

COVENANT

The words of the GC42 Covenant will help us set the foundation for how we will treat each other as we build a strong discerning community. May it be lived into throughout the meeting and beyond.

The start of the Covenant is based on the 7 teachings shared and practised by many Indigenous people.

| English | French | Mi'kmaq | Mohawk |
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| Be Love | - Amour | - Gesaluet | - Kanoronhkwáhtshera |
| Be Wise | - Wisdom | - Ne'tata'suaqan | - Kanikonrowahnhatshera |
| Be Truth | - Vérité | - Gi'wajiaq | - Orihwiihóhwe |
| Be Respect | - Respect | - Gepmite'lmatl | - Kakwenien'stáhtshera |
| Be Humble | - Humilité | - Wanqwajite'teken | - Aionhnitènte |
| Be Honest | - Honnêteté | - Gegnuimatl | - Ahkorihwahkwarihshióntshera |
| Be Brave | - Courage | - Melgita't | - Kanikonhrahtsanítshera |

* Wanqwajite'teken — Humility is to know yourself as a sacred part of Creation. In the Mi'kmaq language, this word can also mean “compassion.” You are equal to others, but you are not better. Some communities instead express this with Wantaqo'ti, which in addition to “peace” can also be translated as “calmness,” “meekness,” “gentility,” or “patience.”

