

# Planning Timeline for Visiting and Host Churches

- Tevent Dates: July 8-13, 2025
- **P** Location: Prince Edward Island

Website: tidalimpact.ca

This resource will help your visiting or host church think through planning milestones as you prepare for Tidal Impact 2025!

# **17** Planning Timeline

# February - March 2025 | Laying the Foundation

### Visiting Churches:

- Finalize decision to participate and register your church with the appropriate form
  - Visiting Churches Register Here:
    - https://atlbaptist.wufoo.com/forms/r1fpuk1a19do6e2/
    - Host Churches Register Here: <u>https://atlbaptist.wufoo.com/forms/r13hleqj16uon62/</u>
- Form a **Tidal Impact Planning Team**, including youth and adult leaders.
- Promote Tidal Impact in your church—invite families and students to begin praying. Download our promo package here.
- Plan initial **fundraising** efforts (e.g., sponsorships, church-wide events).
- Connect with your **partnering church** once assigned—start discussions on logistics, team gifts, and ministry goals.
- Begin preparing for **discipleship** by using the **Tidal Impact Discipleship Resource** (available on our website).

# **V** Host Churches:

- Register your church and indicate your estimated number of local participating students
- Access the <u>'Host Family Basics'</u> resource, and begin recruiting host families for visiting students (if applicable).
- Begin recruiting volunteers for meal prep, transportation, and project support.
- Start identifying **Neighbouring Projects**—local service projects where teams will engage the community. Read the <u>'What is Neighbouring'</u> resource



• Reach out to local organizations (e.g., food banks, farms, community groups) to partner for **mission activities**. See the "What is Neighboring" resource available on our website

#### Visiting Churches:

- Begin internal registration for students and leaders.
- Ensure students and leaders understand that **Tidal Impact is about being a fountain of hope** in their communities, not just for a week, but in their daily lives.

## April - May 2025 | Building Momentum

#### **W** Host & Visiting Churches:

- Finalize student registrations and pay \$50 deposit per participant (deadline: March).
- **Church Partnerships** Connect with your partner church once assigned. Begin establishing norms, expectations, neighboring projects, and logistics.
- **Discipleship** Begin holding regular **team meetings** with students and leaders for discipleship, team-building, and mission preparation. Download the **Lead-in discipleship Resource** available on our website!
- Engage church members:
  - "Adopt a Student" (sponsoring student registration fees).
  - Organize **prayer partners** for students.
  - Encourage intergenerational connections (e.g., pairing youth with older mentors).

### Host Churches:

- Finalize **billeting arrangements** and meal planning. Help coordinate host families to connect with visiting students, either by sending videos, or setting up a facetime call with parents. Ensure Host Families understand expectations around feeding and transporting visitors.
- Coordinate **Neighbouring Projects** with visiting teams and local partners.
- Promote ways for your congregation to support—hospitality, donations, meals, and transportation.

#### Visiting Churches:

- Book transportation to PEI.
- Discuss **Sunday morning involvement with your host church**—youth-led services or testimonies in host churches.
- Begin packing lists and travel logistics with your team.
- Ensure all participants understand the mission—becoming a fountain of hope in their neighbourhoods.

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#### Visiting Churches:

- Pay the final registration payment (\$100 per participant, due May 15).
- Confirm final numbers, T-shirt orders, and housing details.
- Finalize details with partner churches—rallies, meals, and free time activities.
- Ensure all **necessary supplies** have been gathered for planned neighboring projects (whether paint, garden tools, power tools, etc.)
- Ensure leaders are trained in team care, safety, and mission strategy.
- Use the **Tidal Impact Discipleship Plans** to help students prepare spiritually for the week.

#### July 8-13, 2025 | Tidal Impact Week!

#### **V** Host & Visiting Churches:

- Engage in **Neighboring Projects**—serving businesses, farms, municipalities, and non-profits.
- Participate in Evening Gatherings (Rallies).
- Encourage students to lead-testimonies, worship, and project leadership.
- Build intergenerational relationships through shared meals, hosting, and prayer.
- Ensure safety, rest, and spiritual reflection throughout the week.
- Be sure to access our **daily podcasts** for discipleship, discussion, and reflection!

#### Post-TI: July 2025 and Beyond | Continuing the Mission

#### Host & Visiting Churches:

- Hold a **post-TI reflection service**—invite students to share testimonies.
- Encourage students to **continue serving in their community**.
- Discuss how to build long-term partnerships between visiting and host churches.
- Challenge leaders and students to keep being a fountain of hope in their daily lives.