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The James Kallappa Indigenous Leadership Fund

Over 1.8 million people identify as Indigenous in Canada. It is estimated that fewer than 50,000 Indigenous people in Canada would be followers of Jesus Christ. This is the youngest and fastest growing population in our country. The hope lies in identifying and training the next generation of indigenous leaders and to continue to have ministry expressions that are indigenous developed, and culturally relevant.

Developing key leaders was a key strategy that James Kallappa, a PAOC Indigenous national leader (elder) to our First Nations, Metis, and Inuit people.

To honour a great elder in our Fellowship, Mission Canada has, with the blessing of the Kallappa family, created The James Kallappa Indigenous Leadership Fund. To carry on his legacy of pioneering, this unique fund will be used to assist Indigenous participants of PAOC recognised training programs and as seed funds for new Mission Canada initiatives as they enter ministry in their cities and communities.

Criteria:

1. Person entering ministry training under the age of 35
2. Adherent or member of a PAOC church
3. Recommendation by a local pastor and district leadership
4. Identify with or member of an Indigenous community.
5. Willingness and called to minister into a Canadian Indigenous setting
6. Consideration of Mission Canada worker status.

Participants will submit an application (no more than 2-3 pages) outlining their testimony, ministry call and ministry plan, and include three reference letters: their local PAOC church, District Indigenous leader and PAOC Bible College leadership. Deadline for applications will be May 1 and October 1 each year.

Funds will be reviewed by the Mission Canada team and distributed as a one-time encouragement to new PAOC leaders into their ministry or Mission Canada worker accounts. Scholarships will be rewarded based on the application and need toward ministry and project expenses.

Because we must serve Canada,

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