Merging Waters United Church

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Cultural Identity, Awareness and Literacy

Introduction to concepts, models, & definitions of culture
Beginning to describe own culture using own experience, concepts, models & definitions
Beginning to name how cultures interact

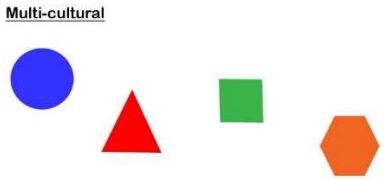
INTRODUCTION OF BELOVED COMMUNITY

5b) A Theology of Culture

Definitions of multi-cultural/cross-cultural/inter-cultural

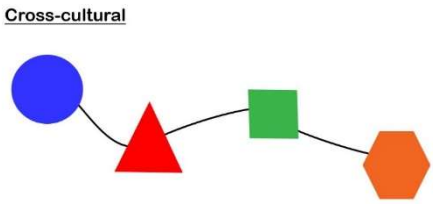
Multi-cultural

Descriptive—there are many cultures

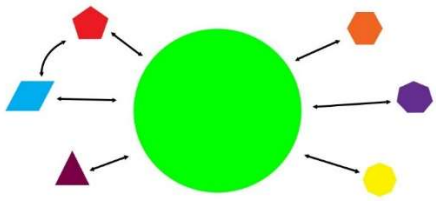


Cross-cultural

Suggests something happening between entities, don't know if good or bad



Cross-cultural and issues of power



Clarifying Terms:

stereotyping is the perceptual process of adopting and applying beliefs about the characteristics of identifiable groups

prejudice is partiality based on assumptions and generalizations that prevents objective consideration of behaviour or situation

discrimination is unfair treatment of persons or group based on prejudice

racism is belief that one race is superior *reinforced by* corporate or institutional power and privilege – the power to impact negatively in systemic ways on another group or person.

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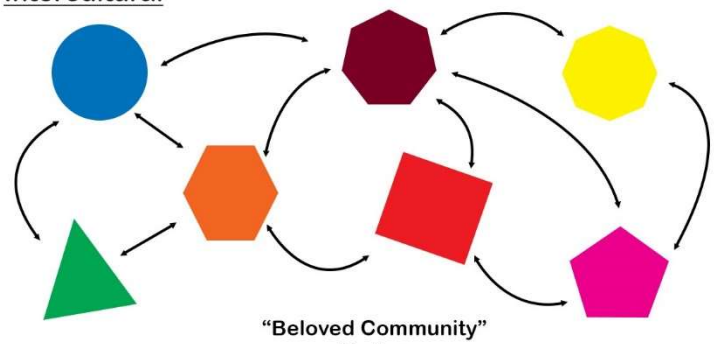

The world in which you were born is just one model of reality.

Other cultures are not failed attempts at being you;

They are unique manifestations of the Human Spirit