

Prayer for Aboriginal Ministry Sunday 2017

Creator Father,

Thank you for keeping your many promises to us.

Open our eyes to see the fruit of your promises to us: the sunrise that begins each new day, the new leaves appearing after a long winter.

Help us to keep the promises we have made to ourselves, our families, our neighbours, and to you.

Help us as citizens to call on our local, regional, and federal governments to honour our treaty commitments with the Indigenous peoples of Canada. May your Spirit give us the courage and strength to demand justice for all.

Help us as members of churches across Canada that in 1987 and 2007 signed covenants calling for the recognition and protection of Aboriginal self-government to affirm and support those declarations.

May your Spirit move us to recognize and lament barriers to justice and reconciliation between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people in Canada. May your Spirit help us to confess our own reluctance and failures to promote justice and peace.

May your Spirit bless the volunteers and staff of the CRCNA who serve in Aboriginal ministries across Canada.

Hear us Creator Father, for we ask these things by the power of your Spirit in Christ's name.

Amen.