

TORONTO CONFERENCE DUCG REPORT:

Toronto Conference has only a few of us in active ministry at this time. Barbara Lloyd is at the Toronto Conference office where she is doing a huge volume of work in Christian Formation and Congregational Development. Her portfolio covers spirituality, evangelism, financial stewardship and

M & S, and leadership training and empowerment to name but a few. Betty Lou McNabb, a student for Diaconal ministry who is in an aboriginal charge on Christian Island has changed her program from CCS to the Francis Sandy Centre. I understand the two training centres are working together, acknowledging the credits completed at CCS and that in about two years Betty Lou should graduate with some kind of a diploma that acknowledges her duo educational process. I am still in a creative and active team ministry in a Toronto Scarborough Presbytery charge. However due to the fact that this has been a grieving year for me with the anniversary of the death of my daughter just a week away (March 12) and the added family responsibilities I took on for my son-in-law and small grandchildren, I have not had enough energy or the time to really be in touch with the remaining Diaconal folk in Toronto Conference. There have been no special Diaconal gatherings or events that I know of in Toronto Conference since our last National gathering in Ontario.

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