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## **Rev. Renée Embree Resigns as Director of CBAC Youth & Family Ministries**

**Moncton, New Brunswick** – The CBAC announces that Rev. Renée Embree has decided not to reoffer for a new term and therefore will not be renewing her position as Director of CBAC Youth & Family Ministries, effective August 31, 2019.

We are saddened about the loss for our Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada family of churches. At the same time, we respect Renee's prayerful discernment and thoughtful examination of next steps as she has felt released from ministry with us. Her leadership through redefining CBAC Youth and Family and the vision of joining God in our neighbourhoods, sharpening the focus with the larger events such as NEXT, Tidal Impact and the ONE Conference, collaboratively engaging Youth Pastors, Children's Pastors and Camp Directors, developing workshops and resources such as the Neighbourhood Assessment Workbook, LGBTQ and Ministry booklet, Mission Edge material, has been invaluable to us. We are deeply grateful for her visionary and humble service; we are better today because of her leadership and influence and we trust that God will honour that impact into our future.

Rev. Dr. Peter Reid shares that, *"It has been a privilege working with Renée, she has provided exemplary leadership to the entire Youth and Family Team and is an incredibly respected leader in our Atlantic Baptist family. Renée has built trust and lasting relationships throughout our constituency and has given thoughtful and visionary leadership in all that she has accomplished. We will deeply miss her as part of the team but absolutely trust the Lord to lead her toward a new and meaningful ministry in the days to come."*

Renée is eagerly anticipating where God will lead her next, trusting that He will provide clarity and direction for her next steps in ministry.

*"I am very grateful for what God has done and is doing through the CBAC Youth and Family Team, the CBAC and the network of amazing leaders and volunteers spread across Atlantic Canada. I'm so thankful for each person's dedication to call all, especially younger generations, to join God in their neighbourhoods. I'm so thankful for the transformation together we've seen in camps, youth groups, individuals, leaders, events, churches and neighbourhoods. Yet, I feel it is time and best for someone else to lead the CBAC Youth and Family Ministries for the next era. I will leave celebrating what God has enabled us to accomplish together as a team across Atlantic Canada during my five and a half years as*



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*Director. With Joel coming as Assistant Director and Jacqueline remaining on the team, I know the future of CBAC Youth and Family is very bright.” - Rev. Renée Embree*

We ask that you join us in our gratitude for Renée and in praying with her for her future that God will make clear His call into something new. **Thanks so much Renée!**

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*The Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada is a ministry partnership of more than 455 Canadian Baptist churches and 19 Associations in the four Atlantic Provinces. Our role is to resource our pastors, churches, and people, and to facilitate shared mission on behalf of our churches.*

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