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EDITOR'S NOTE

TO HELP YOU PLAN YOUR BUDGET FOR NEXT YEAR

I know many are setting your 2020 budgets and would like to get an estimate of how much the May 1-2 meeting at the Nav Centre in Cornwall will cost. We now have a better idea of costs for food and accommodation. The meal plan will be set at \$125. The menu is excellent and will appeal to all dietary restrictions and tastes. The room rates are as follows: **Standard:** 1 Queen Bed \$102, **Double:** Queen Bed + pullout sofa \$122, **Deluxe:** King + pullout sofa \$132. A limited number of specially-designed accessible rooms have been set aside at the rate of \$102.

To repeat from last week's news: the **EOORC 2020 Winter Meeting** will be on Saturday, February 22, 2020 at Glen Cairn United Church. The **EOORC 2020 Annual General Meeting** will be held on May 1 and 2, 2020 at the Nav Centre in Cornwall. The **Celebration of Ministry** will be held on the Saturday evening of May 2 at Knox-St. Paul's United Church, Cornwall.

Finally, the [EOORC Governance Handbook](#) has been updated and posted on the website.

Have a great week!

Anita

FUNDING FOR VISITING MINISTRY PERSONNEL DURING SABBATICAL

This [policy and application](#) is useful information for pastoral charges, in particular, the smaller ones. The purpose of the fund is to provide funding to assist pastoral charges that would be subject to undue financial difficulty in funding supply ministry during a sabbatical leave of ministry personnel, and to encourage the vitality of ministry personnel who refrain from taking a sabbatical leave because of the financial difficulty of the pastoral charge.

NOTABLE UPCOMING EVENTS

These are just a few of the events taking place in the EOORC. Please visit the [events](#) site for a full list.



Blue Christmas Service, Bethel United Church, Thursday, December 12

Bethel United Church - Rideau Ferry invites you to a special holiday service designed for those for whom the holidays might be difficult. If you have undergone a difficult loss, transition or life change, the church cares about you and invites you to a special time of music and worship. [More information.](#)

MORE INFORMATION

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Notable Upcoming Events ... cont'd



Christmas Hamper Project During the holidays, our thoughts often turn to those less fortunate. For more than 35 years, Centretown United Church in downtown Ottawa, has supplied thousands of Ottawa families and individuals with boxes of food, toiletries and small gifts to make their Christmas season a little brighter. All recipients are referred by social agencies or emergency food providers. This worthy project relies on the generosity and the good will of the community and offers a number of ways you can help. You can get involved by adopting, delivering or preparing a hamper, or by financially donating to the project. [More information](#) "Together we can make someone's Christmas a little brighter."



Une visite en terre sainte – A Visit To The Holy Land, June 10 – 21, 2020
Visit [here](#) for more information or contact Éric Hébert-Daly at ehbert@egliseunie.ca

LIVING GENEROUSLY by Trisha Elliot

Your gifts to Mission & Service save and change lives. Thank you for your gifts and for sharing the *Minute For Mission* stories and videos with your community of faith. We truly are stronger together.



By now, your church should have received copies of the new **Gifts With Vision** [catalogue](#). Since its debut in 2011, *Gifts With Vision* has raised more than three million dollars to help make a difference around the world.

A Bit Of Trivia: Over the years, the most popular items in the catalogue include: building wells in Congo, Zambia and Nicaragua, purchasing bikes and motorbikes for pastors who cover large territories in Zambia, grocery gift cards for people living in northern communities and sponsoring camping.

A Gift Giving Idea: If you are wondering what to buy the young people in your life or treasured friends for Christmas, consider giving a gift of money along with the catalogue and invite them to pick out the life-changing initiative their heart longs to support. A fun way to inspire generosity!

Living Generously is a regular feature in *EOORC News*. If you would like to learn more about the ways we change lives together through Mission & Service, the latest in giving resources and/or how your congregation can grow in generosity, contact Trisha Elliott, our region's stewardship and gifts officer at TElliott@united-church.ca 613-299-8960.

NEWS FROM THE GENERAL COUNCIL OFFICE



E-ssentials

The most recent issue of [E-ssentials](#) includes an **Advent Message** from Moderator Richard Bott and information about *Gifts With Vision*.

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