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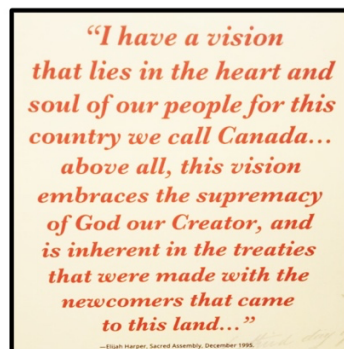
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Vision Statement for the International Nations for First Nations Conference 2025

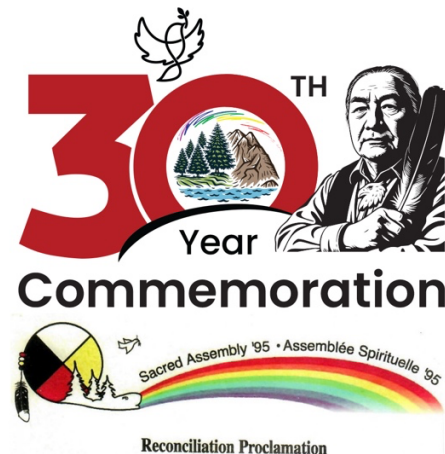
Dear Friends, Colleagues, and Leaders,

There is an urgent need to enhance the economic and social well-being of Indigenous/First Nations communities, ensuring they have the same opportunities and quality of life as the broader population. Addressing long-standing challenges requires personal communion with the Creator along with a commitment to equitable access to education, economic empowerment, and meaningful engagement with Indigenous perspectives on land ownership, stewardship and restorative justice.

This Vision is in **Commemoration of the 30th Anniversary** of a seed that was planted in Elijah Harper's heart after a time of spiritual renewal in June of 1995 for a Sacred Assembly later that year.



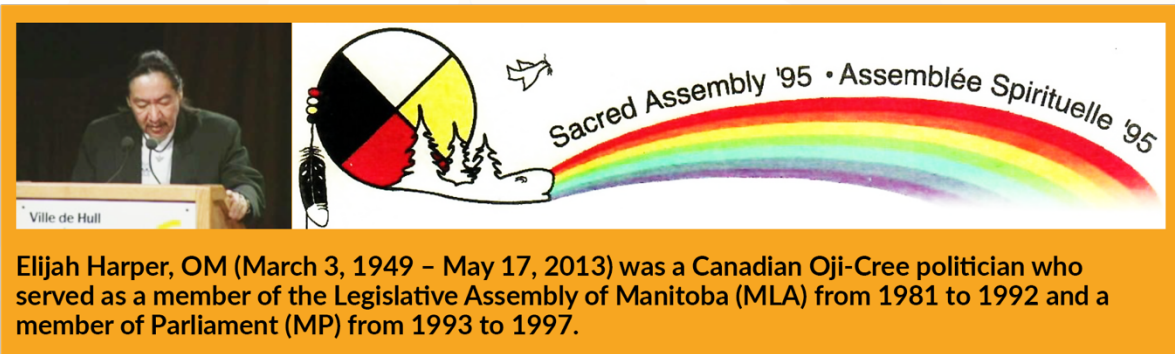
Elijah Harper, Sacred Assembly,
December 1995.



This Vision is in Direct Alignment with Elijah Harper's Vision for Canada

At the Sacred Assembly in Hull (present-day Gatineau, Québec) from December 6 – 9, 1995, Elijah Harper articulated a vision for Canada at a National Gathering attended by some 3,000 delegates, including the Prime Minister of Canada, representatives of all political parties and church leaders from all denominations, particularly those who were involved in the residential schools that has left a legacy of an unholy partnership and alliance between the church and the political authorities in promoting policies of paternalism, colonization and assimilation. In that Gathering the late Elijah Harper stated:

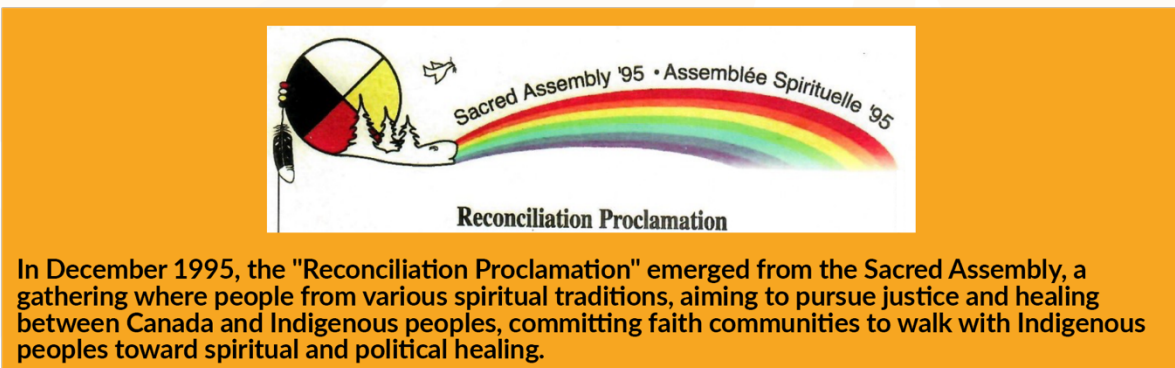
"I have a vision for this country we call Canada. It is not my vision, it is a vision of our people, the First Nations. It is the vision of our forefathers. It is a vision that lies in the hearts and souls of our people. It is inherent in our traditional values. It is inherent in the way that we look at life. Above all, *it is a vision that acknowledges and embraces the supremacy of God our Creator. This is the vision that was inherent in the treaties that were made with the newcomers that came to this land with their governments.*"



"This vision embraces unity, caring, loving and sharing, but this vision has been lying dormant. It has not been appreciated and understood by many Canadians. We know that God has established landmarks and boundaries. The Creator so happened to place the Indigenous People in this part of the world that we know as Canada, and when He placed us here, He gave us certain responsibilities to this land."

"We have a responsibility to maintain the unity of this land, and to sustain the environment. *Our forefathers had difficulty in understanding the concept of owning land. It is alien, like the concept of owning air.*"

"But we understand the need to use the land for the benefit of everybody, not for greed, it has become more apparent that these things need to be resolved, and that the *political* process has failed us. I believe that there is something missing, which is the *spiritual* element."



In December 1995, the "Reconciliation Proclamation" emerged from the Sacred Assembly, a gathering where people from various spiritual traditions, aiming to pursue justice and healing between Canada and Indigenous peoples, committing faith communities to walk with Indigenous peoples toward spiritual and political healing.

Statements from the “Reconciliation Proclamation”:

- “We share the recognition that reconciliation between Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Canadians must be rooted in a spiritual understanding of land as a gift from the Creator God.
- “We share an understanding that the starting point for healing and reconciliation lies in personal communion with the Creator God.”
- “We share an understanding that while change must take place at all levels of society, it must be rooted most firmly in the communities.”



"Elijah said it very well from an earlier statement, 'What has been missing from all the hard work that has gone, through the courts and the political process in recent years has been the spiritual perspective that lies behind these demands for justice.'

These values are spiritual, not political. And I think, Mr. Harper, that you have found a new way.

Spirituality is missing a lot in our society, and spirituality is absolutely needed to find the right way."

- Former Prime Minister Jean Chretien, Dec. 6, 1995.

Challenges Facing Indigenous/First Nations Communities

Indigenous/First Nations people continue to face barriers rooted in historical treaties, government policies, and economic dependency. These barriers have contributed to high poverty rates, limited access to education, unemployment, inadequate housing, and social issues such as crime, substance abuse, and family disruption. The impact extends to mental health challenges, higher incarceration rates, and the ongoing crisis of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls, men and boys.

It is our collective responsibility to ensure that Indigenous/First Nations communities have access to the resources, opportunities, and policies needed to build a stronger, more sustainable future.

Building a Stronger Future Through Education and Opportunity

- **Spirituality which prioritizes the supremacy of the Creator, and personal communion with the Creator as the foundation for change** – The unifying and integrating factor of all human beings is that we all come from one Creator who created us in His image and likeness to reflect the dignity and value of all human beings, and to be able to love and to be generous to all people, including those that have lost the Creator's path as are described in the Seven Teachings.
- **Education as Essential for Lasting Change** – Investing in Indigenous/First Nations education is essential to economic growth and long-term sustainability. This includes increasing funding for post-secondary education, expanding literacy programs, and creating pathways into trades, business, and professional careers.

- **Preserving Culture While Advancing Economic Growth** – Education should respect and uphold Indigenous culture, traditions, and land-based knowledge. At the same time, Indigenous students must have equal opportunities to pursue careers in medicine, law, trades, education, and entrepreneurship, fostering self-reliance and reducing dependency on government support.
- **Beyond Assimilation and Segregation** – The challenges Indigenous/First Nations communities face will not be solved through forced assimilation or continued segregation. The legacy of residential schools and exclusionary policies have marginalized Indigenous communities for too long. The path forward is through collaboration, investment, and inclusive policy development that empowers Indigenous/First Nations people as equal contributors to economic and social progress.

"Give a man a fish, and you feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish, and he will feed himself."

"Give a man money, and you take away his dignity. Teach a man to pursue education, and he will build a future of independence."

A Call for Leadership and Action

The **International Nations for First Nations Conference 2025** is a unique opportunity for leaders across sectors—government, faith communities, businesses, and grassroots organizations—to unite in support of Indigenous economic and social empowerment. We invite policymakers, church leaders, educators, and advocates to join us in shaping strategies and programs that promote sustainable development while preserving cultural identity.

Conference Details

Dates: June 5-7, 2025

Location: RBC Convention Centre, Winnipeg

Theme: *Nations for First Nations*

The conference will feature distinguished speakers, panel discussions, interactive workshops, and cultural showcases, fostering dialogue and action toward reconciliation, opportunity, and equity.

Join Us in This Transformative Movement

This is a moment for action. We encourage all those committed to justice, reconciliation, and sustainable progress to be part of this conversation. By working together, we can build a future where Indigenous/First Nations people have access to the same prosperity, resources, and opportunities as every other Canadian. Thank you for your leadership, your commitment, and your dedication to this mission.

Sincerely,



Rev. Robert R. McLean, O.M. Chair,
International Nations for First Nations Conference 2025



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OVERVIEW AND AGENDA

International Nations for First Nations Conference 2025

Building a Future of Economic and Social Empowerment for Indigenous/First Nations Peoples

Dates: June 5-7, 2025

Venue: RBC Convention Centre, Winnipeg

Theme: *Nations for First Nations*

Convention Overview

The **International Nations for First Nations Conference 2025** is a gathering of Indigenous/First Nations leaders along with non-indigenous policymakers, faith-based organizations, businesses, and grassroots advocates committed to addressing the socio-economic challenges facing Indigenous communities. This conference will focus on **education, economic empowerment, cultural preservation, and reconciliation** while providing a platform for collaboration and action that is based upon a biblical foundation for prosperity, well-being and shalom for all.

This event is not just a discussion—it is a movement toward sustainable development, justice, and prosperity for Indigenous and Non-Indigenous peoples across Canada and internationally.

Convention Planning Team & Sponsors

Canadian Indigenous/First Nations Representatives

- **Rev. Robert R. McLean (Manitoba)** – Chair/Planning Team, Fairford Sanctuary, Indigenous Missions, Outreach & Training Centre
- **Bruce Brown (British Columbia)** – Vancouver Native Pentecostal Church
- **Allan O'Soup (Saskatchewan)** – Almond Tree Ministries
- **Colin Kenate (Ontario)** – Potter's House Ministries
- **Raymond McLean (Winnipeg)** – Launching Place Ministries
- **Marty McLean (Winnipeg)** – Encounter Life Ministries
- **Murray Shawnoo (Ontario)** – Faith Builders International
- **Roger Armbruster (Manitoba)** – Canada Awakening Ministries

International Representatives

- **Apostle Elistan Supeyo (USA)** – Joy Bringers Ministry
 - **Isaac Nganga (South Africa)** – Kenya Community International
 - **Sungdeuk Hong (South Korea)** – Love Corps Ministries
 - **Pastor Lisi (Fiji)**
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Event Schedule *(Scheduled to change due to Invitees' availability)*

Day 1: Thursday, June 5, 2025 – Dinner Gala (By Invitation Only)

Theme: *Nations for First Nations*

Time: 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Gala MC: Reverend Marty McLean, Encounter Life Ministries Canada

Gala Program:

- **6:00 PM:** Doors Open & Seating
- **6:15 PM:** Opening Prayer and The Lord's Prayer in English and Ojibwe by Elder
- **6:20 PM:** Opening Remarks by **Apostle Elistan Supeyo**
- **6:30 PM:** Indigenous/First Nations Greetings & Grace by **Ms. Tessa McLean**
- **6:35 PM:** Dinner with **Korean Worship Dancers** Performance
- **6:45 PM:** Remarks from **Wally McKay, Elder and 1995 Sacred Assembly Organizer.**
- **6:50 PM:** Honoring The Family of Elijah Harper, Blanket and Special Presentation and Prayer.
- **7:00 PM – 7:15 PM:** Conference Purpose by **Rev. Robert R. McLean**
- **7:15 PM – 7:30 PM:** Remarks from **Representative from the Premier of Manitoba's Office (Pending Confirmation)**
- **7:30 PM – 7:45 PM:** Remarks from **Representative from the City of Winnipeg (Pending Confirmation)**
- **7:45 PM – 8:15 PM:** Acknowledgements by:
 - **Representatives from First Nations Leaders from AFN, AMC, MKO, SCO, AO and Pinaymootang First Nation (Pending Confirmation)**
- **8:15 PM – 8:30 PM:** **Fijian Worship Dancers** Performance
- **8:30 PM – 8:45 PM:** Message by **Evangelist Lott Thunder** (Lott Thunder Revivals)
- **8:45 PM – 9:00 PM:** Special Prayer for Government & Indigenous Leaders by **Rev. Raymond McLean**
- **9:00 PM:** Worship Performance – *"How Great Thou Art"* in English & Cree, led by former **MKO Grand Chief David Harper**
- **9:15 PM:** Appreciation of the International Nations for First Nations Organizing Committee
- **11:00 PM:** Benediction & Closing Announcements

Day 2: Friday, June 6, 2025 – Workshops & Evening Services (Open to Public)

Workshops Schedule

- **10:00 AM – 10:30 AM:** Worship
- **10:30 AM – 11:30 AM:** Workshop Session 1
- **11:45 AM – 12:45 PM:** Workshop Session 2
- **12:45 PM – 2:00 PM:** Lunch Break
- **2:00 PM – 2:30 PM:** Worship
- **2:30 PM – 3:30 PM:** Workshop Session 3
- **3:30 PM – 4:30 PM:** Workshop Session 4

- **4:30 PM – 4:45 PM:** Break
 - **4:45 PM – 5:45 PM:** Workshop Session 5
 - **5:45 PM – 7:00 PM:** Supper Break
 - **Evening Services Schedule**
 - **7:00 PM – 8:00 PM:** Praise & Worship
 - **8:00 PM – 9:00 PM:** Keynote Message
 - **11:00 PM:** Benediction
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Day 3: Saturday, June 7, 2025 – Workshops & Evening Services (Open to Public)

Workshops Schedule

- **10:00 AM – 10:30 AM:** Prayer & Worship
- **10:30 AM – 11:30 AM:** Workshop Session 6
- **11:45 AM – 12:45 PM:** Workshop Session 7
- **12:45 PM – 2:00 PM:** Lunch Break
- **2:00 PM – 2:30 PM:** Prayer & Worship
- **2:30 PM – 3:30 PM:** Special Guest Speaker
- **3:45 PM – 4:45 PM:** Workshop Session 8
- **4:45 PM – 5:45 PM:** Workshop Session 9
- **5:45 PM – 7:00 PM:** Supper Break

Evening Services Schedule

- **7:00 PM – 7:30 PM:** Praise & Worship
 - **7:30 PM – 8:30 PM:** *Nations for First Nations* Prayer Gathering
 - **8:30 PM – 9:00 PM:** Prayer for Healing & Miracles
 - **11:00 PM:** Benediction
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**NATIONAL CALL FOR PRAYER
FOCUS**

A National Call for Prayer for the Healing of the Traditional Custodians of Canada and Their Land

The **International Nations for First Nations Conference 2025** is focused on three key areas:

1. **Clarity** – Bringing focus to the pressing challenges Indigenous/First Nations peoples face and providing clear, actionable solutions.
2. **Motivation** – Inspiring individuals, leaders, and organizations to take responsibility for addressing Indigenous socio-economic challenges through sustainable development, education, and policy change.
3. **Urgency** – Recognizing that the time for action is now. We must work together to implement meaningful reforms and address disparities in education, employment, and well-being for Indigenous communities.

The **Nations for First Nations Conference 2025** is a Faith based gathering dedicated to interceding for the healing, restoration, and empowerment of Indigenous/First Nations peoples, the traditional custodians of the land, alongside the healing of the land itself.

Rooted in faith, truth, and reconciliation, this conference is a **spiritual movement** calling for **national and international prayer, repentance, and action** in unity with the Holy Spirit. It is a time to stand in the gap, acknowledging historical injustices, seeking divine healing, and committing to a future of **reconciliation, justice, and spiritual revival**.

1. CLARITY – Understanding the Root Causes and Seeking Divine Direction

"For lack of vision, the people perish..." (Proverbs 29:18)

A clear understanding of the realities faced by Indigenous/First Nations peoples in Canada is necessary for healing and reconciliation.

Spiritual and Historical Context

1. Indigenous/First Nations peoples are the traditional custodians of Canada, holding a deep spiritual relationship with the land, water, and all living beings.
2. Colonialism led to **forced displacement, cultural destruction, intergenerational trauma, and systemic discrimination**, resulting in ongoing socio-economic challenges.
3. Many Indigenous people today experience **poverty, discrimination, inadequate access to education, healthcare, and housing**, which leads to disparities in life expectancy, high incarceration rates, and mental health struggles.
4. According to the **2021 Census**, over **1.8 million people** identify as Indigenous, representing **5% of Canada's population**.

Spiritual Dynamics

1. Indigenous spirituality is deeply connected to the Creator, emphasizing harmony and stewardship.
2. Many resist Christianity due to historical injustices such as **residential schools**, where Christ's teachings were misrepresented, causing deep wounds.

3. However, many Indigenous people have embraced Christ, experiencing **spiritual rebirth** and finding hope in the message of salvation, healing, and restoration through Jesus Christ.

Call to Action

We must **seek clarity from God** to move forward in truth, healing, and reconciliation. We pray that **hearts will be opened, wounds will be healed, and God's love will restore** what was broken.

2. MOTIVATION – A Spiritual Call to Action

"Faith without works is dead." (James 2:26)

Motivation is the driving force behind healing, advocacy, and action. This conference calls on the Body of Christ, Indigenous and non-Indigenous believers, to **stand together and take responsibility** for reconciliation and transformation.

Systemic Barriers That Must Be Overcome

1. **Broken Treaties & Government Policies** – Many Indigenous communities remain economically disadvantaged due to governmental structures that enforce **fiscal dependency and systemic marginalization**.
2. **Socio-Economic Struggles** – Poverty, unemployment, poor housing conditions, and a lack of opportunities have led to crises in many Indigenous communities.
3. **Cycles of Brokenness** – The consequences of these struggles include **substance abuse, family breakdown, crime, suicides, and mental health crises**.
4. **The Tragedy of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women** – Over **1,100 Indigenous women** have been documented as missing or murdered in Canada, highlighting a crisis of violence and systemic neglect.

Spiritual Call to Action

We are called to **move beyond awareness to action**—to pray, advocate, and partner with Indigenous communities in ways that **empower, heal, and uplift**. This includes:

1. **Breaking cycles of poverty and injustice** through **sustainable development and Christ-centered leadership**.
2. **Strengthening Indigenous youth and families** through education, mentorship, and discipleship.
3. **Encouraging churches to engage in true reconciliation**, acknowledging the past while **actively working towards healing and restoration**.

3. URGENCY – The Time to Act and Pray is Now

"If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray..." (2 Chronicles 7:14)

There is **no more time to wait**—the need for **spiritual revival, reconciliation, and healing** is urgent.

A National Call for Prayer

This conference calls on **Christian Indigenous leaders, churches, and intercessors** to gather in a national movement of prayer and worship for the healing of the land and its people.

Through **faith, humility, and obedience to God**, we will:

1. **Seek forgiveness** for the injustices committed against Indigenous peoples.
2. **Intercede for healing**, asking God to break generational curses and restore Indigenous communities.
3. **Declare God's promises** over the land, believing in **spiritual awakening and renewal**.

Four Pillars of the National Prayer Movement

1) Worshiping the Creator and Acknowledging the biblical Jesus as Lord

1. Honoring the **Creator of heaven and earth** as the sovereign God over all nations.
2. Declaring that **Jesus is the ultimate source of Healing and Reconciliation**.

2) Acknowledging Wrongs and Seeking Repentance

1. Confessing the sins of **historical injustices**, including **colonization, residential schools, and broken treaties**.
2. Receiving God's **forgiveness, restoration, and atonement**.

3) Praying for Governments and Leaders

1. Lifting up leaders in Canada to **govern with wisdom, justice, and integrity**.
2. Praying for policies that uplift and empower Indigenous communities **rather than oppress them**.

4) Praying for the Peace of Jerusalem and Blessing the Nation of Israel

1. Honoring the biblical command to **pray for the peace of Jerusalem** (Psalm 122:6).
2. Believing that as we bless Israel, God will also bring healing and restoration to Indigenous peoples.

Conclusion: A Prophetic Call to Unity, Healing, and Transformation

The **International Nations for First Nations Conference 2025** is more than an event—it is a **divine appointment** where believers unite in **prayer, repentance, and intercession** for the healing of Canada's Indigenous peoples and their land.

Through this gathering, we declare:

- The **time for healing is now**.
- The **transformed church must rise in truth and action**.
- **Spiritual revival** among Indigenous peoples will bring **hope, restoration, and transformation**.
- The **land will be healed** as we humble ourselves and seek God's face.

Let this be a **watershed moment**—a turning point in history where the **church, Indigenous communities, and nations unite** in faith for a future of **justice, healing, and reconciliation**.

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon us... to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives, and release from darkness for the prisoners..." (Isaiah 61:1)

Will You Join the Call?

This is **your moment** to stand with Indigenous brothers and sisters in faith. **Will you answer the call to prayer, healing, and reconciliation?**

Together, we can build a future where Indigenous/First Nations communities thrive, not just survive.



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Call for Speakers: International Nations for First Nations Conference 2025

Dates: June 5-7, 2025

Venue: RBC Convention Centre, Winnipeg

Theme: Nations for First Nations

The organizing committee of the **International Nations for First Nations Conference 2025** invites thought leaders, experts, and advocates to submit speaker proposals for this landmark gathering. This conference will bring together government officials, Indigenous Chiefs, church leaders, and community organizations to explore actionable solutions in the following key areas:

Workshop Topics:

- **Economic Empowerment** – Strategies for fostering self-sufficiency and sustainable economic development in Indigenous communities.
- **Education & Capacity Building** – Enhancing educational access, literacy, and career development for Indigenous youth and professionals.
- **Cultural Preservation & Indigenous Identity** – Strengthening traditions, language, and cultural heritage in a rapidly changing world.
- **Faith-Based Reconciliation & Community Leadership** – The role of faith communities in healing, Truth and Reconciliation, and leadership development, Impact of Residential Schools, Being Trauma Informed.
- **Policy and Governance** – Addressing governmental policies that impact Indigenous communities and advocating for positive change.
- **Mission and Ministry Protocols** – How we honor, respect and uphold local First Nations protocols in our approach to ministry and missions within First Nations communities by going through the proper protocols.
- **Navigating Today's Youth Challenges** – Today's youth are experiencing a growing range of challenges that deeply impact their mental health and well-being. These include increasing rates of anxiety and depression, as well as struggles with bullying, substance use, and the complex pressures associated with social media and digital environments.

Submission Guidelines:

We welcome proposals from government leaders, educators, industry professionals, Indigenous elders, faith leaders, and grassroots organizers. Presentations should provide insights, best practices, and actionable solutions related to the above themes

Abstracts should include:

- **Title of Presentation**
- **Speaker's Name, Title, and Organization**
- **Summary (250-300 words) outlining key points and relevance to the conference themes**
- **Speaker Biography (100 words)**
- **Preferred Format (Keynote, Panel Discussion, Workshop, or Case Study Presentation)**

Submission Deadline:

All proposals must be submitted by **May 1, 2025**

How to Submit:

Send your abstract and speaker details to **thefairfordsanctuary@gmail.com** with the subject line: *Speaker Proposal – International Nations for First Nations Conference 2025*.

For more information, visit our **Facebook page at Nations for First Nations** where you can find additional details about the conference and registration.

We look forward to your contribution in making this event a platform for meaningful dialogue and impactful change.

For any inquiries, please contact:

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We look forward to welcoming you to this pivotal event as we work together to create lasting impact for Indigenous communities across Canada and beyond



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Recommended Hotels in Winnipeg for Conference Attendees

1. The Fort Garry Hotel, Spa and Conference Centre

- **Address:** 222 Broadway, Winnipeg, MB R3C 0R3
- **Phone:** +1 204-942-8251
- **Distance to RBC Convention Centre:** Approximately 0.4 miles (about a 6-minute walk)

2. Delta Hotels by Marriott Winnipeg

- **Address:** 350 St Mary Ave, Winnipeg, MB R3C 3J2
- **Phone:** +1 204-942-0551
- **Distance to RBC Convention Centre:** Approximately 0.09 miles (about a 2-minute walk, and connected by skywalk)

3. Inn at the Forks

- **Address:** 75 Forks Market Rd, Winnipeg, MB R3C 0A2
- **Phone:** +1 204-942-6555
- **Distance to RBC Convention Centre:** Approximately 0.68 miles (about a 12-minute walk)

4. Mere Hotel

- **Address:** 333 Waterfront Dr, Winnipeg, MB R3B 0V1
- **Phone:** +1 204-594-0333
- **Distance to RBC Convention Centre:** Approximately 0.89 miles (about a 16-minute walk)

5. Radisson Hotel Winnipeg Downtown

- **Address:** 288 Portage Ave, Winnipeg, MB R3C 0B8
- **Phone:** +1 204-956-0410
- **Distance to RBC Convention Centre:** Approximately 0.36 miles (about a 6-minute walk)

6. Alt Hotel Winnipeg

- **Address:** 310 Donald St, Winnipeg, MB R3B 2H3
- **Phone:** +1 431-800-4279
- **Distance to RBC Convention Centre:** Approximately 0.37 miles (about a 6-minute walk)

7. Wyndham Garden Winnipeg Airport (Indigenous Owned)

- **Address:** 460 Madison St, Winnipeg, MB R3J 1J1
- **Phone:** +1 204-219-7006
- **Distance to RBC Convention Centre:** Approximately 2.64 miles (about a 10-minute drive)



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PARTNER WITH PURPOSE: SPONSORSHIP INVITATION

We invite you to join us as a valued partner in the Nations for First Nations Gala and Conference 2025, a non-partisan, landmark gathering that brings together Indigenous leaders, policymakers, faith communities, and advocates from across Canada and beyond. Held at the RBC Convention Centre in Winnipeg from June 5–7, 2025, this historic event commemorates the 30th anniversary of Elijah Harper's Sacred Assembly and carries forward a powerful vision of reconciliation, healing, and Indigenous-led empowerment.

Your sponsorship is more than a financial contribution—it is an investment in a future of unity, justice, and opportunity. As a sponsor, your organization will be recognized as a champion of reconciliation and Indigenous prosperity, with direct access to a diverse audience of influencers, leaders, and community builders. This package outlines meaningful opportunities to support the Gala, workshops, and prayer gatherings, while aligning your brand with a deeply impactful movement.

Together, we can honour the past, empower the present, and shape a future rooted in shared hope and transformative change.

VISION & MISSION

The vision of the Nations for First Nations Gala and Conference 2025 is to unite Indigenous and non-Indigenous leaders, faith communities, and advocates in a movement rooted in spiritual restoration, reconciliation, and empowerment. Inspired by the legacy of Elijah Harper and the Sacred Assembly of 1995, this gathering seeks to advance economic opportunity, educational equity, cultural preservation, and healing for First Nations peoples through collaboration, prayer, and action—building a future where Indigenous communities thrive in dignity, self-determination, and shared prosperity.



Build Meaningful Partnership ●

Maximize Social Impact ●

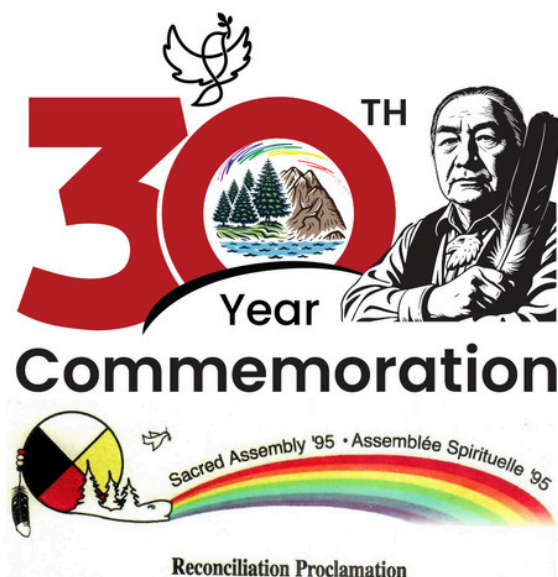
Raise Awareness and Funds ●

Create Lasting Connections ●

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BENEFITS FOR SPONSORS

Sponsors of the Nations for First Nations Gala and Conference 2025 will receive high-visibility brand recognition across all event platforms, VIP access to the Gala, meaningful engagement with Indigenous and faith-based leaders, and alignment with a national movement for reconciliation and Indigenous empowerment—positioning their organization as a committed ally in building a stronger, more inclusive future.

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Networking opportunities with other sponsors or event participants.

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Positioning your organization as a committed ally in building a stronger, more inclusive future for Indigenous communities.





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1. VISIONARY SPONSOR

Contribution: \$50,000+

Benefits:

- Exclusive title sponsorship
- Prominent logo placement on all promotional materials
- Opportunity for organization to deliver remarks during the event.
- 4 Premium tables with reserved seating.
- Premium booth.
- Lead sponsor of 4 workshops.

2. LEADERSHIP SPONSOR

Contribution: \$25,000 - \$49,999

Benefits:

- Logo placement on promotional materials
- Acknowledgment during opening and closing ceremonies.
- 3 Premium tables with reserved seating.
- Standard booth.
- Sponsor of 3 workshops.

3. COMMUNITY SPONSOR

Contribution: \$10,000 - \$24,999

Benefits:

- Logo displayed on event materials
- 2 Premium tables with reserved seating.
- Quarter-page advertisement in the event program booklet.
- Sponsor of 2 workshops.

4. SUPPORTER/ALLY SPONSOR

Contribution: \$500.00 - \$9,999

Benefits:

- Logo included on the event website and sponsor appreciation wall.
- 2 VIP tickets to the event.

BUDGET OVERVIEW

Description	Price
Venue & Technical Setup	\$60,000
Speaker & Presenter Costs	\$10,000
Gala Event Costs	\$50,000
Workshop Costs	\$20,000
Marketing & Promotions	\$10,000

The International Nations for First Nations Conference 2025 aims to be fully self-funded through sponsorships, ticket sales, and donations. With an estimated budget of \$150,000, this plan ensures that the conference can provide a high-quality experience, featuring engaging speakers, impactful workshops, and a memorable gala event.



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