## Annual Report: CABF Program Committee – President Marlene Knowles

Following election at the 2023 AGM, Erica Kenny ably served as Chair of the Program Committee until the summer of 2024, and we want to acknowledge and thank Erica and her Committee for organizing the Rushton Lecture and related activities in June of this year. This is an annual learning and fellowship event to which we all look forward, and 2024 proved to be another wonderful experience for those who attended in person or online. We were blessed to have Rev. Joe Green and Rev. Sarah Scott present and reflect with us on the topic: Responding to MAiD: Spiritual reflections, experiences and questions. A video of the devotional and lecture, with transcript, is available on our U-tube channel Vincent Rushton Memorial Lecture - Responding to MAID (youtube.com).

Working as a subcommittee, Arla Johnson, Jeff White and Marlene Knowles (with input from Rusty Edwards and Ryan Sato) began the planning for this year's 2nd annual Cross Canada Conference, to be held October 28-31, 2024 in the Atlantic Region of Halifax. Details were presented to the Program committee as they became available. A grant was obtained through the Christie Foundation, to assist in the work of the committee for which we are very grateful. This event, now called the CABF Cross-Canada Conference, promises to be yet another meaningful event as we continue to convene together for the purpose of fellowship and growth in the Freedoms. The Conference is now open for registration on our C-ABF website.