

## Introducing the Hospitals We Serve

### Queen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Centre

- **The Halifax Infirmary** site has three intensive care units and eight floors of inpatients dealing with all forms of trauma and focusing on specialties such as cardiovascular, burn treatments, orthopedics, neurology, and plastic surgery. It provides specialist care to patients referred from all over Atlantic Canada. Some patients are also located at the adjacent Veterans Memorial Hospital.
- **The Victoria General** site is home to the Palliative Care floor and treats many cancer patients--both as inpatients and at outpatient clinics. A unit is also devoted to liver and kidney transplants. The patients in this hospital tend to be there longer and this provides an opportunity for deeper relationships to be formed.
- **The Nova Scotia Rehabilitation and Arthritis Centre** provides rehabilitation services for many folk who have experienced strokes, neurological disorders and amputations. The patients value support during this time, especially if they are from out of town, as it can be a lonely time for them so encouragement and prayer are greatly appreciated.

**The IWK Health Centre** is a hospital for women and children. Often an intense and busy time for parents, knowing that there is a chaplain available can provide support during a crisis or simply a friendly supportive presence during a time of upheaval and uncertainty.

### Further Information

The Hospital Chaplaincy has a Webpage on the HRUBA Website. For additional information about this compassionate ministry or how to support it, including our recently established endowment fund, please go to [Halifax Baptist Hospital Chaplaincy \(hruba.ca\)](https://www.hruba.ca).

## Financial Support

The Hospital Chaplaincy ministry is supported entirely by charitable donations. There is no support from government although office space for the chaplains is provided by the hospitals.

With accounting and payroll support provided free of charge by the Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada (CBAC), we are able to keep our overhead to only 2% of our budget, which means that 98% of all donations go directly towards the provision of chaplaincy ministry.

### How You Can Help

Financial support for our budget comes from local churches, supplemented by the budget of the Halifax Region United Baptist Association, a grant from the Atlantic Baptist Foundation and donations from associations and foundations. We greatly appreciate your generous support. We also welcome donations from individuals and estates—perhaps as a memorial to someone who spent time in hospital.

#### Three Ways to Donate to the Hospital Chaplaincy Operating Budget

##### **By cheque:\***

Please make out your cheque to:  
Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada  
Mail it to:

PO Box 6003 Moncton, NB E1C 0V7

##### **By electronic funds transfer to CBAC:\***

Auto deposit is available by sending to:  
Debbie Barriault, Director of Finance  
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##### **On the CBAC Website:\***

<https://baptist-atlantic.ca/> (click on GIVE)

**\* Please note that your donation is for the Halifax Baptist Hospital Chaplaincy**

# Halifax Baptist Hospital Chaplaincy

*A Ministry of the  
Halifax Region United Baptist Association*  
<https://www.hruba.ca>



*... I was sick and you visited me...  
Matthew 25:36 (KJV)*

**Contact Information for the Chaplains  
is inside this brochure.**

## Introducing Our Hospital Chaplains



Rev. Joseph Green (he/him) (B.A. Hons, M.A., M.Div.) is our Coordinating Chaplain, working half-time for the Halifax Baptist Hospital Chaplaincy ministry to provide chaplaincy services to Baptist patients, primarily at the

Halifax Infirmary site. He also serves half-time as the NS Health Spiritual Care Coordinator, working with all the hospital and denominational chaplains.

Joe has completed his certification with the Canadian Association for Spiritual Care and is working on his qualification as Clinical Pastoral Care Education Supervisor. While in pastoral ministry, Joe served as an RCMP Chaplain, Royal Canadian Legion Chaplain, and as a pastor to pastors in his role as CBAC Connector. Joe entered seminary with a call to Chaplaincy and did his internships at the Halifax Infirmary. Joe is particularly sensitive to advocating for the health and wellness of our older generation.

Joe is married to Amber and they grew up and live in beautiful St. Margarets Bay. Their nieces, nephews, and godchildren keep them young at heart. They enjoy summers in NS at some of our beautiful beaches.

A favorite scripture passage for Joe is the whole chapter of Colossians 3. In verse 17 the Apostle Paul states to do all things, in both word and deed, in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

### Contact Information

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Rev. Dr. Ida Armstrong-Whitehouse (B.A., M.Div., M.Th., D.Min.) has been one of our part-time chaplains for 8 years and has enjoyed working in team ministry with Adele and Joe. Ida provides 12 hours per week of chaplaincy

ministry between the Victoria General, Rehab and IWK hospitals. Having undergone thyroid and cancer surgeries, Ida believes “her experiences have deepened her understanding of patients’ anxieties re: hospital setting and treatment plans.” She believes that Hospital chaplaincy is a way to show’s Christ’s love in times of crisis.

Ida was ordained in 1976 and 40 years later, she retired from pastoral ministry and felt God’s call to Chaplaincy. She has served on many boards and committees including the HRUBA Chaplaincy Committee (21 yr.), Coverdale Justice Society (8yr.), C.B.M. (7yr.), Chaplain for Cancer Relay for Life (10 yr.) and as a voluntary RCMP Chaplain (27 yr.). Ida has CASC certification and is RCMP trained re suicide and trauma. She has also been awarded a Canadian Humanitarian Medal and the Acadia Divinity College Distinguished Alumni Award.

Ida is married to husband, Gregg. They have two adult daughters and 3 grandchildren.

A favorite scripture passage for Ida is Joshua 1:9, *“This is my command—be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.”*

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Rev. Adele Crowell, (B.Mus., B.Ed., M.Div., M.Th.) began working as part-time chaplain at the Victoria General and IWK hospitals in January 2008. Her role expanded in 2011 to include full-time chaplaincy at the QEII Halifax Infirmary, until she retired in May of

2022.

In May, 2024, Adele returned to us in as a part-time member of our Chaplaincy team, working 15 hours per week at the QEII Halifax Infirmary.

Adele has completed her certification with the Canadian Association for Spiritual Care and brings an enthusiasm for chaplaincy ministry.

She lives in Herring Cove, NS with husband, Tom.

Adele feels *“that it is a privilege to support Baptist people during their times of greatest need.”*

One of her favorite scripture passages is Matthew 25:36 (NRSV), *“I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.”*

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### Let Us Know When We Can Help

Please feel free to contact us in advance if you, or someone you know, will be staying in one of the Halifax hospitals. We would be pleased to visit and help in any way we can.