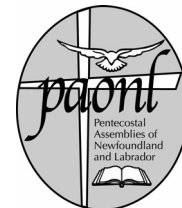


# Discipleship News

## “Moving Forward in Discipleship”



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## Discipleship Ministries Update

As we advance our Discipleship Strategy it is important for us to understand there are some positive trends and events already in place. We desire to strengthen existing initiatives and champion emerging opportunities. The following are some of the early components we have been tracking and developing on a Provincial, Parish (Local Church) and Pastoral Level:

### PROVINCIAL:

*Provincial Discipleship Ministry* – we have officially launched a Provincial Discipleship Ministry to join the team of Provincial Directors. Leading the team will be Dr. Bradley T. Noel and Dean Brenton. An advisory team has been formed and has met twice to continue the dialogue and strategy development for discipleship. Members included Russell Bartlett, Elaine Milley, Glen Newman, and Ralph Benson.

*Provincial Directors Committee* – The Provincial directors have been discussing and implementing discipleship strategies in their respective ministries. Some of the ministries have now placed specific individuals in

the role of discipleship coordinator. Every provincial event this past year has had a strong discipleship component and has been well received.

Some specific ministry highlights include:

- Two CM Symposiums/ Training events have now been held on the Baie Verte Peninsula and in Conception Bay North. Response was tremendous and plans are in place for more of these symposiums in the near future.
- Our Chaplain to Post-Secondary Institutions has been leading a number of Bible Study/training courses for our university students as well as having opportunity to lead Bible Studies in some of the city churches.
- Youth Breakaways have continued with systematic instruction in the morning sessions and have now completed the complete list of discipleship topics.

*Tyndale partnership* – The Tyndale/PAONL partnership is working extremely well with very positive reports from our students. More enrollments are expected in the upcoming semesters.

*PAONL Website* – We have been uploading discipleship resources on the website and have launched the Discipleship Ministry page.

Plans are now in place for the Discipleship Conference 2009. We look forward to this being a significant time to advance our strategy for discipleship.

Other ideas include: revisiting “Worker Training” courses, mobile resource fairs in conjunction with RBBH and our ministries, and the releasing of local discipleship materials and resources.

### PARISH (LOCAL CHURCH):

*Anchor curriculum* – We will be revisiting the concept of an “anchor” curriculum that would be encouraged and promoted again in the fellowship. Although we want to avoid legislating a particular program and bypass the customization needed on a

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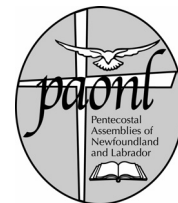
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## UPCOMING THIS FALL!

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local level, we feel it is time to promote and point our Christian Education ministries to a "Radiant Life" type curriculum again. Plans are being made to visit with the AG Radiant Life team.

*Small Groups* – We will be providing help to churches that desire to implement small group ministries in their local context. We want to partner with churches that are utilizing small groups with some level of success. Systems like the Alpha Program could be encouraged and promoted as viable options for small group ministry.

*New Believer Follow-up* – we will be endorsing or developing a follow-up program for our churches to help close the "back door" for individuals that make commitments to Christ.

*Youth Leader Certification Course* - We have partnered

with the PAOC Youth Ministries National team in the development of a Lay Leaders Certification Program that will be a resource to help train and equip youth leaders across the nation.

**PASTORAL:**  
*Systematic survey* – we will develop some further evaluation tools to help strengthen our local churches in the areas of the systematics and core doctrines.

*Checklist for preaching/teaching topics* - we will be developing a general checklist (based on the youth ministries topics tool) as a resource for pastors to track their coverage of key doctrines.

*Professional Development*— Our first PD sessions were held at the Fall Leadership 2008 event with a focus on Expository preaching with Dr. Garry Milley and Dr. Fred Penney.

*Youth Ministry Scholarship Fund* – we have created, as a result of a donation to our Provincial Youth Ministries, a scholarship fund for Youth Pastors/Leaders that will provide for them financial resource to attend a leadership development event or resource youth ministry initiatives in their local context. Some youth pastors were given assistance to attend the Canadian Youth Workers Conference in Toronto in December.

*Tyndale future pastoral training* – We currently have 18 FTE students on campus in training for pastoral ministry. The PAONL director of Pentecostal studies will be instrumental in discipling and mentoring those students to become our future disciplers.

Please keep us in prayer and pledge to join the fight in fulfilling Matthew 28 to go and make disciples!

