

April 25, 2017

Dear brothers and sisters of the C&MA family in Quebec,

Only a month to go until we begin our 16th Saint-Lawrence District Conference. My great desire remains to see every district church represented at this important gathering. Has your church already appointed your lay delegates? You will find the necessary information about the district conference on the website: www.districtstlaurent.org.

On receiving the nominating committee's preliminary report, you are encouraged to:

- 1) Share it with your congregation.
- 2) Begin a process of collective discernment and intercession during this 30 day period leading up to the district conference. Please be diligent in keeping the subject before your people at the weekly prayer meetings. You may even want to call special meetings to intercede for God's direction for the choice of district leaders. I am attaching some guiding documents for this process of discernment and I encourage you to establish certain times for leading your people to experience the process for your local situation and ministries.
- 3) Assure that your delegates (official workers and lay) become involved in this movement of intercession for the conference. In this way, their hearts will be well prepared for what awaits us during those days in Rimouski (May 26-27-28).

In the next couple of weeks, I will send out further information to help your delegates prepare well for the district conference.

May God bless you!

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Michael H. Gagnon, **District Superintendent**