

Dear Invited Participant:

***“Directions in Aboriginal Ministry”*** is a program of the **Building Bridges Project** which is the work of the Assembly of Western Catholic Bishops’ Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs.

It has been held in Star of the North Retreat House, St. Albert, AB, at the Lejac Pilgrimage site in Prince George diocese, BC and this year at the Rosemary Heights Retreat Centre in Vancouver, BC. To see examples of the work of ***“Directions in Aboriginal Ministry”*** you can go to [www.katerity.com](http://www.katerity.com) and click on the first title Kateri TV which will open 12 different short episodes.

In response to numerous requests for help in catechetical preparation we will be doing this year’s session on Baptism for Indigenous People because ***“Directions in Aboriginal Ministry”*** program has a focus on interculturalization of faith. In his recent document ***EVANGELII GAUDIUM*** — Pope Francis says: “Through inculturation, the Church “introduces peoples, together with their cultures, into her own community”, for every culture offers positive values and forms which can enrich the way the Gospel is preached, understood and lived”. (P.93 Par.116)

Attached are three documents 1) a letter of invitation, 2) a flyer about this summer’s program, and 3) a registration form.

We will have a limited number of spaces (60 participants + 10 commuters) because of the facilities at Rosemary Heights.

If you cannot come yourself, we invite you to share this information with your friends, acquaintances, or other interested persons and encourage their participation. We also invite you to pray for all those who are participating so that they may be touched by the Spirit of God to rediscover the gift and power of God in their own lives and that they may help others to grow in response to the call of God.

If you have any questions feel free to contact me at:

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With much gratitude and many blessings on your work and ministry,

S. Eva Solomon, CSJ, on behalf of the AWCB — Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs.