

November 23, 2021

Greetings,

The Board of Directors would like to provide the following update to our Alliance family as we move forward during this time of transition.

It is our great pleasure to announce that, effective November 26, 2021, Rev. Dr. Keith Taylor will assume the presidency of The Alliance Canada. He will serve in this role until the president elected at General Assembly 2022 takes office. Dr. Taylor comes to us with over 40 years of pastoral ministry experience in the Alliance, and most recently, he has completed a succession process following 30 years as Lead Pastor at Beulah Alliance Church in Edmonton, Alberta. Keith has served on District Executive Committees in two districts, as a member and chair of the C&MA Board of Directors, and on the Board of Governors of Ambrose University.

As part of its governance, the C&MA Board establishes a succession plan annually to provide leadership to the denomination if for any reason the president is unable to fulfil his duties. The Alliance Canada has no office of interim president or other nomenclature; therefore, when the office of president is filled through election or appointment, that person is vested with the authority, responsibility, and privilege afforded the office. The Board expresses its deepest gratitude to Rev. Dr. Doug Gerrard for taking the role of president and carrying this mantle of leadership during this transition. As always, Dr. Gerrard has fulfilled his duties with grace and diligence. Doug will resume his duties as the Executive Vice President when Keith takes up the mantle of President.

Further, it is our pleasure to announce that Rev. Dr. David Hearn is being given the title of President Emeritus until the President elected at General Assembly takes office. Such a title, while honourary, allows us to acknowledge the influence that Dr. Hearn has had on our denomination, the integrity with which he has served, and the affection he has garnered from our constituency. We ask for God's richest blessing on David and his wife, Agnes, as they move forward.

Please join us in praying for these men as they have and continue to invest themselves in our denominational life. Also, please pray with us that God will raise up a new leader to be elected at General Assembly 2022 – someone who knows the Father's heart and can call us to keep in step with the Spirit.

Blessings upon you,

Rev. Jeff Sensenstein

Chair of the Board of Directors The Alliance Canada