

Multicultural Lay & Ordained Leaders Association (MLOLA)

Remit:

The MLOLA is a gathering of all lay and ordained leaders in the Synod who are actively involved in multicultural ministry in the local churches and in the Presbyteries.

It gathers to:

- share stories, struggles, experiences, good practice ideas, and offer pastoral support to each other
- discuss and seek to respond to current multicultural issues in the church and society, through theological and spiritual reflection and worship, in ways that would sharpen, deepen, enhance and enrich the work of MMAG and UME
- consider together how best to use their ministry gifts, energy and time to enrich the Synod's life and witness in a diverse and multicultural society and world
- celebrate and affirm the rich diversity that exists in the Synod as blessings and gifts from God
- collaborate together on opportunities for building capacity in various areas of mission and ministry that would enhance their work as ministry agents
- seek creative fund raising strategies for its long term events and activities

Administration

MLOLA shall normally meet twice a year, one of which could be residential.

Administrative assistance and support will be provided by UME through the consultant in the first year. Thereafter MLOLA may be partly subsidised by UME as it sees fit as MLOLA develops into a more self-sufficient body.

The consultant will be responsible for record keeping of all the MLOLA gatherings to inform the ongoing work of MMAG, UME and the wider Synod.
