

STRATEGIC MISSION DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

REPORT: To Executive Oct. 4, 2011

Committee met on Sep.20th . Next Meeting Oct. 17th

OUR MANDATE

VISION

To constantly strive to visualize what the United Church of Canada could be within the boundaries of Halton Presbytery and to provide the Executive of Presbytery with guidance, suggestions and recommendations that contribute to strengthening congregations in their role of growing disciples.

MISSION:

Through the Mission Development Officer, its members and otherwise; to assist Presbytery, its committees and congregations to operate in a coordinated, consistent and strategic manner with a focus on established goals and priorities, including sharing of information/best practices, avoidance of duplication of effort and enhanced mission development in both existing and new situations.

UPDATES:

- The annual report on the committee's experience covering the church year ending June 30, 2011 now appears on the website.
- Much of the last meeting was devoted to being brought up to date on the work of our MDO during the last summer months. Unbinding the Gospel, Ministry In Motion and the Website were featured.
- A spread sheet on possible issues and opportunities, which we use as a tool for keeping our mandate clearly in focus, was given considerable attention. A good exercise to refresh our thinking going forward.
- Review of our model for PC profiles is still under consideration.

CHALLENGES:

- Promoting the **mission** and **purpose** of Presbytery among other committees. Sharpen the committee's focus on achievable strategies.
- Developing strategies that complement work of EDGE, a ministry for ministry development.
- Strategic implementation of recommendations from the communications report.
- Shepherding evolution of a website and a Communications and Technology Committee.
- Encouraging leadership and renewal.
- Strategic/visionary thinking about UCC in Halton Presbytery, it being understood this issue is the responsibility of HPE.

Submitted by John Fargey

"Volunteers do not get paid – not because they are worthless but because they are priceless."

"Knowledge work is defined not by quantity, not by its costs, but by its results" – Peter Drucker circa 1966