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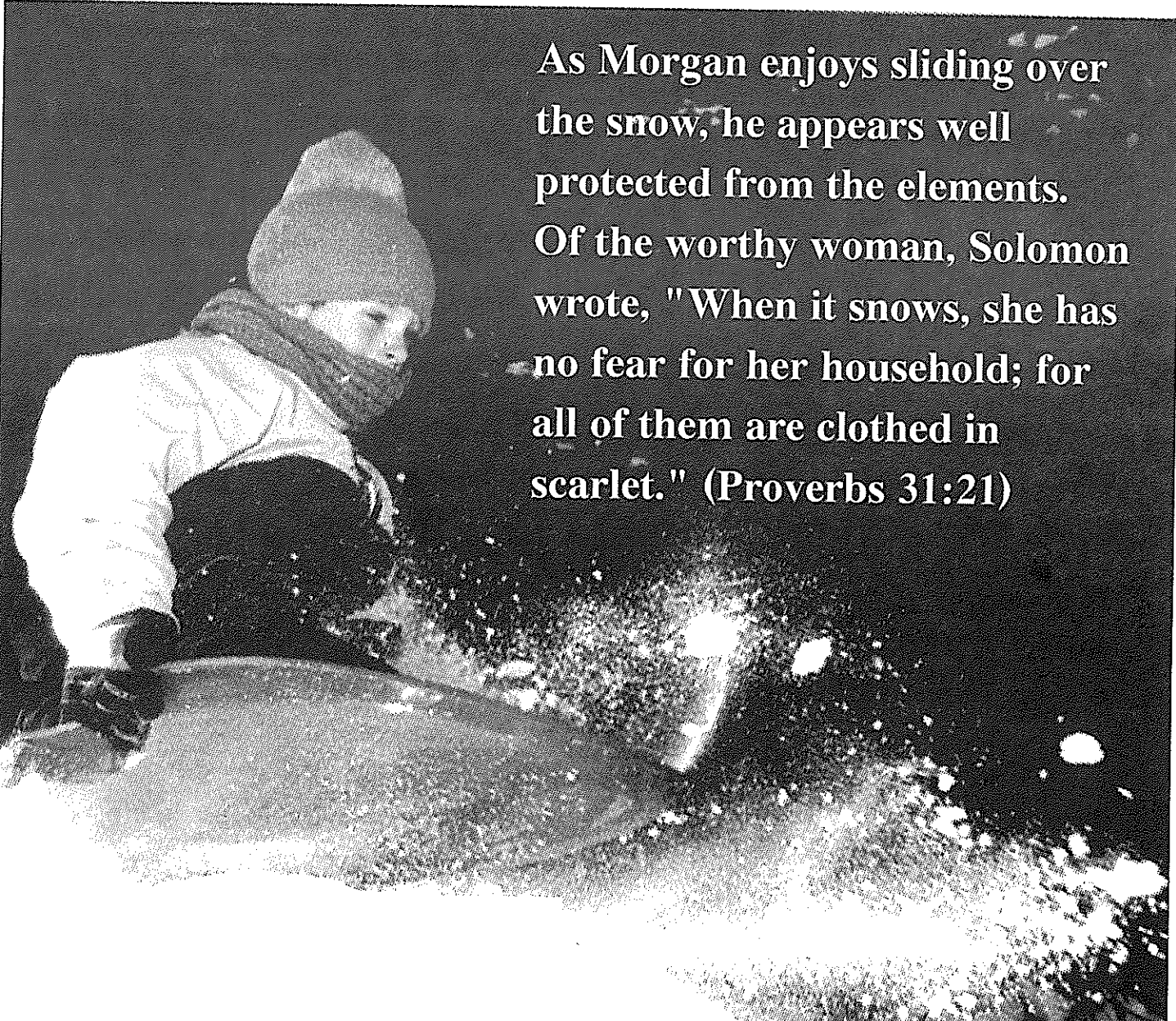
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As Morgan enjoys sliding over the snow, he appears well protected from the elements. Of the worthy woman, Solomon wrote, "When it snows, she has no fear for her household; for all of them are clothed in scarlet." (Proverbs 31:21)

Picture courtesy David Lewis (grandpa), Grimsby, Ontario

The Lifestyle of the Cross

Edwin Broadus

Most Christians are well aware of the centrality of the cross in the gospel message. Like Paul, we believe we should preach "Jesus Christ and him crucified" (1 Corinthians 2:2). In recent years there has been renewed emphasis within our own fellowship on focusing on the heart of the gospel. This has been a very important corrective to some of the past emphases in our preaching and has added significantly to our proclamation of the cross on a weekly basis in our celebration of the Lord's Supper.

But often we have an inadequate concept about the ramifications of the message of the cross in our daily lives. We not only need to believe that Jesus died for our sins and to proclaim this good news to the world. We also need to live out the message of the cross in our own lives. There must be for the Christian the lifestyle of the cross.

Jesus said, "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me will save it. What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit his very self?" (Luke 9:23-25; see also Matthew 10:38; 16:24; Luke 14:27).

The cross was an instrument not only of suffering but also of death. Many people talk of some cross, or crosses, they have to bear. Usually by this they mean various troubles and difficulties in life. Some of these are run-of-the-mill problems that are part of living in this world. Some involve pain or loss or grief far beyond what most of us experience, and with these we need to be sympathetic. But none of these are what Jesus had in mind when he told us to take up our cross daily and follow him.

To take up our cross daily means we die daily to self. Jesus said that to save his life one must lose it. "A man must spend his life, not hoard it. The whole gamut of the world's standards must be changed. The questions are not, 'How much can I get?' but 'How much can I give?' Not, 'What is the safe thing to do?' but, 'What is the right thing to do?'" (William Barclay).

Observers of our modern social/cultural milieu often comment on the selfishness

and self-centeredness of people today. Arguably, it is worse now than a generation or two ago. But there is no point in quibbling about whether our children or grandchildren are more focused on self than we are. At best, the difference is only a matter of degree. Every generation since Adam has tended toward self-centeredness, and we are no different. The challenge for all of us is to die to self.

But the challenge is not only to die to self by taking up our cross daily. Jesus also said, "Follow me." There are many causes or persons for which a person might choose to lose himself. Not all causes are of equal value. Countless parents have, as they should, died to self for the sake of their children. Others die to self to save another person's life, or to preserve their nation and the liberty of their fellow-citizens. There are people today who make

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great personal sacrifices and suffer ridicule to struggle for some cause, such as environmentalism, in which they believe fervently.

But the ultimate claim on the Christian is Jesus Christ. If we are his followers, we must renounce self to live for him. Paul wrote: "For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again" (2 Corinthians 5:15). The New English Bible words it: "The love Christ leaves us no choice." There are some things which, if our hearts and convictions are right, we have to do - not because someone stronger than we are makes us to do it, but because we are convinced it is the only appropriate thing to do. Our response flows from who we are and the life commitments we have made.

Not many people today face physical death as the price of their faith. But then even in the first century relatively few Christians were literal martyrs. Perhaps one of the reasons Jesus talked about tak-

ing up our cross "daily" is that he knew the challenge facing most disciples would not be dying a martyr's death but living for him day in and day out. "Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with...the anxieties of life" (Luke 21:34).

When Peter followed Jesus to witness his trial, it was not Pilate or Caiaphas who did him in by asking if he was a follower of Jesus. Peter may have been ready for that. But it was a maidservant who took him by surprise when she asked if he was one of Jesus' followers. Peter was blind-sided, and he denied Jesus because his own selfish interests blotted out loyalty to Jesus. It is often the unexpected and seemingly insignificant challenges in daily living that overcome the Christian. This is why some have said it is easier to die for Christ than it is to live for him. The former may require one grand decision, but the latter involves countless small decisions, day after day, year after year.

Obviously, it is far easier to talk about cross-bearing than it is to do it. I recognize the great difficulty in writing anything with integrity on this subject when the interests of self continually demand first place in my own life. Sometimes those demands are obvious and the appropriate response is easy to understand. At other times, it is not apparent, at first anyway, that what I am doing is centered in self rather than in Jesus. So anything I write has to be said as a fellow-pilgrim who is still on the journey but who takes Christ's challenge seriously.

But my failures do not mean that I give up seeking to respond to the genuine need of others, to the moral and ethical challenges of sometimes complex modern life and to my relationship with Jesus Christ and his church in a cross-centered rather than self-centered way. The call Jesus gave is unequivocal: "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. For whoever wants to save his life will lose it but whoever loses his life for me will save it. What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit his very self?" (Luke 9:23-25).

Burlington, Ontario

People of God

(1 Peter 2:4-10)

Paul Birston

Sometimes it is not easy being part of a minority group. From the beginning, true believers in Jesus have usually been a minority in a world that is often dead set against them. Jesus once called His disciples a "little flock." Though they were small in number, God had "chosen gladly" to give them the kingdom (Luke 12:32).

Pressures on minorities can come from without and from within. Larger cultural forces can discriminate against them. Internal differences and multi-cultural origins can also cause stress. The churches to whom Peter wrote were "distressed by various trials" (1:6). In many ways, their situation was very much like ours today. How can we overcome these pressures and become one people of God?

Different Backgrounds

Peter wrote to Christians from various minority groups. They lived just west of where Noah's ark came to rest. From there, new peoples began and branched out. Later, people from other nations moved there, too. They had different backgrounds and fought to keep their identities.

Greeks colonized Pontus about 1000 B.C. We know there were Jews living there because Aquila was a native of Pontus (Acts 18:2) and people from there traveled to Jerusalem for Pentecost (Acts 2:9-10). Gauls migrated to the central plain of Asia Minor. Phrygians and Jews also lived in Galatia. Selucids controlled the province of Asia up to 133 B.C. A Thracian tribe had occupied Bithynia. In addition to strong cultural differences, many lived in rough mountainous areas. Cave dwellings were common in Cappadocia.

In the years leading up to Jesus' coming, the nationals had to fight for their places against the larger imperial forces of Rome. They faced persecution for their ethnic identity. Then on top of this, the Christians among them came to experience persecution for following Jesus. They also faced emptions from commercial and pagan forces.

The courage of the Christians in this area may come from both their faith in Christ and their cultural determination. But how are so many different people, including God's chosen people of the Old Testament, to understand that they are all one as people

of God?

A New Identity

Peter tells them that they have a new identity. They are "chosen according to the foreknowledge of the Father" (1:1-2), selected to be His people. They are "born again...through the living and abiding word of God" (1:3, 23). They are redeemed by the precious blood of His Son Jesus (1:18-19). Like newborn babies, they have a new beginning. They feed on the same spiritual food and grow as part of the same family (2:1-10).

God has given them an "inheritance... reserved in heaven" (1:4). They identify themselves with their benefactor, a holy God whom they address as Father (1:17).

They put their new faith and hope in God (1:13, 21). Though they live as aliens and

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strangers in their own countries (1:1; 2:11), they are a "holy nation", citizens of heaven together, (2:9; see also Ephesians 2:19 and Philippians 3:20-21).

Living Stones

To help them see what all this means, Peter gives them a beautiful word picture. Peter is aware that both Jewish and native residents would know about physical temples and stones. The natives knew the temples of idols, the Jews knew the temple in Jerusalem.

But Peter says they actually are stones, living stones. He uses the powerful picture of living stones to give new meaning to their collective experience. Now God is building them up into His house. The chief corner stone of His house is Jesus. He is "choice" and "precious" (2:6). This precious value is for believers (2:7). What a wonderful picture: to be living stones with Jesus in God's spiritual house.

The Jews would know that "house" means more than a building. It means family, the entire household, including ancestors. God's house includes all of His people from every century. They are no longer just a small minority but part of what is to become a huge world-wide, heaven-wide, everlasting family.

God's Mercy and Consolation

God recognizes the realities of the difficult world around them: not all believe; unbelievers persecute them. Here is God's consolation to the believers: to unbelievers, Jesus becomes a different kind of stone, "a stone of stumbling and a rock of offence" (2:8). Unbelievers run into a wall, an impenetrable fortress, when they oppose God. They stumble, they cannot stand against Him; in a word, Peter calls it "doom." God wins.

But back at God's house, in contrast to unbelievers, His people are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession" (2:9). Here is how God brings all these people together. He gives them a new identity, "the people of God" (2:10). Though they "were once not a people" now they are. They had not

received mercy, now they have it from a merciful Father. They had come from all over. Now they are one in Jesus. (On the importance of

consolation in the church you may wish to see Luke 2:25-35, 1 Corinthians 4:3 and Philippians 2:1-11.)

Is this not how it is with us? We come from all over, but we are one in Christ. We have an identity because of Who we belong to. We belong to God and are part of something bigger than ourselves, a royal and holy family. As such we have new privileges, comfort and responsibilities.

A Mission

God gives His people identity, mercy and a mission too. We have a purpose: "to proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light" (2:9). Now that God's people know who they are, now that they have relief from their enemies and a rock-solid hope for the future, knowing they are on the winning side, they have something to sing about.

Peter also guides us in daily living. All of this leads somewhere. Our lives are holy like His. We live in a royal family with a chosen and precious Saviour. We are part of His priesthood. We serve. We build up. We represent Him to others. We belong to Him. He comforts us. We identify with Him and He gives us a new identity: people of God.

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EDITORIAL

Copyright or Wrong?

Wayne Turner



Have you been following the Napster case over the past months? Napster is the music-swapping service on the Internet that is being sued for copyright infringement. Anyone with a computer and Internet access can download free music through the Napster website. As a result, those who hold the copyrights to the music are unable to collect the royalties. Napster is facing having to charge for services and pay royalties to the copyright owners, totally shut down its service, or/and (possibly) pay millions of dollars in penalties for copyright violations.

Many people today do not understand the issues. The Internet offers such easy access to free information and services that most people expect music to be included. Copyright infringement goes back long before the Internet was even invented. One form, plagiarism (from a Latin word that means "man stealing or kidnapping"), the stealing of another person's writing, has been around for centuries.

Governments have recognized the legal right of a person to control and benefit from their own artistic or intellectual efforts. Such rights include musicians, performers, artists, writers, photographers - any person who creates something. It is only fair that the person, who puts their time, energy, creativity and often financial investment into a project, should be able to receive compensation and even profit for their efforts. These rights are protected by law and international treaty. Although a copyright owner can sell or assign their rights to someone else, the essential nature of a copyright is the creator has exclusive control of it, and unless some form of permission or license has been granted to someone else, no one can lawfully reproduce it (whether there is a copyright statement or not).

The unlawful copying of properties often includes music (both printed and recorded), movies, computer programs, books, etc. Many people do not understand that, when they buy a copyrighted item, they are actually only purchasing a license for their personal use. Many people think nothing of copying a computer program or a tape and giving it to a friend. This is called pirating. Popularly, pirating is often seen as someone producing hundreds or thousands of illicit copies of movies or recordings. Legally, pirating even includes those who reproduce single copies without permission.

Unfortunately, Christians and even congregations have sometimes been among the offenders. For example, the words and music of songs (unless the songs are old enough to be in the "public domain") are copyrighted. How often have congregations produced their own songbooks or sheets without permission? In the past, some sources of religious music and other materials found it necessary to include with their copyright notice a statement to the effect that it is illegal and unethical to repro-

duce materials without consent.

Rather than assuming that these have been deliberate attempts at dishonesty, we prefer to think it is more likely this has happened because people are uninformed about copyright law and have simply followed the actions of those around them. As Christians, we need to remember that we have been called to a higher standard of ethics and conduct than the rest of the world. When Jesus asked His disciples "What more are you doing than others?" He was pointing out that even the heathen love and greet those who do the same to them. There is nothing exceptional or unusual about such behaviour. Christians are called to be salt and light to the world around them, to do good to everyone, and always do what is unquestionably right. Instead of living in the grey area at the edge of wrong, the Christian pursues what is good, right, honourable and true - living totally in the light and avoiding all shadows.

Sometimes copyright law seems very picky and unreasonable. Some people do not agree with it. In all honesty, it is hard to think that Jesus or the Biblical writers would have copyrighted their materials and tried to restrict or profit from their use. However, our responsibility to obey the civil laws of the land does not depend on our agreement with those laws. There are many good things - music, books, etc. - that can be very useful. We need to act fairly and honestly, to get permission and give credit where it is due. We are fortunate to have organizations like Christian Copyright Licensing International (CCLI) to offer us the legal rights to reproduce and use many of the songs that are current today. For a relatively modest annual licensing fee, congregations can use these songs in good conscience.

In Romans 12:17 Paul wrote "Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody." (NIV) Copyright infringement, plagiarism and pirating are wrong in the sight of government and of those whose creations have been taken and used without their permission, and in the sight of God.

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A Clear Purpose

Max Craddock

One of the major concerns for parents is a clear view of purpose in raising their children through their formative years. It has often been said that, as parents finally come to the point in life where they know how to best raise children, their children are already raised. I suppose most parents enter their child raising years with some apprehension based on their own experience as children and also as a result of observing other people's children. It is often easy to judge the mistakes of others, as one perceives them, with the determination to not make the same mistakes. This may lead to one being overly strict in applying discipline in the home. Or, conversely, one may fail to be strict in discipline because of abuses observed in others.

There is a need for good discipline - instruction, training and correction - as one raises a family. The Old Testament example of Eli shows how important discipline can be for the well being of children. Eli was a priest of God who was to lose his position of service because of failure to do God's will. Part of this involved his family. "For I told him that I would judge his family forever because of the sin he knew about; his sons made themselves contemptible, and he failed to restrain them" (1 Samuel 3:13). His failure to restrain (discipline) his sons cost him and them dearly. It is impossible to know how his sons would have reacted to restraint but the terrible part is that he did not try. It must never be forgotten that discipline often involves training and instruction rather than correction, or many, the word discipline only carries the idea of punishment. Since the end result of discipline is to make the person better there is the need to emphasize the positive side of training. Solomon points out the importance of discipline and training when he says, "Discipline your son, for that there is hope; do not be a father of a rebellious son, for that is his death." (Proverbs 19:18)

A clear purpose in rearing children must

be understood by parents and should consist of the two following goals. (Other goals may well be presented but we would suggest the following two) First, there is the goal of helping children achieve a state of personal well-being. This will be seen in the children developing a good self image and attaining a good level of confidence in their ability to succeed in life.

The second goal for the Christian parent is to help ones children become productive Christian members of society. It is of prime importance that children be taught by word and example that living for God in everything we do is the prime goal. This instruction must begin early and needs to continue through their formative years.

These two goals are broad and long term goals in children's development. When parents take the long rather than the short view of their child's development, they will find that decisions and choices, that must be made, are not nearly so difficult or frightening. In the simplest terms, their responsibility is to help their children develop attitudes and characteristics that will enable them to live successful lives without their parent's control. Helping children grow to be independent is the challenge of parenthood. Taking the long view helps parents realize that "Rome was not built in a day" and neither will children be mature overnight.

Without question, the best foundation for helping children grow into this maturity is for them to experience life in a happy and stable home. Parents must work to see that their children see a very positive and enriching lifestyle on a daily basis. Husband and wife need to be seen by children as loving each other and being unified in the goals stated above. Children, being children, will, from time to time, take advantage of any loophole that arises from seeing parents in conflict.

We need to say something about single parent families. It is a sad reality that many children do not have the advantage of hav-

ing a mother and a father who are living together, loving and supporting each other and sharing in the duties of raising the children in the Lord. This can be the source of some real special challenges for single parents and it is one of the real opportunities for the family of God to support and help to build strong character in children by encouraging and "holding up the hands" of the single parent in this task. May we, as the family of God, never leave the support needed by single parents to "Big Brothers/Big Sisters", though these are good organizations. We have the responsibility of supporting and strengthening the members of the body...our brothers or sisters...in the maturing of their children.

Next month we want to consider some of things that children have a right to expect in their family relationships.

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Rules of Life

(What you will find below are a few items that crossed my computer screen this week. I would love to give credit to the original publication and author, but all of them were listed as author unknown with no original source cited. I trust that the items will be useful to you in your daily life for Christ. Let me again encourage any budding writers out there to write something to appear on this page. You don't have to fill the entire page; we can put two or three items together on any given month as we have this month. I hope that I will be hearing from some of you soon, please send any items for publication to the address at the top of the page. Thank you and God Bless - BMC)

Rules of Life

RULE #1. Life is not fair - get use to it.

RULE #2. The world won't care about your self-esteem. The world will expect you to accomplish something BEFORE you feel good about yourself.

RULE #3. You will NOT make 40 thousand dollars a year right out of high school. You won't be a vice president with a car phone, until you earn both.

RULE #4. If you think your teacher is tough, wait till you get a boss. He or she doesn't have tenure.

RULE #5. Flipping burgers is not beneath your dignity. Your grandparents had a different view of flipping - they called it opportunity.

RULE #6. If you mess up, it's not your parents' fault, so don't whine about your mistakes, learn from them.

RULE #7. Before you were born, your parents weren't as boring as they are now. They got that way from paying your bills, cleaning your clothes and listening to you talk about how cool you are. So before you save the rain forest from the parasites of your parents' generation, try delousing the closet in your own room.

RULE #8. Your school may have done

away with winners and losers, but life has not. In some schools, they have abolished failing grades and they'll give you as many times as you need to get the right answer. This does not bear the slightest resemblance to ANYTHING in real life.

RULE #9. Life is not divided into semesters. You won't get summers off and very few employers are interested in helping you find yourself. Do that on your own.

RULE #10. Television is NOT real life. In real life, people actually have to leave the coffee shop and go to jobs.

RULE #11. Be nice to nerds. Chances are you'll end up working for one.

Teen Commandments

1. Don't let your parents down. They brought you up.
2. Choose your companions with care. You become what they are.
3. Be master of your habits or they will master you.
4. Treasure your time. Don't spend it. Invest it.
5. Stand for something or you'll fall for anything.
6. Select only a date who would make a good mate.
7. See what you can do for others, not what they can do for you.
8. Guard your thoughts. What you think, you are.
9. Don't fill up on this world's crumbs. Feed your soul on the Living Bread.
10. Give your all to Christ. He gave His all for you.

Top Ten Things That Make A Real Man

10. Comes home directly from work knowing his "real" job is about to start.
9. Is not afraid to get down on hands and knees and play "horsy".
8. Kisses his children and shows them a man can be gentle.
7. Kisses his wife in front of his children so the children can be secure in the knowl-

edge of a united home.

6. Hugs his family and says, "I love you."
5. Is not afraid to cry.
4. Goes with his family to church.
3. Values the advice of his wife.
2. Starts each day with a "quiet time", talking to the Lord.

And the number one thing:

1. Prays

El Salvador Earthquake

To All Our Brethren Around the World:

Now (Feb.5) we are almost at the four week mark of the earthquake that happened on January 13th. Our work in aiding our brothers in need has been very arduous, a work that up to now continues with equal intensity. The children Mario and Esmeralda Cabrera, 15 and 11, and four adult nieces and nephews of our sister Clarita Palaviccini, all family members of Christians who meet in Santa Tecla (the Las Colinas congregation) where an entire mountain collapsed, died tragically.

We continue to hold the number of brethren whose homes suffered damage at 300 families. Damages range from the total loss of the home to severe damage and the others only partial. Even now, we continue receiving reports of additional Christian families whose homes were affected.

Economic assistance for confronting this emergency, as well as food and medicines, has come in both from congregations and individual brethren in different countries. The medical and food needs of the brethren will continue.

Of course, for us, the hardest task we face is that of reconstruction of homes. We are now giving attention to solve this serious need of our brethren. In that sense, the needs continue, necessitating your generous gifts to be able to help our brethren in a respectable way.

Thanking you in advance, in the name of all these needy brethren and the entire Salvadoran people, who have already benefited, to all of you who, with hearts so open to need, have sent such generous contributions. Eventually, we will send you detailed reports about your contributions.

In the Love of Christ and for the Work of Christ, ALEXANDER CAST ELLANOS

(We understand that the church at 346 Strathmore Blvd., Toronto, ON is receiving and forwarding gifts to help these needy brethren. Also, the news, as we are going to press, is that there has been another serious earthquake there. ECP)

IN CHRIST - A study in Ephesians, PART 2

Richard Kruse

II. WHO IS IN CHRIST?

CHOSEN IN HIM (1:3, 13). He chose us (1:3). The "us" refers to those who followed the Law of Moses, the Jews. Before the creation of the world, God made plans to save his special people and to make them holy and blameless (1:4). He chose us by adopting people into his family through Jesus (1:4,11). It was done through his pleasure and will (1:5) and Paul calls it a mystery (1:9). The intended result is to honour God with praise (1:3,6,12).

He chose you (1:13). The "you" refers to the Gentiles. They, too, could become children of God in Christ (1:13). They also had the Holy Spirit: Paul prayed that they would have the Spirit of wisdom and revelation and that they would be able to see with the eyes of their heart (1:18). The result was to honour God with praise (1:14).

In Christ were Jews and Gentiles (2:11-13), husbands and wives (5:22-3), parents and children (6:1-4), masters and slaves (6:5-9). In the Roman world, acceptance was based on tribe, sex, and place in society. However in Christ these were not important because everyone was called by the gospel of Christ (2 Thessalonians 2:14). To God be the glory (3:21)!

UNITED IN HIM (4:1-16). Only those in Christ become the children of God (1:8). Through the blood of Christ, we have been brought near (Eph 2:13; Colossians 1:2). In HIS baptism, Jesus identified with sinful humanity; in OUR baptism we identify with him (Galatians 3:27). By the Holy Spirit those in Christ call upon God as their Father (Eph 2:18; Romans 8:14-17).

III. WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE IN CHRIST?

THE GREATEST BLESSINGS (1:3-6). God is the subject of almost every main verb in these verses. He "blessed us" and "chose us", "predestined us ...to be his sons" and has freely given us his grace to receive the praise of his glory (1:6). The greatest blessings are in Jesus Christ (1:3).

God's most important blessings are the spiritual ones. While it is true that he often blesses us with health, family, and friends, his greatest blessings are spiritual. His

greatest blessings are: He chose us to be holy and blameless (1:4,11); he predestined us to be adopted (1:5); he bestowed grace (1:6); he redeemed us (1:7); he made known the mystery (1:9); he sealed us with the Holy Spirit (1:13). These greatest blessings are freely available to all people who are in Christ.

The Holy Spirit is the greatest guarantee (1:13-14). The seal of the first century was a guarantee. If a person saw the king's seal on a document, he could be sure it was the king's document. In a similar way, God has placed a seal on all in his spiritual family. This seal is the indwelling Spirit (Romans 8:9). At the beginning of the church, when the Gospel of Christ was first proclaimed, the promise was made to those believers that if they would repent and be baptized

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they would receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. Therefore, we know we have the 'seal' of the Holy Spirit in us if we have, by faith, obeyed God's commands (Acts 2:38).

GREATEST GOAL IN LIFE. In Christ are those who are spiritually alive (2:2,5). Therefore, Paul gave the Ephesians the highest standard in the world: to imitate God. In Paul's time, the person who trained to be a public speaker was told to imitate the master speech makers. Since believers are training in life, they must imitate the Lord who lived the perfect life (5:1).

Paul encouraged believers to imitate the love and forgiveness of God as seen in Christ. Jesus' life was one of perfect obedience to God and perfect love to all people.

The Ephesians were to live a life that is "worthy" of their calling in Christ. They were to show their unity in the Christian fellowship, while at the same time, rejoicing in the diversity of their gifts and ministries (4:1-13).

The Ephesians were to put off everything that was not spiritually clean from their former way of life and live a life of true righteousness and holiness. Paul also set a standard of moral purity which was greater than that which the Ephesians had known. Paul

wrote that there were some things they should not even joke about. Sin should be considered serious (5:3-7). In Christ they put off the old self and put on the new (4:22).

GREATEST RELATIONSHIPS. Paul writes that God is Father. At least once in every chapter, we are reminded of this important fact. The unity of the church is built upon it. Since there is one Father (Eph 4:6), all who are his children are brothers and sisters in one family. Christ is the one through whom this unity happens. God adopted believers into his family (1:5) and as members of God's family they have the right to speak to their Father in prayer (2:18-19).

The believers' spiritual life is based on being in Christ. Christ is the very source of the church's life. Therefore, to be in the church is to experience Christ's life in a special way. By his Spirit he directs the church, gives spiritual gifts to the members, and creates unity and love (Eph 4:11-16; Acts 2:46,47). In Christ the spiritually alive (2:2-5) seek to glorify God through the Lord Jesus Christ.

In Christ the church is faithful and pure. He cleanses the church by washing her with water through the word. Finally, Christ will receive the church as a perfect spiritual bride, faithful and pure (Eph 5:25-27).

In Christ there is a caring love. Paul presents this love in the picture of the new relationships in the family. A husband must love his wife as he loves his own body. Real love feeds, protects, and cares for the one it loves. This care includes the physical, mental, social, and spiritual well-being. Through the love of Christ believers are spiritually fed (5:29).

Christ protects his people, the church. He gives spiritual armour to defend the church from the attacks of the devil. It is important to remember that we do not just take our place at the SIDE of the Lord but that our place of strength is IN the Lord.

Being in Christ makes it impossible for the devil to gain the victory over us as long as we remain in our position by faith. Christ has all power over principalities and powers. Therefore, the believers can have

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POINTS BY PERRY:

One Up-man-Ship

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Have you ever started to tell a group of people about an experience or accomplishment only to be interrupted by someone who has a similar, better, more interesting tale which cannot wait to be told? Many others in the group will suddenly remember something of their own that urgently needs to be told and, when you get home, you realize that your story never did get a hearing. "Good listening" is forgotten, courtesy is put aside and self-promotion reigns.

Texans are commonly pictured as having everything bigger and better than the rest of us but we often meet others who are afflicted with the same attitude. One story has a Texan exaggerating the size of his ranch by bragging that he started in his pick-up in the morning and took all day to get to the other end of his spread. His companion, not being able to match his story, deflated him anyway by responding that he once had a pick-up like that.

Courtesy, good listening and Christianity all teach us to focus our attention on others. This does not seem to come naturally. Often, even though we might make a show of listening, our minds are busy remembering and preparing "our story" which will either interrupt or, at the very least, attempt to outdo the one being told. We cannot seem to get our minds off of ourselves, our possessions, our performances and experiences, -- all better and more interesting.

In our misguided conviction that ours is better and must be heard, we become very inconsiderate and unkind, even rude. We interrupt because the story of our accident, operation or vacation must be told. We feel badly when this happens to us but, nevertheless, must really exercise self-discipline to avoid doing it to others. In human relationships, including such situations, we do well to remember what has come to be known as the "golden rule". Jesus said, "So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, . . . (Mt.7:12). You would probably appreciate

the attention of a good listener!

There is a danger that we will be so focused on ourselves, what we know, what we have done, what we possess, our family or our great experiences, that we will show little interest in or concern for the experiences, successes or problems of others. The result is that the other person feels put down and we are viewed as self-centered and inconsiderate. Our desire to appear important and successful is not accomplished.

In addressing divisions in the Corinthian congregation, Paul urged that the members all "be united in mind and thought" (I Cor.1:10). To most of us this instruction seems very unrealistic. We each have a mind of our own and tend to show or declare it. Is Paul dreaming? A friend recently pointed out that this can be accomplished if we but imitate the humility of Christ, -- have the mind of Christ. Even though we are aware that the word which is translated "mind" in these two texts comes from different Greek words, this idea presents a valid challenge. "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. Your attitude (mind) should be the same as that of Christ Jesus." (Phil.2:3-5).

By conscious effort, one day at a time, we can become more considerate, kinder, humbler, more like Christ and more effective and fruitful in our relationships.

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this power as they, by faith, depend on the authority of Christ.

The grace of God shines clearly in Christ. In Christ God blesses us, chooses us to be holy and blameless, adopts us into his family, makes us his possession and people, gives us hope, and guarantees us our inheritance. To God "be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen" (3:21).
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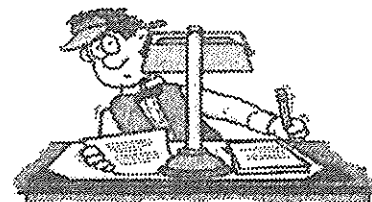
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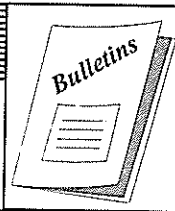
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FROM THE BULLETINS

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The Snake

Murray Smith

Billy had grown up around poisonous snakes. Living around the swamp in East Africa, it was very normal to hear about someone having been bitten by a snake. There was one snake that everyone knew was the worst of all. The black mamba had a bite that was so poisonous that it could even kill an elephant. This, of course, rarely ever happened because the elephant was so tough skinned that the snake was not able to penetrate it.

A big problem that had arisen was that everyone knew that there were very few black mamba snakes around so they didn't worry about the danger. Billy had lost a sister a few years earlier to the "witch snake" as it had been known. He had determined that he would learn all he could about the habits and lairs of the snake so he could prevent some of these terrible deaths. He had also heard that strangers from a far country had created an antidote for the "witch snake" venom. The problem that Billy had was that the elders of the village wouldn't allow the strangers to practice "their medicine" on the local people. The village shaman was the only one allowed to practice that kind of medicine.

It was by chance that one day Billy met the man from Australia who had developed the anti venom for the black mamba snake bite. He learned that they were looking for black mamba snakes so they could milk the venom to make more anti venom. You see, Billy knew that the salve and spells that the shaman used on snakebites were not real anti venom but something that had been passed down through the ages. What Billy had to do was convince everyone of his village that these foreigners had the "real" cure for the dreaded "witch snake".

Billy agreed to help the men find and milk the venomous snakes and they would teach him how to use the anti venom. When a snake bit Billy through the bag in which they carried it, he thought he was a loser. Immediately the strangers gave

him an anti venom shot which saved his life but it made the village shaman very angry. Billy had taught most of his friends and family that this new medicine was the true antidote for the witch snake. These people got together to make a special plea to the village elders to allow this new medicine to be used. It worked and people have praised Billy for bringing salvation to their village. This isn't the end. Billy had determined that he would change the minds of all the villages.

This is a true story, but I see such a parallel in the blood of Jesus as the anti venom for sin that it is scary to think how so many people still think that, "the way our parents believed is good enough for me." This is just as hopeless as a shaman saving a person from a black mamba snake bite. Do you believe that Jesus carries the true anti venom for the great serpent that is destroying people today? "You will not surely die," the serpent said to the woman (Gen.3:4). Our lack of fear toward the dangers that Satan is using to deceive people will destroy just as surely as a bite from a black mamba snake if the blood of Jesus is not made readily available through us. Our diligence is as important as was Billy's. Don't let apathy, or any other excuse cause you to think that everything is "okay" in this world. That one religion is as good as another. Religion doesn't save, the blood of Jesus does.

International Bible Correspondence School

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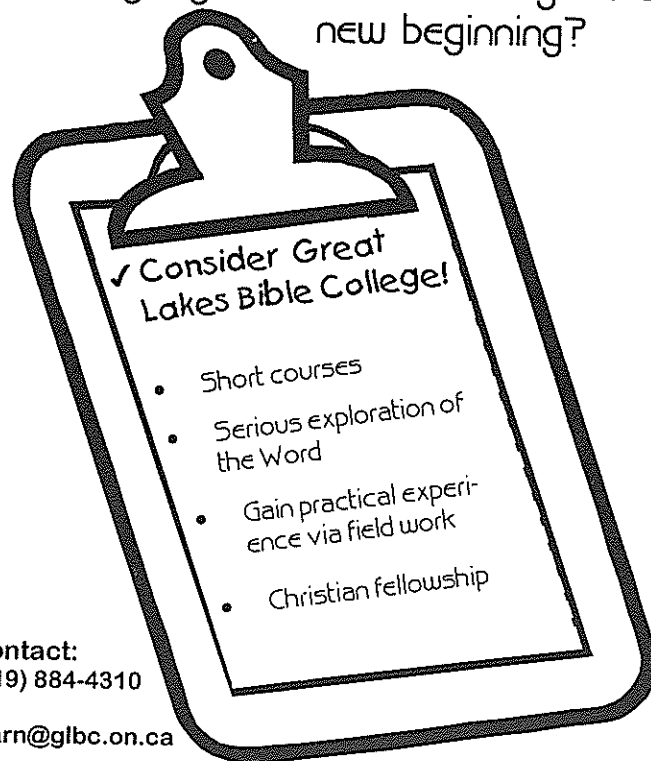
We taught in 40 nations - six of which are basically closed to missionary activities or limit missions. Almost 150 students made a commitment of faith and requested to be baptized.

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Knutson and Straker to serve Great Lakes Bible College

We at Great Lakes Bible College are pleased to announce that we have been successful in identifying those who will take on significant leadership in the College. Since the re-activation of the College in 1996, Geoff Ellis has been providing excellent leadership to the academic program. The college is indebted to Geoff for his efforts and for giving himself to the task as a volunteer. We certainly wish him well as he enters a fuller retirement, which we know will be highlighted with Christian service, including teaching classes in the Bible College.

It is with pleasure that I announce the hiring of David Knutson to serve as the Principal of the Bible College. David is in his fourth year of teaching fulltime in the Bible College. It is wonderful to have someone with David's training and experience in this key role.

With David's involvement, board and administration will be working on a new strategic plan to ensure that we meet the needs of the church and her young people in providing training that is based on solid Bible teaching while having a broad experiential component. The program will be excellent background to those who want to prepare for short-term mission experiences, for fulltime ministry or a secular career that also includes greater service to God and the church.

In addition to the hiring of David Knutson, we have entered an arrangement with the Bramalea congregation to have the services of Walter Straker to serve as Assistant to the

President for the remainder of 2001, on a part time basis while he continues his employment with the church.

Walter has always been committed to the mission of the Bible College, as is evident from his having volunteered with the Bible College as a teacher for the past five years. He has also been instrumental in encouraging some from the Bramalea area to enroll in the College program, either fulltime or by taking classes he has taught at the Bramalea building. Walter will be giving his time to contacting potential students for the program and supplying them with information and encouragement for the offerings of the college. The Gateway Year offers an intensive one-year study in the Word and exposure to practical Christian service, while those who want more can choose a two-year diploma in Biblical Studies, or a three-year Bachelor of Christian Education or the four-year Bachelor of Theology degree.

In addition to providing information to students, Walter will be communicating the mission and vision of the Bible College to church leaders.

We believe the Bible

College can make a real difference to the life of the church here in Eastern Canada and other areas that may provide students for the program. This is the message we want all to hear and understand.

Your prayers on behalf of the Bible College, for Walter in his role as Assistant to the President, and for David Knutson as Principal, will be greatly appreciated.

*Submitted by Art Ford
President, Great Lakes Bible College*

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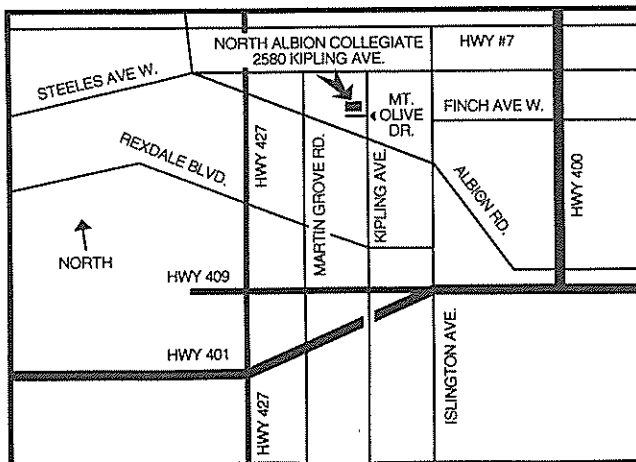
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7:30 p.m. **Why I Believe In Christian Camping** - Les Cramp -
Les taught out at Family Week at Omagh in 2000 and has been associated with Strawberry Point for many years. He and his wife Joan work with the Ice Lake Church of Christ

Saturday March 31

9:00am Continental Breakfast

9:30am **The Contributions Of Christian Camping To The Churches In Ontario** - Steve May -
Steve led Camp Canu for many years and is associated with many camps in Ontario. He had his wife Phyllis work with the Sundridge Church of Christ

10:30am **Crafts for Teens** - Sharon Ellis-
Developing Leadership In Young People - Scott Mansfield
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11:30 am **Preventing Child Abuse At Camp** - Marilyn Kippax
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12:30 p.m. Lunch Break (Please bring Lunch; drinks provided)

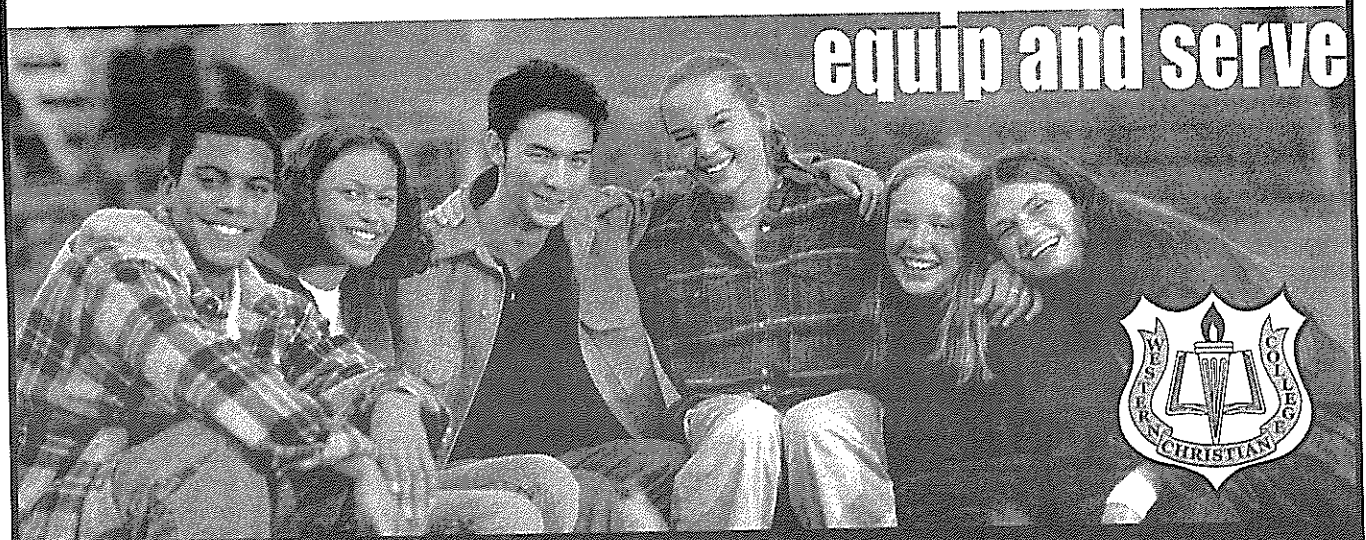
1:30 p.m. **How To Prepare a Bible Lesson** - Phyllis Stanley M. Ed.
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ONTARIO

Ajax: On Sunday, January 7, "Sara Barclay made her decision to acknowledge Jesus as the Son of God and be united with him in the waters of baptism for the forgiveness of her sins. Her father, Gary Barclay performed the baptism towards the end of the morning worship. On January 12, the GLCC chorus traveled this way to present an evening of song for the congregation and community."

Ed Jermakowicz

Beamsville: A potluck dinner is planned for each fourth Sunday.

Don Smith was in Saskatoon on January 28, speaking at the Men's Spiritual Renewal.

The Women's World Day of Prayer is meeting at their building Friday, March 2 at 2 p.m..

Bramalea: The kids had a Camp-In on the night of the January 26th at the Bramalea building. Twenty seven stayed overnight. Three of our four students from Bramalea were singing in the Chorus for GLCC that sang for us Sunday evening, January 14. Rejoice with us that Desiree Korah was baptized Sunday evening, January 28. Her husband Elias was baptized about a year ago. They have two children, Farrah and Reuben.

New Members: Don and Kim MacMullin and their three children, Alexander, Cecilia and Mikaela moved to the area February 1.

Walter Straker began working two days a week for Great Lakes Bible College recruiting students and in public relations and fund raising. His title is Assistant to the President. Jon Straker begins his internship with the congregation on February 15.

Eleven students and leaders were to arrive from York, Nebraska on March 8 and will be in the area for a week. Twenty five students and leaders from Harding University are to arrive and overlap one night (March 16). Mark Knutson went on a mission trip to Haiti, with a group from Harding University the week of March 18-24.

Brantford: Jamie Azzoparde and Raymond Knight drive to Waterloo once a week to take a class. A hymn sing was held on January 28 at 6:30 p.m.

Guelph: Sonia Harding, sister of Dave Seymore and Debbie Azzoparde put on her Lord in baptism on November 20. Guest speakers have been Geoff Ellis, Keith Thompson, Jamie Azzoparde, S.F. Timmerman, Javier Cuarezma, Mike Gosselin and Steve May. Jen May was back with her fiancée, Jeremy Knight. They plan to be married in the summer of 2001. Melanie Penner and Brad Cook have chosen

July 21 as their wedding day. A Secret Sisters breakfast was held on January 20. Steve May was the speaker at the Men's Breakfast on February 17.

Grimby: On January 21, the congregation met at Bethesda Nursing Home to sing and Jeff Cobb presented a message. Plans are to hold their second annual Bible Bowl on Sunday, April 22, on the book of Acts. Jeff Cobb was the featured speaker at the Sundridge Youth Rally.

Meaford: A Youth Rally was planned for February 23-25 entitled, "And They Were All Amazed." Guest speaker was George Mansfield from Stratford.

Newmarket: The Men's prayer group met Monday, February 5 at the building.

Owen Sound: "Elaine and I conclude our ministry in Owen Sound on January 28. After that we are going to take some time (two months plus, we assume) for R and R and to visit family and churches in North Carolina, Texas and Saskatchewan. After that, we will have to decide where and what next in our ministry for the Lord. Fred and Suzanne Knutson have agreed to forward mail to us during our travels, so our address will be: c/o F. Knutson, 12821 Heritage Road, R.R.4, Georgetown, ON L7G 4S7. Our new e-mail address is hart_walter@hotmail.com." *Walter Hart*

Port Colborne 2000: During the year Ralph Perry and Don Rose alternated preaching responsibilities. Dwayne Williams, Eugene Perry, Richard Maddeaux, Don Hipwell and perhaps others filled in occasionally. Don Rose baptized Sheena Szigeti, a church family teen. Ralph taught the midweek class.

During the year, help was provided to Mission efforts as follows: Jeremy Bojarski training in the AIM program of Sunset International Bible Institute, Lubbock, Tx.; Shanackibwa Justine; Elizabeth Lock trip to Papua New Guinea; Zambia Mission Team; and Japanese Mission Team. Over \$2000 was donated to these efforts.

The church sent \$2000 to help our suffering brethren in Ethiopia. The Christian Chronicle, October 2000, reported that more than 5000 church members had died due to a severe famine. More were expected to die. Benevolent help at home went to a burned out family and local food relief.

In March fifteen Harding University students conducted a spring break campaign at Port Colborne. Activities included door-to-door canvassing, visiting and singing in a seniors nursing home, visiting Great Lakes Christian College, youth activities, and conducting Sunday and midweek services. A Harding group plans to conduct another campaign March 16-23, 2001.

The church is considering the possibility of engaging a full-time preacher. Interested evangelists are encouraged to contact the church.

Ralph Perry

St. Catharines (Ontario St.): Ladies Bible class meets monthly. On January 22, Pat Knutson taught "Bible Words," while Nelle

Merritt taught "Paul's Ode to Joy: the book of Philippians." Classes are followed by a joint devotional fellowship.

St. Thomas: Several in the community benefited from the pantry.

Sarnia: The Sarnia church mourns the passing of Patrick (Carl) Russell and Lewis Barnard in December. Both men were "faithful until death" and will be missed by all.

The Sarnia church will embark on a "growth year" with special focus on our outreach programs. We will begin this year with the publication of a bi-monthly direct mailer, called "House to House, Heart to Heart", to be sent to community mail boxes. Plans are to enhance this effort with our spring gospel meeting to be held April 22-24 featuring Michael Tackett from Key to the Kingdom.

Thessalon: Sympathy is extended to the McKinnon and McLeod families in the tragic death of Cory McKinnon in London the second week of January. The congregation celebrated their annual business meeting with a pot-luck on January 28. Stephanie Smith was baptized on February 1. She and David Smith were married last May.

Thunder Bay: The brethren were planning to attend a "Checkmate, Stalemate, or Soulmate?" Marriage Workshop with Eric and Christina Long at the Eagle's Nest, at Dorion Bible Camp on Friday and Saturday, February 2-3.

Toronto (Strathmore): "On December 31 the GLCC Chorus joined the young people for bowling followed by a 7 p.m. presentation. The Senior's Dinner was held on Saturday, February 10. The congregation began a 10 session leadership training class, held every other Sunday evening, on January 14. Geoff Ellis was to hold a Marriage-Proofing Seminar, February 16-18.

Windsor (West Side): The annual meeting was to be February 18. A Men-for-Jesus Breakfast and Bible study was to meet at 8:45 a.m. on Sat. March 3. The congregation plans a "100% Day" in attendance for March 4. Plans are to employ a part-time minister to work with Drew. A Spanish/English combination service followed by the monthly birthday night on February 11. Murray Brown is to be a guest speaker on March 11.

NEW BRUNSWICK

Moncton: Shawn LeBlanc was baptized into Christ by his friend Royal (one of the elders) on Monday night, January 8. He lives an hour from Moncton but is one of the first to arrive and also brings another new Christian (Mario Girouard) who lives further away.

MICHIGAN

Ann Arbor: The brethren had a teen lock-in on January 3, and a college devotional on January 5. A Men's Training class was started on January 7. Chad Nicks, son of Mike and Sheila Nicks was baptized on Sunday, December 17. New Member: Christie Robertson was welcomed with a Ladies Dinner on January 23.

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(Note: While a couple of congregations are sending their bulletins, it would be helpful if each prairie congregation could find someone to periodically (and regularly) send reports of the congregation's activities. Thank you. W.T.)

SASKATCHEWAN

Saskatoon: On January 26 and 27 the congregation in Saskatoon was privileged to host the annual men's fellowship. Our guest Speaker for the weekend was Don Smith of Beamsville, Ontario. The theme of the weekend was "God Grows us with Love and Compassion." The subject for the Friday night banquet was, "Wow, What an Awesome God!" Our Saturday sessions covered the subjects: "Looking up when you're feeling down" and "Called as Saints".

The rally was well attended by men from all over the province.

Travis Sass served the congregation ably as youth minister for the fall months. When he left, in December, to return to his studies, we were left without anyone to serve in this area. Various members of the congregation have stepped into the breach and have provided their own unique and special talents to the work of the congregation. We praise God for raising up these people to fill this need.

Monica Bell and Roy Taylor were married on February 17, 2001. Our congratulations and best wishes go with this fine young Christian couple.

Submitted by Ken Miller

Moose Jaw: "We participated in the 2000 Day of Prayer & Fasting/Manna International and a total of \$1,238.00 was given by members of this congregation. We know that these funds will be put to good use in some of the poorest countries in the world.

"For the months of July and August we did not have Sunday morning Sunday school classes. Our Sunday morning worship service ran from 10:30 to 12 noon. Leon Seibel co-ordinated material focusing on 'Jesus As' and our service revolved around the topic for that day, in our singing, scripture reading & sermon. Lesson topics for the nine weeks were 'Jesus as: the Lamb, the Good Shepherd, the Rock, the Light, the Door, the Redeemer, the Leader, as our Friend and as the King.' This change gave the members, who teach our youth classes, the rest of the year, a chance to get some extra 'building up.'

"Three couples celebrated special anniversaries. Harold & Margaret Floyd celebrated their 40th in July Clarence & Pansy Bien and Ed & Helen Elford each celebrated 60 years of marriage.

"Some members delivered 'Meals-On-Wheels' for the week of July 17 to 22. This is one way that we can reach out and help people in our own community.

"We continue to have our Monthly Fellowship Time, when we share a pot-luck lunch together at noon on the last Sunday of the month. If anyone is passing through, please stop and worship with us and stay for lunch.

"Our afternoon service at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday consists of about a half hour of prayer time and then Ron brings us a lesson. Prayer requests are taken and then these areas are specifically prayed for by one of the men. It has proven to be a special time to get closer to each other and to our God.

"We have been asked by the Thunder Creek Health District to once again participate in looking after services at the various Senior Care Homes this fall/winter/spring. These times shared with the seniors mean a great deal to the seniors and are special for us.

"The election of October 25 was of personal interest to our congregation as Don Maxwell had let his name stand for Mayor of Elbow and Lew Young was running for his third term as a board member for the Moose Jaw Public School Division. Both were victorious.

"On Sunday, November 12, the focus of our service was the 'International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church.' We take our freedom for granted in this country, and forget what some people go through to worship God and follow his teachings.

"We are once again collecting medical supplies for One Mile Clinic/Velma Forman, Papua New Guinea. This is the third winter we have done this, and each spring we have several large boxes of supplies to send.

"We collect for the Moose Jaw & District Food Bank on an on-going basis all year long, and are currently at 887 lbs. of groceries donated in 2000. (They were aiming for over 1000 lbs. by the end of 2000. - ed.)"

MANITOBA

Carman: Carman's Annual Lectureship is to be held on April 13-15, with John Bailey as the speaker.

The congregation was able to help with the earthquake victims in El Salvador by having a special contribution on February 4.

Starting on February 10, and every second Saturday of the month, those who can, will meet at the church building to have a special prayer session, focussing on those that have drifted away from the church and hoping that they will restore their faith in the Lord.

Congratulations go out to Vern and Sheri Barker on the birth of a girl on January 23/01 and also to Tim and Darlene Lock on the birth of a boy on February 3/01

The ladies of the congregation meet every second Tuesday at the home of Donna Gannon for a morning Bible study.

Submitted by Brad Winkler

Winnipeg: The past few months have seen progress in the building program. A series of building-plan consultation meetings allowed many in the congregation to participate in the planning process. The planning and finance committees are now looking to develop an

effective and economical design.

Michelle Brau was baptized into Christ on February. 4.

The congregation bid farewell to Darren Pawluk who moved back to Calgary, and to Billy and Pat Leung and their family who have moved to Victoria, B.C.

The congregation has developed a strong relationship with the work in Trinidad. Bible school material, clothing and supplies have been sent to help the work there.

A special collection was taken for earthquake relief in El Salvador on February 4. One of our members, Gerrardo Aguilar, has helped personalize this tragedy as this is his native land.

Several members of the congregation have become involved with the World Bible School program of teaching over the internet. Essentially, this uses the same content as the mailed lessons with the immediacy which the internet and email provide.

Plans for this year include an International Dinner on March 17, a special weekend with Michael Tackett of Key to the Kingdom in June, kid's rally, youth rally and the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the church in Winnipeg scheduled for the Labour Day long weekend.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA

Greater Vancouver: Three new congregations have been started in the Greater Vancouver area since last summer. A group of three families started a work, which has been needed for half a century, in Deep Cove on the North Shore. Dan and Jennie Keeran purchased a property overlooking the harbour, and completely renovated the landmark house that has stood there for many years. It is used not only for a Sunday morning service, but is also available for weekend activities of youth groups.

In September, four families began meeting in Maple Ridge by renting a conference room in the Quality Inn. Various speakers give the lessons on Sunday mornings and most of the group participate in evening services in Burnaby.

Steve Hasbrouk, former preacher for the Oakridge congregation in Vancouver, is now helping with a group called the City church of Christ. They meet in various locations, and hope to get small group studies started all over the Lower Mainland area.

Burnaby: Erol Dogan, former missionary to Jerusalem, is studying Arabic with the view of going back to Israel to help a small group of Christians who already have a building in a town in the northwestern part of the country where the population is 70% Muslim.

The young people held a Silent Auction/Rent-A-Youth fund-raiser for the "Got Faith" Youth Rally scheduled for Apr. 20th-22nd in White Rock, B.C., with Kevin Vance of Regina, Sask. as speaker.

A farewell party for Trevor, Sherri, and Trenton Wise was held on February 25th. This young family moved to Red Deer, Alberta, at the end of February, when Trevor accepted employment there.

The yearly planning meeting, for all those involved in the Spruston Road Camp sessions throughout the summer, was held at the Burnaby building on February 17th. Soup, sandwiches and dessert were provided by the ladies for those who attended.

Attendance on Sunday evenings has doubled since Mike and Michelle Parker arrived last summer to direct youth activities. They have an exciting agenda going on downstairs during the worship service in the auditorium.

Chilliwack: George Sillman, who has carried on the work in Chilliwack for many years, has suffered two strokes and two heart attacks in recent months. Others are now doing most of the preaching for this small congregation.

Deep Cove: Bruce and Robin Muir were baptized into Christ's body in December. The small group meeting on the shores of Deep Cove continue to enjoy fellowship each Sunday by having a meal together before the breaking of bread.

City Church: Two people have been baptized by Steve Hasbrouk in the few weeks that the City church has been meeting in Coquitlam, and other non-Christians are attending. This name was chosen for the new group because a permanent location in which to meet has not as yet been found.

Delta: Plans are underway for this year's "B.C. to B.C." lectures on April 13th. Geared to attract a younger audience than participants have been in recent years, the principle speakers will be Steve McMillan from Yellowknife, N. T., and Darren Williamson from Delta, B.C. Richard Chamberlain will lead the Saturday morning praise session, and Malcomb McMillan the afternoon session. It will be held in the Delta Christian School in Ladner. More information may be obtained from Jim Hawkins or Larry Hoff.

Jay Don Rogers has recently returned from a month spent with his sponsoring congregation in Washington. He is currently making plans to go to Ukraine to work for the next five years. Darren Williamson of Surrey has been preaching in Jay Don's absence.

Simon Hui has been working in the Chinese community. He has a number of people studying World Bible School and Let's Start Talking material in Richmond, Delta, Vancouver, and Surrey with individual members of the congregation.

Maple Ridge: Six of our members were warmly welcomed at the City church of Christ in Coquitlam on Feb. 4th for an exciting evening of singing, prayer, and an introduction to a book on Hebrews that Steve Hasbrouk is using as a study guide.

A Breakfast-Planning Meeting was held on Saturday, Feb. 10th, to assess progress and discuss ways in which to reach the people of Maple Ridge.

Oakridge: Steve Hasbrouk, former missionary to Japan who has preached at Oakridge for almost nine years, recently resigned to begin a more comprehensive work throughout the Lower Mainland. Milton Diaz, who has been working with the Spanish-speaking group, is preaching for the congregation while a search is conducted for a full-time preacher.

An overflow crowd gathered on January 21st to honor Maude Simpson as she celebrated her 100th birthday. As Milton Diaz commented, "We didn't know how many friends a person can make in 100 years." A native of what was then British Guyana, Mrs. Simpson came to Canada in the 60's, and has been a member of the Oakridge congregation since arriving in Vancouver.

After the singing of the Canadian National Anthem, several sang the Guyanan National Anthem for her. Steve Hasbrouk gave a toast and there were several other speeches, includ-

ing an interesting history of her life.

Letters of congratulation from the Queen, Prime Minister, Premier, and other dignitaries were read. These were followed by a singing of "Happy Birthday", after which Maude requested her guests sing "I'm 100 Years Old" to the same tune. The applause was deafening!

Surrey: We are challenged to keep up with teaching the contacts from the Keys to the Kingdom and other sources, and with continuing to teach new Christians. In December, we rejoiced at the baptism of Jaymie Cooke and Chuck Henry, a young couple who had been attending the worship service and studying for some time. At this time, we have 16 different countries of origin represented in our church family. A sister, who is fluent in signing, is translating.

We are seeking to grow spiritually by reading the entire Bible this year. Each night at 8:00 o'clock we, as a congregation, seek to stop wherever we are and meet the Lord in prayer. Our desire to know each other better is being addressed in gatherings, inviting into homes (like the "olden" days), and through an active telephoning committee, a visitation committee, and letters or cards via e-mail and snail mail.

We have several goals set for this year of 2001. With God's help and our prayers and dedication, we can meet or exceed (as we did last year) these goals. We have been financially blessed to allow us to reach out and help others who call on us. It is always a challenge to make sure we are being good stewards of God's gifts. We learned that the scripture, which says through lack of vision the people perish, needed our attention. If we look to God in all that we seek to accomplish, and it is His Will, we will grow in grace, truth, and love of the brethren. You are welcome to visit us when you are in the area.

ALBERTA

Edmonton: At Edmonton we welcome Genine Wilkinson and Paul Ivany into the family. Genine had taken the initiative to study the Bible herself and asked Jolene Burnstad to lead in their studies. After several studies Genine made the all important decision to put on Christ and was baptized by Rob Burnstad on December 31. Paul Ivany also made that all important decision after studying with Jamie Lobert. Paul was baptized on January 9, 2001. Praise God for these 2 precious souls.

Aside from our regular monthly devotionals we had a special prayer night on the 12th of January. The evening began with an encouraging devotional led by Kevin Carson of Lithuania. Members then separated into several groups and the remainder of the evening was spent offering up prayers to our gracious God on behalf of many. Prayers were offered up on behalf of the many workers involved in the mission fields throughout the world. We also prayed for the work we hope to establish in Grande Prairie. Also included were prayers for the congregation here in Edmonton and for

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BOOK REVIEWS

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His Love Compels by Thomas H. Olbricht, College Press, 215 pages, \$ 10.99 (US)

The author is a dedicated Christian and a great scholar. This book is the finest survey of the New Testament I have ever read. It deals with this part of God's Word in the finest way possible.

Chapter One on "Why They Wrote" begins, "The story line of the New Testament is an astounding declaration of love. It speaks of God's love and our love. The account compels because God's love is unexpected, unrelenting, and unfathomable. In reading of God's actions in Christ through the eyes and hearts of those with whom he walked and ate, we are overwhelmed by the depictions and conclusions drawn. When it finally dawns on us what Jesus did on our behalf, we are astonished and affirmed. Our life is never the same again. We are compelled to love because of his love." Then he quotes his text for this book, 2 Cor.4:14,15. He continues, "God began this unprecedented action by sending his only Son, conceived by the Holy Spirit in the womb of Mary, a woman. This same Son, God consigned to death on the cross, but in an astonishing show of power raised him up. God did it, not just to prove his might, but as a display of compassion for sin-inflicted humankind. "We know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus..." (2 Cor. 4:14). This same Son, God will send to end history, and bring all those who are his into his very presence."

The author demonstrates the great value in comparing various translations in studying the text of the New Testament. Like the Bible itself this book exemplifies a beautiful combination of depth and simplicity. It also is a demonstration of the value of consulting various translations rather than depending on just one. There are many powerful illustrations in the book. In discussing the book of Revelation he tells of a young woman who was about to be baptized. The day before her baptism

she told her teacher that she was going to read the book of Revelation. "He was somewhat taken aback and his first impulse was to discourage her, thinking that she would likely end up confused. But instead, he responded, 'Sounds good.' The next day, with some trepidation, he asked, 'Well, what did you learn?' She responded in great confidence, "I learned that our side wins." Her conclusion, despite the cryptic symbols in Revelation, as well as the somewhat ambiguous disclosures, is perhaps the singular consensus among all who comment on the work." This great book will bless and encourage you. We give it our highest possible recommendation!

(continued from page 17) those individuals who were in need.

Our annual winter carnival was held on the 27th of January and has again proven to be a huge success thanks to the many hands involved in putting it together. There were hay rides, skating, sledding and lots of food.

Shawn Redding

MONTANA

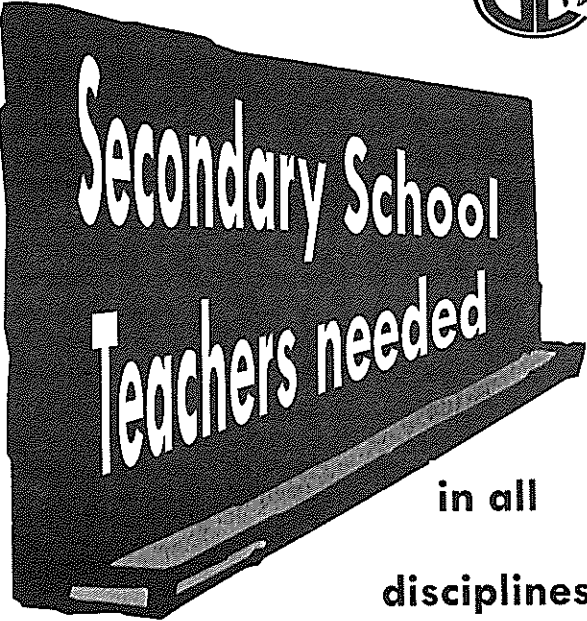
Three Forks: On January 7, Dan Arnold was baptized and added to the Lord's family.

On January 14 we held our monthly potluck after services, along with our monthly business meeting. Following the meeting, we held a devotional and a "Talent Fair". At

this talent fair, we each brought something that demonstrated the talents and gifts that God has given us. We had opportunity to mingle, view each other's talents and write notes of encouragement to each other. It is such a blessing to see so many of our congregation involved in one form of ministry or another. Virtually all of the men take part in worship. Several families take turns cleaning the building and preparing the Lord's supper. Several teach the children's classes. Several are involved in our evangelistic small group Bible study. Most are involved in the community.

We are making plans to begin doing bulk mail outs to Three Forks and surrounding areas to increase the awareness of the church.

David Ford



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Building Foundations
That Last A Lifetime

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The New Year started with 273 in Sunday worship, 211 in Bible class and 115 Sunday evening. A Teacher Appreciation Dinner was held on March 3 and the first Golden Agers meeting of the year was January 18. There was to be a pot-luck and a continuation of their planning session for the programs of 2001 on January 21.

NEW YORK

North Buffalo: On Sunday, February 4, the brethren began A special "Fundamentals of the Faith" lesson series was begun on February 4. On Wednesday, January 9, Katrina Washington was baptized and welcomed into God's family. On Friday, January 19, Raymond Irizarry died to self and was raised a new man through baptism and added to the Lord's church and on January 28, Brian Nesline was baptized.

Papua New Guinea

Ruth Zimmerman reports worshipping with a congregation of five members at Dinima. They are building a church building and have been actively going out and studying with anyone who will welcome them into their homes. They have asked her to help them start a nursery school. She will, hopefully, be of help in preparing the teachers here and also from Dunum and Las Wara, where schools are also in the plans. She is also helping with changes in the Boundary Raod congregation's school.

A group from Rochester College in Michigan is making plans to visit in May or June to spend time with the churches at Indagen, Wau and Derim.

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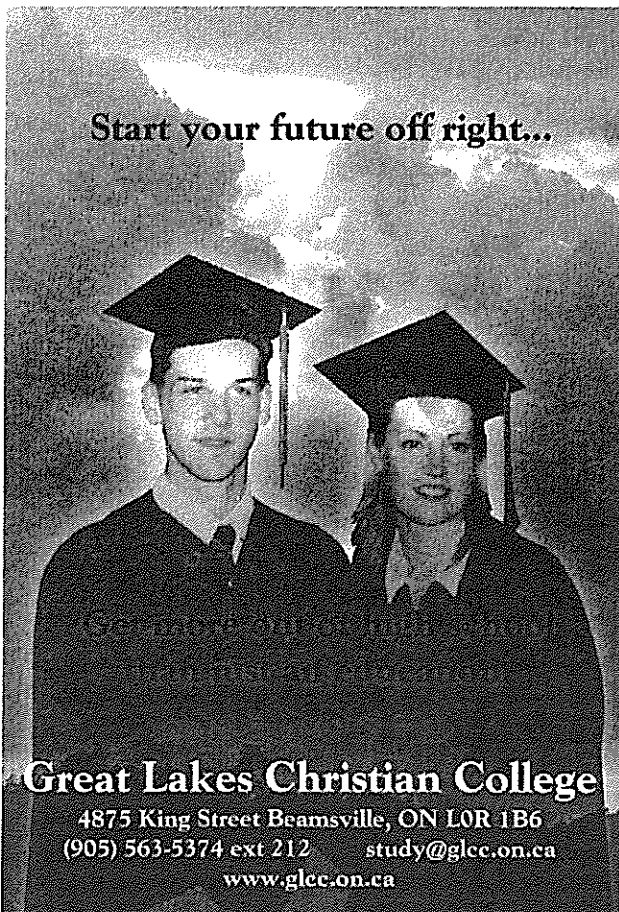
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March 11 to register

OBITUARIES

Liz Hunter

Elizabeth Anne (Holtzman) Hunter passed away while on vacation in Cancun, Mexico, Saturday, January 6, 2001. Liz was born December 25, 1939 in Hamilton, Ontario. She was the wife of Bob Hunter, mother of Kevin (Wendy) of Orangeville, Krista (Mark) Heuston of Plattsville, and Sara (Patrick) Hunter-Buffington of Brampton, the loving grandmother of Joshua and Shanna Hunter and Michal and Nathan Heuston and daughter-in-law of Dora Hunter of Beamsville.

Liz was known among her church brethren as a loving, wise woman. She had retired just two and a half years ago from a lifetime of teaching in the public school system, where she had served: first in Hamilton; then throughout the western Toronto area and Peel Region, which included Brampton and Mississauga. For many years she taught Sunday school classes, Ladies Bible classes and Ladies Retreats.

Her health had become serious enough that she had been making plans for her funeral over the last several months. As Bob said, "The only one who was ready for this was Liz." For the past twelve years she had worked alongside Bob as an Elder's wife in the Bramalea congregation, where they have attended for over 20 years. Over the years, they lived in many neighbourhoods in the Hamilton, Toronto, Brampton area and each area had friends come and pay their respects to Liz. A great number of teachers were evident at the visitation and funeral service. Many of the ladies in the congregation considered her among their best friends. She will be missed for years to come.

During the service, Max Craddock led the congregational singing. Max had performed their wedding on April 20, 1962, in Hamilton. Walter Straker of Bramalea welcomed the guests and read several of her favourite Bible passages. Don Smith of Beamsville, former Bramalea preacher, gave the lesson on "Liz's Life, The Unseen Gospel." Mark Heuston gave a very touching tribute to his mother-in-law and Kevin Hunter gave a very impassioned plea to the audience to be ready for eternity as his mother was, to believe in Christ, to live for Him and to obey His gospel. Pall bearers were Bill Currie, Fred Knutson, Tony Lourenco, Dave Sigston, Evan and Owen Whittington. Prayers were led by Albert Hotte, Ron Knight and Fred Whittington. Interment was at the Meadowvale Cemetery in Brampton.

Walter Straker

D.W. Dryden Sinclair 1911 - 2001

Dryden Sinclair was my friend for more than 45 years. We did not grow up together, nor were we classmates. Our paths first crossed in a common cause for Christian edu-

cation in Western Canada. It was a friendship that would last until he was called away. That is why I was pleased and honored that his family asked me to say some things they wanted said.

Arriving on March 13, 1911 near Owen Sound, Ontario, Canada, he was the eldest of eight children born to Dan and Margaret Sinclair. The next year his parents moved to Saskatchewan to homestead about 20 miles south of McCord, near the USA border. This meant a two-day trip for the Post Office and grocery shopping.

His father served overseas for three years during which the family moved back to Ontario. After the war they settled on a farm in the Horse Creek District.

In 1928, Charles W. Petch, of Ontario, considering a move to Manitoba to preach in Winnipeg, travelled further west to Horse Creek to visit the Russel Elford family who lived near the Sinclairs. Dryden and his parents were baptized as a result of preaching during this visit. Petch's daughter, Eva, stayed behind with her aunt for the winter and romance began to blossom. After spending a year at Harding College, Dryden returned and they were married on July 29, 1930. Their 70th anniversary was celebrated last July.

After the wedding the young couple left for Harding College. Unable to complete the year because of the depression, Dryden got a job preaching in Bridgeport, Texas for a salary of \$25.00 per week. After fund raising to become missionaries in Argentina failed, they returned to Canada where Dryden worked for some farmers in northern Saskatchewan where his father was then preaching. During the winter months he helped Brother J.C. Bailey teach Bible at the Ogema Winter Bible School, while Eva stayed in the Punnichy district with Norman and Hazel Straker. In March 1933 their daughter, Helen, was born. The summer months were spent at odd jobs and teaching in Vacation Bible schools and preaching. Dryden, Eva and baby Helen moved to Manitoba where he worked as an insurance salesman until moving to St. Catharines, Ontario to work with the church there in 1942. A few years later Dryden operated his own printing business in Thorold, Ontario. He and his father published a small paper called the Canadian Christian for a number of years. During this time a young girl, Beatrice became a part of the family for the next 15 or so years. Dryden and Eva also adopted two little girls, Debbie and Starlet.

In 1956 Dryden began work in sales for a business forms company in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan. At this time Radville Christian College which had started in 1945 with eleven students and one High School teacher with Brother J.C. Bailey teaching daily Bible classes, was having serious financial struggles. Also there was a special opportunity for the school to acquire an abandoned WWII airbase about 40 miles from Radville. These were major and wonderful challenges for the church in western Canada (about 1400

members). Dryden gave up his job to work full time at fundraising. His faith and dedication encouraged me to do the same. I had been business manager for the school but lived some 35 miles away and could only spend weekends on campus. If the school was to survive and to make the move a fulltime manager and additional funds would have to be.

In an effort to interest our American brethren in the challenge and the need for financial assistance in western Canada, in 1961, Dryden and Eva moved to Wichita Falls, Texas. I would come to help for a few weeks at a time whenever I could. Dryden's determination, dedication and faith that God would provide and bless our efforts in due time did not waver. The years following proved him right. I am persuaded that his untiring work and his influence at that point in the history of what is today Western Christian College, together with God's blessing has made possible the opportunities for hundreds of young people to become the preachers, Bible class teachers and missionaries not only in Canada but around the world.

With the help of men like James W. Kennedy and J. Lewis Foster, Western Christian Foundation was established. Dryden's experience in the printing business was a major tool in helping to make known to our brethren the needs of Western Christian College. Printing was started in his garage with one little offset press. The Foundation served the school in Canada diligently until 1984 when with Dryden's encouragement and help a Foundation in Montana nearer the school was able to assume this role. By this time the needs of the Spanish world became the Foundation's major focus - with Dryden and Eva's youthful dream coming to fruition.

While living in Wichita Falls, Doris came to live with the Sinclairs and chose to become their daughter. Dryden served for several years as an elder for the Edgemere Church of Christ. He also served as the preacher and as an elder at Caamay Church of Christ. After his retirement as founder and managing vice-president of Western Christian Foundation Dryden continued travelling to South and Central America on numerous mission trips including three or four to Cuba.

Hospitality at the Sinclair home was enjoyed by many, many travelers, preachers and needy people of all races. Dryden enjoyed photography, music, gardening, woodwork and writing, including poetry. He received citations of appreciation and recognition not only from Western Christian College, but also from Western Christian Foundation as its Founder and Managing Vice President, Columbia Christian College, Portland Oregon, David Lipscomb University, Nashville, Tennessee, Abilene Christian University, Abilene, Texas, where he served for ten years on its advisory board for missions and several churches in the Spanish speaking world.

Dryden passed away peacefully to be with

the Lord at 7.00 P.M. on January 30, 2001 at the Texhoma Christian Care Center where he had received the kind care that he required for the past two years.

He was predeceased by his parents, D.A. and Margaret Sinclair, three brothers, Gordon, Cecil and Stanley, and one sister, Mary Waite. He will be greatly missed by Eva, his beloved wife of more than 70 years, and their five daughters, Helen, (Roger) Peterson, Weyburn, Sask., Beatrice, (John) Klassen, Niagara Falls, Ont., Debbie (Kelly) Barker, Edmond, OK., Starlet Sinclair, Wichita Falls, Texas and Doris (Ron) May, Dawson Creek, B.C. as well as thirteen grandchildren and 27 great grandchildren, two brothers, Robert, Three Hills, AB. and Cameron, Orange, California, one sister, Anne (Gordon) Laycock, Kelowna, B.C. along with a host of friends and brothers and sister in the Lord all over the world.

Submitted by Ernest W. Andreas

Agnes Young

Agnes (Banks) Young was born on July 5, 1914 in Bathgate, Scotland. She moved with her family to Canada when she was 12 years old. She passed away peacefully at the Grove Park Home in Barrie on February 9, 2001.

Agnes was the daughter of the late Thomas and Helen Banks and was married for over 50 years to the late Charles Young. She is survived by her son Bill and his wife Jo-Ann, and her sister Anne and her husband Roy Witty. She was predeceased by her brothers George, Peter and Dan.

She will be lovingly remembered by her many nieces and nephews, her church family and a host of friends and neighbours.

Agnes will be remembered for her sense of humour and her welcoming smile. For many years she worked in the family owned bake shop. She was known for her love of knitting, quilting and playing table games with friends. Her sense of responsibility and love for family was shown in her willingness to care for both her mother and her mother-in-law in her home for a number of years.

Agnes was a member of the Maplewood Ave congregation. When the work started in Concord, she became an active member of that work, teaching Sunday School and later serving as the Sunday School secretary. When the Concord congregation closed, she became a member at Strathmore Blvd.

On February 13, 2001, a funeral service was conducted by the writer in memory of and in thanksgiving for sister Young. We pray that God will bless the family and all who mourn her passing but we do so with the sure and certain hope of life in Christ.

Max Craddock

James E. Cox

James E. Cox passed from this life on January 18th, 2001, while doing what he loved most in this world - fishing.

Jim was born on October 16, 1911 in Carmen, Manitoba. The son of W.F. and

Ethel Cox and cousin to Ralph Cox of Meaford, he is survived by his brother, Austin (Margaret) of Toronto, brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Jack and Daisy Starr of Lake Worth, Fl., sister-in-law, Dorren Johnston. He was pre-deceased by his wife Ellen, sister, Pauline Fisher, brothers David and Claude, and several nieces and nephews.

He was a graduate of Ontario College of Pharmacy in 1937 and served in the Royal Canadian Medical Corps. He became a resident of Lake Worth in 1952. He married Ellen in 1940, and after she became ill in 1993, he tended to her day and night until her death in 1998.

Several nieces and nephews from Grimsby and Beamsville were able to attend his funeral on Friday, January 26th, in Lake Worth. A tribute to Jim's life was conducted by Gordon Smith, of Cookville, Tn, acting minister for the Suncoast Church of Christ where he attended. Memorial donations may be made to Great Lakes Christian College, Box 399, Beamsville, Ontario, LOR 1B0.

Gayle Cox

Alice Hotchkiss

Alice Hothckiss passed from this life quickly at her home in Cornwall Ontario, on January 8th, 2001 at the age of 83. Born to Thomas Bailey and Edith (Cann) Bailey on October 16th, 1917 at their home in Thessalon, Ontario, Alice married Tom Hotchkiss in 1934. He preceded her to heaven in 1986. Of this union the following family mourns her passing, Evelyn (Gordon) Deplonty of Cornwall, Joan (Andy) Hester of Kansas City, Missouri, John (Ann) of Cornwall, Lloyd (Barbara) of Sault Ste. Marie, Lynne Michaud of Cornwall, Sheila (Bill) Danic of Cumberland, Terry (Stephen) Alguire of Kingston. She is also survived by 23 grandchildren and 41 great grandchildren.

The fifth child in a family of 8, Alice was predeceased by siblings Florence Hoover, Nelson Bailey, Della Hotchkiss and Lloyd Bailey. Three brothers remain in this earthly tent, J.C. Bailey of Weyburn, SK., Cecil Bailey of Estevan SK. and Bethel Bailey of Sudbury.

Many family and friends from the community gathered at the McArthur Bros. & MacNeil Funeral Chapel in Cornwall to bid Alice farewell. Children, grandchildren, brothers, in-laws, nephews all played a roll in the funeral service as we celebrated her life and thanked God for "the heavenly country" and our "glorious hope".

Vernon Bailey

Norman Smart

The church in St. Catharines was deeply saddened at the passing of Norman Smart. Bro. Smart had suffered for many years from ever weakening health, but in all those years he remained a strong supporter of the Lord's work. He is greatly missed. His steadfastness, even by his attendance when ill health made it an agonizing experience to even

move, was an inspiration to all.

In his passing Norm leaves to mourn, Myrna, his wife of forty years. In addition he is mourned by daughters Penny Kyle (Dean) of St. Catharines; Alison Mosley (Don) of Arkansas. He will be greatly missed by his four grandchildren, a sister and brother. Numerous other relatives are left with memories that encourage them.

A large number came to celebrate Norm's life at the Ontario St. building in St. Catharines on Jan. 5th, 2001. (Norm passed away on Jan 2/01)...

For a number of years Norm was employed by the Region of Niagara. In the past few years of his service he was fleet supervisor, a position he held until 1979, when declining health forced his early retirement.

Throughout his life Norm served the Lord faithfully in his service within the church. He had been a spiritual leader (elder) until declining health made him feel that he could no longer serve effectively. But he continued to serve in numerous ways, as the church itself will testify.

Norm sought to build spiritual character in himself and others. He is greatly missed, but he lives on within us by memories engraved within.

The funeral service was conducted by David Knutson, Keith McDonald, David Carruthers, Norm Oliver, and Murray Smith.

Ben Zacharias

Ben passed away peacefully on Wednesday May 31, 2000. Our wonderful husband, father and Grandfather Zacharias passed from this life at the age of 76 at the Victoria General Hospital in Winnipeg. He was born December 9, 1923 in Herbert, Saskatchewan. Left behind to cherish his memory are his wife of 55 years, Helen (Funk), daughter Melinda (Cory) and son Leon (Harder), son Raymond (Lorraine), daughter Irene (Gerry) and their children, Robert, David, Douglas, Paul, Amanda, Stephen, Kristopher and also one brother Martine (Irene) Zacharias and family. Maggie (Tuige) Putarg and family, Hananah (Gordon) Smith and family Lea (Stanley) Krauss and family along with many cousins and friends.

Ben was predeceased by his parents Frank and Anne, two brothers Levi and Areli and two nephews Ives and Jimmy. And also by one daughter Gladys V.E., one Grandson Bradley, A Jacobs. He was an active member of the Church of Christ. He was very grateful to the Lord for his family. He made his living keeping people warm in the winter, cool in the summer. He worked for Custom Vac. St. for many years. 1983 he had his own business, A. All Heating & Air Conditioning, for a few years. He became a Christian in 1957 and the funeral was held on Monday June 5, 2000 at 7p.m. at the Church of Christ 217 Osborne St.

DIRECTORY OF CHURCHES

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PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

CALGARY: (Northside): 803-20A Avenue N.E., T2E 1S1; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7; recorded message; 276-8088; Derek Chambers, cv.

CALGARY: 4030 Maryvale Dr. N.E., T2A 2S8; Sun. 10:15, worship at 9:00 and 11:15, Wed. 7; Small Groups (Fri. - Mon. eve.) Phone: (403) 272-2111; E-mail: ccocf@cadvision.com

CAMROSE: 4901-42 St., T4V 1A2; Sun. 9:30, 10:45; Wed. 7; Ted Archbold, cv., (780) 672-1220 (off).

EDMONTON: 13015-116 Ave., T5M 3C9, (780) 455-1049; FAX 454-9545; Sun. 10:45, 9:30; Wed. 7:00; C. Eric Limb, Henri Bouchard, Herb Anderson, David Hotchkiss, Peter Ross, elders.

FORT MCMURRAY: Father Beauregard School, 255 Athabasca Ave. Abasand; Sun. 10-noon; Box 5094, T9H 3G2; Billy McMillan, cv. (780) 790-0109.

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

MEDICINE HAT: Crescent Heights Church of Christ, 402 12th St. N.E., T1A 5V3; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7; Jim Goud (403) 529-1996

RED DEER: 4519 53rd St., T4N 2E4; Sun. 11:15, 10, (evening—call for information); Wed. 7; John Smith, cv. (403) 347-3986.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

ABBOTSFORD (Central Valley): Columbia Bible College Chapel, 2940 Clearbrook Road; Sun. 11:15, 10; midweek class 7:30 in homes; #4-3292 Elmwood Drive, V2S 6B2, Norm Weir, cv. (604) 850-8670 (off); 859-5973 (res). If no answer 852-5052.

BURNABY (Greater Vancouver): 7485 Salisbury Ave., V5E 3A5; Sun. 10:45, 9:30; Midweek (groups meet in homes. Call for times & locations); Kirk Ruch, cv., 951-4102; (604) 522-7721 (off).

CAMPBELL RIVER: 226 Hiteley Road, V9W 1P4; (250) 923-5233.

CHILLIWACK: Senior Citizens Bldg. Br. 24, corner of Cook and Victoria St.; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7 at 9:687 Windsor St; Mail P.O. Box 327, V2P 6J4, 24 hr. phone (604) 792-4940; George Sillman, cv., Al McCutcheon, sec. 792-0046; V2P 6J4.

CRESTON: Corner of 5th Ave. and Cook St.; Sun. 10, 11; Box 2329, V0B 1G0; 428-7411 (off) or 428-5937.

CROFTON: 1288 Smith Rd. Box 45, V0R 1R0; Phone for time; (250) 246-3659.

DELTA: Delta Christian School, 53rd & Ladner Trunk Road, Ladner; Sun. 10; Midweek: Call for times; 205-1318 56th St., V4L 2A4; Jay Don Rogers, cv., (604) 943-7280 (res.), 943-0515 (off.).

KAMLOOPS: 110 Mohawk Cres.; Sun. 10:30; Tues. 7:00 PO Box 2129, V2B 7K5; Dane Bengard, cv. (250) 377-3386

KELOWNA: 1317 Ethel St. V1Y 2X1; Sun. 10:45, Bible study 9:30 (excl. July-Aug.); Charles McKnight (250) 861-9486 and Barrie Forman (250) 764-4313; pager 868-4393., cvs.: Wayne Muirhead (250) 861-4008 and Ted Windswill 763-8445, elders.

KELOWNA (Rutland): #209-120 McIntosh Rd., V1X 7E8; Sun. 11. Call for directions/other services, Bill Forman, cv. (250) 765-3643; Clint Ponce, (250) 491-1900

NANAIMO: 1720 Meredith Rd., V9S 2M4; Sun. 10, 11, Wed. 7:00; Grant Hannan, min. 758-9412 (off.); Les Beamish, sec. 758-6929; cell phone 729-1833.

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

PENTICTON: Penticon Retirement Centre, 439 Winnipeg St.; Sun. 9, 10; Wed. 7:30; Box 24082, V2A 8L9.

PRINCE GEORGE: 4337 Ewen Dr., V2M 5Y8; Sun. 10; For more information contact Grahame Somerville; 562-6708 or Leo Selzer, 964-9102

PRINCE RUPERT: 977 Prince Rupert Blvd.; Sun. 4,3; Thurs. 7; PO Box 324, V8J 3P9; Dick Brant, (250) 624-4449 (off), 624-5834 (res), George Robison (250)624-5554, cvs.

RICHMOND: Call Gary Marrs, cv. (604) 271-6197 or Carlos Castillo (604) 273-0506.

SALMON ARM: 2460 Auto Rd. S.E.; Sunday 10:00; Call for times and locations of other meetings; (250) 832-3828; Box 51, V1E 4N2; Doug Kendig and John Murray, elders; Blair Roberts, cv.; Shuswap Christian School, Box 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, cv., 594-1796.

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; Spanish services: Sun. 5; Fri. 6:30; Milton Diaz, cv., 432-1749 (res.).

VERNON: 4107 Pleasant Valley Rd.; Sun. 10, 11; Box 541, V1T 4M1; Murray Verwerda, cv., (250) 545-5256 (res); 545-6892 (off).

VICTORIA: 3460 Shelbourne St., V8P 4G5; Sun. 9, 10; midweek in homes; Kelly Carter, cv. (250) 592-4914 (off), (250) 472-3775 (res.).

PROVINCE OF MANITOBA

BRANDON: 943 7th St., R7A 3V1; Sun. 10:30; Midweek; call for location (204) 728-0957; Charles Muller, sec. 726-4723.

CARMAN: Main Street S.; Sun. 10, 1:15; Wed. 7:30; c/o D.B. Laycock, Box 266, Miami, R0G 1H0; 435-2413; or contact Ray Winkler (elder), 745-3226; Hugh Gannon, cv., 745-6969.

DAUPHIN: 378 River Ave. E. (Corner of River & Bond) R7N 0H8; Sun. worship 9&11; Sun. & Wed. nights call for details; Mike Bolton, min. (204) 638-6321 (off), 638-9858 (res), Fax: 638-9843; email:mbolton@mbnet.mb.ca>

MANSON: Bldg. in Manson Village; Sun. 10, 11; Box 2, R0M 1J0; Wilf Rogers (204) 722-2293 or Lloyd Jacobs, (204) 722-2278, elders; Ken Starnes, sec. (204) 722-2085; E-mail; Kastar@escapc.ca

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

WINNIPEG (Central): 217 Osborne St. S., R3L 1Z4; Sun. 10 worship, 11:10 Bible School, Wed. 7; Jim Hobbs, sec. for elders (204) 261- 9861; Wayne Turner, cv. (204) 257-7926 (res); Rolland Bouchard, youth minister (204) 452-4824; Bible Call 284-9506; 475-6462 (off/fax).

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK

MONCTON: 365 Pine Glen Rd., Riverview (Moncton), E1B 4J8; Sun. 10, Wed. 7:30 p.m.; (506) 852-0919; Royal Maillet (506) 532-2956, Tim Johnson, cv., (506) 386-1682, elders.

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.

PROVINCE OF NEWFOUNDLAND

STEPHENVILLE: 13 Florida Loop, A2N 2W9; Sun & Wed 7:30 p.m.; Daren & Kim Simmons, (709) 643-2629.

NEW YORK STATE

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

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

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

YELLOWKNIFE: 516 Range Lake Rd., X1A 3A7; Sun. 11, 10; (867) 873-3875. Elders: David Lidbury, Barnard Straker; Steve McMillan, cv.

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA

HALIFAX: 48 Conroy Ave., B3N 2P8; Sun. 10, 11; Cell Groups meeting throughout the week - call for details; (902) 443-9628 (off.); Wayne Taylor, sec., (902) 876-7402.

KENTVILLE: Middle Dyke & Mee Rd.; Sun. 11, 10, 6; Wed. 6; Box 26, B4N 3V9; (902) 678-8881 or Ray Fisher, cv; 582-3457

SHUBENACADIE: Mill Village Church, 3613 Indian Rd. 2 miles w. of Shubenacadie; Sun. 10:15, 11; Wed. 7:30; R.R. 1, B0N 2H0; D. Hallett (902) 758-2133; J. Mackey, sec., (902) 758-2633; 758-3215 (off.).

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

AJAX (Serving Durham Region): 1 Cedar St.; Sun. 9:45, 11, 7; Call for mid-week information; Box 162, L1S 3C3; Ph. (905) 683-2477(off); Edward Jermakowicz, cv., (905) 426-8465 res, <ejermakowicz@sympatico.ca>

AURORA: 15216 Yonge St. S, L46 1L9; (entrance beside Mac Flemming Paints); Sun. 11; P.O. Box 71523, L4G 1L9; Contact: Scott & Linda Harvey, (905) 473-5631 or leave message: e-mail <sharvey@IDIRECT.COM> or Clare Preston, (905) 841-2272

BARRIE: 345 Grove St. E. (at Cook), L4M 2R6; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:30; 722-7155 (off.); Claude Cox, cv. (705) 737-2272.

BEAMSVILLE: 4900 John St., L0R 1B6; Sun. 9:30, 10:30, 6; Wed. 7:00; Don Smith, cv. (905) 563-7655 (off); e-mail: <dsmith@mergetel.com>

BRACEBRIDGE: 14-4 Manitoba St., P1L 1R9; (705) 645-3356; We worship at home each Sunday.

BRAMALEA: 750 Clark Blvd. (south of Hwy. 7 on Finchgate Boulevard), L6T 3Y2; Sun. 9:45, 11, 6; Thurs. 7:30; Walter Straker, cv. (905) 789-1632 (res.); 792-2297 (off).

BRANTFORD: 267 North Park St., N3R 4L2; Sun. 10, 11, last Sunday of month 6:30; Wed. 7; contact Roy Cox (519) 449-3239; office (519) 759-6630.

BRANTFORD: Worship 11am; Contact Rick Gamble for information, (519) 753-5353

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, cv. 444-2701.

CORNWALL: 1702 Dover Rd., K6J 1W1; Sun 9:30, 10:30; Wed. 7; Allen Bojarski, cv. Phone (613) 933-1825, e-mail: <allen.bojarski@sympatico.ca>; website: www.glen-net.ca/e-of-c; fax: 933-1879

CORNWALL: 205 Tollgate Rd. E.; Sun. 10, 11 plus home Bible studies; Wed. 7; Box 42, K6H 5R9; Ann Hotchkiss, sec. (613) 932-5053; bldg. (613) 933-4999;

FENWICK: Welland Ave.; Sun. 9:45, 11, 7; Wed. 7:30; P.O. Box 416, L0S 1C0; Felix Turner, cv. (905) 892-9020. email <ftumer@vaxxine.com>

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

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; Jeff Cobb, cv. (905) 309-1979

GUELPH: The Evergreen Senior Center, 683 Woolwich St.; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:30 (phone for location); c/o 428 Cole Rd., N1G 3J8; David Azzopardi, sec. (519) 821-9179.

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

HAMILTON: 321 East 27th Street, L8V 3G8 (at Fennell) (Mt. Hamilton); Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7:30; (905) 385-5775; Chris Gardner, sec., (905) 388-9174; Guy Stopard, cv. (905) 318-0102.

HAMILTON (West): Mohawk College, Fennell Ave./West 5th St.; Sun. 10, 11, (Please phone for Sun. p.m. and midweek information); P.O. Box 78041 Westcliffe P.O. L9C 7N5; Wayne Page (905) 648-5100.

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

HUNTSVILLE: meeting in homes; Sun. 6 pm. (call to confirm); David Preston (705) 789-2697; email: <presto@ican.net>; RR1, Group Box 174, P1H 2J2; other phones 789-7630/8292.

HUNTSVILLE: 36 Hilltop Dr. P1H 1C5 (off Hwy. 11BN); Sun. 9:45, 11, 7; Wed. 8; Contact John H. Preston, sec., (705) 767-3237.

ICE LAKE (Manitoulin Island): 11/4 mi. S. of Hwy. 540; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Mon. 7:30; Les Cramp, cv. (705) 282-0974; 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; Earl Rattai, cv., 548-2245.

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

KITCHENER SOUTH: Kitchener City Hall (Learning Room), 200 King St. W.; Sun. 11:15, 12:30; Wed. 7:30 in homes; Gregory Smith, sec., 480 Drummerhill Cres., N2T 1G4; (519) 884-2449.

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; Randy Morrill and Scott Mansfield, evs; (519) 538-1750; e-mail: meafordcfc@bmts.com.

NEWMARKET: 230 Davis Dr.; Sun. 9:45, 11:00, 6:30; Wed. 7:30; Box 21581, L3Y 8J1; Clayton McLeod, sec. (905) 473-9447 895-6502 (off)

NIAGARA FALLS: 3901 Dorchester Rd. N., L2J 3A8, (905) 356-3412 (turn E. on Thorold Stone Rd. from Q.E. and left on Dorchester Rd.); Sun. 10:30-12, 5:30 (last Sunday of month 10:30, 1); Wed. 7:30; Henry Boland, (905) 356-0107 and Darrin Douglas (905) 371-1581, evs.

NORTH BAY: 73 Gertrude St. E.; Sun. 11:15, 10:30, 6:30 in homes (call for information); Wed. 7; Box 745, PIB 8J8; (705) 472-7040 (off.); David Lock, ev. 78-345 Mulligan St. P1A 3S3; (705) 475-0911, e-mail—bigdaver@vianet.on.ca; WebSite—http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Meadows/8939.

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; Bryan Meneer, ev. (905) 383-5259; 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; Barry Mellish, 519-371-1966; <osoc@bmts.com>

PETERBOROUGH: The Lions Center (corner of Hunter St. & Burnham); 10-10:45, Preaching & Lord's Supper 10:50-11:50; Midweek 7:30; ph.(705) 742-5349; 323 Lindan Ave., K9L 1K9; 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. 11, 10; Wed. 6:30 Potluck every first Sun.; 834-5775 (off).

ST. CATHARINES: 439 Ontario St. N., L2N 4M9; Sun. 9:30, 10:30, 6; Wed. 7:30; Steve Corliss, ev.; (905) 934-3862 (res.); 935-9581 (off.); Email: churchofchrist@on.aibn.com; WebSite: http://churchofchrist@n3.net

ST. CATHARINES (Garden City): Ina Grafton Gage Home (Elm Room), 413 Linwell Rd.; Sun. 9, 10, 11; Wed. 7; c/o Roy Diestelkamp, ev. 1231/2 Keefter Rd., Thorold ON L2V 4N1, 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; Skip Francis, ev., (519)-339-1161 (off) 344-4846 (res.), E-mail: <sarcofc@etech.net>; Other contact: Vern Hibbard, (519) 383-6700; email: <vhibbard@ebtech.net>

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

SAULT STE. MARIE (Pinehill): 132 Cunningham Rd., P6B 1N4; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7; Roger Lansdell, ev. (705) 256-1977 (res.), (705) 949-4988 (off.); R. Whitfield, sec., (705) 949-7612.

SELKIRK: 1/2 km. N. of village; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:30; Box 13, N0A 1P0.

SMITHVILLE: 246 Station St. L0R 2A0; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7.

SOUTH RIVER: Jasper St. S. off Ottawa St. W.; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7:30; Box 549, P0A 1X0; Jim Nicholson, ev. (705) 384-5215, 386-2628, church bldg. 386-2551.

STONE CREEK: 105 King St. E., L8G 1L1; (905) 664-1130 (off.); Sun. 9:45, 11; Sun. & Tues. evenings call for time and place; Darrell Buchanan, ev., (905) 664-7583(res); Robert Priestnall, sec.

STRATFORD: 478 Brunswick St., N5A 3N6; Sun. 9:30 Assembly; 11:00 Bible Study; Wed. 7:30; (519) 273-5280, George Mansfield, ev. 272-1714; gmansfld@quadro.net; John Brush, 625-1045; Larry Hoover, 271-9545; Joseph Kippax, 744-3439.

SUDBURY: 2663 Bancroft Dr. P3B 1T7; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7:00; 566-2898; Wes Bailey, sec. 523-0933.

SUNDRIDGE: Hwy. 11 N.; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; P.O. Box 927, P0A 1Z0; (705) 384-5214, Steve May, ev. 384-0597.

TECUMSEH (North Shore): St. Clair Beach Community Center, 13731 St. Gregory Rd.; Sun. 9:15, 10:15; Contact Rick Liebrook, 172 Pheasant Run Dr. RR1 Belle River ON N0R 1A0, (519) 735-0270; Ron Mccehan, ev.

THESSALON: 8 Albert St. off Hwy. 17; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7:30; Eric White, RR 2, P0R 1L0 (705) 842-6533; Murray Smith, ev. 842-2741.

THUNDER BAY: 501 Edward St. N. (at Redwood), P7C 4R1; Sun. 9:45, 11 (call for summer hours); Wed. 7; Eric Bailey, ev. (807) 473-5353(res.), (807) 577-2213 (off.); email <ebailey@baynet.net>.

TILLSONBURG: 1 mi. N. on Hwy. 19; Sun. 9:30; Wed. 7:00; Box 331, N4G 4H8; 842-7118.

TIMMINS: 290 Riverside Dr.; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:30; Box 1396, P4N 7N2; for more information call Larry Frost, sec./treas., (705) 268-4526.

TINTERN: R.R. #1, 4359 Spring Creek Rd., Vineland, ON L0R 2C0; Sun. 11, 9:45, 6; Wed. 7:00; Jim Holston, ev. (905-563-6348 (res), 563-6311 (off).

TORONTO (Bayview Ave.): 1708 Bayview Ave., M4G 3C4 (1 block S. of Eglinton); Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:30; Michael Hilborn, 63 Campbell Ave., M6P 3T9; Tony Lewis, ev.; Ph (416) 534-3033; (416) 489-7405 (off.).

TORONTO (Harding Ave.): 47 Harding Ave., M6M 3A3; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 8; Dick Forsyth, ev., Beamsville, 563-7874; Aikins Wiredu, sec., 242-8731

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

TORONTO (Strathmore Blvd.): 346 Strathmore Blvd. M4C 1N3 (across from Coxwell subway station); Sun. 9:45, 11, 6; Wed. 7; Marvin Johnson (416) 752-0325, Stephen Gill (416) 265-2496, elders; Max Craddock (416) 461-7406, e-mail maxc@sympatico.ca; FAX (416) 424-1850; Santiago Molina (Spanish) (416) 751-6879, ev.

TRENTON-BELLEVILLE: Sun. 9:45; 10:45; p.m. in homes; Tues. p.m. in homes; P.O. Box 22049, Trenton Center, Trenton, ON K8V 6S3; M. McDonnell (613) 969-0741; J. Short 965-1079; Ron Moore 962-1530.

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, Gordon Dennis, RR3; Mount Forest,

Box 274, N0G 2L0; (519) 334-3077

WATERLOO: 62 Hickory St. W. (at Hazel), N2L 3J4; (519) 885-6330 (off); Sun. 9:15, 10:30, and 6:00 (except 4th Sunday), Wed. 7:30; Javier Cuarczma, ev. (519) 743-2587 (res.); Bill Schwarz, ev., (519) 571-1047 (res.).

WELLAND: 72 Summit Ave., L3C 4G6; 11, 10, 6:30; Wed. 6:30 David Stewart, 834-5652; Harold Bruggen, ev. 732-2465

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; Drew Chapados, ev., 1179 Harrison Ave., N9C 3J4; (519) 253-3932 e-mail: <wsidecoc@wincom.net>.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

MONTREAL (French): 2500 Charland, H1Z 1C5; Sun. 10:15, 11:00; Wed. 7:00 (Fr. class); 1st Sat. 5:30 p.m. "Phoebe" women's class; last Sat. 6:00 youth meeting; Silvio Caddeo, ev., 387-6163 (off.); 337-9344 (res.); email: caddeo@total.net.

MONTREAL (English/French/Spanish/Chinese/Ghanian): 2401 St. Jacques; Sun. 10, 11, 6:30; Wed. 7:30 (English); Fri. 7 (French); PO Box 66 West Mount Station, H3Z 2T1; James Bell, ev. (514) 595-6744 (res), (514) 934-0400 (work).

MONTREAL (Verdun): 503-5th Avenue, Verdun, QC H4G 2Z2; (514) 765-8919; (French) Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; Roger Saumur, ev. (514) 635-5105; Roger.Saumur@sympatico.com; (English) Sun. 10, 9; Wed. 7:30; Chris Blackwell, ev. (514) 747-7417; chrisb777@videotron.ca.

PLESSISVILLE: Centre Communautaire, André Côté, CP21, G6L 2Y6; Sun. 11, 10; Yvon Beaudoin, (418) 653-3493.

QUEBEC CITY: 2980 Verteuil, Ste-Foy (corner Jean-Noel); Sun. 10:45, 9:30 (French); Wed. 19:30; C.P. 9041 Ste-Foy, G1V 4A8; (418) 651-3664.

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

BENGOUGH: 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; Marvin Bandura, Sec. 648-3629

HORSE CREEK: Sun. 10:30 (May-Nov.); 11 (Dec.-Apr.); Lonnie Goodwin, Box 58, McCord, S0H 2T0; (306) 478-2266.

LLOYDMINSTER: 56 Ave. and 47 St., Box 88, S9V 0X9; Sun. 10, 11; (780) 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; Jelsing Bailey, 446-2630.

PERRYVILLE: 20 mi. s. Wynyard on Grid 640; Grid Rd., 71/2 mi. W., 2 mi. S. of Wishart; 15 mi. NE of Punnicny; 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. 10 (Winter: 817 Beckwell Ave.); Richard Thuc, sec., Box 532, S0C 2G0; (306) 869-3103 (res.).

REGINA: 1825 Rothwell St. S4N 2C3; (306) 757-1825; FAX 757-5727; Sun. 10; Ray McMillan, senior min., 949-0969; Kevin Vance, youth min. 569-7837

SASKATOON: Hours may vary; Please phone to be certain; Office: 343-7922; Bob Parker, ev. 343-7884; location & mail, 134 Cardinal Cres. S7L 6H6; Fax: 343-1589; e-mail: <stoncofc@sk.sympatico.ca>

SASKATOON (Hub City Church of Christ): Rm 13, Albert Community Center, Clarence Ave. at 11 St. (Use south entrance off parking lot, take elevator to main floor); Sun. 2:30. Call ahead for possible changes. Taylors, 933-2706; Bastians, 931-8978; Browns, 255-2025

SWIFT CURRENT: 400 2nd Ave. S.E., S9H 3J6; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 6:30; Susan Eidem, sec., 773-1185.

WAWOTA: Hwy. 48 W. of town; Sun. 10; Mid-week call; Box 454, S0G 5A0; (306) 739-2103 (off); Michael Parker, ev.; or contact G. Husband, (306) 739-2915 or G. McMillan, (306) 538-4654.

WEYBURN: 1115 First Ave. NE (Hwy. 13E), S4H 0N2; Sun. 9:30, 10:30, 7; Wed. 7; Russell Ferris, ev., (306) 842-6424 (off); 848-0645 (res).

WHITEWOOD: Legion Hall, 738 Lalonda St.; Sun. 11; Midweek call; Box 1798 Esterhazy, S0A 0X0; Contact Merle Nelson for more information; (306) 745-2311.

YORKTON: 550 Parkway Rd., S3N 2L7; Sun. 11:30; 10:15; (306) 783-6877 (bldg); Gilles Guenette, sec. (306) 782-2917.

CALENDAR

March

- 2-3 Great Lakes Christian College Drama Production
- 16-25 Bramalea Events with Harding Group, 17th VBS, 22nd Area Singing and 24th Youth Rally
- 30-31 Christian Campaign Workshop at GLCC, Beamsville
- 30-April 1 Spring Spiritual Renewal, Murray Smith and Reggy Stirman, Beamsville Church

April

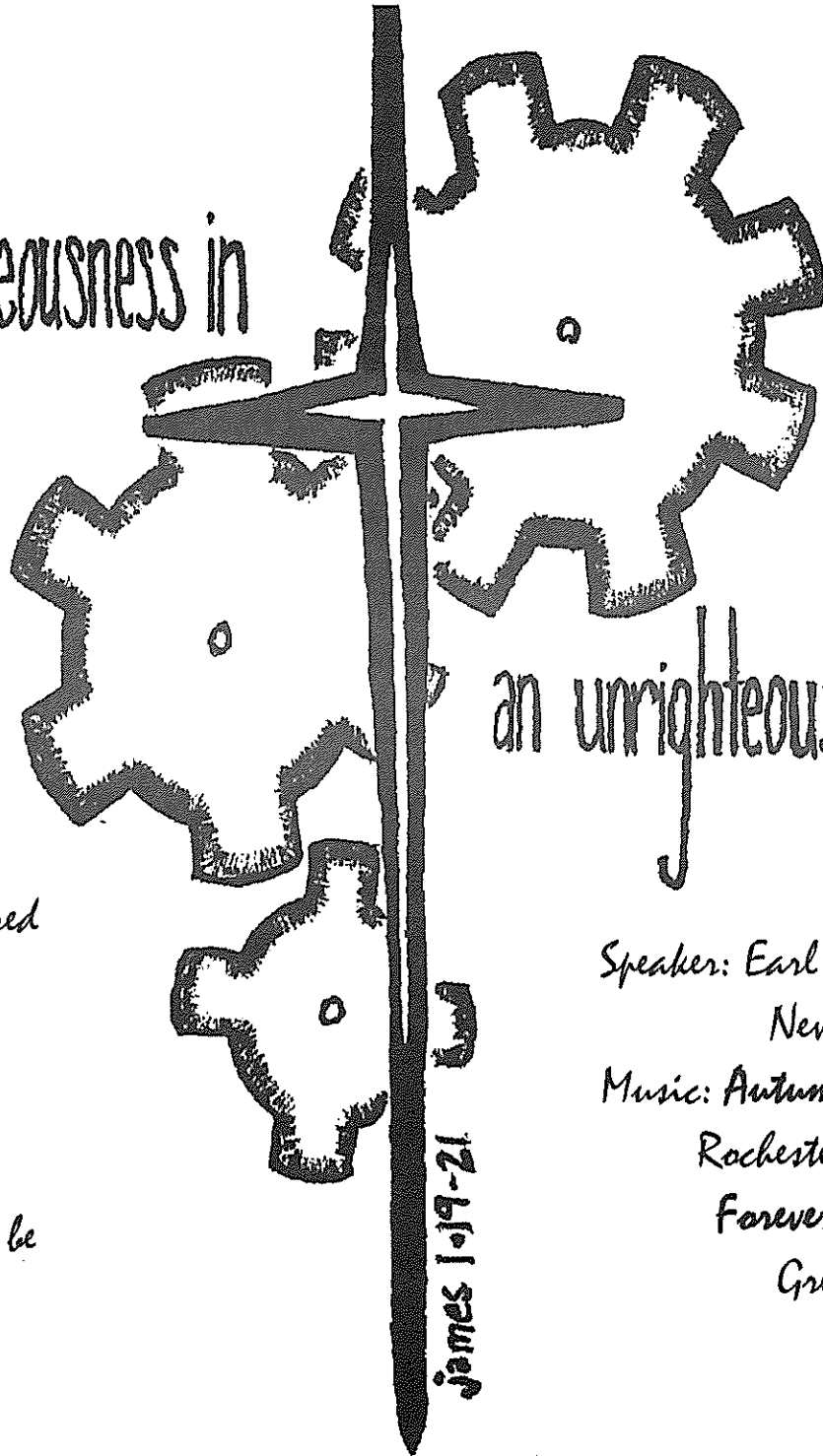
- 13 Training for Service, Toronto, "Spiritual Wellness for the New Millennium, B. McMillan, Mark Dailey and Scott Mansfield
- 20-22 GLCC chorus trip, Tilsonburg and Detroit
- 27-29 GLCC Youth Rally

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