

## HRUBA Ministries

### Bayside Camp and Retreat Centre

Bayside hosts summer camps and year round church retreats and school events. Guests enjoy a modern facility, great food, loving staff and intentional programming. Time spent at Bayside is a chance to reconnect with the meaning of life by creating space and time for relationships, rest and faith. Bayside has its own website at <https://baysidecamp.org/>.

### Halifax Baptist Hospital Chaplaincy

This ministry provides Baptist Chaplaincy services to patients, families and staff at the four hospitals of peninsular Halifax: the Halifax Infirmary and Victoria General sites of the Queen Elizabeth II Health Science Centre, the Nova Scotia Rehabilitation and Arthritis Centre, and the IWK Health Centre, which is a hospital for women and children. For more information, go to our website at [Halifax Baptist Hospital Chaplaincy \(hruba.ca\)](http://Halifax Baptist Hospital Chaplaincy (hruba.ca)).

### Pastoral Licensing

Undertaken in partnership with the Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada (CBAC) and with local churches, this program oversees a process of awarding Licenses for Ministry (towards ordination) and Licenses for Lay Ministry (towards the CBAC Lay Leader Registry).

### Home Missions/New Churches

In partnership with the Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada (CBAC), this ministry provides both financial assistance to new churches that are not yet self-supporting and a process of mentorship that will lead to membership in the HRUBA and the CBAC.

## How Can We Help?

### HRUBA Events

We organize periodic fellowship events, seminars and workshops of interest to pastors and lay leaders and members of local HRUBA Churches.

### Support for Local Churches and Pastors

We provide support to local HRUBA Churches through supporting an event, program or mission and advertising to the other Association Churches and Pastors. We also provide peer support to Pastors and lay leaders.

### More Information about the HRUBA

Go to our Website <https://www.hruba.ca/> for:

- Contact information for Member Churches;
- Association governing documents;
- Detailed information about our Ministries;
- News and calendar of HRUBA events;
- Calendar of Local Church or community events;
- Documentation of events, year books, etc.

## Contact Information

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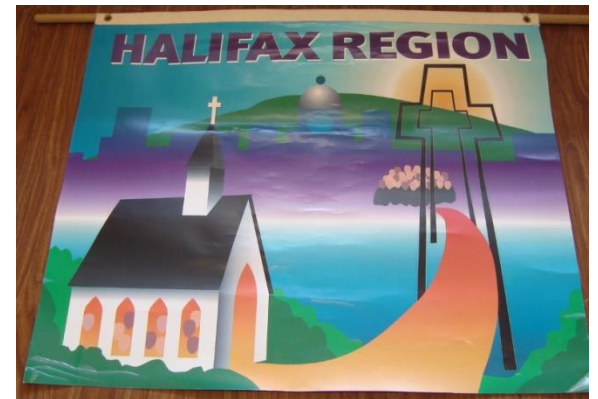
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**Stronger Together--  
Encouraging One Another  
In Local Ministry**

## Introducing Our Association

The Halifax Region United Baptist Association (HRUBA) draws its membership from the greater Halifax/Dartmouth area of Nova Scotia and nearby regions as far as Elmsdale and Mount Uniacke. Membership is open to local Baptist churches in this geographic area.

The HRUBA is incorporated as a society under the Nova Scotia *Societies Act* and is a registered charity with the Canada Revenue Agency.

Member Churches appoint delegates to Annual and Special Business Meetings. Between meetings, the Association is run by an elected Council and Officers.

We are affiliated with the [Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada](#) (CBAC) and also support [Canadian Baptist Ministries](#) (CBM).

For more information, please visit the HRUBA website: [Halifax Region United Baptist Association - Home \(hruba.ca\)](http://hruba.ca).

## HRUBA Role

As an association, HRUBA Member Churches seek to encourage one another in their ongoing ministries in the greater Halifax Region as well as in the Maritimes, working cooperatively with Baptist Associations in other regions.

The Association fulfills its mission by being a fellowship-based organization, providing resources and equipping opportunities for Member Churches to fulfil their missions.

There are a number of things that HRUBA churches can do together that it would not be possible for one church to undertake on its own, and the HRUBA enables Local Baptist churches to work together on these.

## Objectives of the Association

The mission-oriented Objectives of the HRUBA are defined in its Memorandum of Association. “Operating on a volunteer and non-profit basis, and consistent with its Mission, and in accordance with the tenets, doctrines and observances of the Baptist Denomination of the Protestant Christian faith, the Objectives of the Association are:

- a. To advance religion by supporting Local Churches of the Association that have not become financially self-supporting (Home Missions Churches), so that they might establish houses of worship, conduct services of worship, hire ministers to preach the gospel and provide pastoral services to their members and adherents;
- b. To advance religion by supporting Local Churches of the Association and Baptist Ministers through the provision of a Licensing Committee which shall develop Ministerial Standards and examine candidates for the Association License to Minister and the Association Lay License to Minister;
- c. To advance religion through the provision of a Mediation Process that will serve Local Churches of the Association and their pastoral and lay leadership in the resolution of conflicts through a confidential and faith-based process;
- d. To advance religion and to promote health and wellbeing through the support of a Chaplaincy for the Halifax Hospitals and by the provision of counselling and support for patients and their families;
- e. To advance religion through the support of a Camp and Conference Centre to be used for programs, workshops, instruction,

retreats, meetings, conferences and recreational activities for children, youth and adults; and

- f. To advance religion through the provision of worship, fellowship, training, education and workshop events and by the promotion and advertising of such events organized by Local Churches of the Association.”

## HRUBA Mission

The Mission of the Association is to encourage the Churches:

- a. **To obey the Great Commandment**  
“...the Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength... Love your neighbour as yourself.” {Mark 12: 29b-31a NIV};
- b. **To fulfill the Great Commission**  
“Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” {Matthew 28:18-20 NIV}; and
- c. **To preserve the Unity of the Church**  
“Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to one hope when you were called—one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all who is over all and through all and in all.” {Ephesians 4:3-6 NIV}