**Important Information for the next Classis Meeting**

**Classis Alberta North will meet on October 12-13, 2018, at Ebenezer CRC in Leduc.**

At this Classis meeting we will hear a lot about how God is building his church and how the ministries we support are meeting the challenges He puts before us. We will also celebrate God’s provision of leadership for the Church with the opportunity to examine two candidates for Ministry of the Word, and one candidate for the office of Commissioned Pastor.

Note: In March 2018, Classis determined that we will be meeting on Friday and Saturday to encourage attendance by elders and deacons. This will be reviewed in March 2019.

**Councils:**

Please select your **delegates**. By October 1 (only 1 council meeting away?), we must have the credentials for 1 Minister, 1 Elder, 1 Deacon, and alternatives for each of these. (If no Minister delegate is available, you may send 2 elders.)

**Credential forms,** which are attached, must be signed on behalf of council and returned by Oct. 1.

Consider setting a special Council meeting prior to Classis to **review the agenda** for and with the delegates. If important reports requiring discussion by Councils are available before the Agenda is sent, these will be sent to the churches as soon as they are available.

**Councils and All others:**

September 1 is the firm deadline for submitting overtures, committee reports, requests to speak, or other materials to be included in Classis Meeting Agenda.\*\* Send these electronically to [classisstatedclerk@gmail.com](mailto:classisstatedclerk@gmail.com). Earlier submissions will be very welcome, as the Agenda preparation starts as soon as materials are received.

No agenda supplement will be published to accommodate late reports once the agenda is distributed unless there are extremely urgent and unforeseen matters to be added.

**Important dates:**

* **September 1:** Deadline for submissions to be included with the Agenda
* **September 1-11:** Clerk prepares draft Agenda and Time Schedule for October Classis
* **September 11:** CIC reviews and adopts Agenda and Time Schedule
* **September 12-15:** Classis Agenda and Time Schedule are finalised and sent electronically to all the churches, committees, and agencies.
* **October 1:** Deadline for submission of **Credentials** (important so that we can arrange seating in the meeting room).
* **October 12-13:**  **Classis meets** at **Ebenezer** **CRC in Leduc.**

***\*\* See next page for information about submissions, presentations and displays.***

# About reports and submissions for the Classis Agenda

**Written Reports and Submissions:**

Since we want to keep the published Agenda to a reasonable length, please avoid “dressing up” your document with fancy fonts and formatting, extra spacing, pictures, logos and large titles. (All documents will be “dressed down” for publication in the agenda, anyway.)

If possible, **submit reports in MS Word format,** ideally in Times New Roman 12 pt font**.** Reports will be reproduced with uniform formatting, using single line spacing.

Remember that all documents must be received on or before September 1 to be included in the Agenda for Classis.

**Presentations and Displays:**

On a rotating basis, we will ask only two or three Classis ministry representatives to supplement their written reports orally. We do invite agencies and ministries to set up a display or just to make themselves available to meet and inform delegates. Let the stated clerk know if you need display space.

The following ministries and agencies are on our schedule for this and the next Classis meeting.

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| **Year** | **Month** | **Classis Ministry** | **CRCNA and others** |
| 2018 | 10 | Campus Ministry  Native Healing Ctr.  Student Support Team | Synodical Delegates  Canadian Ministries  King’s University |
| 2019 | 03 | Youth Ministry  Safe Church  Healthy Church | Ecumenical & Interfaith Relations Com  Resonate Global Mission  Diaconal Ministries Canada |