

TERRITORY OF THE PEOPLE

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To: Territory of the People
From: Territory Electoral Committee
Subject: Electoral Assembly Process and Call for Nominations
Date: May 11, 2023

Dear Members of the Territory of the People,

Thank you for your ongoing prayers as the Territory of the People has continued in the Electoral Election process. In March the Coordinating Council, with support from Archbishop Lynne McNaughton, approved a timeline for the Episcopal Election and summed an extraordinary session of the Assembly. The approved [Territory Profile](#) is available on the Territory Website. **The election of the second Bishop for the Territory of the People will take place on Saturday, September 16, 2023, at St. Paul's Cathedral, Kamloops. Delegates recently elected at their parish 2022 Annual Vestry Meeting (held in early 2023) will attend as Assembly Delegates.** Delegates will be invited to gather for the weekend beginning on Friday, September 15th and ending on Sunday, September 17th, 2023.

In accordance with Territory Policy ([1.11: Nominating and Electoral Procedure for the Election of a Bishop for the Territory of the People Anglican Church](#)) the Electoral Committee issues this call for nominations.

Call for Nominations

Our policy specifies the following:

- Nominations for the Office of Bishop may come from two members who are:
 - a current Territory Assembly Delegate;
 - a current member of a Parish Council within the Territory of the People;
 - any member of a parish may propose a name for nomination through either their Territory Assembly Delegate or Parish Council Member.
- A nomination must have the consent of the nominee.
- The two nominators as named above do not need to be members of the same body.
- Nominators may only nominate one candidate.

The Holy Spirit does surprising things and we do not know where our next Bishop is going to come from. It is important for all members of our church family to consider prayerfully whether they know of someone who may be called to be our next Bishop. We encourage this letter and call for nominations to be shared in all Territory parishes and encourage members to talk about engaging in conversations with those who they feel may be being called to consider allowing their name to be nominated.

[Nomination forms](#) are part of this package and available on the [Territory website](#).


NOMINATION FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY EMAIL (territoryelection@gmail.com) BY THE ELECTORAL COMMITTEE ON OR BEFORE MIDNIGHT PDT ON FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 2023.

Assembly Delegates: an email will be circulated in the upcoming weeks with more details about the Assembly, registration, and accommodation information.

Please pray that our Territory will be guided by the Spirit in all we do and that we find the Bishop we need to take us where God is calling us to go.

If you have any questions please contact Melissa Green, Chair of the Electoral Committee at territoryelection@gmail.com or at 250-682-4866.

Blessings,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Melissa Green". The script is cursive and fluid.

Melissa Green
Chair, Electoral Committee
on behalf of the Electoral Committee