

Pastor Ian is a life long Presbyterian being baptized as an infant. He grew up in the Village of Waterdown, Ontario (near Hamilton) and attended Sunday School and church with his family at Knox Presbyterian Church.

Ian's first Call to ministry was to become a Catechist. With encouragement he returned to school doing undergraduate studies at Huron College, UWO, London and the University of Ottawa. Theological studies followed at Presbyterian College, McGill, Montreal and later a Masters of Theology (Th.M.) from Andersonville, Camilla, Georgia. He continues to pursue a Doctor of Theology (Th.D.) as time permits. Specialized post-graduate studies for interim ministry, dispute resolution and transition consultant were at several institutions, mostly in the USA. He has also taught introduction classes at Colgate, Rochester Divinity, New York.

Ian is a member of the Interim Ministry Network, an international group of specialist ministers.

Most of Ian's ministry has been serving congregations during a time of one kind of transition or another. He has served several churches in Canada and the United States. His avocation of many years was a Chaplain (padre) with the Canadian Armed Forces and one term with the New York National Guard. He was awarded the C.D. medal and rosette.

Ian is married to June. They have five children and eleven grandchildren.

Ian is with St. Andrew's under contract as an interim minister to be the congregation's pastor during the time of transition and the search process in Calling the next installed minister.