

Application

Congregation:

Date:

Contact(s):

Email:

Address:

Telephone:

Signatures (including Council Chair):

1. Describe the initiative.
2. Identify the desired outcomes.
3. Describe how the initiative will enable the life and ministry of your congregation and other congregations.
4. List the geographical area(s), congregations or groups served.
5. Describe how this initiative will support CMC's mandate and/or current priorities.
6. Describe how this initiative connects with the MCEC mission statement of Extending the Peace of Jesus Christ: making disciples, growing congregations and forming leaders.
7. Identify any people or groups beyond your congregation who are supporting you in your efforts.
8. What time and/or financial resources have you already committed to this initiative?
9. When will this initiative start/be completed?
10. Briefly outline your budget for this initiative, including other sources of money that you will, or hope to access.

Submit Application to

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Mennonite Church Eastern Canada
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jsteckley@mcec.ca or 519.650.3806 / 800.206.9356

Application forms are also available on-line at
<http://www.mcec.ca/councils/congregational-council>

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Policy Statement

THE MISSION of Mennonite Church Eastern Canada (MCEC) is to Extend the Peace of Jesus Christ.

GO & GROW! fund grants will be disbursed to MCEC congregations in order to facilitate healthy congregational life through the discovery and release of God given gifts.

Money will be granted annually. A total of **\$2,000** is available to **January 31, 2011**. Applications are accepted throughout the year until January 15, 2011.

CRITERIA

Successful applicants will demonstrate that the proposed initiative:

- is new
- supports Congregational Ministries Council's mandate and current priorities
- impacts more than a single congregation
- connects with and supports the MCEC mission statement of Extending the Peace of Jesus Christ: making disciples, growing congregations and forming leaders
- is integrative, connecting various aspects of congregational life and ministry

Successful applicants must demonstrate initiative through commitment of both time and financial resources.

Grants are given only once to each initiative.

APPLICATION PROCESS

CMC will review applications in the order that they are received. Application forms are to be submitted 60 days prior to need in order to allow enough time for the application to be processed and for grant money to be disbursed. Contact the Congregational Ministries Minister (CMM) to apply. CMC will review the application and determine whether it meets eligibility guidelines.

Successful applicants will provide CMC, via the CMM, with timely updates as to the progress of the initiative. A report is due to CMC 6 months following the start of the initiative. The reporting needs to be suitable for sharing with Congregational Ministries Council, annual church gatherings, or MCEC promotion (pictures, video, print or website).