

## **Report from your Classis Huron Mission Team (CHMT) February 2022**

Greetings from the CHMT. The current members of this committee are Kevin teBrake (chair), Jane Vander Velden (reporter), ex-officio member Joan Brady (CH Mission Catalyzer), and our newest member to the team – Paul deWeerd. We also want to thank our long-standing outgoing member John Vanderstoep who faithfully served on this committee for several years. Thankyou John for your leadership, experience and wisdom.

One of the roles of CHMT is to encourage church plants in their ongoing initiatives and encourage existing churches to become healthier and missional with tools and resources to reach out to the communities. Despite the challenges we have seen over the past months and years, God is already at work in our communities, and we have opportunities to join him in His mission.

The CHMT continues to connect with and encourage the existing church plants: The Bridge (Fergus), The Journey (Kitchener), and Vitalpoint Church (Exeter). To share the exciting things that God is doing in these churches, we direct you to the report on the three church plants included in this agenda.

CHMT also continues to connect with and encourage established churches. As all churches, we have opportunities to listen and learn from each other's stories and best practices. Churches will be contacted by our Mission Catalyzer, Joan Brady, to share some missional and renewal best practises. These will be shared with other churches in classis. The CHMT desires to hear your dreams about church renewal and establishing new church plants. We are excited to see where the Lord leads each of us in 2022 and beyond.

Another role of the CHMT is to oversee the work of the Mission Catalyzer, Joan Brady. We are thankful for the work of Joan and continue to encourage her in this new year. We look forward to your church connecting with Joan if she has not already connected with you.

One of the bigger points of discussion since our last meeting is our conversations with Vitalpoint Church as they continue to navigate new purchases and new site launches in the midst of this pandemic. We are excited to see the Exeter site continue to grow, and at our next meeting, we hope to share with you a recommendation to support Vitalpoint in a new launch site in Clinton in 2022. Please pray about this upcoming initiative as to where Classis Huron can participate, and let's together encourage Vitalpoint Church in their mission.

Finally, we continue to seek two or three more people on this team. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to serve Classis and the Kingdom. We typically meet four or five times a year in a central location or by Zoom.

We thank you for your prayers and encouragement, and we continue to lift your churches and ministries in prayer as well. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to connect with any one of us.

On behalf of the CHMT,  
Kevin teBrake