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## Resonate Eastern Canada Newsletter

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# February 2024

Recently I had the privilege of attending the launch of a 10-month cohort for churches that have multicultural ministry as part of their DNA. We were gifted with 13 stories of how/when/why and who was instrumental in the opening and enfolding into these CRC Churches. The project is a partnership between Resonate and Thrive and supported by a grant from the Lily Foundation.

Many of these churches had been praying for intentional renewal. Others prayed for their neighborhoods as they clearly evolved to be something different than what has been traditional in the CRC. Still others prayed that God would use them to heal some of the hurt and injustice they saw in the world. There were some similarities and some differences in the stories and in the cultures that meet in the house of our Lord. Refugee sponsorship and international student support as well as the provision of safety and welcome was the key to some stories. Champions of various ethnicities and experiences were pivotal in others. In many cases the new arrivals were already Christians. Helping them to build a spiritual foundation in Canada also helped them to share the promise of Jesus Christ. In many stories the theme was a dying Church renewed by the organic arrival of these brothers and sisters of a different homeland.

The stories shared difficult journeys, misunderstandings, surprise, suspicion and attrition as visions shifted. They shared different approaches, best practices and hindsight but most of all they shared a reliance on God and each other. *written by Joan Brady, Resonate Local Mission Leader, Classis Huron*



# Spark

**A time of encouragement,  
learning and inspiration.**



# 2024

**April 26 & 27  
Truro, NS**

Spark! 2024 will be held again this **April 26 & 27, 2024 in Truro, NS**. Formerly known as the Maritime Day of Encouragement, this is an opportunity to get inspired, reconnect with brothers and sisters in faith from across the Maritimes and Eastern Canada, and to think about how we might follow God into our communities and see what he is doing there.

Registration will be online and will open in March. Stay tuned for the latest details on our Facebook group, [www.facebook.com/groups/MaritimeSpark](https://www.facebook.com/groups/MaritimeSpark), or watch the news at [Diaconal Ministries Canada](https://www.diaconalministries.ca). We hope to see you in April!

**Who Do You Partner With? Each month we'll introduce you to ministry partners in Eastern Canada!**



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From March 11 to April 30th, a generous donor has pledged to match donations to Resonate's "Where Most Needed Fund" dollar for dollar up to \$175,000! That's great news for Resonate, and it also means we need your help. Can you give a special gift knowing that every dollar is doubled? Can your congregation take a special offering for Resonate, knowing your gifts will be doubled? Visit [www.resonateglobalmission.org/double](http://www.resonateglobalmission.org/double) to double your impact!"

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