCH  
KLEMTU, BC**