(Still) Working Through a Global Pandemic



Four months ago was the last update from the Goal 3 working groups. The title of that update was "Working Through a Global Pandemic." Little did anyone know in July that Canadians would still be working and living under public health restrictions that limit public gatherings and so many other things they used to take for granted, and yet, the work of the League continues. With its many working groups, the implementation committee is still charging ahead—working towards making changes that

will enable the League to remain relevant in the decades to come.

The four Goal 3 working groups, with a total of 17 women, have continued their work and are determined not to let a pandemic stand in their way. Three working group members have had to take a step back since July; however, three new members have recently been welcomed. The working groups thank those women who started the journey with them and helped them on their way. The implementation committee is fortunate to have members continue to listen to the call for help. All women have become more experienced at online collaboration and have worked their way through the first few tasks of their respective action plans. In July, working group 3A (League misconceptions) and 3C (toolkits) were highlighted. This month, the focus is on the other two groups working on Goal 3 strategies.

Working Group 3B (Encourage Diversity) has been tasked with encouraging cultural and generational diversity in the League. This is a dynamic group of women who hit the ground running after the action plans were approved in August and have not stopped.

The group has compiled a list of Canadian multicultural celebrations that parish councils may wish to use as a resource to learn about the diversity of cultures in Canada. This group has also started to create advertisements for social



media and The Canadian League to highlight and encourage diversity within the League.

Working Group 3D (Spiritual Formation) has taken on the very important job of developing and providing opportunities to increase members' spirituality. The group has examined prayers and spiritual programs available online and on the League's website. The group has created criteria that it will use to assess existing prayers and spiritual programs. These criteria will also be used to create a minimum of 10 new prayers and spiritual programs available for all. The group will also develop a training workshop for members to learn to develop original prayers and programs.

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