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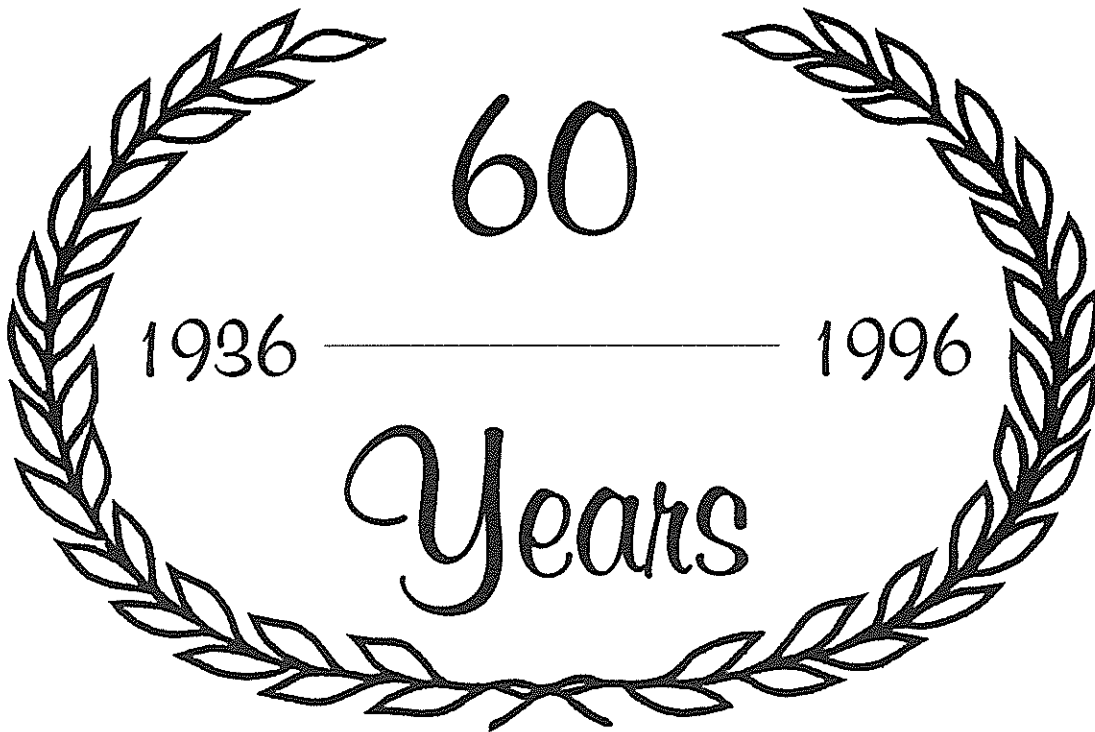
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Leading Your Child to Christ

Michael Mazzalongo

What a difference it makes when parents are consciously leading their children to Christ. A good illustration of this is told by Carl Brecheen as he describes the history of two families who lived at the same time and place but had very different results.

Max Dukes did not believe in God and refused to teach his children or bring them to church. He had 1,020 recorded descendants and of these, 300 served prison terms, 120 were prostitutes, and 600 were alcoholics.

Jonathan Edwards believed in God, taught his children to love the Lord, encouraged them to attend and serve the church. He had 929 recorded descendants: 430 were ministers, 86 university professors, 13 university presidents, 75 authored good books, 5 elected to Congress, 2 elected to Senate, and 1 became vice-president of the United States. His family cost the government nothing and contributed greatly to the welfare of that nation.

Parents who consciously lead their children to Christ are impacting not only their lives but the lives of countless generations that follow. For this reason it is important to understand several factors relating to the evangelization of children.

Child's Responsibility

Discussing the salvation of a child's soul is a sensitive issue because there isn't a uniform opinion as to when a child is fully responsible and accountable for salvation before God. The problem is that people ask themselves, "When does a child resemble an adult enough psychologically and emotionally in order to make a decision about obeying the Gospel?" The problem is that they use only the psychological measuring stick of human development to measure something which is also a spiritual matter.

It's interesting to note that in Matthew 18:3, Jesus says that an adult has to become like a child in order to be saved--not the other way around. I believe that a child is subject to the Gospel when he/she is old enough to respond to the Gospel. Not respond like

an adult, but respond to the degree that a child can respond--and children can respond to God.

In 1 Samuel 3:1-10, Samuel was a boy of 8-10 (the word boy refers to a child under 12 years of age) when he responded to the call of the Lord.

Luke 3:41-49 shows us that Jesus was 12 when he began to be spiritually independent from His parents.

Note that in Matthew 19:14 Jesus invited the children to come to him and warns us against preventing them from doing so. Children can and want to respond to Christ, and we should allow them to do so when that desire is in accord with the Gospel.

Note the following passages:

"Hear, O Sons, the instructions of a Father, and give attention that you may gain understanding" (Proverbs 4:7).

"Children, obey your parents in the Lord for this is right; Honor your father and your mother" (Ephesians 6:1).

"Children be obedient to your parents in all things, for this is well pleasing to the Lord" (Colossians 3:20).

All of these passages are speaking directly to children, not to parents. In these passages, the assumption is made that children can understand and are responsible for obeying.

Now, not every child develops at the same pace, understands at the same time. However, children are subject to the gospel and should respond to it when:

1. They can acknowledge that they believe as true what they have been taught about Jesus.

When you ask a child if he/she believes in Jesus and God and they say *yes*, that's faith! It isn't the deep faith of an elder who has been a Christian for 40 years, but it is faith uncluttered by doubt or fear and acceptable before God. You can't teach them for 12 years to believe and when they say they do, tell them their faith isn't good enough. This only leads to frustration and rejection of the Gospel later on.

2. A child is responsible for the Gospel when he is able to make deci-

sions based on an understanding of right and wrong.

Babies and small children are innocent of sin, not because they never do anything selfish or wrong; they remain innocent because they don't understand that sin is an offense against a higher power than mom and dad (an ultimate right or wrong). In other words, a child is ready to respond when his conscience becomes sensitive to the fact that sin is wrong and punishable by God, not just a human being (that is how we know that the knowledge of "right and wrong" exists in them).

3. A child is responsible when he/she can grasp the idea of "lostness" and being saved from this lostness.

When children understand the relationship between forgiveness and salvation, they are ready. When my children were small and were punished in some way, there would be a time after the spanking when I would go in and hold them in my arms, and we'd review the events, and there would be hugs and kisses. That would be a way of saying that everything was okay. Daddy was not mad anymore; the punishment was over; forgiveness had taken place. When a child understands the concept of forgiveness, that child is old enough to be baptized with the idea that this is how God forgives.

Parents' Responsibility

1. We have to teach them.

2 Timothy 3:15 shows that Timothy was taught from an early age the Word of God. Thankfully, in the area of teaching children, we have help and students who are ready to learn. Education research tells us that:

a. *Kids are easily reached.* Adults are busy, but kids are eager to learn and know more about Jesus. Kids love VBS and Bible Class and all the church activities designed to teach them.

b. *Kids are easily taught.* Adults have a lot on their minds, but kids have clear, open minds and great memories. All they need is someone and something to fill it with (the normal diet is T.V.).

c. *Kids are easily convinced.* Adults doubt that they are full of sin; so, they resist. But kids are anxious to do right and please God. Better we

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Love or Doctrine: Which is More Important?

Joseph W. Godbout

Which is more important to the well-being of the church? Love or doctrine? Do you believe that, between these two areas, more teaching needs to be devoted to lessons on love or lessons about church and Bible doctrines?

This question of love or "doctrine" is one which frequently "makes the rounds" in the church. Please note that the quotation marks around the word "doctrine" are deliberate because in any discussion of doctrine, one must define what one means by doctrine. In addition, when we feel the need to stress doctrinal teaching in the church, just what "doctrines" do we have in mind?

For the sake of argument as well as space constraints, let us assume that by "doctrine" or "doctrinal" teaching one means areas basic and fundamental to the Christian faith; i.e. the divinity of Christ, the atoning death of Jesus, baptism for the forgiveness of sins, etc., to name only a very few.

Thus, someone might ask, which is more important: love or doctrine? The biblical answer is that they are both essential to the basic existence of the church.

To ask the question, which is more important, sets up a dichotomy or division between Christian love and Christian doctrine which is not taught in scripture. Asking the question sets up a case of love versus doctrine. It becomes an either/or choice.

To choose love over doctrine or to say that doctrine is more essential than love is ultimately destructive to our faith. An either/or choice between love and "doctrine" will undermine our foundations. The choice Christians are called to make in terms of love and doctrine is not an either/or but a both/and.

Imagine a church with little or no doctrinal teaching. Imagine a church whose doctrinal teaching changes with the times. Picture a church whose members either do not understand what the church stands for or who do not care. Such a church is not a church of Christ, and it makes a mockery of the name "church of Christ".

It often seems that when doctrinal teaching is emphasized in the pulpit or classroom, some people are "turned off" because they come away feeling bored or thinking that church doctrine is as dry as dust. Even worse, they may be left thinking that much in the area of doctrine is irrelevant to their everyday living.

Part of the problem may lie in how we present doctrinal teaching. Are we helping converts, new and old, to understand the importance of why we need to correctly know, believe (which are not always the same thing) and teach Bible doctrine?

We need to help others see how a correct understanding of Christian doctrine provides the foundation for practical and relevant discipleship in the everyday world.

... it is a case of both, rather than one or the other.

Let me provide an example. Consider Philippians 2:5-11. Among other things, this text teaches fundamental doctrines such as the divinity and humanity of Jesus. Christ was God in the flesh. No one can deny this and still wear the name Christian (i.e. 1 John 7-11).

Yet, preceding this, in 2:1-4, and following in verses 12-16, Paul addresses areas directly concerned with everyday Christian living or discipleship. And is "love" tied up with all this? Yes. Look again at 2:1, "So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any incentive of love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy. . ." (RSV). And, of course, the supreme example of love, which Paul commands Christian to follow, is that of Christ in verses 5-11.

Another example, but in a more negative light, is found in 1 Timothy 1:3-11 where Paul writes that Timothy is to "charge certain persons not to teach any different doctrine". When Paul lists a

number of less-than-wholesome "alternative life-styles", he points out that these things are "contrary to sound doctrine".

On the other hand, Paul says that "our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and sincere faith" (v. 5). If Paul were to hear some of our arguments about doctrine being more important than love or the supremacy of love over sound teaching, he would probably shake his head.

I have asked you to picture a church which is weak in doctrine. Now imagine a church that is "strong on doctrine" but where there is little love, either for brethren or for the lost. It is difficult to conceive of this church experiencing much growth, either spiritual or numerical.

In the New Testament, the church is often described using "family" terminology. But is a family or a marriage with little love likely to stay together when tough times come? The odds are against it.

For the importance of love for the Christian faith I will cite one example--Mark 12:28-34. In this familiar text, Jesus was asked by the Pharisees, "What is the greatest commandment of all?" This was not simply another snare placed by them. Given the 600 plus commandments in the Old Testament, this was a serious issue debated among the rabbis. Jesus' answer was that we are to love God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. (If that does not cover "all the bases", I do not know what will!) And he gives a vital "P.S.". We are to love our neighbour as we love ourselves.

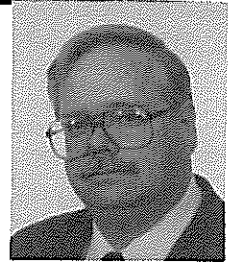
Therefore, the greatest commandment, the greatest teaching, the most important doctrine is the love of God, with the love of other people a close second. (And once again tying in with this love is the matter of discipleship, i.e. John 14:15 where Jesus ties love and obedience to his teaching, i.e. doctrine.)

To sum up, the purpose of this "brief" discussion has been to help us see that sound Christian doctrine and true Christ-like love are both equally important to the life of the church. When it

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Marketing the Gospel

Wayne Turner



The nature of change in our world has been well-expressed by James Anglin who wrote, "Change will soon be replaced by something new". The coming of a new year reminds us of the passing of time and of the changes that have occurred in government, society, church, family and even our personal lives.

As Christians, we have put our faith in the One who is the same yesterday, today and forever. We can depend on Him, confidently knowing that He will always keep His word. Hebrews 5:16-20 speaks of God's unchangeable purpose which He promised and confirmed with an oath, "two unchangeable things in which is it impossible for God to lie". This is the "anchor" for our souls.

God's eternal purpose was accomplished through Christ (Ephesians 3:11), who redeemed us through His blood (1:7). God has entrusted His people with the message of salvation and commissioned them to proclaim it. Since God and His purpose are unchangeable, so also is His commission. We are to take the eternal gospel (Revelation 14:6) to all creation (Mark 16:15).

With change all around us, it is too easy to lose sight of the purpose God has given to us. Like Martha, we can be distracted and become anxious and troubled about many things (Luke 10:38-41). Like the old adage, we might "fail to see the forest for the trees". We can become so caught up in means that we forget the end to which the means are directed.

An interesting issue has been raised in the general evangelical world which should catch our attention. The September-October edition of *Faith Today*, published by the Evangelical Fellowship of Canada, carried several articles that focussed on the shift by some churches to a marketing approach to outreach and worship. Following up a 1991 profile of several churches that had adopted this approach, Bramwell Ryan explained, "Often taking their inspiration from the Willow Creek model in Chicago, these are services formatted specifically to make unchurched people comfortable by such means as popular music, low-key sermons, non-religious language and the like. In another article, Herb Barber, minister of one of the largest Pentecostal churches in Winnipeg, observed that such an approach appears to be trying to "avoid 'the offence of the gospel'" by trying to soften words like "blood", "sin" and "salvation" for the visitor. "The best of the music would help him forget he was in a place of wor-

ship, and the 'sermon' would be on how to avoid burn-out. . . Modern packaged Christianity would never have allowed the rich young ruler to go away sorrowful. He would have been given coffee before and after the church service". Audrey Dorsch, in the editorial, noted, "My discomfort is with what we are marketing--*the church rather than the gospel*".

The articles point out that the original intent of this approach was evangelism. While some of these churches have experienced growth, it has not been without problems. Almost all the ministers involved observed that the approach leads to a lack of substance and a need for additional depth. Darrel Schultz of the now-closed Heartland Church in Vancouver says, "The radical seeker model was too devastating to spiritual health. . . by watering down the gospel you get starvation", and the "non-exposure to doctrine becomes the new doctrine". The author Ryan states, "By eliminating all the potentially offensive aspects of Christianity, like tithing, talk of sin, baptism and commitment to the body of Christ, Schultz says those sitting in the pews are cheated".

The Willow Creek "seeker friendly" model of outreach has attracted some interest in the brotherhood. It is encouraging to see an increasing desire to evangelize. This is our prime directive. We should always be open to more effective ways to accomplish this. We

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FAMILY TIES

This page is dedicated to helping readers to have strong Christian families. The new editor is David Cornfield of Owen Sound, Ontario.

A Missing Person Report

David Cornfield

When someone goes unaccountable for a period of over 24 hours, a missing persons report can be filed with the authorities. You may not get as rapid a response as you desire, but it will not be long until the search will be on for the person whose whereabouts are unknown. It confuses me that within families, members can be missing for years and there will be no search. If it were that your child, parent, or sibling were missing physically, you would search desperately to locate them. The danger in families is that too many family members are physically present but emotionally absent. Maybe at this point you should be warned that you may not want to read this article because many of us within the church may be left with a sense of discomfort when we read the thoughts and comments that I am about to share. I cannot apologize if you are uncomfortable with what you read in the following description of a missing person.

If as a parent you find yourself believing that quality time is more important than a quantity of time and you use this as an excuse to miss special events, then you are probably a missing person within your family. True, quality is more important than quantity, but many people have pointed out that quantity breeds quality. Most special moments with children and families are not planned out—they simply happen, and if you miss them, that moment is gone. Time is our most precious commodity and thus it is the most important gift that we give our families. Let it be clearly stated that every moment that is spent showing interest in ones child or spouse is a special moment of quality time. Parents too often fail to under-

stand that it is their presence with their child that makes the moment a quality one.

If your family is growing up in pictures, then you may wish to fill out a missing persons report. Take out the family album and look at the pictures and note who is present and who is missing. Unfortunately, many times families discover that too frequently someone is missing from the photo. If it wasn't you behind the camera, then it may be of value to ask yourself where were you? Was it worth it?

If good is good enough, then you are probably missing in action. As a teenager, I was confronted with the same problem that many young males must deal with when it comes to dating—a lack of money. Young ladies wanted flowers, candy, and occasionally a meal. Put quite simply, one had to find a way to control expenses given the fact that no one seemed to warm up to the notion of going dutch. What happened started out quite innocently. By accident one day, a friend and I discovered that cemeteries are a great place to get flowers. SHOCK! (I understand, but please remember that I do not support any such action. Also, please remember that if I ever gave you flowers, I am sure that those particular ones came from a florist.) What happened, however, is that one day I met the woman who is now my wife, and from that day forward what had previously been good enough no longer would do. Our families deserve our absolute best. If you find yourself saying that you are good enough with your spouse and children, you are probably a missing person, for the only thing that is good enough is our absolute best.

If you find yourself frequently stating that your spouse or children will understand, you are probably a missing person. This is a true statement, for the problem is that children and spouses will understand too well. If one is continually absent from special events or fails to follow through on commitments, then it will be understood that the family is not his priority. Parents have to remember that children hear with their eyes and not with their ears. A strange statement, I realize; so, please let me explain. A child hears only those messages that are delivered in action. When you are there to hug your child when he reaches forward, what a sermon! When you listen intently with your whole being to the words of your child and when you walk quietly into an auditorium to see your child perform, he will then understand where he places within your heart.

Marketing the Gospel

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should be more sensitive and responsive to the needs and cultures of others. We must challenge ourselves to extend beyond the comfortable ruts of tradition. However, we also need to listen to the whole story of the experiences of churches that have used such approaches, and consider all of the fruit. Are spiritual shallowness, loss of doctrine, watered-down Biblical concepts or division (two of the groups in the article had experienced this) acceptable risks?

It is our privilege to share with the world the words of eternal life that God has entrusted to us. "We are not like so many peddlers of God's word" (2 Corinthians 2:17). "What we preach, is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord" (2 Corinthians 4:5). May we joyfully go out into the world, not as marketers or self-promoters, but as ambassadors for Christ proclaiming to the lost the message of the cross—the sinfulness of mankind, the love and grace of God, the blood of Jesus, self-denial, commitment, obedience to and baptism into Christ. May we not shrink back from openly proclaiming the whole counsel of God.



Forgiveness and the Road Home

Brian Cox

Last month on this page we dealt with sexual immorality. We opened God's word to discover what is right and what is wrong. We noted that one of the best weapons in our battle against Satan is a pure mind and that a pure mind must be actively pursued. We concluded by suggesting some positive attitudes that would help us in our efforts.

If the statistics are to be believed, many of today's youth, even among churches of Christ, become sexually active before marriage. In fact, recent statistics show that the majority of our teens and twenties become sexually active before marriage. To those who have become sexually active before marriage, an article like last month's is bound to cause some guilt, unless your conscience has been seared. Guilt is only valuable if it turns you back toward God. Never should we write of sin unless we write also of the solution for sin.

Sexual immorality of any kind is not the unforgivable sin, even though it may seem like it. We say that all sin is equal in God's sight, but we have a hard time believing it, because some sins seem to have such horrific earthly consequences. All sin is equal in its ability to destroy us spiritually and separate us from our salvation if we lack faith and refuse to repent. However, sin is unequal in the earthly consequences it can produce. Sexual relationships outside of the marriage of one man and one woman for life can leave one with a sexually transmitted disease, with painful, even fatal, consequences. Those who were sexually abused as children by those who should have loved and protected them can articulate the far-reaching effects of that sin. Sexual relationship that produce a pregnancy outside of marriage

leave one with difficult choices. Do we sin further by aborting/murdering our child? Do we raise a child on our own? Do we get married under less than the best circumstances and perhaps live to regret it? With sexual sin having those far-reaching effects, it is easy to see why so many find difficulty in finding forgiveness. Tragically those who cannot find forgiveness often continue to live in sin compounding their problem, or allow guilt to slowly destroy their life. **There is a solution!!**

The solution is not to be found (as some have suggested and practice) in watering down our teaching on sexual sin. We must teach strongly and boldly that sexual relationships outside of the marriage of one man and one woman for life are wrong. This sin must be condemned in our pulpits, Bible classes and family discussions. We must, like Jesus, boldly condemn sin and never ever approve of it.

We must also follow Jesus' example in condemning the sin but not condemning the sinner. In John 8 Jesus did not approve of the woman caught in adultery's sin, but neither did he condemn her; he told her to go and sin no more. In this spirit we offer forgiveness and the road home.

Some fear that in teaching clearly that there is forgiveness from this horrible sin that is a plague in our time that we will actually be encouraging people to go out and commit it knowing that they can find forgiveness. They may be right, but God cannot be fooled. If you continue to sin believing that you can find forgiveness by going through some legalistic process, you are mistaken; you will not be forgiven until you truly repent of your sins.

Continue to believe! Sin cannot

separate you from the love of God, but a failure to continue to believe will. Satan will use your guilt, sin and confusion to slowly eat away at your belief. Continue to believe!

Confess your sin! You cannot be forgiven unless you first admit your sin. You will not seek forgiveness until you admit there is a problem. Confess it to God, confess it to your family, confess it to your church. Not confessing your sin in an effort to keep it a secret amounts to pride. Satan will use it to further tempt you. I have no scripture for this except James 5:16, "Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed". James knew the value of confession and of others praying for us and supporting us through our spiritual healing. I have seen people struggle with sin and guilt and never defeat it, but allow it to destroy their lives because they would not confess it. Many worry about how their church or family will react to confessions of sexual sin. In truth, I have never seen a congregation react badly to a confession of sexual sin. I have seen them forgive, be supportive and pray for spiritual healing for the one confessing. I have seen those who have confessed their sins be able to forgive themselves, accept the forgiveness of God and their brothers and sisters in Christ, put the sin behind them and live a life that honors God.

Repent of your sin! Repentance is more than feeling sorry for our sin. True repentance is turning from our sin. True repentance is found in our making a plan for our lives that will help us to avoid the sin we have fallen to in the past.

Confess Jesus as Lord of your life! Confessing your belief that Jesus is the Son of the living God is not meant to be a creedal type statement that is only made at one's baptism. It is an acceptance that Jesus is to be the Lord of your life. We submit to him and put his words into practice in our lives. In repentance we return to allowing Jesus Christ and not sin to have control over our lives.

Be baptized! We are not suggesting that one be baptized over and over again for every sin, sexual or otherwise. If

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Brothers or Clones???

Brian Cox

My brother and I do not look alike. Those of you who know us both can verify that. My brother is losing his hair; I am not. My brother is tall and thin while I am tall and not thin. My brother has fair skin and hair (what hair he has, anyway) while I have dark hair, more of it and a darker complexion. We also think differently on a number of things. Generally, my brother tends to be more easygoing than I am. But then, we are brothers, not clones.

In the church, are we brothers or clones? Let me at the outset state emphatically that there are some things that we must think alike on to be brothers. Unless we believe in the Creator God, the Savior Son and the indwelling Holy Spirit, we have no brotherhood. I also recognize that for us to work, fellowship and worship together there must be agreement on how we will work, fellowship and worship together. However, is it necessary that we agree on every last thing? Must we have identical views on every last issue that comes before us for us to be brothers? Must we have everything our way to stay with the congregation we are presently identified with?

I have some views that I know are at odds with some of my brothers and sisters. This really doesn't bother me too much, although it might if I tried to have my way on some of them. I don't know if my views are with the majority or minority on each issue, but my faith is not threatened by doing it their way rather than my way. For example, . . . I may be wrong, but I am pretty sure that my wearing a tie and jacket on Sunday adds nothing whatsoever to my preaching ability. If I wanted to be small about it, I might even try to argue that my not wearing a tie and jacket and the added comfort it would produce might even enhance my preaching ability, but I am even less sure of that argument. When I preach, I wear a tie and jacket, except perhaps when extreme heat makes it unbearable, because I think it rather foolish to upset my brothers and sisters on something of so little conse-

quence.

Some would suggest that is unfair, or that I am not being true to myself if I don't publicly state every view I have and fight to see each one adopted in the church. However, I believe that peaceful relations in the body of Christ are more important than my getting my way. I find it helpful to remember that I have brothers and sisters who think differently on some of the things that we presently practice but have chosen to in many cases keep that disagreement to themselves and not push for their way because they know that to do so would bring disharmony in the body. Praise God for peacemakers who sow in peace.

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I feel free as I know others do to speak up and suggest changes and maybe even criticize the way things are presently being done (as long as the criticism is constructive) when faithfulness to God and His Word or spiritual growth is at stake. If we sacrifice faithfulness to God and His Word or spiritual growth in order to maintain the unity of the body, no real body of Christ remains. However, I will willingly sacrifice my wants, ideas and views on the altar of unity. I would rather God strike me dead than for me to be the cause of division in the family of God.

My brother and I are alike because we have the same parents. We come from the same gene pool. There may be differences, but I know that there are more similarities. People keep telling me that we look alike. We are also alike because we were brought up and trained by the same parents. Similar training will produce similar people. Lastly, we are alike because we grew up together, sharing a room for the entire time we lived at home. You can't help but be like the people with whom you live.

Brothers and sisters in Christ are alike because they have the same Christ in them, which is the very reason that we are brothers. If we are filled with the same Christ and we each give him free reign in our lives, the same Christ will be seen in each of us. We will appear to be alike to those who observe us. If there are no similarities, can the same Christ be in us?

Brothers and sisters in Christ are alike because we have been nurtured on the same Word. We have been taught the same Bible. We are alike in that we have the same guiding principles in our lives.

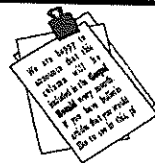
The longer we live together in the family of God, the more alike we become. The longer my wife and I are married, the more alike we become. There are still many differences, each of us maintaining a healthy sense of individualism, but we are also growing more and more alike. You cannot be around other people for very long without becoming more and more like them.

If we must agree on everything, if each and every one of the views that we hold must be identical before we can have any real unity, then presently no real unity exists because there are a number of differences among us. Gone are the days when one could go into any church of Christ in Canada and expect an identical worship assembly to the one at home. (I personally have not visited a congregation that I could say was violating scripture in the way that they conducted their worship.) Gone are the days when we would automatically assume that a program of work, evangelism or fellowship that worked in Toronto would automatically work in Newmarket or Wawota, etc. We still learn from each other but have learned that programs must be specifically adapted for the specific area we are in. Some are concerned that these differences will harm our brotherhood. However, a brotherhood that is based on each of us being identical is a false brotherhood that never did exist.

Despite all our superficial, external differences, when we get to the heart of the matter, we have the greatest thing in common—Christ. If we are in humility and gentleness trying to serve

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From the Bulletins



(Editor's Note: Some of the best writing being done among us appears in local congregational bulletins. These articles are thought-provoking, faith-building and worth sharing. With this issue we introduce what we hope will be a regular and popular feature. Each month, "From the Bulletins" will share two or three articles written by brethren across Canada.

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On the Eve of the Referendum

As the country awaits the outcome of tomorrow's vote in Quebec, I offer the following thoughts on the referendum from what I hope is a Christian perspective. My immediate concern is not so much the outcome of the vote tomorrow, which the public opinion polls suggest may be a victory for the separatist side, but how, as a Christian, I approach it.

First and foremost, I accept and affirm that God is sovereign and whatever the outcome Monday, the universe is unfolding as it should. To borrow from Daniel 4:32, the Most High "has

sovereignty over the kingdom of mortals". While I may have (and do have) an opinion as to what "should" happen, I will submit that to God, who truly knows what should happen in this country. As a Christian, my citizenship is of heaven and not of this earth, and thus I must always, no matter how dearly I love "my home and native land", remember that I am an alien and a stranger in this land whether it be a united or divided nation.

Secondly, I reflect upon what God may teach us as a nation in this time. Here all sorts of possibilities spring to mind. The dangers of nationalism (Israelite, Canadian or Quebecois), the fear of loss (economic), and pride in human

Love's Magnetism

Much has been written and said about "love". In fact, there are some people who tell us that too much attention has been given to the subject. They say that we need more "rules" and less "sentiment".

Such an assertion says that love negates things like "commands" and "obedience". But nothing could be farther from the truth. John affirms that "God is love" (1 John 4:8). Love, then, is an expression of God's nature or character, and certainly God's nature is one of order, discipline, creativity, etc.

Paul is one of the truly greatest proponents of the fact that if love is removed from the landscape of human experience, relational to one another and toward the Godhead, then the whole portrait is just a marred and pale image of what life with God is re-created in Christ to become.

Christian love imbues every act of

kindly service with a magnetism that makes it attractive. Paul makes it clear that "agape" in action (as it always must be to be "agape"), has no substitute.

He says that even the greatest of personal sacrifices, even giving one's body to the flames, is a meaningless exercise if not motivated by love (1 Corinthians 13:3). He also says that in the spiritual book of mathematics, the gift of extraordinary preaching, PLUS extraordinary knowledge, PLUS mountain-moving faith EQUALS absolutely nothing if all this is not done in love (1 Corinthians 13:2).

Acts of mercy done for us may momentarily relieve us of some misery, but when one discovers that the act was done because the one felt only pity toward us or saw the act as an opportunity to make self look good to others, then the whole thing becomes a bitter pill for us to swallow.

But genuine love does kindly deeds with genius and aptness. It keeps self

ability (we can make a better country, with or without Quebec/Canada) to name just a few.

Perhaps the best lesson, and one that is so important to us in the church today, is that of how people handle their differences. At the beginning of the discussion on the CBC last Monday night between three federalists and three separatists, everyone was stressing the importance for calm, civility, and logic as they talked about the impact of a possible "Yes" vote on Monday. However, it was not very long into the program before both sides were raising their voices at one another and tossing accusations back and forth. I fear that as the nation goes so does the church!

I do know one thing for certain; no matter what the outcome of Monday's vote and the consequent ramifications upon Canada, my brothers and sisters in Christ in Quebec will remain my brothers and sisters in Christ. While some of them may favour separation/sovereignty (I have no idea whether they do or not), our bond is in Christ Jesus and not in any political or racial commonality.

--Darrell Buchanan
in Fellowship of Bayview, Toronto,
October 29, 1995

in the background. It motivates deeds of a nature that rule makers never thought of. Love is God expressing self through humans. That's why it is unequalled in beauty and value.

--Murray Smith
Thessalon Thoughts, Sept. 24, 1995

Subscription Increase

The current subscription rate has been maintained for a number of years despite a number of increases in the cost of paper. Subscribers can still renew at the old price of \$11 for one year or \$10 per year for two or more years up to the end of February 1996.

After February 29, 1996, Canadian subscriptions will be increased to \$12 for one year and \$11 per year for 2 or more years. We feel that it is a bargain even after these modest increases.

Other rates will stay the same. Please feel free to take advantage of this warning by renewing prior to Feb. 29 for as many years as you wish. --E.C.P.



Points by Perry



Another Decade

This issue of the *Gospel Herald* is marked Volume 61, Number 1. This means that it has completed 60 annual volumes, usually of 12 issues each. We are observing our 60th anniversary.

The *Gospel Herald* was started by 21-year-old Robert Sinclair with nine assistant editors and printed on a poor-quality Gestetner duplicator at his home in Wishart, Saskatchewan. Volume 1, Number 1 was dated March 1936. The previous paper, *The Christian Monthly Review*, had died in 1933 because of the severe depression. These brethren bravely undertook to fill the gap and provide a teaching medium and news channel to build up and unite the widely scattered brotherhood and hopefully at the same time provide instruction and encouragement to the unsaved.

Although the actual beginning of our 61st year will be March 1996, due to some added pages some years ago, the volume numbers were adjusted to match the calendar year. Thus, we begin our 61st volume with this issue.

Pioneer editors Robert Sinclair and J.C. Bailey saw the paper through the struggles of the early years and built up a good circulation. In November 1953 it was turned over to Eugene Perry and Roy Merritt and moved to Beamsville, Ontario. Although circulation has not increased as much since then as was hoped, it has been fairly consistent over the years. The *Gospel Herald* continues to issue forth monthly from Beamsville with Eugene Perry and Wayne Turner (Roy Merritt's son-in-law) as editors.

When a man turns 60, he might be thinking of retirement. He would also likely be doing some evaluating--asking himself whether or not he has accomplished his goals, whether or not his life has served a useful purpose. Since retirement is not being considered for the *Gospel Herald*, it is appropriate that we examine and restate our goals.

It is the purpose and desire of the present editors and of the Board of Directors of the *Gospel Herald* Foundation to carry on with the original purpose, "The promotion of New Testament Christianity". This can only be accomplished when we carefully bypass the denominational dogmas and creedal accretions that have been added over the centuries. We must return to the fountainhead of truth--the New Testament itself. In doing this, it is necessary to be very much aware of the difficulty involved in trying to be completely objective in understanding it. Our spiritual vision may well be tinted by the generally-accepted religious thinking of our time.

Papers such as this have been prone to propagate the particular agendas of their editors. This has often resulted in "hobby riding" and culminated in factionalism and division. One Canadian gospel paper published over 100 years ago was dubbed the "paper Pope" because of its effort to dictate brotherhood thought.

Brethren are very easily polarized into "camps". The editors of the *Gospel Herald* have exercised considerable effort to avoid being the cause of such. We hope that our only hobby is the upholding and spread of the gospel of salvation by a united brotherhood. This has been the emphasis of the *Gospel Herald* over the years and continues to be.

Jesus prayed that his followers might "all be one" (John 17:20, 21). He commanded us to love each other. The inspired apostle instructed us to "love the brotherhood" (not brotherhoods) (1 Peter 2:17). The oft-repeated scriptural emphasis on unity and peace among brethren is often set aside in favour of division and strife. All too often this is the result of nothing more than personal differences or some form of "nit picking" rather than a real concern for doctrinal truth.

Although very much concerned to stand for and teach the basic truths in regard to salvation, the church and Christian living, we are determined to do so in love--to build up and not to tear down, to unite and not divide. We humbly rededicate ourselves to this

onerous task.

Brethren, within the bounds of the above statement, you are invited, ye requested, to join us in mutual edification through these pages. Submit the results of your studies and research for the benefit of all. --E.C.P.

Forgiveness

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one has already been baptized, having been immersed with belief, repentance and confession, there is no need to be baptized again and again for every sin one commits. However, if one has yet to be baptized, there is still no forgiveness for sins working in his/her life. To those who have been baptized, continue to believe, confess your sins, repent of your sins and confess and practice your belief that Jesus Christ is the Son of the living God. God will continue to forgive you.

There is a way back. There is a way to conquer sin. There is a way to be rid of guilt. It is found in Christ. We don't condemn you, we will pray for your forgiveness. Please come home. It does not matter what you have done or what you have become; what matters is that you come home. I beg you on bended knee, do not let another moment go by until you get right with God. Come home; I am praying for you.

--Newmarket, Ontario

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FOR WOMEN BY WOMEN

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“Busybodies”

Betty Burton Choate

(Editor's Note: This article is one of a series written by sister Choate called “She Shall Be Called Woman”.)

Sometimes children play a game. They sit in a circle and the leader whispers something to the friend next to her. She turns and whispers what she hears to the next person. The message travels around the circle until it comes back to the leader. Then she stands and states what she whispered originally and what was whispered back to her at the last. There is a big laugh when the group hears how the message changed as it travelled quickly from mouth to mouth.

The game the children play is called “gossip”, and it tells us something. When people begin to gossip and to pass messages from one friend to another, the story changes drastically as it travels along. But, unlike the game, gossip in real life is no joke, and usually it is intended to hurt someone.

The scriptures have something to say about gossip. They speak of some women who “. . . learn to be idle, wandering about from house to house, and not only idle but also gossips and busybodies, saying things which they ought not” (1 Timothy 5:13).

So, the Christian woman cannot afford to be guilty of gossiping. We must watch carefully what passes through our lips. There is a good test we should give before we say anything about anyone:

(1) Is it true? If the “news” is only something I have heard but do not know for a fact to be true, then I should

not repeat it.

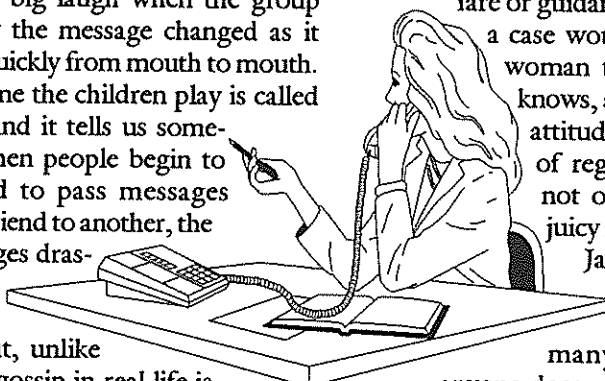
(2) Is it kind? Even if the news I have heard is true, will I be doing a kindness to the person if I repeat it? If so, if it is good news, a good thing, then I will want to tell everyone. But if it would hurt someone, then I should not be scattering it abroad, even though it may be true.

(3) Is it necessary? Sometimes bad news is true, and sometimes it must be told to particular people for their welfare or guidance. Only in such

a case would the Christian woman talk of what she knows, and even then her attitude should be one of regret and sorrow, not of relishing some juicy morsel of gossip.

James 3:2-10 says:

For we all stumble in many things. If anyone does not stumble in word, he is a perfect man, able to bridle the whole body. Indeed, we put bits in horses' mouths that they may obey us, and we turn their whole body. Look also at ships: although they are so large and are driven by fierce winds, they are turned by a very small rudder wherever the pilot desires. Even so the tongue is a little member and boasts great things. See how great a forest a little fire kindles! And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity. The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire by hell. For every kind of beast



and bird, of reptile and creature of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by mankind. But no man can tame the tongue. It is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the similitude of God. Out of the same mouth proceeds blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so.”

Christian women, keep close guard on your tongues! --Winona, MS

Leading Children to Christ

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convince them of Jesus than society convince them to carry a gun.

So, the first responsibility of parents is to see to it that their children learn about Jesus. The problem is never the eagerness or willingness of the kids; it's parents who fail to bring them to be taught or neglect to teach them themselves!

2. We have to *aim* them.

Raising Christian children is like shooting an arrow at a target. We are the bow, they are the arrow, Jesus is the target. We can't expect to hit the target if we don't *aim* at it. The Bible tells us that we should raise our children with the express purpose that they will become servants of God. We don't raise them and hope they'll become Christians by some *fluke*. We raise them *as* Christians to act like Christians to become Christians.

The sooner they decide to obey the Gospel, the less of their lives they will waste. Parents must not feel guilty or embarrassed if they regularly insist on VBS, camps, youth activities, church attendance and Christian behavior in the home and school because that's what we are, and that's what we are *aiming* at for our children.

We don't always hit the target. The best efforts sometimes fail, but let's at least *aim* at it!

Parents often say, “All I want is for my child to be happy.” To these parents I say, “Your child won't be happy if he lives his life without Christ.” If you really want happy children, lead them to Christ. --Choctaw, Oklahoma



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(Editor's Note: Happy New Year.
W.R.S.)

ONTARIO

Ajax: This congregation is having a coffee/fellowship following services for people to spend a little more time together. Ajax is sending out another plea for support for their preacher, Devon Bennett. Three congregations have sent in a total of \$700, and another congregation is sending \$100 per month.

Beamsville: On Sunday, November 19, Dean and Liz Barre were baptized into Christ. They had been studying the subject of baptism, trying to decide whether or not to baptize their children as babies, and came to the decision that they, themselves, needed to be baptized. Art Fleming, who has been actively involved in this congregation for over half a century, has resigned as an elder after serving for over 21 years in this capacity.

Bramalea: Several of our youngsters are participating in the pen pal program with children from Belarus, whose names and pictures were sent to us by Ed Jermakowicz. \$3,317.57 was raised for "food for the hungry" which translated into a U.S. bank draft of \$2,419 and was sent to Manna International in Redwood, California. The Lourenco and Gay females have placed membership. Lewis Mutuma was a guest speaker on December 10. Walter Straker spoke in Barrie on Dec. 10.

Bracebridge: "We regret to announce that the recent departure of some of our number has resulted in it not being financially viable to continue to meet in the Orange Hall in Bracebridge. Until further notice, those who remain will meet (Lord willing) at 11:00 a.m. each Lord's Day at 441 Bay Street (169 Hwy), Gravenhurst, Ontario P1P 1H8. Phone (705) 687-3250."

--H.F. Thompson

Fenwick: Although attendance was lower than usual, the November meeting was a success with excellent lessons.

About 100 attended an annual lighting party at Gilbert's Florists. The ladies have completed their centennial cookbooks and have arranged Christmas baskets for shut-ins and elderly. A New Year's party is planned.

The "Rainbow Connection" singers sang at a community fund raiser and at Balls Falls on December 2 and 3.

Grimsby: One night per month is set aside strictly for prayer. George Mansfield reports that this has had a very marked effect for good on the congregation. Jim Stephenson, formerly of the Tintern congregation, has been welcomed with wife Sue and children Brett and Katya.

Guelph: Guest speakers have been Walter Hart, Brian Boden, and Joseph Godbout. "Holy Bloopers: Potluck supper--prayer and medication to follow. Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our church and community." (from bulletins)

Newmarket: Brian Cox spoke at Fenwick on November 9. Bea Emes celebrated her 85th birthday by leaving to spend the winter in Arizona. Keith and Marie Thompson are also traveling in the States. On November 4, Jennifer and Kimberly Harvey were baptized by their father. A seminar on "Change and the Church" is scheduled for February 23, 24.

Niagara Falls: Brad Boland put on Christ in the waters of baptism on November 20. Bruce Boland and Marni MacLachlan were united in marriage on December 9.

Sarnia: "Lewis Mutuma took the Bible class and spoke on the morning of November 19 to report on his work in Zimbabwe. Doug and Thelma Lacourse have gone to visit different congregations in the U.S. for the winter to give a report of their work in Jackson, Kentucky before settling in Florida for the remainder of the season. Lewis and Doris Barnard have also gone to Florida for the winter. John and Margaret-Ann Garner and their son, Ronald, have moved to Toledo to live. Margaret-Ann is the daughter of Vern and Margaret Hibbard. The younger ladies held a seniors dinner on December 9. John Forbes, a member here, passed away at the age of 87 on Sun-

day, November 5." --Drew Chapados

Sault Ste. Marie (Pinehill): Renee Morin (October 15), Amanda Lemieux, daughter of Marc and Yvette, (October 22), and Jeremy King, a student at GLCC, (October 29), were immersed into Christ. Steve Courson was the guest speaker on October 29. The WAVES from this area raised over \$1,000 for GLCC this year. Roger and Sandy Lansdell plan to move soon and work with this congregation to fill the preaching position.

St. Catharines (Ontario Street): The ladies are continuing their study on the presentation of Spiritual Warfare, as they try to find ways to combat the temptation of Satan in their lives. On Sunday, November 19, the congregation gathered following morning workshop for a bag-lunch and a special meeting out of concern for the spiritual state of the congregation and its members. It was a time of prayer and discussion.

Stoney Creek: Rachel Meneer, daughter of Brian and Susan, was baptized on Sunday, November 19. T.P. Job of India spoke about work among Muslims. The congregation raised \$350 for a family in India.

Stratford: Thirty-nine ladies attended from four congregations for their special ladies' day. As of November 5, the congregation was meeting their budget for the year and was \$1 above their budget of \$540 per week.

Tintern: Adult classes have regrouped, and there are six adult Bible studies going on Sunday morning. They also have eight ministries with the majority of the members sharing these ministries. The congregation also paid down over \$16,000 above the regular weekly payment on its mortgage. It is to receive 1/11 share of the Grace May estate as is Great Lakes Christian College. Brian Boden was guest speaker for four Sundays in October.

Toronto (Bayview): John McMillan was the guest speaker on November 12. Lillian Urnuzache's mother has returned to Toronto from Romania for another extended stay. Vivian Asamiah recently received her Canadian citizenship status. The congregation is collecting children's outerwear for needy children in the downtown Toronto area

Toronto (Harding Avenue): A

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NEWS

— FAR WEST —

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BRITISH COLUMBIA

Burnaby: With the increases in membership and visitors, it has been necessary to go to two services on Sunday mornings at 9:00 and 11:00. This has alleviated the cramped seating and parking situations. Average attendance has been 115 with a high of 135

We now have five small group mid-week Bible study meetings.

The Burnaby congregation continues as the sponsoring church for Allen and Betty Jacobs and their work in India. The association goes back some 23 years and has been a rewarding experience. They are currently in India having left here in mid-September. Allen had a five-day series of meetings in Siliguri, where he spoke and taught four times each day. During a 24-hour stay in Kalimpong, he spoke three times. Following this, they left for Nepal. They arrived at their home base of Bangalore on October 31. Please keep them and their mission in your prayers.

We are happy to welcome Richard Watson, who was baptized in July, and Eileen Green, who was added to the Lord's church on October 31.

Etta Gavel and Marie Clelland have passed on to be with the Lord.

Jeff Floyd leaves December 27 for three weeks in India where he and others will continue their mission of teaching teachers of the gospel. Cory Vance leaves shortly for St. Louis to begin preparing for mission work in Romania.

Delta: Jay Don and Mary Lee Rogers were in Vancouver, Washington for a special celebration honouring the 15 years they have been supported by the Andresen congregation. We were privileged to have brother Tom Bailey with us during the weekend of November 12 while Jay Don was absent.

We rejoice with Timothy Jorgenson and Colleen Race, who were married on October 21 in Abilene, Texas.

We celebrated with Monty and Cathy Meyers as they marked their 50th wedding anniversary.

On November 19, we had a special potluck to welcome Christina King back from her stay in Thailand.

Some of our group attended the Singing Session hosted by the Burnaby church on November 25.

Vancouver (Oakridge): We mourn the loss of two sisters. Marie Clelland went home to be with our Lord on November 2 and Helen Cutting on November 19.

Our monthly prayer breakfast was held on November 11 with close to 20 brethren sharing a common table and lifting our voices up in prayer to God for loved ones with spiritual and physical problems. We also prayed for Oakridge that we will become the church that God intended us to be, which will happen when we take seriously the command to "pray without ceasing".

On November 18 the men gathered for dinner and a time of fellowship, edification and learning. The study centered around how to do all the things that make up our Sunday worship.

A new adult Bible study began on October 22 to study from the book of Genesis to cover such topics as origin of sin and evil, etc.

A report has arrived from Allen and Betty Jacobs in India, who went from north to south of the country and are now currently working among the tribal peoples. Please pray for all of our missionaries: the Jacobs, brother Pineda in El Salvador, and brother Domingo in the Philippines.

Rosario Agustin will be leaving for the Philippines to be with family over the holidays. This is her first visit home in nine years. Please keep Rose in your prayers.

Salmon Arm: On November 4 and 5 the annual lectureship for the B.C. Interior was held at the Community Center. Kelly Carter had several good lessons on "My Yoke is Easy". Sunday noon a meal was prepared by the ladies. That evening the annual preachers' retreat commenced at the home of Sam Tumlinson, Jr. on Shuswap Lake with 12 preachers in attendance.

This fall the ladies have been meeting every two weeks to study the book "What's a Woman to Do?" by Betty Bender and have a light lunch. This is held in the home of one of the sisters

who is in poor health. The men have been meeting every two weeks to listen to "Celebrating Manhood", a series of tapes by Steve Masterson.

The 2nd Commitment Sunday was held on November 19 at Gardom Lake Bible Camp about 10 miles away. Attended by the entire congregation, starting with a pancake breakfast and ending with a noon meal, it is a time of great fellowship and commitment to each other and the church.

Victoria: We rejoice in the safe arrival of baby Andrea Faith who was born to Mark and Cyn Witty on October 20.

A Jr. High ministry began on November 8. Students will minister to seniors at Royal Jubilee Hospital.

Two successful events in October were the Harvest Time Fellowship on the 27th and Family Night on the 29th.

Christmas hampers are being prepared for the needy.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

Yellowknife: Steve McMillan is sending us good reports of his work in India. The group is expected back in Canada soon.

Our various weekly studies are back in full swing. We are considering the possibility of starting Pioneer Clubs for kids aged 2 to 11. The purpose is to help them to put Christ into every phase of their lives, thus developing a life-style based on Biblical values.

Congratulations to Ian and Connie Henderson on the birth of Timothy Shane on October 12.

Randy Jacobs and Laurie Indoe have announced their engagement. Congratulations! Their wedding is planned for March 2, 1996.

ALBERTA

Edmonton: Todd and Chantel Gwozd were baptized into Christ on November 29. Studies began with Todd seven years ago.

The monthly Newly Marrieds' Devotional was held with 13 couples present of whom four couples were visitors. We focus on different aspects of marriage with a discussion-based lesson looking at the biblical perspective. This month's topic was stewardship and finances.

For several years, Grande Prairie has been a part of our long range evangelism plans. Dave Friesen, one of our interns, has expressed an interest in leading the team for this planting in the sum-

mer of 1997. On November 7 and 8, Dave and his wife, Diane, and Herb and Carlene Anderson went to "spy out the land". Dave and Diane have had a number of people express an interest in possibly being a part of the team. Proverbs 16:9 tells us that "In his heart a man plans his course, but the Lord determines his steps". Our plans need to always begin with "If it is the Lord's will" (James 4:15). We ask for your prayers for the work as it begins to become more of a reality.

The teens held their monthly devo/recreational event with eight of our teens and eight visitors. They met for a devo and then rode the rides at the amusement park in West Edmonton Mall. Our teens continue to bring out their friends to these events and services, and a number of one-on-one studies are being conducted. Lots of parent involvement and involvement by members who do not have teens is a key to the success of this ministry.

A Wednesday night class is held to help share our faith better by covering the basics that you would study with someone and various "how to's" of sharing your faith. The homework involves the traditional memory work, Bible study and reading but also practical assignments such as looking for and keeping track of three opportunities in a week to share your faith.

A second program is encouraging the brethren to be actively involved in each other's lives and help each other to grow and mature in Christ. A more mature Christian takes a couple of less mature Christians under his wings studying, praying, serving, evangelizing and sharing their lives together. Or it can be a brother with a brother or a sister with a sister with the goal of mutually encouraging and motivating each other in their spiritual growth. This learning through life sharing is the approach our Lord used with the 12 and Paul with Timothy and others.

November 19 was an encouraging Sunday as our attendance was 308 with 22 visitors present! God has truly been blessing people's prayers and hard work. Brethren have been inviting friends, cold contacts and stuffing mailboxes with invites. Two new people showed up at a group study as a result of mailbox invitations. One small group met for a 45-minute lesson and a game of volleyball. People would come for volleyball and not the study; so, the study was

changed to a 10-minute devotional thought and short prayer; five visitors were present. We need to be ready to adapt and change to meet people where they are with the gospel of Christ.

News East

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young single lady, Decillma Williams, was baptized on October 29.

Toronto (Strathmore): Max Craddock spoke three times at Fenwick on Sunday, November 12 as part of their 100th anniversary.

Their final "Bring a Friend Day" for the year was November 19. The theme was "The Certainty". Guy Stopard and the brethren from Strathmore are seeking out their place to plant a new congregation, either in Scarborough or Mississauga or both.

Welland: The church closed one of its best gospel meetings, a five-day series, on November 24. It was marked by growing attendance and interest from night to night, having as its theme "Life's Great Questions", with a different speaker each evening. The new roof is now in place, and it not only keeps out the rain and snow, but also adds to the attractiveness of the building. The total cost of construction was \$31,019 of which \$10,938 has already been raised. Thanks are extended to all churches and individuals who have made donations.

Windsor: Missed from an earlier report was the August 10th rejoicing with Oscar and Ana Duran in the baptism of their son, Oscar, Jr.

Meetings by Ray Miller of Peoria, Arizona, November 5-8, were on the theme "More than Conquerors".

The quarterly congregational meeting was on November 26 rather than in October as previously reported.

QUEBEC

Montreal (Ghanaian): Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Amanaty, by the grace of God, have been approved as landed immigrants in Quebec.

Sherbrooke: The congregation chose to rent a room in the community centre for each Sunday. They hosted a seminar on "Depression, Loneliness and Stress" given by Ron Pauls with eight visitors from the community.

NEW BRUNSWICK

Moncton: The school where the church is now meeting is in a great

neighborhood, and its location is well known. Some community people have attended. Two men are attending and excited about finding the church. Visitors from Georgia, Ohio, West Virginia and Alberta have provided encouragement.

NEW YORK

North Buffalo: Their bulletin carries a very interesting history/customs of the first century each week. A fifth Sunday, New Year's Eve fellowship was to be hosted by the congregation.

Love or Doctrine

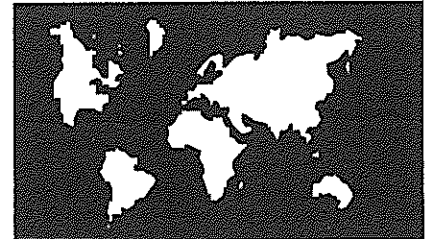
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comes to love and doctrine, it is a case of both, rather than one or the other.

Perhaps the time spent debating the importance of one over the other could be better spent in coming to an ever-increasing understanding of Christian teaching and in sharing the love of Christ with our neighbours, both saved and unsaved.

--Hamilton, Ontario

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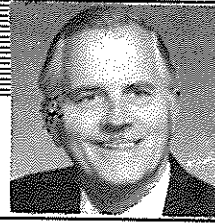
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The Trials of The Ancient Order, 1844-1865 by Earl Irvin West, Religious Book Service, Germantown, Tennessee. \$24.95 (US).

We are greatly indebted to our brother Earl West for his many outstanding books on what we call "The Restoration Movement". His four volumes, "The Search For The Ancient Order" are the best history available of these most significant events. He has also written biographies of outstanding men like Ben Franklin and David Lipscomb.

I believe it was Winston Churchill who either said or quoted the statement, "We learn from history that we learn nothing from history". A similar statement puts it, "Those who ignore the lessons of history are bound to repeat them". I trust that these quotations will answer the question, "Why should we bother with learning about all this dry old history?"

West recounts much new material that he has not addressed before. He describes the great impact that Barton Stone and Alexander Campbell had upon the world of their day. The rapid growth of those who plead for a return to "The Old Paths" was phenomenal. But it also resulted in much opposition and actual persecution.

It is interesting and nothing short of amazing to see the opposition the restorers faced when they dared to suggest the need for a new translation, since the King James was so outdated! Our brethren were among the leaders in encouraging revisions in the Scriptures so that people could read the Word in their own language.

We can also profit much from reading about the trends that lead many away from New Testament Christian-

ity. Men like J.W. McGarvey fought tirelessly against the inroads of modernism into the church.

It is extremely profitable for us to trace the introduction of instrumental music and mission societies in the church. We can then be able to see similar trends as they develop and be able to counteract them.

Obviously the Civil War was extremely hurtful to the church. For instance, as the Union army moved South, they ordered all churches closed and all preaching stopped. One gospel preacher, Augustus Payne, tried to keep on preaching and was shot to death by Union soldiers. Other gospel preachers were persecuted without mercy. The animosity between north and south contributed greatly to the division that later occurred in the church. West astutely observes that the training of many young ministers in liberal theology widened the chasm that already existed. He concludes his masterful study with the question, "One may well ask, does history repeat itself?"

Music Matters in the Lord's Church by Aubrey Johnson, 20th Century Christian, Nashville, Tennessee. 140 pages, \$6.99 (US).

"Why does your church not have an instrument of music?" "Daddy, why does our church not have an organ like

my friend's church?" These are typical questions often heard in the local congregation. But how well are they answered? Do longtime members know the answers? Surely this is an issue that needs careful consideration.

This new book from 20th Century Christian meets a great need in the church. It presents a scriptural and reasonable answer to the above questions. A careful study of this book could prevent division in the Lord's church. The author shows beyond any doubt that vocal music is the only kind of music that is authorized in the Scriptures. He also answers the arguments that have been made in favour of the instrument.

The author states, "Music Matters was not written as an attempt to legislate what individual Christians may do for their own personal edification or enjoyment. It is primarily concerned with the use of sacred music in worship assemblies particularly where congregational singing is involved. This is a book about unity and fellowship among believers in Christ. It is a plea for Christians to love one another fervently out of a pure heart by endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. A Capella singing honours God and edifies man. Harmony and good will are two of its most precious fruits. May churches of Christ ever contend for this vital part of the faith once delivered unto the saints."

This book, although relatively brief, covers all the relevant issues regarding its subject. It covers music in both Testaments, early church history, the Restoration, current trends and unity. He discusses such recent activities as vocal bands imitating instrumental music. There are helpful discussion questions, activities and review outlines of each chapter. It is ideal for personal and class study.

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Tribute to a Supporting Church

Ron Pauls

The Lawndale Church of Christ in Amarillo, Texas has established a commendable record of faithfulness and perseverance in supporting us in the spread of the Gospel in Canada for over 30 years. Recently that relationship has come to an end, and we want to pay tribute to the Christians in that congregation who held up our hands in our ministry of the Word all those years! Theirs is a record few churches can rival or surpass. We commend them to you as an example of a model supporting church. Their example of loyalty, love and patience has provided us a legacy that will motivate us throughout the rest of our lives.

During the time we were with them, we served three congregations and helped found a leadership training program in conjunction with Great Lakes Christian College in Beamsville, Ontario. Two of those churches more than doubled in size. Two of them have become self-supporting.

Their approach to the local works in which we were involved was always one of concern but never control.

Once, when I was feeling the discouragement of small numbers while teaching at the School of Bible and Missions, I called them and suggested maybe we should move on. They simply asked brief questions. "How many students do you have?" "Eight." "Where else in Canada can you go and teach eight students the Word of God every day?" "Nowhere." "Then we think you are where you need to be!"

Even when some notable centres of evangelism gave up on Canada, they persevered. Because of people like them, a work that has been slow has shown evidence of being solid. During the past 30 years, the total number of churches in Canada has risen from less than 100 to nearly 150. Total membership in Canadian churches of Christ has risen from about 3,950 to well over 7,000.

They allowed us to grow. New challenges were never refused. They even provided an opportunity to do some graduate work to become more effective on the field.

Early in our ministry I experienced health problems that curtailed our usefulness for weeks at a time. They never

gave up on us!

In more recent years, they regularly sent couples from their congregation to visit us and see the work personally. They brought us home at least once a year to receive the encouragement of the congregation.

They even provided us with furloughs, yearlong breaks from the work for refreshment and personal growth; one for study, one for emotional refurbishment and one for burnout prevention. The last one we spent with them in Amarillo, Texas. We were treated to an enjoyable and wonderful year of refreshing fellowship and service among them.

Over the years we have not only benefited from the spiritual maturity and counsel of the preachers and elders but have become fast personal friends with them. Many other personal friendships developed with the members there. We hope those personal relationships will survive the end of our more formal relationship.

Rita and I want to pay tribute to the people who made up this church over the past 30 years. We want to hold them up to the brotherhood as an example of the kind of church that sends wisely, exercising oversight of foreign workers without demanding conformity, accountability without control of the work, and faithfulness toward the worker without demands for unrealistic results. --London, Ontario

Minister Invited

Our 35-member congregation in a progressive Canadian city of some 46,000 souls is inviting the help of a minister to work with us. Salary and dates are negotiable.

Write to:

Crescent Heights Church of Christ
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Medicine Hat, AB T1A 5V3

MISSION NEWS

India - J.C. Choate

The Choates arrived in New Delhi on September 29 and were thrilled when three young people obeyed the gospel on October 2. This makes 14 second-generation Christians in the local church.

Craig Phillips works with the church in Bombay and in just over one year has seen personality divisions overcome and attendance increase from 15 to 50. Ray McMillan, Bob Parker and six young Christians from Canada visited Shillong and were able for the first time to get permits to visit Mizoram State.

The Choates' plan was to visit churches in Rangoon in Burma, South Africa, Mauritius, Indonesia and the Philippines.

Republic of South Africa - Chester Woodhall

"The Christian school project at Bray, about 200 kilometers into the semi-Kalahari bush from Mafikeng, is almost completed. . .with 170 students of all ages and one teacher. [it] has been using a garage and the open air previously."

A young African man named Ernest was taught while in long-term prison and was baptized into Christ upon release.

Ukraine

The work in Ternopil was strengthened by eight more baptisms, some of which united families in 'Christ'. Other encouraging factors are the commitment and growth of some of the young people and the progress being made on their building." -- Joseph Jones

Eighty-five people were present at the summer Bible encampment in Ivano-Frankivst where the above eight were baptized.

Zambia

Roy Merritt reports that the travel fund for his furlough to the U.S. with Kathy and two children has reached its goal. The visit will cover January to April and include visits across the whole U.S. and into Canada.

Croatia

The church in Zagreb is trying to extend Christ's message in the form of relief to the Serbian refugees whom the world calls its "enemies". Help should be sent to Manna International, P.O. Box 3507, Redwood City, CA 94064 (800) 253-2420.

MISSION NEWS

Brothers or Clones??

(continued from page 7)

Western Samoa

It was previously reported that brother Joe Hansell of Apia Western Samoa had started a congregation on the largest island of the Western Samoan chain of five islands. This island is called Savaii.



The church on Savaii is composed of 22 members who carry on the worship each Lord's day as best they can by the teaching that brother Hansell has been able to give them. These brothers and sisters face great opposition from their own relatives and friends because they left the traditional denominations. There is a great need for a preacher to go there and help them.

There is no city on Savaii. The only city in the nation is Apia one and a half hours away by ferry, but there are villages everywhere. Conditions are somewhat primitive, but there is water, schools, electricity, and shops on the island plus a beautiful landscape.

Anyone going would have to be fully supported. The Canadian dollar is worth \$1.25 there. I would suggest a young couple who have not yet started their family or a couple who are able to take early retirement and so have already raised their family. A single man could fill the need very well.

Clothing, food and vehicles are available. Samoa has a high humidity, and the temperature stays in the high 20's C. the year round. If you look for West-

ern Samoa on the map, follow the International Dateline from Alaska south until it makes a correction at W. Samoa.

Hawaii is halfway from L.A. to Apia, and Apia is 2700 kms north of New Zealand. Most young people can carry on a conversation in English, but Bible teaching needs to be translated. For more information contact brother Joe Hansell, P.O. Box 1513, Apia, Western Samoa, or Carl E. Johnson, 737 3rd Ave., Estevan, SK S4A 0P7.

--Carl E. Johnson

Eastern Europe Invitation

Brother Ming Paul Lee urges all ages, young adults to seniors in Canada to have a great and wonderful summer in 1996 and lists some opportunities.

- Teachers wanted to teach English in Eastern Europe--Croatia, Poland, Ukraine, Russia, etc. All ages welcome.

- Summer camp at Pula on the beautiful coast of the Adriatic Sea. See history and meet Christians from all over Europe and share Jesus with young people--July.

- Canadians can make a difference taking light to Eastern Europe.

- Help us in collecting pens, pencils, baseball caps, and medicine for Africa and Eastern Europe.

Write to Ming Paul Less, Box 13, R.R. #2, Arlington Road, Nanoose Bay, BC V0R 2R0. Phone (604) 468-7976.

IBC Workshop

Nearly 3,500 were on the International Bible College campus to participate in the workshop about how to "vision" the future, make better choices and to focus on the challenges of the future. Twenty states and three foreign countries were represented.

Western Christian College

There has been an average of 28 graduates for 49 years.

General Endowment Funds have reached \$500,000 and Student Financial Assistance Endowment funds are over \$108,000. Many have donated \$85

for Miss Torkelson's 85th birthday.

Application has been made for accreditation of the College programs with the Accrediting Assoc. of Bible Colleges.

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Him, we will have unity. If we show patience for our brothers and sacrifice our wants and opinions on the altar of unity, we will be brothers. We do not ask that you sacrifice your faith, hinder your spiritual growth or violate your conscience to maintain unity. We do ask that you sacrifice your opinions and personal views to maintain unity.

On numerous occasions Jesus condemned the Pharisees of His day because they had given their traditions, the traditions of men, a higher place than the Laws given by God. If we divide on the basis of our traditions, opinions, or personal views, have we not given the traditions of men a higher place than the Spirit's command to make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of Peace (Ephesians 4:3)?

May the Spirit teach us to think more about maintaining unity and brotherhood and less about how to get our way.

--Newmarket, Ontario

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A tribute to my friend

(Memorial to Dr. Eleanor Robinson on the anniversary of her passing)

Linde Zila

We met at church, a most unlikely pair. You were a well-established medical doctor; an only child, the apple of your parents' eye. I was a young immigrant mother, with a husband who was glad to work at any available job, and a growing family. Yet you invited us into your home, all 6, 7 and finally 8 of us.

As we got to know each other better, we discovered a common faith and eagerness to search the scriptures and to find out what the Lord had in store for us. Your parents had sacrificed much to put you through medical school during the depression years. You were no stranger to hardships.

We shared a love for this country of Canada and its people. When we decided to move out of Toronto, you suggested for us to take our Canadian citizenship since it was easier while still in the city. We were stateless aliens up until that time. When we appeared in our Sunday best, escorted by Dr.

Eleanor and her parents, the judge took one look at our small brood of five children, and we were ushered into a small room for our swearing in. As we emerged beaming with pride, I can still hear your mother say, "Now you two are younger Canadians than you baby son!" Yes, all six of our children were born here.

You encouraged and helped us along the way. We laughed and cried and prayed together. You convinced us to send our children to GLCC as they became of age. You had no children of your own, but your investment in their and many other students' educations through that wonderful Christian school, became your legacy and is still continuing to bear bountiful fruit.

What we are with our possibilities is God's gift to us. What we become has much to do with the warmth and example of a loving friend. Thank you, Eleanor. --Uxbridge, Ontario

Plan Early for 1996 V.B.S.



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Ph or FAX (905) 563-7503

Monograph Series Begun

Dan Wieb's book, *Romans and Relevance*, off the press in October, is the first to be published by the Gospel Herald Foundation in its new Monograph Series. It is anticipated that this series will offer a growing collection of worthwhile works. Next to be issued will be Eugene Perry's landmark work, *A History of Religious Periodicals of the Restoration Movement in Canada*. Also to follow shortly will be the republication of Joseph Ash's valuable "Reminiscences", presented originally in serial form in the *Christian Worker*, Meaford, during November, 1882 through October, 1884. Other more contemporary themes are in preparation. Authors are invited to submit their proposals or manuscripts to Geoffrey Ellis, editor of the series.

The members of the Gospel Herald Foundation are pleased to offer Dan Wieb's insightful *Romans and Relevance* as its number one presentation. This work is the distillation of Wieb's lifetime affection for the apostle Paul's letter on faith and grace. You will find spiritual encouragement in the pages of this study. Order your copy of *Romans and Relevance* from the Gospel Herald bookstore today. --Geoffrey H. Ellis

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Job Opportunity

Cross Roads Christian School is seeking a Principal/Teacher for the beginning of the 1995-96 school year.

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Please respond by March 1, 1996

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Directory of Churches

This listing includes most but not all of the churches of Christ in Canada along with a few in bordering states. Please help us to keep it useful by updating the information regularly. Listings are \$8.00 per year and changes are \$4.00 each.

The information, unless otherwise specified, is in the following order: Place of meeting; times of Bible Class, Worship and mid-week gatherings; mailing address if different from meeting place; (Post Office is at the beginning unless otherwise indicated); preacher; phone.

PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

ALLIANCE, Rec-Center: Sun. 10, 11; Ted Archbold, ev., Box 135, T0B 0A0; (403) 879-2232 (res.).

CALGARY (Northside): 803-2A Ave. N.E., T2E 1S1; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7; recorded message; 276-8088; Wayne Bailey, 247-6337; Brian Guilbault, 264-9232.

CALGARY: 4030 Maryvale Dr. N.E., T2A 2S8; Sun. 9:30, 10:30, 6; Wed. 7; also various mid-week home Bible Study groups -- call the office (403) 272-2111; Cecil Bailey, ev., 569-2817; Larry Yurk, ev., 278-1469; Eric Nyrose, ev., 242-3164.

CAMROSE: 4901-42 St., T4V 1A1; Sun. 9:30, 10:30; Wed. 7; Will Hart, ev. (403) 672-1220.

EDMONTON: 13015-116 Ave., T5M 3C9, 455-1049; FAX 454-9545; Sun. 9:30; Wed. 7:00; C. Eric Limb, Henri Bouchard, Herb Anderson, elders.

FORT MCMURRAY: Beaugard Edu. Community Centre, Abasand; Sun. 10-12; Thurs. Bible Talk 7:30 in homes. Mon. ladies class 1:30-3:00 in homes (phone (403) 790-0109); Terry Mullins, Treas., 399 Thicket Dr., T9H 4H7; (403) 790-3537.

LETHBRIDGE: 2720 21st Ave. S., T1K 1H8; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:00; Mike Gray, ev. 328-0855.

MEDICINE HAT: Crescent Heights Church of Christ, 402 12th St. N.E., T1A 5V2; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7; Ernest W. Andreas, ev., 528-3026 (res.); 527-7311 (off.).

RED DEER: 4519 53rd St., T4N 2E4; Sun. 11:15, 10, (evening--call for information); Wed. 7; Gery Bibard, ev., 347-3986.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

ABBOTSFORD: Michael Collins Studio (behind B.C. Tourist offices on McCallum Rd.); Sun. 10, 11; Tues. 7:30 in homes; Central Valley Church of Christ, Rob Robinson, Sec.-Treas., 45215 Blue Jay Ave., Sardis, B.C. V2R 2V3; (604) 824-0322; church--Ray Fillion, 850-8670.

BURNABY (Greater Vancouver): 7485 Salisbury Ave., V5E 3A5; Sun. 10:05, 9 & 11; Midweek (groups meet in homes. Call for times & locations); Jeff Floyd, ev. 526-3895; Kirk Ruch, ev., 596-8453; (604) 522-7721 (off.).

CAMPBELL RIVER: 226 Hickey Road, V9W 1P4; (604) 923-5233.

CHILLIWACK: Senior Citizens Bldg. Br 24, corner of Cook and Victoria St.; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7 at 9:00 Windsor St; Mail P.O. Box 327, V2P 6V4, 24 hr. phone 792-4940; George Sillman, ev., Al McCutcheon, sec. 792-0046.

COQUITLAM: 2665 Runnel Dr., V3E 1S3; Sun. 9:45, 11, 6; Wed. 7:30; Phone 464-2836; Hugh Minor, ev.

COWICHAN VALLEY (CROFTON): 1288 Smith St.; Sun. 11; Wed. 7; Box 45, V0R 1R0; Jack Ellis, 246-4189.

CRESTON: Corner of 5th Ave. and Cook St.; Sun. 10, 11; Box 2329, V0B 1G0; 428-7411 (off.).

DELTA: Ladner Community Centre; Sun. 9:50; Wed. in homes 8:00; 205-1318 - 56th St. V4L 2H4 (off.); 56th St., V4L 2A4; Jay Don Rogers, ev., (604) 946-7280 (res.); 943-0515 (off.).

KAMLOOPS: 629 Battle St. V2C 2M4; Sun. 11:15, 10; Mid-week studies in homes; (604) 374-3512 (off.); Contact Rob Harper, 554-2421.

KELOWNA: 1317 Ethel St.; Sun. 10:45; Bible study 9:30 (except July & Aug.); Tues. 7; Box 2697, St. R. V1X 6A7; Charles McKnight, ev. (604) 765-8739; Wayne Muirhead (604) 861-4008; Ted Windmill, 763-8445.

KELOWNA (Rutland): #209-120 Melintosh Rd., V1X 7E8; Sun. 11. Call for directions/other services, Bill Forman, ev. (604) 765-3643.

LANGLEY: Meeting in homes; Sun. 10:30; Phone for location 534-0485; c/o I. Eastwood, 20420-54 Avenue, Apt. 103, V3A 6N6.

NAHAIMO: 1720 Meredith Rd., V9S 2M4; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7:00; Grant Hannan, ev. 758-9412 (off.); Les Beamish, sec. 758-6929.

NORTH BEND: North Bend Community Hall; Sun. 10; SS 1, Boston Bar, BC V0K 1C0; 867-9420.

PENTICTON: Pentiction Retirement Centre, 439 Winnipeg St.; Sun. 9, 10; Tues. 7:30; Box 24082, V2A 8L9; 496-4043.

PRINCE GEORGE: 933 Patricia Blvd., V2L 3V6; Sun. 10:30, 11; (604) 562-0502.

WINNIPEG: 977 Prince Rupert Blvd.; Sun. 4, 3; Thurs. 7; Dick Brant, Bob Turner, evs.; (604) 624-4449 (res.), 624-5834 (off.).

RICHMOND: Boy Scout Hall, No. 1 Road & Francis Road; Sun. 10:30, 11; 3431 Beninck Pl., V7C 4H3; Gary L. Marrs, ev. (604) 271-6197.

SALMON ARM: Community Center, 2550 TransCanada Hwy. N.E., Rm 11; Sun. 9:45, 10:45; Thurs. night in homes. Call 832-3828 or 2470 for info.; P.O. Box 51, V1E 4R2; Wendell Bailey, ev. (604) 832-2470; Office, Piccadilly Place Mall, 1151 10th St. SW, 832-3828; Cheryl Pimentel, sec., 832-0422; Shuswap Christian School, Bx. 789, V1E 4N9, 832-7994; Doug Kendig, adm. 835-8529 (res.).

SURREY (Greater Vancouver): 15042 92nd Ave., V3R 5V8; Sun. 10, 11; Tues. 7:30; Ron Beckett, ev., 594-1796; Ed Bryant, ev., (604) 585-8566.

VANCOUVER (Oakridge): 6970 Oak St., V6P 3Z6; English services: Sun. 10, 10:40, 5 (Spanish Bible Class 10 and Fri. 6:30); Wed. 7:30; Stephen C. Hasbrouck, ev. (604) 241-7544 (res); Spanish services: Sun. 5; Fri. 6:30; Milton Diaz, ev., 432-1749 (res.).

VERNON: 4107 Pleasant Valley Rd.; Sun. 10, 11; Box 541, V1T 6M5; 545-6892.

VICTORIA: 3460 Shelbourne St., V8P 4G5; Sun. 9:45, 10:45, 6; Wed. 6:30; Kelly Carter, ev. (604) 592-4914 (off); 727-0351 (res.).

PROVINCE OF MANITOBA

BRANDON: 943 7th St., R7A 3V1; Sun. 10, 11; (204) 728-0957; Charles Muller, sec. 726-4723.

CARMAN: Main Street S.; Sun. 10, 6; Wed. 7:30; c/o D.B. Laycock, Box 266, Miami, R0G 1H0; 435-2413; Don L. Killough, ev. 745-3786.

DAUPHIN: 220 Whitmore Ave. (Western Christian College); Sun. 7 p.m., 10 a.m.; Wed. 7; 378 River Ave. E., R7N 0H8; Hugh Gannon, ev. 638-8568 (res.), 638-6321 (off.); W. Hart, elder, 638-5283.

MANSON: Bldg. at Manson Village; Sun. 10, 2 p.m.; Box 2, R0M 1J0; Gilbert Jacobs, sec., 722-2148 or Lloyd Jacobs, 722-2278.

NEEPAWA: Arden Community Centre, 352 Arden, R0J 0B0; Sun. 10, 11.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE: Contact Gerald McCutcheon, 239-1817.

WINNIPEG (Central): 217 Osborne St. S., R3L 1Z4; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7; M.C. Johnson, sec., 45 Jubinville Bay, 254-8501; Wayne Turner, ev. (204) 257-7926 (res.); 475-6462 (off.).

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK

MONCTON: 1 Trites Rd., Riverview, E1B 2V5; Sun. 10; alternate Weds. 7:30; Tim Johnson, ev., (506) 386-2628 (res.) or 852-0919 (off.).

SAINT JOHN: Meeting in the home of FRED NELSON, 3 Charleston Court, Quispamsis, E2E 4W9; Sunday meetings flexible; Phone (506) 847-2802 or Tom Goud, 847-2199.

NEW YORK STATE

BUFFALO (Linwood): 481 Linwood Ave., 14209; Sun. 9:30, 10:45, 6; Training Class 5; Wed. 7; John Smiley, ev. (716) 882-5434.

NORTH BUFFALO: 350 Kenmore Ave.; Sun. 10, 11, 6:30; Wed. 7:30; Box 128, 14223; (716) 835-6010.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

YELLOWKNIFE: 516 Range Lake Rd., X1A 3A7; Sun. 10; Wed. 7:30; 873-3875. Elders: David Lidbury, Bamard Straker, Steve McMillan, ev.

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA

HALIFAX: 48 Conroy Ave., B3N 2P8; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:30; (903) 443-9628 (off.); Keith Brumley, ev. (902) 445-4194 (res); Wayne Taylor, sec., (902) 876-7402.

KENTVILLE: Middle Dyke & Mee Rd.; Sun. 11, 10, 6; Wed. 7; c/o 895 Grace Dr., B4N 4M2; Brian Gamett, ev. (902) 678-1168 (res.); 678-8881 (off.).

SHUBENACADIE: Mill Village Church, 2 miles w. of Shubenacadie; Sun. 10:15, 11; Wed. 7; R.R. 1, B0N 2H0; D. Hallitt (902) 758-2133; J. Mackey, sec., (902) 758-2633; 758-3215 (off.).

SHUBENACADIE: Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; Shubenacadie & Area Church of Christ, R.R. 1, B0N 2H0; Raymond Wiseman, ev. 758-3404; Frank Weir, 758-2905.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

AJAX (Serving Oshawa, Whitby, Pickering): 1 Cedar St.; Sun. 9:45, 11, 7; Wed. 7:30; Box 162, L1S 3C3; Ph. 683-2477 or A. Langford, sec., 683-6735.

BARRIE: 345 Grove St. E. (at Cook), L4M 4T7; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:30; P.O. Box 460, L4M 4T7; 722-7155 (off.); Claude Cox, ev. (705) 737-2272.

BEAMSVILLE: 4900 John St., L0R 1B6; Sun. 9:15, 10:30, 6; Wed. 7:30; Don Smith, ev. (905) 563-7655 (off.).

BRAMALEA: 750 Clark Blvd. (south of Hwy. 7 on Finchgate Boulevard), L6T 3Y2; Sun. 9:45, 11, 6; Thurs. 7:30; Walter Straker, ev. (905) 455-3263 (res.); 792-2297 (off.).

BRANTFORD: 267 North Park St., N3R 4L2; Sun. 10, 11, 6:30; Wed. 7; contact Rick Gamble (519) 753-5353; 759-6630 (off.).

BURKS FALLS: Seniors Building above library on Young St.; Sun. 6-7:15 p.m.; c/o Hubert Lawrence, R.R. #2, P0A 1C0; (705) 382-2026.

COLLINGWOOD: 494 Tenth St.; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7; c/o Frank Kneeshaw, 317 Hume Street, L9Y 1W4, 445-3252; 444-0010 (office); Wayford Smith, ev. 444-2701.

CORNWALL: Tollgate Rd. E.; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; Box 42, K6H 5R9.

FENWICK: Welland Ave.; Sun. 9:45, 11, 7; Wed. 7:30; P.O. Box 416, L0S 1C0; Walt Cromwell, ev., (905) 892-4557; 892-5661 (off.).

GORE BAY: W. Manitoulin church; (Old Library); Sun. 10:30; Box 85, P0P 1H0; Contact John Robertson (705) 282-3499; Bill Baker (705) 282-2095.

GRAVENHURST: 441 Bay Street, P1P 1H8; Sun. 11:00; (705) 687-3250.

GRIERSVILLE: RR 4, Meaford, 5 mi. south of Meaford on Grey County 7; Sun. 10; Keith Hewgill, Kimberley, ON N0C 1G0; Les Cramp, ev., Box 1642, Meaford, ON N0H 1Y0.

GRIMSBY: 63 Casablanca Blvd., south of Q.E. exit; Sun. SS 11:05; Worship 9:45, 6; Wed. 7; Box 181, L3M 4G3; (905) 945-3058; George Mansfield, ev. 945-1070.

GUELPH: Conestoga College, 460 Speedvale Ave., W; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:30 (phone for location); c/o 428 Cole Rd., N1G 3J8; David Azzoparde, sec. (519) 821-9179.

HAILEYBURY/NEW LISKEARD: Meeting in homes. Times flexible. Mike Tinney, Box 702, Haileybury, P0J 1K0, 705-672-9241.

HAMILTON: 666A Fennell Ave. E. at 27th St.; L8V 1V2 (Mt. Hamilton); Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7:00; (905) 385-5775; John Dennis, sec., (905) 389-0717.

HAMILTON (Centre): 33 Highcliffe Ave., L9A 3L3; Sun. 10, 11; Steven Rudd, ev., (905) 575-8437.

HAMILTON (West): Mohawk College, Fennell Ave./West 5th St.; Sun. 10, 11, 6; midweek (call for times and locations); P.O. Box 78041 Westcliffe PO, L9C 7N5; Wayne Page (905) 648-5100; Peter Morphy, ev., 387-3699.

HEATHCOTE: Sun. 11; Larry Elford, R.R. 1, Kimberley, ON N0C 1G0.

HUNTSVILLE: Chaffey community Hall, Muskoka Rd. 3, one km. N. of Hwy 60; Sun. 6:30 p.m.; Eugene Preston (705) 789-7630; David Preston, sec., R.R. #1, GR Box 174, P0A 1K0; 789-7697.

HUNTSVILLE: Hilltop Dr. off Hwy. 11BN; Sun. 9:45, 11, 7; Wed. 8; GR Box 108, Rte 3, P0A 1K0; Contact John H. Preston, sec., (705) 767-3237.

ICE LAKE (Manitoulin Island): 1/4 mi. S. of Hwy. 540; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Mon. 7:30; Dean Hotchkiss, ev. (705) 282-2980; Peter Tallman, sec., R.R. #1, Mindemoya, P0P 1S0, 377-4555.

KENORA: 101 Norman Dr.; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; P.O. Box 2905, P9N 3X8; (807) 468-7523 (bldg); Randy Fiske, ev. 468-2192; Earle Rattai, 548-2245.

KINGSTON: 446 College St. K7L 4M7; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; (613) 546-5409 (off.).

KITCHENER SOUTH: Kitchener City Hall, 200 King St. W.; Sun. 12, 11; John Spencer, sec., 396 Gatestone Blvd., N2T 2J0; (519) 746-2576.

LONDON: 1750 Huron St., N5V 3A2; (519) 455-6730; Sun. 9:30, 11; Call for mid-week opportunities. Harold Byne, ev., 645-0575; FAX 645-6037.

MEAFORD: 113 Nelson St. W. N4L 1G3; Sun. 9:45, 11, 6; Wed. 7:30; Bill Swarz, ev., (519) 538-1750 (off.).

NEWMARKET: 230 Davis Dr.; Sun. 9:45, 11, 6:30; Wed. 7; Upper Canada P.O. Box 21581, L3Y 8J1; Brian Cox, ev., 165 Britannia Ave., Bradford, L3Z 1A4; (905) 788-0366 (res.), 895-6502 (off.); Keith Thompson, ev., 348 Dixon Blvd. L3Y 5C4; (905) 853-0892 (res.).

NIAGARA FALLS: 3901 Dorchester Rd. N. (turn E. on Thorold Stone Rd. from Q.E.); Sun. 10:30-12, 5:30; Wed. 7:30; Henry Boland, 5904 Atlas St., L2J 1S8; (905) 356-0107 or 356-3412; Henry Boland, ev.

NORTH BAY: 73 Gertrude St. E.; Sun. 10, 11, 6:30; Wed. 7; Box 745, P1B 8J8; (705) 472-7040 (off.); Gary Hochkiss, sec., 497-1813.

OMAGH: 1412 Britannia Road W. at 4th line, Milton, L9T 2X8; Sun. 10, 11; Thurs. 7:30 in homes; c/o Harold Ellis, Sec., R.R. #3, Campbellville, L0P 1B0; (905) 878-7565; Steve May, ev. (905) 563-5043; *905) 875-2939 (off).

OTTAWA: 1515 Chomley Cres., K1G 0V9; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7; Robert MacRury, ev., 733-2580 (off.); 737-0701 (res.).

OWEN SOUND: 835 10th Ave. E., N4K 3H8; Sun. 9:45, 11, 6; Thurs. 7 in homes (phone for location); Felix Turner, ev. (519) 376-8259, 376-6702 (off.).

PETERBOROUGH: The Otonabee Inn (Lift Lock Rm), 84 Lansdowne E.; Lord's Supper/Classes. 10-11, Preaching 11-12; Box 2081, K9J 7H5; Peter McPherson, ev. (705) 742-5349; Shaun Parks (705) 876-7104.

PINE ORCHARD: Sun. 10, 11; Bruce Brandon, sec. 852-5026, RR 2, Uxbridge, L9P 1R2.

PORT COLBORNE: 700 Steele St., L3K 4Z2; Sun. 10, 11, 6:30; Bible studies, call for days and times; David Lock, ev., 465 Davis St., L3K 1Z7; (905) 834-0911 (res.); 834-5775 (off.). (Every 1st Sun. potluck followed by singing; communion at 6:30).

ST. CATHARINES: 439 Ontario St. N., L2N 4M9; Sun. 9:30, 10:30, 6; Wed. 7:30; Gordon Harris, ev., 937-8250 (res.), 935-9581 (off.).

ST. CATHARINES (Garden City): Ina Grafton Gage Home (Cedar Room), 413 Linwell Rd.; Sun. 9, 10, 11; Wed. 7; 46 Tara Cres., Thorold L2V 4M1; Roy Diestalkamp, ev. 227-8336.

ST. THOMAS: 60 S. Edgeware Rd. N5P 2H6; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; Brian Thompson, ev. (519) 633-2210 (off.), 633-2646 (res.).

SARNIA: 796 Errol Rd. E., N7V 2G7; Sun. 9:30, 10:45, 6:30; Wed. 7; Len Dennis, 542-3260; Aubrey Hibbard, 336-7140; Drew Chapados, ev., 332-8359.

SACLIT STE. MARIE (Eastside): 99 Melville Rd., P6A 5J6; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7:30; (705) 946-1930.

SACLIT STE. MARIE (Pinehill): 132 Cunningham Rd., P6B 1N4; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7; Guy Stopard, ev. 942-7999 (res.), 949-4988 (off.); R. Whitfield, sec. 949-7612.

SELKIRK: ½ km. N. of village; Sun. 11, 10; Wed. 7:30; Box 13, N0A 1P0.

SMITHVILLE: 246 Station St.; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7; Art Garner, Box 144, L0R 2A0; (905) 957-7745; John Hains, ev., 957-1123.

SOUTH RIVER: Jasper St. S.; off Ottawa St. W.; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7:30; Box 549, POA 1X0; Jim Nicholson, ev. (705) 384-5215, 386-2628, church bldg. 386-2551.

STONEY CREEK: 105 King St. E., L8G 1L1; (905) 664-1130 (off.); Sun. 9:45, 11; Sun. & Tues. evenings call for time and place; Harold Parker, ev., 945-8803 (res.); Robert Priestnall, sec.

STRATFORD: 478 Brunswick St., N5A 3N6; Sun. 9:45, 11:00; Wed. 7:00; (519) 273-5280; Kelvin Hoover, ev. 273-5381; Larry Hoover, ev. 271-9545.

SUDBURY: 2663 Bancroft Dr. P3B 1T7; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7:00; Maurice Brown, ev., (705) 525-0996, 560-3964 (off.); Paul Valli, sec. 674-2352.

SUNDRIDGE: Hwy. 11 N.; Sun. 9:45, 11; Wed. 7; P.O. Box 927, POA 1Z0; (705) 3884-5214.

THESSALON: 8 Albert St. off Hwy. 17; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7:30; Eric White, RR 2, POR 1L0 (705) 842-6533; Murray Smith, ev., 842-2741.

THUNDER BAY: 501 Edward St. N. (at Redwood), P7C 4R1; (807) 577-2213; Sun. 9:45, 11 (10:30 summer); Wed. 7:00; JoAnne Toews, sec. (807) 577-4081 (res.).

TILLSONBURG: 1 mi. N. on Hwy. 19; Sun. 9:45, 11; Wed. 7:30; Box 331, N4G 4H8; 842-7118.

TIMMINS: W.E. Miller Public School, 200 Victoria Ave.; Sun. 9:30-12; Tues. 7-8; Box 1396, P4N 7N2; for more information call Larry Frost, sec./treas. (705) 268-4526.

TINTERN: Spring Creek Rd.; Sun. 11, 9:45, 6; Wed. 7:00; Oliver Tallman, Campden, L0R 1G0; 563-7822.

TORONTO (Bayview Ave.): 1708 Bayview Ave., M4G 3C4 (1 block S. of Eglinton); Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:15; Chas McCormick, 25 Cumberland Lane, Apt. 803, Ajax, L1S 7K1; Darrell Buchanan, ev. (416) 489-7405 (off.).

TORONTO (Harding Ave.): 47 Harding Ave., M6M 3A3; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 8; Dick Forsyth, ev., Beamsville, 563-7874; Rupert Corrie, sec., 656-9309.

TORONTO (Metro East): 7 Elinor Ave. (meets at Wexford Presbyterian bldg., Lawrence Ave. E. between Victoria Park and Warden); Sun. 5, 6; Thurs. in homes. Melanie Wright, treas., 1093 Kingston Rd. #611, Scarborough M1N 4E2, 699-4116; R. Kruse, sec., 20 Bernice Cresc. M6N 1W6, 762-5668.

TORONTO (Strathmore Blvd.): 346 Strathmore Blvd. M4C 1N3 (across from Coxwell subway station); Sun. 9:45, 11, 7; Wed. 7:30; Marvin Johnson (416) 752-0325, Stephen Gill 265-2496, elders; Max Craddock 461-7406, Santiago Molina (Spanish) (416) 751-6879, Guy Stopard (416) 421-6444, evs.; FAX (416) 424-1850.

TRENTON: 20 4th Ave. in gym of Trenton Christian School; Sun. 10, 10:30; p.m. in homes at 6; mid-week in homes 6:30; P.O. Box 22049, Trenton Center, Trenton, ON K8V 6S3; M. McDonnell (613) 969-0741 or Steve Watson, 392-3299.

VANDELEUR: E. off Hwy #10 (2 km S. of Markdale) along Artemesia Township sideroad 10 7 km; Sun. 10, 11; Ian Boyce, sec., R.R. #6, Markdale, N0C 1H0; (519) 986-2143.

WATERLOO: 62 Hickory St. W. (at Hazel), N2L 3J4; Sun. 9:30, 10:30; Wed. 7:30; Bob Sandiford, sec. (519) 886-4162 (res.); Geoff Ellis, ev., 885-6330 (off.); 885-3702 (res.).

WELLAND: 72 Summit Ave., L3C 4G6; Sun. 11, 10; Wed. 6:30; S.F. Timmema, ev., Box 193,

Beamsville, L0R 1B0; 563-8765; Magnar Knutson, 65 Graystone Cresc., L3G 6G6; (416) 788-3248.

WINDSOR (West Side): 2255 Totten St., N9B 1X6 (E. of Huron Church Rd.); 254-6262 or 945-4851; Sun. 9:45, 11, 5:30; Wed. 7:30; Al Meakes, ev., 2911 Forest Glade Dr., N8R 1L4; (519) 735-7436.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

MONTREAL (French): 2500 Charland, H1Z 1C5; Sun. 10:30 (Fr. worship), 11:30 (French, English, Italian, Spanish classes); Wed. 7 (Fr. class); Silvio Caddeo, ev., 387-6163 (off.); 337-9344 (res.).

MONTREAL (English/French): 760-44th Ave., Lachine, H8T 2K8; Sun. 9:30, 10:30, 6:30; Wed. 7; 637-3931 (off.).

MONTREAL (Verdun): (Fr.) 3947 Verdun Ave. H4G 1L1; Sun. 11, 10; Wed. 7; Roger Saumur, ev. 765-8919.

PLESSISVILLE: Centre Communautaire, Audré Côté; (819) 362-8386 or Jocelin Côté, 362-6623 (French speaking).

QUEBEC CITY: 2980 Verveil, Ste-Foy (corner Jean-Noel); Sun. 10:45, 9:30 (French); Wed. 19:30; C.P. 9041 Ste-Foy, G1V 4A8; (418) 651-3664; Jerrel Rowden, ev. (418) 658-0103 (res.); Jean Grenier, ev. 654-0526 (res.).

SHERBROOKE: 112 Wellington St., Ste 203 J1H 5C7; Luc Fortin, ev., (819) 820-7249 (off.).

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

BENGODUGH: E. side Hwy. 34; Sun. 10:30, 11:15; Norman Kemp, Box 134, S0C 0K0; (306) 268-4522.

ESTEVAN: 1302 8th St., S4A 1H6; 634-3116; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7; Tim Pippus, ev., 634-8195, res.

GRAVELBOURG: 300 2nd Ave. E.; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:30; Box 507, S0H 1X0; 648-3435; Bruce Tetreau, ev.

HORSE CREEK: Sun. 10:30 (May-Nov.); 11 (Dec.-Apr.); Lonnie Goodwin, Box 58, McCord, S0H 2T0; (306) 478-2516.

LLOYDMINSTER: 56 Ave. and 47 St., Box 88, S9V 0Y9; Sun. 10, 11; (403) 875-4052 (off).

MOOSE JAW: 901 James St. S6H 3H5; Sun. 10, 11, 2; Wed. 7:30 (CST); Ron Hegdahl, ev. (306) 693-4064 (off.).

NORTH BATTLEFORD: 1462-110 St., S9A 2J2; Sun. 10-11; Wed. 7; Glen Davies, (306) 445-4231; Jedsing Bailey, 446-2630.

PERRYVILLE: 20 mi. s. Wynyard on Grid 640; Grid Rd., 7 ½ mi. W., 2 mi. S. of Wishart; 15 mi. NE of Punnychy; Sun. 11, 10; Box 158, Wishart, S0A 4R0; 835-2681.

PRINCE ALBERT: 264-23rd St. W., S6V 4L6; Sun. 10, 11; 763-3057 (off.); contact Bob Jenkins, 764-6187.

RADVILLE: 714 Beckwell Ave., Sun. 9:30 (Winter: 817 Beckwell Ave.); Mrs. Clarice Mooney, sec., Box 94, S0C 2G0; (306) 869-2558.

REGINA: 1825 Rothwell St. S4N 2C3; (306) 757-1825; FAX 757-5727; Sun. 10; Ray McMillan, ev., 949-0969; Bernard Krogsgaard, 352-5621.

SASKATOON: 2240 Albert Ave., S7J 1K2; (306) 343-7922, FAX 1589; Sun. 10, 11, 5:30; Wed. 7; (Hours may vary; please phone to be certain); Robert Parker, 343-7884.

SWIFT CURRENT: 400 2nd Ave. S.E., S9H 3J6; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:30; Susan Gusikowski, sec., 773-1185.

WAWOTA: Hwy. 46 W. of town; Sun. 9:30 a.m.; Mid-week call; Box 454, S0G 2S0; (306) 739-2103 (off); or contact G. Husband, 739-2915 or G. McMillan, 538-4654.

WEYBURN: 1115 First Ave. NE (Hwy. 13E), S4H 0N2; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7; (306) 842-6424.

WHITEWOOD: Legion Hall, 738 Lalonda St.; Sun. 11; Midweek call; Box 82, Broadview, S0G 0K0; Contact Merle Nelson for more information; 735-2862.

YORKTON: 550 Parkview Rd., S3N 2L7; Sun. 10:15; mid-week call for time & location of meetings; John Smith, ev., 783-6877; Harry Meakes, sec. 783-6850.

CALENDAR

January

14, 18-20. Seminar on marriage with Ron Pauls, Tintern, Ontario

28-31... Lectureship, Oklahoma Christian USA, "Known by His Justice"

February

4-7... 40th Anniversary Meeting, Fennell Avenue, Hamilton, Ontario

4-9... Freed-Hardeman Bible Lectureship, "Settled in Heaven", applying the Bible to life

18-21... ACUniversity Bible Lectureship

23, 24... Seminar on "Change and the Church", Newmarket, Ontario

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