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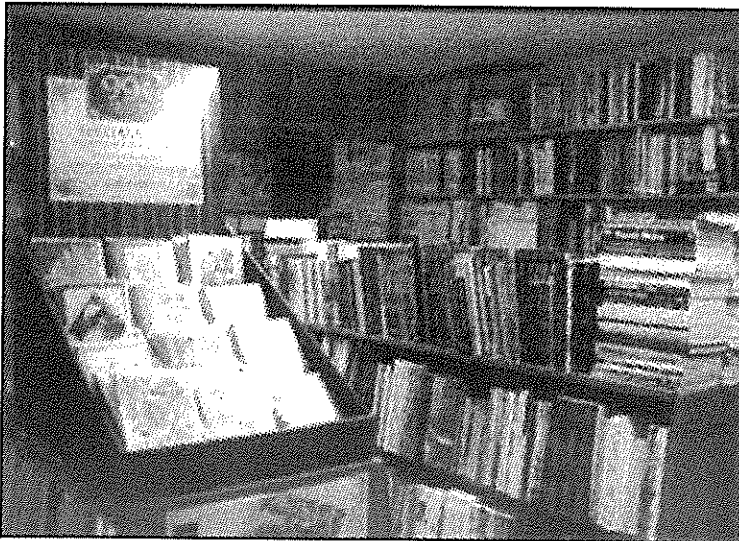
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# The Need for Ambition

Tim Johnson

A key word we hear these days is "globalization." We're told that the Canadian economy is merging with that of the rest of the world. The entrepreneur, rather than a large company, is held up as the example of how to succeed. No doubt they are right. The people behind successful small businesses have ideas and goals, and they are ambitious.

Ambition is both a good and bad quality. One can be ambitious due to pride or profit. Jesus scolded the Pharisees who did "all their deeds to be noticed by men." (Mt. 23:5-7, 12). Upon requesting special positions in the Kingdom, James and John were told their ambition was not good, for "whoever wishes to become great among you shall be your servant." (Mt. 20:20-28). In Psalm 49:11-13 ambitious people are pictured as those who just want to make a name for themselves. "Man in his pomp will not endure; He is like the beasts that perish." An ambition based on pride, competition and greed is not what we need.

Christians are to be ambitious for good works, to please our Lord, and to work hard to spread the gospel and expand the Kingdom of God's dear Son. Happiness doesn't come from serving ourselves, but in giving our lives to the work of accomplishing something for Christ in humility and dependence on Him. This applies in our own efforts to look after ourselves, our work as Christians, and our part in the church.

We're clearly told to be ambitious in the way we make an income: "attend to your own business and work with your hands, just as we commanded you; so that you may behave properly toward outsiders and not be in any need." (1 Thess. 4:11). Later, Paul lets us know that these comments have jobs and employment in mind. We are to have the ambition to work hard for a living, to look after ourselves and our families and not be unnecessarily dependent on others (2 Thess. 3:7-11). It's "proper" to be independent, which implies ambition to be so. In our world today it takes careful planning, education, and hard work to secure employment. One must be ambitious to do this well. While not everyone has the same opportunities for education and training,

we can strive to do the best we can with our God-given talents to work hard for a living. The Lord not only wants us to be independent, but to have the means to give to others in need (Eph. 4:28).

We are to be ambitious in the Kingdom. God's leaders in the church are to equip the members so that they can do "the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ." (Ephesians 4:11-12). Blessed with abilities and equipped by godly leaders, each of us is to serve. This takes ambition, for no work gets done by expecting others to do it for us. We are "to be careful to engage in good deeds," and to "be zealous" for them (Titus 2:14; 3:8).

Our ambition to serve the body of Christ is not to be misguided. Some people seem to think they can be independent of the rest of the church in what they do, or even rebellious in their way of thinking about

## *Christians are to be ambitious for good works...*

good works. It is wrong to insist the church must serve MY agenda and do things MY way, when it's clear we must work in harmony with the rest of the body of Christ - of which we are only one part (Eph. 4:16). We are always to be ambitious for good works and service in cooperation with the leadership of the group. Their wisdom is to guide us so that the entire body is built up, not just one member.

Are entire congregations to be ambitious? One thing is clear in the New Testament: a lack of ambition is condemned. After 30 or 40 years of existence, the Ephesian church was warned by Christ that it had left its first love (Rev. 2:4-5). He told them to "repent, and do the deeds you did at first." They had lost their enthusiasm and ambitious ways in their service to Christ. Likewise, the church at Sardis had a fine reputation for busy activities, but in reality was dead! (Rev. 3:1-6). None of their good deeds had been completed, and nothing finished. This implies poor planning, poor organization, and no ambition to see things through. Also, the Laodicean church is described as a congregation whose deeds were neither hot nor cold. There was little

activity, little direction, little ambition. They were too comfortable.

Churches today can suffer from the same lack of ambition. We can be satisfied with our comfort, not care for the lost, do little to send the gospel to new provinces and countries where we have no one sharing it. We can be content to assemble and worship, but expect others to sacrifice, spend their funds, and do the hard work to serve others who are lost.

In contrast to this, is the Thessalonian church which had a "work of faith and labour of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the presence of our God and Father." (1 Thess. 1:3). Despite persecution and hardship the "word of the Lord has sounded forth from you, not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place . . ." (v8). They were full of enthusiasm and sought out ways to take the gospel all over their area and beyond.

We need ambition as Christians. We need it as congregations. God wants to work through us, but we must be willing to let Him and to use our energies to serve Him.

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# God's Plan, Not Mine by Design

Paul Vance

*(Note: Shirley Straker recently taught a writing class at Great Lakes Bible College in Waterloo, Ontario. This article was written for that class and later submitted to the GH for publication. We thank Paul, not only for the article, but also for reminding all of us, that everyone has something that is worth sharing with others. - WT)*

I have had some wonderful experiences doing the Lord's work these past few months. The opportunity came to me in a very painful way. If someone had told me this was going to be a great opportunity, I would have had a good laugh.

April 3, 2001

A normal workday. I am excited about my trip to Hanover, an area where I used to live. I was going to be able to meet old friends for coffee. As a driver for Loblaw's, I am delivering garden centre material. Spring is coming fast, a time of year I love. It is a beautiful day for driving.

After I arrive at the store, the receiver is taking me to where I will be unloaded behind the store. We are walking along talking, not paying particular attention to the pavement, a patch of ice, down I go. I attempt to get back on my feet, no luck, my right leg is numb. "Here, I'll give you a hand," the receiver says as he bends down and grabs me by the shoulders. I realize something is seriously wrong. A small crowd has gathered as we wait for the ambulance. They have covered me with a mound of coats to keep me warm. Seems like an eternity before the ambulance arrives. I'm taken to the hospital, and x-rays are taken, I have a broken hip. I am sent by ground ambulance to St. Mary's Hospital in Kitchener, 2 hours away.

After the long ride, a lot of pain, we arrive and I meet the surgeon, Dr. Stevenson. He explains the different procedures he might take depending on the type of break. I can't wait to go to surgery, the pain seems unbearable.

Now the healing process begins, after an eight-day stint in the hospital I get to go home. This is quite a change, at age 54, needing someone to dress, bath and do basic things for me.

May 1

We moved to Brantford, very interesting in my condition. No problem, our son and eleven members from three local congregations show up. One member said, "Hey, we are the heavenly movers." In less than five hours the move is complete, praise God.

May 24

Twenty-five students from Freed-Hardeman University in Tennessee arrive in Brantford to help us spread the gospel.

Matt and Ryan, two young men, are bunking at our place. What an honour to get to know this great pair of guys. The week flew by. I got to spend the week with the group, sharing our faith, telling stories. What a great opportunity, so encouraging. Seeing these young folks work with such faith at times I felt helpless not being able to do more.

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When the week was over much work had been done with much left to do. These young people encouraged and challenged me so much I am greatly indebted to them.

Big plans for the summer, Jamie and I do visits and Bible studies and encourage others in the work. Doug Jarvis, a fellow Christian, and I have also done a lot together. He is such an encouraging friend.

It was exciting to have Jamie bring the young people out on Friday night, they played games on our acreage and sang songs around the campfire. What a blessing.

September

Fall arrives. Classes at the Bible college in Waterloo are starting. Jamie says, "Paul, you need to go." So, another opportunity - Hebrews and the major prophets, great studies, awesome teachers, Dave and Walter. Great classes and a wealth of knowledge.

November

As a result of the work done by the young people in the spring, we study with a wonderful couple, Al and Dorothy. They are baptized into the Lord. God has blessed our congregation.

December

Christmas? No. Shirley's short course on creative writing. Jamie says you need to go. Well, here I am, and there you are, reading this as a result.

With God's guiding hand, the blessings, opportunities and the people, I could write on forever. Good news-I am stopping here.

On April 3, when I lay on that ice with the worst pain I've known so far in this life, if someone had said God is going to use this as an opportunity to serve Him better, my reaction would have been one of disbelief.

*Brantford, Ont.*

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## 'Here Am I...'

Wayne Turner



According to the CBC National News, Canadians lag far behind the United States and Great Britain in becoming involved as volunteers. On February 4, 2002, the CBC reported that only 27% of Canadians were involved as volunteers. This compares poorly with 34% in Great Britain and 45% in the United States. The report stated that volunteerism had declined in Canada and that over one million volunteers were needed just to make up lost ground.

The chief excuse for not being involved is "I'm too busy." Two other factors were identified. First, many people see volunteering as someone else's duty. This is especially true of the younger generations who have not shown the same commitment to service as their predecessors. Second, the weakening of the influence of religious life in Canada has played a significant role. Twice as many people who go to church volunteer.

Volunteerism, involvement, service, whatever it may be called, has always had a vital place in the work of charitable social and service organizations. Where would programs like community food banks and shelters, Meals on Wheels, Scouts/Guides, hospitals, clinics, daycares, seniors' homes, community centres and the organizations for various health concerns like Heart, Kidney, Diabetes, Schizophrenia, etc. be without volunteers?

The relationship between organizations and their volunteers has always been challenging. Almost all of us are familiar with the jokes made about involvement. "This organization is full of willing people. Some people are willing to work, the others are willing to let them." "We have three groups of people in our organization: those who make things happen, those who watch things happen and those who wonder what happened."

Some schools and businesses have taken note of the decline and are attempting to reverse the trend. According to the CBC, one fourth of Canadian employees are able to take time from work to volunteer. Some schools have added volunteerism to their programmes, requiring as many as 40 hours per year of some form of volunteer activity. These are all positive steps. However, it seems that the real key has been missed. Did you notice the connection between involvement and church? It seems obvious that as people develop a greater sense of God in their lives, they have a greater desire to become more involved in their communities.

At this point, we encounter a frustrating irony. Someone once noted that in the average congregation, only about 10% of the members are involved (assuming that involvement is more than simply attendance on Sunday morning). If involvement were less than this, the congregation would be inactive and dying. A higher rate indicated a church that was healthy and growing. This parallels Flavil Yeakley's conclu-

sion in "Why Churches Grow" that growing churches have a greater number of perceived roles. (It should be noted that this type of involvement is not mere "busy work" but is rather being a significant part of the life and activity of the congregation.)

Take a good look at your congregation. What kind of involvement do you have? What percentage of the congregation actually does the work? Who in the congregation are the servants? the teachers? the givers? Is there any difference in involvement from different age groups. How much involvement and giving come from those under 30? 30-50? 50-65? 65 and up? Are the younger members a significant part of the work? Or is the congregation dependent on its older members and therefore facing an even greater lack of involvement in the near future?

It appears that the church, like the community organizations mentioned above, is reaping what our culture has sown. For many decades, advertisers had told people to look after themselves. "You are worth it." Our society has even acknowledged this selfishness by identifying the "me generation." Involvement is not based on the unselfish service of love or the good that can be done for others, but on "what's in it for me?"

As Christians, we are called to involvement and service in both the body of Christ and our communities. The New Testament never speaks of involvement in terms of 10% or 27% or 50% or any part less than the whole - all Christians, every part of the body of Christ. Paul describes growth as being the result of each part working properly. Jesus did not intend the church to be like the caricature of Parliament in which some are seen to serve in active ministries while the rest are "backbenchers."

Every Christian is a minister, called by God into active service. He expects all of us to serve a useful purpose and function for Him. He challenges us to move beyond merely  
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## Finding a Life Mate - (2)

**D**oes one find a mate for life or does the mate find them? Does it all happen by chance or is it all determined before we are born? Do we play a part in finding our life mate or is it all determined by fate? What expectations should we have of one we might one day marry? Should we have a list of the attributes that we are looking for in a husband or wife, or should we follow our heart?

I must admit a certain discomfort with a shopping list approach to finding a husband or wife. My discomfort comes from some of the shopping lists and expectations I have seen. Many are looking for perfection in the one they hope to marry. Please don't get me wrong! I am equally uncomfortable with the romantic notion that the perfect match for you will one day magically appear, your eyes will meet across a crowded room, you will fall madly in love with one another and know from the first that you are just perfect for one another.

Having witnessed the struggles that many married couples face, I have come up with some items to look for in a future husband or wife. These are simply some issues that you will want to discuss before tying the knot. I am listing these as questions that you will want to ask yourselves and each other before you marry. Last month we asked: **(1) Do you share a faith in God? (2) Do you share a similar commitment to serve God and others? (3) Do you respect him or her and is the respect reciprocated?**

**(4) Is this a person that I like well enough to become my best friend?**

Building a marriage that will last a lifetime is more about friendship than it is about romance. Best friends enjoy spending time together so much that what they do while they are together is less important than their being together. They develop common interests so that they can be together because they enjoy being together.

Some marry individuals that they believe they are madly in love with yet don't like well enough to have them as their best friend. Such a marriage faces an uphill struggle. So ... ask yourself, "Is this a person that I like well enough to be my best friend?"

**(5) Do we share similar goals, values and aims?**

Is lifelong marriage a value that you share in common? Some couples marry without ever talking about their goals, aims and values. Differing goals, aims and values then surface a little while into the marriage and are potential sources of conflict. Share your goals, aims and values and encourage those you go out with to do the same. You may find a potential source of conflict or much that you have in common. Either way, it is better to know before you are married.

**(6) Is this a person I can have respectful disagreements with?**

In pre-marriage counseling I will ask couples planning to be married how they plan to solve problems or disagreements once they are married. In response, I often (but not always) will hear couples say that they love each other so much that they aren't going to have any problems or disagreements. I have heard married couples claim that they never have any arguments and then have heard the same couples arguing. One couple got into an argument over whether they had arguments. The truth is that disagreements, problems and even arguments come to every marriage. Good problem solving skills and the ability to disagree respectfully are thus important in any marriage.

How have differences of opinion or disagreements been handled thus far in your relationship? Don't marry assuming that you will be treated with more respect after you are married than before. So ... ask yourself, "Are we able to have respectful disagreements?"

**(7) Do we want to live in the same geographic area?**

During the second world war many English girls married Canadian and American servicemen who were stationed in England. Some did not discuss where they would live after the war. Many questioned even whether they would survive the war. The war ended and the Canadian and American servicemen returned home. Some were able to bring their wives with them; some wives followed later when the immigration red tape had finally been dealt with and some never came. Many of the war brides assumed that their husbands would remain in England after the war, where they could be close to their family and friends. Many of the servicemen assumed that their young wives would follow them to North America after the war. Had they discussed the matter, they might have been able to avoid a lot of heartache and failed expectations. The 21st Century provides us with a greater ease of travel than ever before. It is not uncommon for men and women to travel across continents or to the other side of the world for job opportunities. In many families both husband and wife are working and this only makes a problem in this area more likely. Of course discussing this before one gets married is not the entire answer. It is impossible to completely plan for a lifetime together before you get married. However, discussing hopes, plans, aims and dreams, what you are open to and what you are not, is helpful. If you cannot imagine ever leaving the town you grew up in and your family and friends, that is information that any future husband or wife needs to know. So ... ask, "Do we anticipate living in the same geographic area?"

Next month we will continue to discuss the questions you will want to ask yourself and any person that you might one day marry and spend your life with.

*Wunnumin Lake*

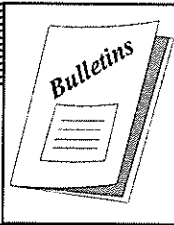
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existing as spectators, pew packers and sermon hearers to doing - helping, serving, teaching, giving, visiting, encouraging, calling, writing, or anything else that is needed.

The attitude of volunteerism is the same as the spirit of Isaiah when God asks for a volunteer, "Who will go...?" Isaiah replied, as we should, "Here am I, send me."

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## Developing an Attitude that is Christlike

*Max Craddock*

Our theme, "Taking Control of our Attitude" is a worthy goal for each and every one of us. It is easy to be controlled by the attitude and actions of those around us rather than being strong enough to "stand on our own two feet". We can only do this by a mind that is set on doing the will of God in everything...those things which are easy as well as those things which call for greater strength of purpose.

The mindset of Samuel is the one necessary in "Developing An Attitude That Is Christ-like". After mistaking the call of God for the call of Eli in the night (See 1 Samuel 3 for the full story.) when God calls again Samuel answers, "The Lord came and stood there, calling as at the other times, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Then Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.'" (1 Samuel 3:10). There must be a willingness to listen for the word of God and obey it.

Some have a predisposition against God and do not really want any part of what he says while they may pretend they do. In John 8, Jesus is talking with some Jews who, of course, claimed to be the children of God. Because of their unwillingness to believe him Jesus says to them in verse 47: "He who belongs to God hears what God says. The reason you do not hear is that you do not belong to God." Strong words but true. Those wishing to be "of him" must be open to "hear him". Even when what Christ and his appointed spokesmen (writers of the Bible) say disagrees with what one may personally want, the word of God must be accepted and obeyed by those who would have the "...attitude of Christ Jesus..." (Philippians 2:5)

This begins with a true reverence for God and Christ in which one is willing to obey, in respectful humbleness, what God requires. In the words of Solomon of old, the attitude of the person who would be Christ-like is stated this way, "Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the

matter: Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man." (Ecclesiastes 12:13). Christ himself spoke of this need, "Why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say? I will show you what he is like who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice. He is like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built." (Lk.6:46-48). The beginning of such a strong house (life) is a reverence in listening to and living by the command of God.

The attitude of the "good and faithful servant" of Matthew 25:21 is the same as that of Samuel, "speak, Lord, your servant is listening". The first step toward developing an attitude that is Christ-like is to hold in reverence the word of God and obey it.

Along with reverence for God, there must be an openness to divine truth. One of the very difficult things for people to do is accept and respond to truth when it is not in line with what they have believed in the past. This was one of the major problems for the Jews when Jesus came to redeem mankind. They were not looking for the kind of King (Spiritual) Jesus had come to be. Since Jesus was not willing to lead them in war against the Romans and form an earthly kingdom, he was rejected. Even though the prophets had spoken of his coming many would not believe him. (John 12:37)

One may say with Samuel, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening..." yet not obey his voice when truth calls for change in action. There must be a focusing on what God says along with closing one's ears to the call of evil. T. O. Chisholm wrote, "Buried with Christ, my blessed redeemer, dead to the old life of folly and sin; Satan may call, the world may entreat me, there is no voice that answers within." One thing that needs to be understood is that the call from Satan may not be to do some evil act such a lying, etc. The call may be for self will and an unwillingness

to submit to the word of God.

A good example is Naaman, the commander of the army of the king of Aram. He had leprosy and went to see the prophet, Elisha, to seek healing. When told to go wash in the Jordan River seven times and he would be cleansed, Naaman became angry because this did not fit with what he had decided would be the way he would be healed. He said "I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, wave his hand over the spot and cure me of my leprosy." (2 Kings 5:11)

Poor Naaman!! First, the prophet did not even come out himself but rather sent a messenger. Then he is told to go wash in the Jordan. This was not what Naaman wanted to hear. Even if washing could cleanse him he felt there were better rivers back home. Still, that was not what God had chosen for cleansing. (Fortunately Naaman had a servant that had better sense than he did. Finally persuaded, he went to wash and came away cleansed.)

Naaman is not alone in this kind of thinking and failure to accept and obey the will of God. He is the one who has the power to save and he has the right to lay the rules for saving. The attitude that will be Christ-like and thus pleasing to God comes from thinking like the Psalmist who wrote, "I have considered my ways and have turned my steps to your statutes. I will hasten and not delay to obey your commands." (Psalm 119:59, 60) The attitude of Christ, "I have come to do the will of my father..."

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# A Song Of Creation - Part 1

Richard Kruse

**G**od is the most important word of creation (Genesis 1:1-5). The Hebrew word for God in these verses is "Elohim". El was a common name used by the ancient Semitic peoples for God. (God identified himself as El Shaddi, God Almighty in Genesis 17:1; El Elyon, God Most High in Genesis 14:18; Deuteronomy 26:19; El Olam, God Everlasting in Genesis 21:22,33; Isaiah 40:28). Genesis pictures a great creative power, "God", who alone existed from all eternity.

God is the Creator. The universe in all its awesome majesty was his idea, and he brought it into existence. It was not an accident that just happened to take place without thought or plan. God is the beginning and the end of all creation. Everything, from the many giant galaxies moving through endless space, to the smallest atom, was designed by him. He is the source of all life and all that is good in life. He is the source of all knowledge and wisdom. Every creature on earth exists because of the plan and purpose of God who is wise, good and gracious. He is the sustainer of life; without him, life would cease.

There are two extremes in the world today. First, are the people (Animists) who see God in nature and worship everything as God. The second extreme is the "worship" of science and material things; self-seeking instead of God-seeking; a confidence and dependence on human wisdom and abilities. In modern Western society, people become the centre of attention and think they can accomplish everything without God.

## OUT OF CHAOS

Genesis 1 is not a science chapter to satisfy curiosity: when were frogs made? Which came first the chicken or the egg? Rather it is a song of good news, singing the praise of God who acts in the face of chaos.

What God had created - the stars and planets - was without order, and lifeless. The earth was full of darkness. This is a description of chaos. What God had created in this period of time-before-time was

chaotic. (Time as we know it is measured by the earth rotating around the sun. Time-before-time was before the sun, earth and solar system took its present form. This could have been many thousands of "years".) Does it not seem strange that chaos would be mentioned when recording the creation of God? Yet, when God was making the world a place for people to dwell in, he was dealing with chaos. He was using the chaos as his raw material to make the earth and universe surrounding it. Notice that God didn't say: "I can't do anything with this mess. I'm going to another part of the universe and find something better to work with"! There would be no

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gospel (good news) in that.

There is good news contained in these verses in that when God faces chaos, he is not at a loss at what to do. He is not silent. He takes the chaos, moulds it, shapes it and does exciting things with it. Consider the beauty of mountains, refreshing streams, glorious sunrise and sunset, unique snowflakes, fragrant flowers, tall trees just to name a few. Mountains were pushed up and formed from the chaos below the earth's surface. From the chaos of the storm clouds above the earth comes life-giving rain and snow, nourishing flowers and trees.

## GOD IS NOT SILENT

The song of creation continued, "And God said..." This phrase is repeated eleven times in the 31 verses of Genesis 1. There is good news that when God faces chaos, he is not speechless. "... the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, ... it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart" (Hebrews 4:12).

The Bible begins with song, not science - though there is nothing in the first chapter of Genesis which violates true science. However, science is limited when dealing with chaos. The song presents the good news that God can, with his creative, pow-

erful, life-giving word, make that which will last into eternity. History contains much chaos. The Bible reveals God dealing with human chaos, transforming broken lives into something beautiful. Today is not unique. God can and will continue to use the chaos in the lives of people to create something positive.

For example: A young boy's life became full of chaos. His mother died and his father married a woman who was unable to be a good mother for five young children. The boy's two younger sisters were given to others. Because the father and step-mother became addicted to alcohol, the boys were often beaten and abused. Often the boy's hunger drove him to the food store's trash seeking bits of fruits and vegetables. After a few years, the two older brothers were successful in running away from home. Later, when the youngest son ran away, he was put in prison "for his protection" because he refused to return home. His life was full of dark bitterness. Even though he began his journey to God in prison, the prison experience haunted him for years. The slamming of a door would send a chill down his back.

Years later, after becoming a Christian, the young man was asked to visit a woman in prison. With much fear and an almost overwhelming flood of bad memories the man went into the prison - only to be told by the woman, "I don't want to talk ... You can't understand!"

When he asked, "Why?" She responded, "Because you were never in prison ... don't know anything about alcoholism ... sexual abuse ... poverty..."

God was then able to use the former chaos of the man's life to begin the process of sharing the good news with her and later with her husband.

God dealing with chaos is a central theme or thread woven throughout the pages of the Bible; God takes chaos and moulds it into something beautiful. Yet, God did not instantly make the earth and all that was in it as a suitable place for people to live in. He took six "days" to make order out of the chaos.

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# Joy & Sorrow

Cecil T. Bailey

As we journey through life, there are two common sensations that are our constant companions. They are joy and sorrow. These sensations engage our minds largely as a result of messages which our brain has received. If the message is one of hope or encouragement, we experience joy; but if the message is one of disappointment or despair, we taste sorrow.

Many long years ago to certain shepherds there came a message that was designed to bring joy to the whole wide world. It was: "And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them: 'Fear not: for I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David (Bethlehem) a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.'" This angelic message to the shepherds was immediately corroborated: And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest and peace among men of good will.'" (Luke 2:8-14).

While Jesus brought, and is still bring-

ing, unsullied joy to many, many lives, his own life was characterized by sorrow. He was described by Isaiah in a Messianic prophecy as "a man of sorrows and one acquainted with grief" (Isaiah 53:3).

Jesus' disciples experienced both great sorrow and great joy in their association with their Lord. The two disciples en route from Jerusalem to Emmaus, still fearing that Jesus had died in vain, expressed their deep sorrow in these words, "But we were hoping that he was the one who was about to redeem Israel." How different was the sensation of Mary Magdalene when she discovered that the one with whom she was in earnest conversation, was not the gardener, as she assumed, but was, in fact, her risen Lord. From the depth of her heart came a cry out of the pent up love she had for Jesus, and the sudden joy in the realization that he was alive again, she cried out in her native tongue, Rabbonai! (My dear teacher!).

In general, a Christian, like others, experiences joy or sorrow in accordance with what is happening to him, or around him. However, we, as Christians, are often exhorted to find joy even in our most unpleasant experiences. In concluding what we are pleased to call the Beatitudes of Matthew 5:3-12, Jesus startled his listen-

ers by saying, "Blessed are you when men shall reproach you and persecute you for my sake, and say all manner of lies about you; rejoice and exult; because your reward is great in the heavens." To this James adds: "Deem it all joy my brethren, when you fall into trials of various kinds, knowing this, that the proving of your faith works patience" (1:2,3).

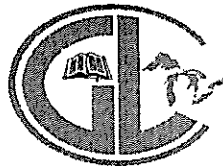
Dear brother or sister, if you wonder from whence you or I can garner such inspiration so as to carry out our Lord's will in this regard, perhaps we should ask ourselves how Jesus himself demonstrated such courage. No scripture has made me love and honour my Lord more than this one, namely, Hebrews 12:2, "looking to Jesus the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured a cross, despising shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of God."

Yes, if you and I are consumed with this hope of glory, as was our Lord, we are equipped to joyously follow him, even through the "Valley of the Shadow of Death" sharing in both his sorrows and his joys, and to "rejoice with those who rejoice; and to weep with those who weep." Hear his invitation, "Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord!"

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The children of today are the church and society of tomorrow.

The nature of the churches and communities of the future depends on how well we prepare our children to be faithful Christians and dependable citizens. Further, it is my conviction, based on the teachings of the scriptures, my own experiences and many years of observation, that effective training is more the result of example than of instruction. Both are needed, but instruction without example is confusing and counter-productive because of its mixed message.

Guided by God the wise man wrote, "Train (footnote, start) a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it." (Prov.22:6, See also Deut.6:7; Eph.6:4). The Lord and His church had a high priority in the lives of both Evelyn's and my parents. On the farm, long hours of hard labour prevented participation in many outside activities but always took second place to church meetings. Still, all these years later, their children schedule other activities and appointments around church activities rather than

the reverse.

We confess to alarm and concern at seeing so many young families so carelessly absenting themselves from regular meetings of the church of which they are a part and in which some of them are becoming leaders. In some cases they are substituting sports activities or the sports activities of their children. Maybe "family time together" or early bedtimes are the priority. Whatever the reasoning, from our vantage point, we are very concerned about the message (the training/the start) the children are getting. What is the message they are receiving?

The following quotations serve to reinforce our concerns. We urge parents to give them serious consideration and do all they can to avoid giving the wrong messages to their children.

"There is nothing more influential in a child's life than the moral power of quiet example. For children to take morality seriously, they must see adults take morality seriously." William J. Bennett, *The Book of Virtue* (Simon and Schuster). The same is true of spirituality.

**"It Is Hard to Convince Your Children:** That the work of the church is really important when you are not taking an active part in the work of the church.

**"It Is Hard to Convince Your Children:** That faithfulness to the church is the most important loyalty in life, when you permit them to forsake services to engage in other activities.

**"It Is Hard to Convince Your Children:**

That the church is the body of Christ, when you are indifferent to the welfare of the members of the body.

**"It Is Hard to Convince Your Children:** That they are to respect the church, when you constantly complain and criticize the efforts of those who care enough to be doing something.

**"It Is Hard to Convince Your Children:** That the church is the world's most important institution, when you give so little to finance the church's work.

**"It Is Hard to Convince Your Children:** That they can believe God's Word, if you don't believe Him enough to place the kingdom of God first in your life.

**"It Is Hard to Convince Your Children:** That it is important to love your enemies, when you hold grudges and have wrong attitudes toward those who do you wrong.

**"It Is Hard to Convince Your Children:** That we must obey the laws of the land, when we give false information on our tax form and disregard speed limits.

**"It Is Hard to Convince Your Children:** That it is important to teach others the gospel, when we have never attempted to talk with our neighbors or friends about the truth.

**"It Is Hard to Convince Your Children:** That we must stand against false doctrine and immorality, when we remain silent when error is being propagated or practiced."

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## FEAR #1 - Should We Fear God?

Margaret Hibbard

*(Editor's Note: The next three issues of the Woman's Page will contain a series of lessons on Fear, prepared by Margaret Hibbard. These lessons can be used for individual Bible study or can be shared in a ladies' Bible class. We thank Margaret for the work she has done in preparing these and for her willingness to share them. lch)*

In another lesson, entitled "What Can I Do About Satan?" we discussed the idea that Jesus has done something about Satan but we have to access Jesus' help in this matter. Matthew 10:28 told us that we need to "fear the One who can kill both body and soul in hell". After some discussion on this verse, we came to the conclusion that the "One" we need to fear is God. Then the question arose that "God is a loving God - why does this say we should fear Him?" So in these next few lessons we will discuss this idea of Fear. God bless you in your study of His Word.

Margaret Hibbard, Edmonton, Alberta

**Purpose:** What does it mean to "Fear God"?

**Opening Question:** Tell about someone whom you revere quite highly and how you act or would act in his presence.

**Introduce Topic:** The Bible was written in two primary languages--Hebrew and Greek. In the Old Testament Hebrew we find three main words translated as fear. The New Testament has five main words that are translated as fear.

Look over the Strong's Greek-Hebrew Dictionary entries for the word FEAR" at the end of the lesson. Use the definitions to get an idea of the meanings of these words. As you study the scriptures below, notice (by the number given) what the actual word is that was used and try to understand the context according-

ly. The scriptures are grouped according to the Biblical word used. Notice that some of the entries are very similar. That is because the words used are similar or are from the same root word.

**Read:** Matthew 10:28

Refresh your memory on the scripture that started the whole discussion - Who is the one we should "fear"?

Old Testament scriptures that use #3372, #3373, #3374 - all make reference to "fearing the Lord".

- Deuteronomy 10:12-13--fear plus what else?
- Joshua 24:14-15--fear plus what else?
- 1 Samuel 12:12-15--fear plus what else?
- Nehemiah 5:15-16--reason for his action?
- Job 1:8-11--fear plus what else?
- Psalm 25:12-15--God's response?
- Psalm 31:19-20--God's response?
- Ecclesiastes 12:13-14--fear plus what else?
- Isaiah 50:10--fear plus what else?
- Jonah 1:9--translated as "worship the Lord" in NIV, most others say "fear the Lord"

Old Testament scriptures that use a mix of numbers

- Isa 8: 12-14 - #3372, #4171 and #6206 - discuss the various ways that "fear" is used in this passage

New Testament scriptures that use #5398 or #5399

- Matthew 10:26-31--God's response?
- Luke 1:50--God's response?
- Acts 10:34-37--God's response?
- 1 Peter 2:17--fear commanded

New Testament scriptures that use #5401

- Acts 5:10-11--why great fear?
- Acts 9:31--sounds like being afraid?

•1 Peter 1:17-21--says "reverent" fear in NIV

New Testament scriptures that use a mix of numbers

1 John 4:16?18--#5399 & #5401

Q. Explain the relationship between love and fear.

Final Thoughts on Topic:

- Read again Matthew 10:28-31
- Read again 1 John 4:16-18
- Remember that IF we are right with God we have no reason to be afraid of Him and every reason to be reverent towards Him.

**Strong's Greek-Hebrew Dictionary entries for the word FEAR**

**OT:3372**

yare' (yaw-ray'); a primitive root; to fear; morally, to revere; caus. to frighten: KJV-affright, be (make) afraid, dread (-ful), (put in) fear (-ful, -fully, -ing), (be had in) reverence (-end), X see, terrible (act, -ness, thing).

**OT:3373**

yare' (yaw-ray'); from OT:3372; fearing; morally, reverent: KJV-afraid, fear (-ful).

**OT:3374**

yir'ah (yir-aw'); feminine of OT:3373; fear (also used as infinitive); morally, reverence: KJV-X dreadful, X exceedingly, fear (-fulness).

**OT:4172**

mowra' (mo-raw'); or mora' (mo-raw'); or morah (Ps 9:20) (mo-raw'); from OT:3372; fear; by implication, a fearful thing or deed:

KJV-dread, (that ought to be) fear (-ed), terribleness, terror.

**OT:6206**

`arats (aw-rats'); a primitive root; to awe or (intransitive) to dread; hence, to harass: KJV-be affrighted (afraid, dread, feared, terrified), break, dread, fear, oppress, prevail, shake terribly.

**NT:1167**

deilia (di-lee'-ah); from NT:1169; timidity: KJV-fear.

**NT:1169**

deilos (di-los'); from deos (dread); timid, i.e. (by implication) faithless:

KJV-fearful.

**NT:1630**

ekphobos (ek'-fob-os); from NT:1537 and NT:5401; frightened out of one's wits: sore afraid, exceedingly fear.

NT:1790

entromos (en'-trom-os); from NT:1722 and NT:5156; terrified:

KJV-X quake, X trembled.

NT:2124

eulabeia (yoo-lab'-i-ah); from NT:2126; properly, caution, i.e. (religiously) reverence (piety); by implication, dread (concretely):

KJV-fear (-ed).

NT:5398

phoberos (fob-er-os'); from NT:5401; frightful, i.e. (objectively) formidable:

JJV-fearful, terrible.

NT:5399

phobeo (fob-eh'-o); from NT:5401; to frighten, i.e. (passively) to be alarmed; by analogy, to be in awe of, i.e. revere:

KJV-be (+sore) afraid, fear (exceedingly), reverence.

NT:5401

phobos (fob'-os); from a primary phebo-mai (to be put in fear); alarm or fright:

KJV-be afraid, + exceedingly, fear, terror

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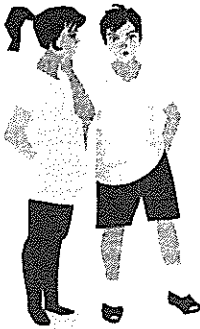
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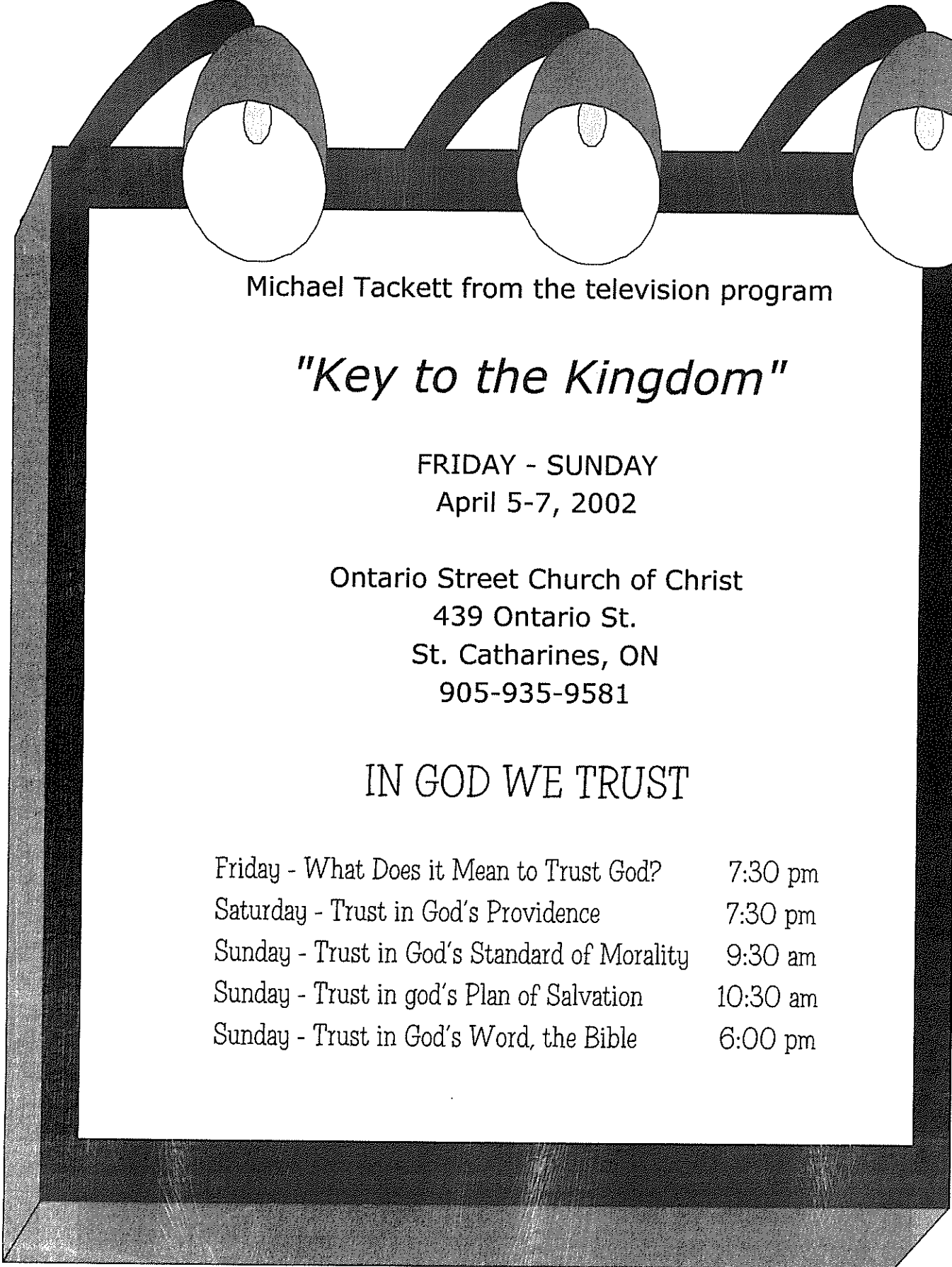
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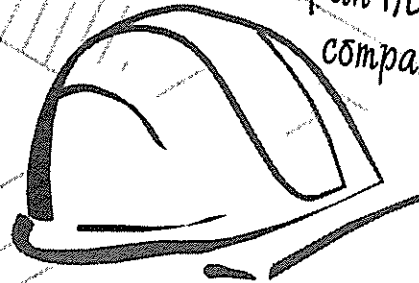
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**Ajax:** "Bible study and preaching themes for January have been: spiritual leadership, lessons from the prophet Hosea, dealing with guilt, and 2 Corinthians 10. A community service and outreach ministry has been set up which meets once a month on Friday nights to plan, develop and pray for various ways of reaching the community with the gospel." *Ed Jermakowicz*

**Bramalea:** Plans are being finalized for the 40th Annual Training for Service meeting at Cawthra Road Secondary School, Friday, March 29. During the last half hour of the lunch break, there will be a special prayer session for the nations, that isn't listed on the advertisement, on the back cover of this issue.

A special contribution was taken for Don MacMullin which raised \$4,344.00. During the same two weekends, the contribution for Kurt Whittington, leaving for Singapore with Let's Start Talking totalled \$2,325.00. The weekly budget for 2002 has been set at \$3,120.00.

York College students will be arriving for the spring break, March 8-16. Joel Osborne and Jon Straker were scheduled to hold a meeting February 27 - March 3 in the Halifax, Shubenacadie, Mill Village and Kentville areas in Nova Scotia.

Dwight and Josephine Albright will be holding a Missions Seminar March 16 & 17, helping the congregation understand what their work as a sponsoring congregation involves. Dwight will be the guest speaker at the March 18 Leader's Luncheon, at 11:00 a.m. at the Muddy Duck in Milton. His wife Josephine, will be a guest speaker at the Ladies Night Out on the evening of March 18. The Bible Bowl on the book of Genesis in Bramalea, will take place in Bramalea on the 11th instead of the 4th of May.

**Fenwick:** The congregation is holding a weekend meeting with Darrin Douglas of Niagara Falls, April 5-7, beginning at 7 p.m. The theme is "Been There, Done That" and is for everyone but especially pertinent for young people.

**Grimsby:** The congregation helped Rita Tice celebrate her 80th birthday on Saturday, January 19. Grimsby will be hosting the area-wide worship on March 3 at 6:00 p.m.. Sian Frost is going to Mexico to paint and decorate

schools for ten days with World Vision, beginning on February 22.

**Guelph:** The congregation has been challenged to read through the entire Bible this year. Guest speakers have been Bill Schwarz, Keith Thompson, Ralph Perry, Walter Straker and Don MacMullin.

**Hamilton, (West):** Friend Speak training was conducted for ten members on Saturday, February 9, by Shirley Straker, Jonathan Straker and Joel Osborne.

**Meaford:** On January 28 the ladies celebrated their birthdays at the Ladies' Annual Birthday party. Each lady brought a plant which became a part of the gift exchange. The annual Youth Rally is scheduled for February 22 to 24.

**Newmarket:** The congregation was saddened by the death of Molly Anderson in January. Speakers in February were Art Ford, Keith Thompson, David Rogers and Elgin Whitfield.

**North Bay:** David Lock reports that Stephen Bailey needs our prayers as he is attempting a kidney transplant and things are going very wrong. He's presently in intensive care in Sault Ste. Marie. Also, prayers are needed for Laurel McMillan, age 5 of Fort McMurray, Alberta, whose father, Billy was the guest speaker at Training for Service last year. She is undergoing treatment for acute lymphoblastic leukemia.

**Owen Sound:** "Rejoice with us! On January 27, 2002 Connie Greavette was baptized into Christ for the forgiveness of her sins. Thirteen young people attended the Sundridge Youth Rally. Four of the young adults are attending Christian universities in the U.S."

*Brian Thompson*

**St. Catharines (Ontario St.):** The ladies had guest speaker, Dorothy Graham of Beamsville for their January 28 ladies class.

**Stratford:** A ladies class was on "Becoming a Woman of Purpose." The congregation's theme for January was "What are we going to do in 2002."

**Toronto (Bayview Ave.):** On January 6, the young people met in the afternoon to study the Bible, socialize and share a meal. The congregation is compiling a picture directory of the membership. The first ladies class for the year was held on February 9. Peggy Zhao and Barton Zhan have moved to the area from Shanghai. Don Whitfield is planning to move to Vineland to be closer to family.

**Toronto (Strathmore Blvd.):** The Strathmore brethren had 120 present on Monday night, December 31, to see the New Year in. On January 13, they had a special devotional evening service, led by Moses Valesco, Jonathan Straker and Joel Osborne. Congratulations to Steve Chubry and Pearl Romeo who were married on January 12.

Devon Bennett was a guest speaker at Fennell Avenue in Hamilton.

**Windsor:** VBS is planned for July 22-26. Two additional men are being considered as deacons.

## NEW BRUNSWICK

**Moncton:** Winter weather has resulted in the cancellation of two services. A number of Bible studies are in progress. Cards were distributed upon which the members wrote the names of people that they wanted to study the gospel with. After two weeks, thirty four names were submitted besides twenty one prayer requests. Members have undertaken to pray for these by name. After a two year lapse, they have renewed their Saturday newspaper advertising. Another evangelistic pamphlet is being written for distribution around the neighbourhood.

## QUEBEC

**Verdun:** Joseph and Joanne Woodford and daughter, formerly of Kentville, Nova Scotia, became a part of the English congregation in Verdun in July, 2001. The Woodford family had lived in Kentville and Halifax for eleven years and Moose Jaw, SK for four years before that. They invite their friends from western and eastern Canada to contact them through the congregation. "Things are doing well for our small group. We share a facility with a French congregation and carry out activities together on a regular basis. Once a month we hold a bilingual service followed by a potluck. We've started a Thursday evening archaeology video series at the home of Chris Blackwell. This promises to be a very informative study. The adult's morning Bible class is studying the theme of redemption. The teen Bible class is starting a video study on the life of Jesus. Upcoming in early May is a congregational retreat. Theme for the retreat is "Building a Stronger Family." A website for both the French and English groups is being started."

*Joseph Woodford.*

## NEW YORK

**North Buffalo:** On February 2, the brethren had a free community pancake breakfast. Rodney Stone, in the Windy Correctional facility, took a Bible correspondence course from the church and was baptized by the prison chaplain, January 27.

**Niagara Falls:** The preacher, Howard Vosburgh, has given notice that he will be moving to a work in Tennessee on March 18 for family reasons. A replacement is being sought.

## MICHIGAN

**Ann Arbor:** Al Meakes has terminated his work with this church and is doing interim and itinerate ministry in Michigan for a few months.

# NEWS - WEST -



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## ALBERTA

**Calgary:** "Exodus from Strongholds" Seminar format is being offered in place of the "Exodus Out of Egypt" Seminar. This seminar helps us to replace our devotions to earthly strongholds with a devotion to God. This is a 12 week program.

**Faith Quest:** From Friday March 8th to Friday March 15, 16 students from Harding University in Arkansas will be joining us for a week-long spiritual quest. Every evening of the week there will be an energy-filled faith building event. Tim Woodroof will be speaking on the weekend of the 8th to the 10th.

Congratulations to Carla Ashby who was baptized January, 11th.

**Sudanese Worship Service:** The first assembly for our brethren from southern Sudan took place on January 20. Lessons were presented by Benison Mayiel, Ubang Cham and Don Walton. Song leading was the responsibility of Peter Tut, Benison Mayiel & Olura Olura. It was a wonderful time of fellowship. The service was conducted in Nuer, Anuak and English. 30 people attended this assembly.

A Family Ministry Team is being established and held their first meeting under the leadership of John Close.

The Youth Rally theme is "All my Worship" and our guest speaker, Brian Cox, will be encouraging us to worship 24-7 instead of just Sunday morning. This rally will be on Family Day Weekend.

Plans are being made to continue to support the work in Papua New Guinea.

## BRITISH COLUMBIA

**Abbotsford:** On February 3, we had a "Welcome to Canada" potluck for Glen and Cathy delaRambelje and their children to celebrate their long-awaited arrival from Holland by the Nienhuis family and the church here.

Norman Weir and Don Williamson braved uncertain travel conditions to attend the yearly Expositors' Seminar at Cascade Christian College in Portland Jan. 28-30.

The Central Valley congregation is kicking off a campaign for donated items to be sold at a fund-raising auction for airfare to bring Velma Forman home from Papua New Guinea in September. The auction, plus a catered meal, has always raised enough money to take care of this expense.

**Burnaby:** Services at the church had to be canceled on Jan. 27th when Burnaby received its share of the 10" snowfall in the Vancouver area that weekend. If you haven't been here, Burnaby

and New Westminster are the two "hilliest" parts of the Lower Mainland, and most of the members have a distance to drive.

Jessie and Steven McLean returned to Vancouver from Scotland on Jan. 20th following services for Jessie's sister, Chris Brown, who died three days before their scheduled return. Alice Simonsen of the Surrey congregation is also a sister.

Allen and Betty Jacobs postponed their return to Canada a few days last month in order to meet Mike and Barbara Nienhuis, who arrived in India on the 15th. Mike was sent to New Delhi on business for his company, and they took a train to Bangalore to meet the Jacobs for a week. They expected to return by way of Madras on March 4th.

**Chilliwack:** Men from all Vancouver area congregations participated in the annual Men's Retreat at Camp Charis, February 22nd and 23rd. Steve Hasbrouck from E. Vancouver City church was the guest instructor. He spoke on the theme of the Restoration Movement and what it means to us today.

**E. Vancouver (City Church):** "On the first of the month I went to pay the rent for the use of our room at the Trout Lake Community Centre and speak for another small room each week so that the children can have a Bible class. An older gentleman who was working with the director in the ice arena said to me, "I have wanted to come and worship with you for a long time, but I work on Sundays. I run the Zamboni (the machine that resurfaces the ice). I will be there week after next. Now, you aren't the group that plays the rock music, are you?" I said, "No, we aren't. We just pray, sing, celebrate the Lord's supper and study the Bible together." He said, "That's just what I want. I was going to another church, but they put too many things on me."

Our Saturday night Bible class continues to grow. We now have seven more attending. This is in addition to the English Bible class I teach on Saturday afternoons. One man comes to ride with me to the house where the others live, and I can discuss the Bible all the way there and back with him. On the way home at 10:30 one evening, he commented, 'Saturday nights are just too short. I can't wait until next week!' Had any Bible classes like that recently? Another told me, 'It's hard for me to understand some things, because I was educated to believe in (dialectical) materialism. But I love to discuss the Bible with you.'

One of our families has donated 30 brand new song books for our worship and we feel rich!...We are working on plans for full-time students to study the complete 40-course video series from Sunset, beginning in September. The course will take over two years to complete, but will include apprenticeship in teaching small classes of various cultural backgrounds. Meanwhile, we have received the course on Daniel which completes the original 28 courses needed for ministry students. Also, we have sent the course on Acts to Sapporo, Japan, for use there and ordered 'The Life and Teachings of Christ' to send to Frazier Park, Ca., where our daughter is organizing a home Bible study."--

Excerpts from Steve Hasbrouck Report

**Delta:** Jim and Carolyn Hawkins had the kind of "working vacation" everyone dreams of, but few realize, when Jim was invited to preach last month for the congregation on the island of Maui. Wendell Broom coordinates speakers for the church of about 40 members for a month or two at a time. He usually asks faculty members in the Christian colleges, and made the offer to Jim last year. Jim was unable to accept at that time because of his teaching commitment at WCC. Living quarters and a car are furnished by the congregation.

After nearly two months in the States and Canada, Jay Don and Mary Lee Rogers returned to Donetsk, Ukraine, on February 3, with thanksgiving for the help, love and prayers of friends they were able to visit during their stay. Jay Don showed slides of the living conditions in Ukraine during the Bible class period.

**Dove Cove:** We have been making up 100 or so sandwich packets complete with goodies and a Bible to hand out in the downtown eastside core. It is a spiritually rewarding endeavor to serve God's poorest. We hope to be able to continue doing this once a month.

**Surrey:** We have had such a wonderful weekend in the Surrey congregation. First, on Friday, January 25th, two of our younger members Alan Castillo and Jocelyn Bautistawere married in the home of one of the older couples in the congregation. This was not only a new beginning in marriage but they both used this time to re-dedicate their lives to the service of God. We wish for them a life filled with love and service to God.

Early Saturday morning, the men of the Surrey Congregation hosted a Pancake breakfast which was attended by 26 men from 8 of the 11 congregations in the Lower Fraser Valley area. They braved the snow and came from as far east as Chilliwack, from Delta and all but three of the congregations in between. There was no planned programme but a time for the men from the churches in the area to visit and encourage one another to keep on with the spreading of the Word. They decided this should be a more regular event.

On Saturday evening, following the regular Bible study that had been held with a student we met through the Key to the Kingdom, we rejoiced to see a young woman from Nigeria immersed into Christ for the remission of her sins. We welcome our sister Sonia Idemudia to the family of God meeting in Surrey. When we plant and water, God truly gives the increase.

P. McLure

## SASKATCHEWAN

**Yorkton:** We understand that some have moved away resulting in the congregation no longer meeting. Confirmation or denial would be appreciated.

## MONTANA

**Three Forks:** On February 3, Dewey Osterhout was baptized into Christ.

David Ford

# Mission News

## Sudan, East Africa

Sudan, with its Islamic government, has tried openly to stamp out believers in Christ for many years, forcing many to flee the country. The parents of a Sudanese member of the Burnaby, B. C. congregation were massacred, and he found refuge in Cairo for 10 years before being admitted to Canada as a political refugee. Thirty Sudanese are now worshipping with the Calgary church. There are only two churches meeting in the southern part of Sudan, but several exist in the refugee camps in neighboring Ethiopia and Kenya.

## International Bible Correspondence School

In 2001, we sent courses to and taught about 3,000 individuals from Toronto using Bible correspondence courses. Thousands more were taught from other cities in Canada and USA. Our most active students this past year wrote from 48 nations, 12 of which are closed to or restrict missionary activity and 3 continue to struggle with civil unrest.

Names of 150, who made a commitment of faith in Jesus and requested baptism, were sent from Toronto to missionaries for follow-up. For the complete Annual Report or additional information, please contact: Richard Kruse, Director, I.B.C. School, 873 Jane Street; PO Box 98590, Toronto, M6N 4C0.

## India - Jacobs

"Don't think we were not able to celebrate (the New Year). We were invited to come to Lepakshi about 100 kms north of Bangalore for the 31st and 1st. Allen spoke twice each day. On the 1st we were invited out for breakfast, lunch and dinner to three different homes.

Rice three times--not the best for Allen-- but he survived. We are getting quite proficient at eating with our hands again.... We enjoyed the month of December in Bangalore. Did a lot of visiting with those we have known for many years....Clifford Snell, who we helped through a computer course some years ago, has done so well that he owns a car and drove us to meetings and classes a number of times. We went out for Christmas dinner with Abraham and Janet. He and Allen have been busy making changes to the benevolent trust we look after. At this time (mid-Jan.) we are in Salem about 200 kilometers south of Bangalore. Classes are being held all day for over 60 students - mostly from surrounding villages. When the tour is over we will return to Bangalore till our return to Canada...."

## Ukraine - Jay Don Rogers

"It has been good to be back in the States for a little while. During this break from the school we visited with family and friends.... Before we

left one of our teachers did a survey among our students that to me was very exciting.... Besides the fact that workers are being trained to be effective in the Kingdom, you need to know the good work they are doing in the area of Donetsk while in school. From the survey we discovered that this year:

- 60 + congregations are becoming stronger!
- 6 + new congregations began meeting in 2001
- 340+ people have been baptized into Christ this year!
- 80+ classes/sermons are being taught each week!

"Since September 11, 2001, I keep hearing of congregations that are pulling back on mission work saying, 'We are not sure we can keep up our commitments in missions because of what has happened.' If anything, September 11th should be saying to us 'WE MUST DO MORE TO GET THE SAVING GOSPEL OF PEACE OUT TO THIS WORLD MORE RAPIDLY AND EFFECTIVELY!' The Muslim faith is growing world wide and we must be deeply committed and involved in spreading the Good News of Jesus like never before. We are seeing the result of "FALSE" religions and "FALSE" prophets and there is an urgent need to teach the lost about the risen Son of God. I would challenge our churches not to shrink back from missions, but to double our mission efforts this year.

"Our work in Donetsk is needing additional funding for our daily administrative costs, our staff, student scholarship funds, and funds to finish paying off and remodelling our facilities. I am convinced that we have in our hands in Donetsk a modern day Antioch in church growth. We must do our very best to prepare these evangelistic-hearted brethren in sound (healthy) doctrine and excellent leadership. We pray that God will help us as we continue this work and that brethren will stand behind us and pray for us."

## Madang, Papua New Guinea - Jason Moriarity

"I have 5-6 studies a week, and also visit the prison where a core group of believers meet.... I choose to walk to most studies unless it is impossible, as people respect a white skin for walking. (Most nationals do not.)...At the end of November, Sheryl Moriarity and Nansi Lifsey conducted a workshop for wives, and they came from all over the country.... Only since the message of God has come to PNG are people from the coast able to sit down with people from the mountains in genuine love for each other."

## Brasil-Curitiba

Jeremy Bojarski has been providing hospitality and having Bible studies with some of his contacts. He has recently tried teaching some children's classes in Portuguese.

There have been six baptisms recently, two

resulting from small groups.

Jeremy has now been joined by another team member. He mentions having lost a few supporters recently. He may be contacted at [nightwing\\_25@hotmail.com](mailto:nightwing_25@hotmail.com).

## Ethiopia

Curt King has been in Ethiopia during the month of February to claim the well drilling rig, equipment and materials out of customs, and deliver it to the first well site, along with several brethren being trained to operate it.

Two Preacher Training Schools are now in session, with 26 men attending the Level One courses. Gerald Paden from the Sunset International Bible Institute is teaching the preacher training staff and others. Leaders in several Ethiopian congregations requested that a special course be offered in Addis Ababa this year to explain the autonomy and responsibilities of individual congregations, as most new Christians come from the denominational world and are accustomed to a central organization paying their preachers' salaries, making major decisions, etc.

Dr. Jim Wilson has also been in the southern region of Ethiopia where construction of a World English Institute Training School facility in the capital city of Awasa is being sponsored by the WestArk church in Ft. Smith, AR, his home congregation. The number of churches in this area has grown dramatically in the past two years, and is expected to reach 75 in 2002. -- report from John Ed Clark, Fresno, Ca. (Note: Bro. Clark is unable to make his trip to Ethiopia this spring, as his wife, Reta, has had a recurrence of breast cancer. Joe Boe is going this month in his stead.)

## Indonesia

Duane Morgan and Colin McKee are making progress in Indonesia, the nation with the  
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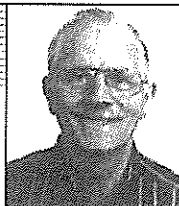
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# BOOK REVIEWS

Books to be reviewed in this column should be sent to  
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Christ's church - a body assembled from nothing but a ragtag bunch of nobodies was used by God to change the world by telling of a risen Lord. Anyone can care, listen, and share. " He encourages us to tell others the story of our own conversion. A helpful " Discussion Guide " is also included.

*Children Mean the World to God*, by Dr. Harold Shank, 21 St. Century Christian, Nashville, TN. 232 pages, \$12.50 U.S.

This is a tremendous book. It is the most informative and moving book that I have ever read on this vital topic. There are so many hurting and neglected children in our world. Their greatest need is to have God in their lives. Unfortunately, they are ignored by many people. Children are the future of the church. We neglect them and risk the future of the church.

Paul Faulkner, of the wonderful Marriage Enrichment Seminars, says, "This book deserves major attention! Harold Shank shares not only his heart and soul but also God's heart for the souls of children. The theology is powerful but it is the practicality that moved me. This book is thoroughly researched and emotionally touching. With Harold, concern for children is no passing fancy, it is do or die - and it should be with all of God's children - old or young."

Every elder, preacher, teacher and parent

desperately needs to read this vital book. As Nick Boone of Lipscomb University says " We can change the world by changing a child. "

*Everyday Evangelism, Making a Difference for Christ Where You Live*, by Randy Becton, 21st Century Christian, Nashville, TN. 120 pages, \$9.99 U.S.

Do you long to share your faith with the people around you? Do you wonder just what you should say or how you should act? Are you afraid that if you don't " close the sale" and make a convert your witness is a failure?

This book seeks to answer these vital questions. So often we want to share our faith but just don't know how. Too many of us think that evangelism is solely " the preacher's job " and fail to fulfill our own responsibility. How can we relate to our modern world? How can we evangelize in our modern culture? Becton writes "To understand modern worldviews you don't have to be a scholar. In the first century, "

*Building Our Most Holy Faith*, by John Hobbs, Heritage Publishing Company, Abilene, Texas, 248 pages, \$11.95 (U.S.)

The author states the purpose of his book " is to increase and build one's faith." His book will do exactly that. It has thirteen chapters that are literally filled with the Word of God.

Brother Hobbs also points out that " I do not want to give the impression that one can earn his way into heaven. This is impossible (Luke 17:10). We are saved by grace through faith (Eph. 2:8). But, we have a responsibility to " build our most holy faith! "

There are thirteen chapters filled with hundreds of scriptures (King James Version). Topics include " Judah's Abandoned Faith", "Wait for Jehovah", " Without Holiness No Man Shall See the Lord", "The Jesus of the New Testament", "Having a Faith That Looks Into Eternity".

This book will provide numerous lesson ideas for teachers and preachers. We sincerely hope Brother Hobbs keeps putting out such great books!

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All applications will be reviewed in strictest confidence and only selected candidates will be contacted.

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largest Muslim population in the world. Brother Morgan reports that more Muslims have been converted by denominational groups here since 1965 than in all of the rest of the world combined since the start of Islam 1400 years ago. Although 170 million people speak Indonesian, we have only six or seven missionaries who speak this language.

### Asian Mission Forum

Dear Editor:

Here is an opportunity for Canadians who are in India, Papua New Guinea and other parts of Asia, interested in Missions in Asia or just interested in meeting and visiting S.E. Asia.

- The Asia Mission Forum.
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- June 15 to 19.
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\* If you would like to send some poor national workers from India, Phillipines, Indonesia or Thailand, to attend this great mission forum or

\* Help to send a couple of young men, from Kosovo or Albania (Muslim nations) to experi-

ence meeting Christians from different parts of the world and to encourage and inspire others that the Muslims are not "UNREACHABLE".

PLEASE WRITE :

Ming Paul, Lee 2635 Island Hwy, Nanoose Bay. BC Canada V9P 9E5

The date for the Asian Mission Forum (AMF) has been set for June 15th-19th (Saturday through Wednesday) with Dr. Evertt W. Huffard of the Harding Graduate School of Religion as the main speaker. There is a good possibility that Dr. James W. Thompson (associate dean of ACU) can make it as a speaker as well.

Pray about this. We are still awaiting more information about the theme (emphasis on Evangelism) from Dr. Huffard.

The place is at Bayview Beach Resort at Penang, the Pearl of the Orient.

The cost has finally been worked out: US\$190.00 (twin sharing), US\$170.00 (triple sharing), US\$290.00 (single)

Make out all US checks to: Woodlawn Church of Christ, 3185, N. 10th, Abilene, Texas 79603, USA (Tel. 915-6736776) earmarked "Asian Mission Forum"

Make out all Malaysian/Singapore checks to: Church Of Christ, 61H, Jalan Matang Kuching, Ayer Itam 11500 Penang, West Malaysia (Tel. 604-8289806) also earmarked "Asian Mission Forum." OCF

### Greece - Athens

Twelve New Souls Added to His Body: Since our return to Athens in June 2001, seven more souls were added through baptism to our Lord's Kingdom, following a number of Bible studies. Those souls include:Ivo Zlatev and his wife, Christina, Nina Michailova, Tchvetana Tchekova and Vanya Ivanova (all from Bulgaria), Byron Sambanis (from Albania) and Joseph (from Sudan). What is amazing about our sister Vanya -- immersed into Christ October 28 -- is that she did not visit the church with the intention of learning about Jesus. She was hired as a translator for our Brother Christo Arnaudov, who is our song-leader and minister to the Bulgarians. He is also a full-time student at the Sunset International Bible Institute Extension Program at Omonia. There was not any personal interest on her part, whatsoever. She was simply and patiently translating all the class material and lectures. God's pattern remains the same as in the days of Lydia. Having opened her heart, Vanya surrendered her life to His cross with great joy. Among the Bulgarian Family, three more souls were immersed into Christ in 2001. Those are Marianna, Rositsa Dobрева and Diana Schevtsenki. Altogether twelve new souls have been baptized since the beginning of 2001. To God be the Glory. Alexander & Eleni Melirrytos, P.O. Box 70260, Athens 15510 Greece. <Amelirry@aol.com>

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# OBITUARIES

## Margaret Smart Denham

The sudden and unexpected passing of Margaret Denham of a massive heart attack was reported on page 13 of our November issue. At that time, we did not have sufficient information for an obituary.

Margaret, the daughter of brother and sister Fred Smart, well known to our older readers, died on September 10, 2001, at age 75 at her home in Hebron, Kentucky. She was a member of the Point Pleasant Church of Christ and worked at the Boone County Library.

Saddened by their loss are Ralph, husband of 54 years; son Daryl of Burlington; daughters, Diana (Tim) Johnson of Moncton, NB, Denise Savage of Union, Daria Gerding of Hebron, Dorelle Hogan of Anderson, IN, and Dru Baker of Eustis, FL and 15 grandchildren. The Johnsons were unable to be present because of the September 11 tragedy.

The funeral service was on September 14 at the church building. *ecp*

## Elda Stoddard

Elda May Stoddard was born on September 7, 1911 in Markdale, Ontario. She was the eldest in a family of six children. Although she experienced considerable sickness during her lifetime, she outlived her four brothers and one sister. She passed away in Collingwood on October 3, 2001, at the age of ninety.

When she was very young, Elda moved with her parents to Dobbington, Ontario. It was here she met Clarence Stoddard whom she married in 1939. Clarence and Elda lived in various places in Ontario until 1957 when they moved to Barrie where they remained until Clarence's passing in 1974. Following her husband's death, Elda lived in Barrie for another twelve years. It was during this time that she met Clarence and Rita Rittenhouse while volunteering at Grove Park Home. A friendship was struck up, and, through their influence, Elda was led to Christ. In 1986, Elda decided she would like to take up residence in Collingwood at Sunset Manor where she would live out the remainder of her days. She will be remembered as a quiet and somewhat shy person who enjoyed her home and a few close friends. She could enjoy simple pleasures and found particular joy in travelling.

Elda is survived by her son Robert and his wife Penny of London, Ontario, three grandchildren, two great grandchildren, and her sister-in-law, Jean Walker of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

Elda's funeral service was conducted by Randy Morrith in Collingwood on October 5, 2001.

## Maxine Morrith

On November 20, 2001, Maxine Morrith finally succumbed to a stroke she had suffered nearly five and a half years earlier. She was seventy-three at the time of her passing.

Iona Maxine Sanderson was the youngest of five children born to Lloyd and Margaret Sanderson of Collingwood, Ontario. She was preceded in death by her two brothers, Ron

(Nina) and Bruce, and one sister, Doreen (Owen) Fisher. There were also two other children, a set of twins who died shortly after their birth, born into the family.

Maxine was raised in Collingwood and, with the exception of a short time that she nursed in Timmins, lived there all of her life. To her there was no place like Collingwood. She trained as a nurse at the Collingwood General and Marine Hospital School of Nursing; and, for more than thirty years, worked in that same hospital until she was forced to take an early retirement due to health problems. She was an excellent nurse and had the respect of both colleagues and patients.

On July 1, 1950, Maxine married Andrew Morrith. Together they shared fifty-one years. Four children were born to Maxine and Andy; although a good many more called her "mom". Maxine loved and enjoyed her children's friends and readily adopted them into the family. The door was always open and there was always food in the fridge; even if her own kids were not home. She was always available if someone wanted to talk. She felt good about her ability to relate and that she could be a "second mom" to so many.

For many years, Maxine was a faithful member of the Collingwood congregation and was, at the time of her death, third in line as to longevity. Les Cramp, who conducted Maxine's funeral, commented on how she was an encouragement to him while he had preached there and that she could be depended upon to be present whenever able. He related how she had been a positive influence to many.

Maxine is survived by her husband, Andy, three sons, Randy (Lois), Bruce (Mary), and Dan (Dawn), a daughter, Peggy (John) Prowse, and one sister, Jacqueline Sanderson; as well as two sisters-in-law and one brother-in-law. She is also survived by ten grand children and numerous nieces and nephews.

At the funeral service, November 23, 2001, Jennifer Mongelluzzo, on behalf of the grandchildren, and Randy, on behalf of the children, brought personal tributes in addition to Les' remarks.

## Mabel Sinclair 1915-2001

On Saturday, November 3, 2001 Mabel Sinclair passed away peacefully with family members holding her hands.

Mom was born May 27, 1915, in a log farmhouse on the prairies of Saskatchewan, Canada, the 9th of 11 children born to Martha and Charles Spafford. She married Gordon S. Sinclair in

1938. She received her education at the Touchwood School and attended the Church of Christ at Perryville in her early years. Mom and Dad then moved to Vancouver B.C. where they had two sons, Olympia, WA where they had a daughter, Coos Bay, OR, and finally to Toledo, OR, where they owned and operated a business for 25 years. Wherever they lived, Mom and Dad were always active in the church: Dad as an elder and following his father's example, a lay minister; Mom held midweek Bible studies, taught Sunday School, assisted the sick and elderly, and cooked wonderful Sunday dinners.


No church member or visitor ever went hungry as Sunday was always open house at the Sinclair household. Early Sunday mornings would find Mom in the kitchen preparing her famous homemade bread & rolls. It was an old family recipe - a pinch of this, a dash of that - everyone gathered around the oven as the first pans of rolls finished. That first pan seldom made it to the dinner table.

In 1991, Mom moved to Lake Oswego to be closer to the family, then in 1994 to Warren where she placed membership in the Scappoose church of Christ and helped design and build a new "us" home. In October of 2000, Mom's Parkinsons Disease progressed to the point where full time professional care was necessary, so she moved to the Meadow Park care facility in St. Helens.

Mom leaves sons Lynn and his wife, Jan, of Warren, OR, Lowell and his wife, Lori, of Alameda, CA, daughter Gayle of Portland, OR, 5 grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

In the past weeks, Mom told us she wanted to be with Dad and with her Lord.

Mom, your work here has been completed.



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Rest in peace, knowing that we all love you dearly.

#### Ivan Emerson Seabrook

The church which meets at Thessalon, Ontario, was shocked by the loss of one of its charter members. In his 76th year, Ivan Seabrook passed suddenly from us to join with the immortal spirits of the redeemed.

In his passing, Ivan leaves to mourn his beloved wife, companion, and dearest friend.. Addie and Ivan. It's almost impossible to speak of one without the other. They were truly a couple. Addie will not soon find a remedy for the terrible loss she has sustained. It is a pain that only those who have passed through such a valley can begin to understand. All we can say is, we are sorry and want to share her loss by a held hand and listening ear.

Ivan leaves to mourn his sons, Stan and wife Bonnie, Dennis and wife Clara, Larry and Daphney, Brent whose wife passed away a few years ago. Also, deeply mourning her loss is daughter Kim and husband Brad Boyer. Ivan is survived by 15 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

He is mourned by numerous other relatives and friends including brothers Reg and wife Shirley, Ronnie and wife Rachel. He was predeceased by 4 brothers and 4 sisters.

Addie and Ivan lived in Ansonia, (a part of Thessalon township) for all their married life. Ivan was a well known and much respected member of the community. He was a supporter of many community projects such as the Heritage Association. For most of his life he was employed by the Ministry of Natural Resources. He became Supervisor of the Kirkwood Nursery. He was an avid gardener and a stout supporter of his favourite hockey team, the Soo Greyhounds.

Above all, Ivan loved Jesus and His church. Ivan or Addie would have to be ill or away if they were not in attendance at all the assemblies. He was a true friend. A source of encouragement. We mourn but not without the blessed hope that his life inspired within us.

Roger Lansdell, Mike Vine and Murray Smith officiated at Ivan's memorial service.

*Submitted by Murray Smith*

#### WTC Ministry

Excerpts from "A newsletter from the Springfield Gardens Church of Christ"

Absorbing the magnitude of our city's loss in human life, talent, heroes, and identity at the World Trade Towers has had a dramatic effect on all New Yorkers. Our mission over the past three months has shifted to touching the hearts of hurting people.

After consulting with elders from both the Granny White and Pleasant Valley congregations, we purchased the new "Bible Call" equipment with over 800 topics available for study as an evangelistic outreach. We are the only congregation in the northeast with this computer-run equipment.

As a part of our community outreach, we have provided grants to families struggling with loss of income following the September 11 attacks. We have sent floral arrangements and fruit baskets. We hosted a holiday party attended by 80 family members of those lost in the September 11 events. The mother of LeRoy Homer Jr., co-pilot of Flight 93, attended along with other family members. Already two family units have begun worshiping with us. Others have been calling our Bible Call and corresponding with me.

My prayer is that many people will be led to study the Bible with us as a result of the acts of kindness extended in the name of our Lord.

*Bill Johnson,  
97 Fillmore Avenue  
Deer Park, NY 11729*

#### AMAZING EVENT!

"CONCURRENT RESOLUTION Resolved by the House of Representatives (of the U.S.A) (the Senate concurring), that on a day of reconciliation selected jointly by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President pro tempore of the Senate, and with the Chaplain of the House of Representatives and the Chaplain of the Senate in attendance--(1) two Houses of the Congress shall assemble in the Hall of the House of Representatives; and (2) during this assembly, the Members of the two Houses may gather to humbly seek the blessings of Providence for forgiveness, reconciliation, unity, and charity for all people of the

United States, thereby assisting the Nation to realize its potential as the champion of hope, the vindicator of the defenseless, and the guardian of freedom."

This meeting in the Rotunda of the Capital Building took place on Dec. 4th. According to one report, this is the first time the nation has been brought before God by the entire Senate and Congress since the Civil War and President Lincoln.

#### Christmas Cheer - "Lights Up" The World of Our Blind Children

Thanks to the wonderful love and generosity of churches of Christ in Canada (*See full story in January 2002 Report*) we were able to distribute 12 large boxes of hand-knitted mittens, scarves and hats to 167 blind and partially blind children in Kyiv on Christmas Day!

Each of us, who were privileged to present this warm gift-set to the children, were enormously blessed by their delight, thankfulness and smiles of joy! They were especially impressed that these gifts were personally made for them by people far away in Canada!

Our family will remember this Christmas as one of the most satisfying and rewarding we've ever had! Surely, it is far more rewarding to "give than to receive!" - even though we were only "channels" through which our brethren were able to share these gifts of love!

Thank you, brethren, for enabling us to "light up the life" of these precious blind children with your love and generosity!

*Rick Pinczuk*

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#### PREACHER//EVANGELIST WANTED

for a conservative congregation of approximately 100. Must be mature and experienced, a family man dedicated to the cause of Christ, capable of preaching and teaching sound doctrine. Personal evangelism skills are necessary to help work effectively in our community. Salary and benefits. Send resume, with references and audio or video tape to:  
Preacher Search committee,  
La Salle church of  
Christ, 1121 N. Military Rd.  
Niagara Falls, N.Y. 14304

#### Preacher/Evangelist Wanted

Well established, self supporting congregation of 80 - 100 people requires evangelist dedicated to sound gospel preaching and teaching and able to relate to all age groups. Starting time is negotiable. Elders and deacons serve.

Carman is a rural community in town of approx. 2800 with excellent health and education facilities (K - 12) situated about 45 minutes from Winnipeg.

Please forward resume (tape of recent, typical sermons would be helpful) marked Confidential: elders, Carman church of Christ, Box 955, Carman, Mb. ROG OJO

#### HALIFAX CHURCH OF CHRIST

Position available for a full-time Evangelist to work with a congregation of approx. 25-30 persons. Candidate should be mission-minded. Partial support available

#### Please send resume to:

Search committee  
C/o Dennis Peters  
48 Convoy Avenue  
Halifax, N.S. B3N 2P8  
Or e-mail [hfxpeters@yahoo.com](mailto:hfxpeters@yahoo.com)

# DIRECTORY OF CHURCHES

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

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

## PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

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

**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: info@calgarycofc.com

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

**EDMONTON:** 13015-116 Ave., T5M 3C9, (780) 455-1049; FAX 454-9545; Sun. 11, 9:30; Wed. 7:00; Dave Friesen, 460-4258 ev. C. Eric Limb, Henri Bouchard, Herb Anderson, David Hotchkiss, elders.

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

**LETHBRIDGE:** 2720 21st Ave. S., T1K 1H8; Sun. 10, 11, 7, Wed. 7:00; Mike Gray, ev. (403) 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:** 68 Donlevy Ave., T4R 2V8; Sun. 11:30, 10, (evening—call for information); Wed. 7; John Smith, ev. (403) 347-3986 email: <davenportcoc@aol.com>

## PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

**ABBOTSFORD** (Central Valley): Columbia Bible College Chapel, 2940 Clearbrook Road; Sun. 10, 11; midweek class 7:30 in homes; #4-3292 Elmwood Drive, V2S 6B2, Norm Weir, ev. (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, ev. 951-4102; (604) 522-7721 (off).

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

**CHILLIWACK:** Senior Citizens Bldg. Br 24, corner of Cook and Victoria St.; Sun. 10, 11; Wed 7 at 9687 Windsor St; Mail P.O. Box 327, V2P 6J4. Contact Brian Law (604) 795-7696; email: <travers@dowco.com> Al McCutcheon, sec. 792-0046

**CRESTON:** Corner of 5th Ave. and Cook St.; Sun. 10, 11; 130 5th Ave. N. V0B 1G3; 250-428-7411 (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; PO Box 18623, V4K 4V7; Darren Williamson, ev., (604) 943-0515 (off)

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

**KELOWNA:** 1317 Ethel St. V1Y 2X1; Sun. 10:45, Bible study 9:30 (excl. July-Aug.); Charles McKnight (250) 765-8739 and Barrie Forman (250) 764-4313; <sonlover@home.com>, pager 868-4393, evs.; Wayne Muirhead (250) 861-4008 <marwayn@hotmail.com> and Ted Windswill 763-8445, <edward\_windmill@telus.net>

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

**NANAIMO:** 1720 Meredith Rd., V9S 2M4; Sun. 9:30, 10:30, 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:** Penticton 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 Graham 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, ev. (250) 624-4449 (off), 624-5834 (res)

**RICHMOND:** 5800 Karter Rd VEV 1R9; call Call Gary Marrs, ev. (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 or 804-4833; Box 51, V1E 4N2; Doug Kendig, John Murrey, Gordon Parmenter and Blair Robers, elders; Shuswap Christian School, Box 789, V1E 4N9; 832-7994; Doug Kendig, adm. 835-7994 (res.)

**SURREY:** (Greater Vancouver); 15042 92nd Ave., V3R 5V8; Sun. 10, 11, 6, Ron Beckett, ev. 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, ev., 432-1749 (res.)

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

**VICTORIA:** 3460 Shelbourn St., V8P 4G5; Sun. 9, 10; midweek in homes; Kelly Carter, ev. (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; Box 955, R0G 0J0; contact Ray Winkler (elder), 745-3226, Hugh Gannon, ev., 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@escape.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, ev. (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, ev., (506) 386-1682, elders. <timj@nbnet.nb.ca>

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

## NEW FOUNDLAND

**ST. MARYS:** Meeting in the home of Robert D. Ryan, Main Rd. Time flexible. Call (709) 525-2680 or address Robert at Box 198, St. Marys, NF A0B 3B0

## NEW YORK STATE

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

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

## NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

**YELLOWKNIFE:** 516 Range Lake Rd., X1A 3A7; Sun. 10, (867) 873-3875. Elders: Doug Ashby, Craig Robinson, Randy Straker, Steve McMillan, min.

## PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA

**HALIFAX:** 48 Convoey Ave., B3N 2P8; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; ev. (902) 443-9628 (off). Wayne Taylor, sec. (902) 876-7402

**HALIFAX:** (Saint's homes); Sun. 10, 11; Tues./Thurs. 7; Daren Simmonds, 224 Jeep Cres., Dartmouth, B3G 1P4; (902) 461-9436, <daren.simmonds@xware.com>; Neil Prokop, (902) 430-9543; <neilprokop@hfx.eastlink.ca>

**KENTVILLE:** 177 Middle Dyke Rd. exit 12 off Hwy 101, Sun. 11, 10, 6; Wed. 6; Box 26, B4N 3V9; (902) 678-8881 or Ray Fisher, ev. 582-3457, Toll free 1-800-236-7891

**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, ev. (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, ev. (705) 737-2272

**BEAMSVILLE:** 4900 John St., L0R 1B6; Sun. 9:30, 10:30, 6; Wed. 7:00; Don Smith, ev. (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, ev. (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; Jamie Azzoparde, ev. (519) 770-4814 (res)

**BRANTFORD:** Call for information; Sun. 11, 7; Wed. 7; c/o 10 Baxter St. N3R 2V4, 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)

**CORNWALL:** 1702 Dover Rd., K6J 1W1; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; Allen Bojarski, ev. Phone (613) 933-1825, fax: 933-1879, Email: abojarski@cogeco.ca, Website: http://members.home.net/abojarski/abojarski.html

**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:** 765 Welland Ave.; Sun. 9:45, 11, 7; Wed. 7:30; P.O. Box 416, L0S 1C0; (905) 892-5661; email <DonHipwell@AOL.com>

**GORE BAY:** W. Manitoulin church; (Gore Bay waterfront, past docks); Sun. 10:30; B14, 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, ev. (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 Azzoparde, 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, L8Y 3G8 (at Fennell) (Mt. Hamilton); Sun. 10, 11, 6, Wed. 7:30, (905) 385-5775, Chris Gardner, sec., (905) 388-9174; Guy Stopard, ev. (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 PO, L9C 7N5, Wayne Page (905) 648-5100.

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

**HUNTSVILLE:** Huntsville Public Library, 7 Minerva St. E.; Sun. 11, David Preston (705) 789-7697

**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, Wed. 7:30, Les Cramp, ev. (705) 282-0974; Peter Tallman, sec., R.R. #1, Mindemoya, P0P 1S0, 377-4553, email <lcramp@onlink.net>

**KENORA:** 101 Norman Dr.; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; PO Box 2905, P9N 3X8, Earl Rattai, ev. 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

**LONDON (East):** 380 Adelaide North, Tolpudde Building Common Rm., entrance off of Adelaide at King St. S. Parking in Marshall Street Let behind building. Sun. 9:45 a.m. Exhortation, 10:05 a.m. Bible Study; 11:00 Worship; Tuesday Afternoon at 1 p.m. in Board Room. Brian V. Sullivan, evangelist 905 892-6247 or bvsprchr@computan.on.ca Web site: <http://www.computan.on.ca/~bvsprchr/>

**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: meafordcof@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, 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, P1B 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 Mencer, 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; Brian Thompson, (519) 376-6702 (off), 372-2155 (res.) <osoc@bmts.com>

**PETERBOROUGH:** Chapel, Rubidge Retirement Residence (Sherbrooke & Rubidge); Sun. 10 and 10:45; Wed. 7:30 at 220 Gallagher St., Peter McPherson, ev phone 705-742-5349 or 876-7104; <petermc@peterboro.net>

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

**FORT COLBORNE:** 700 Steele St., L3K 4Z2; Sun. 11, 10, 6:30; Wed. 6:30; Pot luck every first Sunday. (905) 834-5775 (off).

**ST. CATHARINES:** 439 Ontario St. N., L2N 4M9; Sun. 9:30, 10:30, 6; Wed. 7:30; Steve Cordie, ev., (905) 934-3862 (res), 935-9581 (off); E-mail: [churchofchrist@on.abn.com](mailto:churchofchrist@on.abn.com); WebSite: <http://churchofchrist@n3.net>

**ST. CATHARINES (Garden City):** UNF Hall, 77 Facer St.; Sun. 9, 10, 11, Wed. 7; c/o Roy Diestelkamp, ev. 1231/2 Keefer Rd., Thorold ON L2V 4N1, ev. 227-8336

**ST. THOMAS:** 60 S. Edgeware Rd. N5P 2H6, Sun. 10, 11, Wed. 7

**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: <sarcof@etech.net>; Other contact: Vern Hibbard, (519) 383-6700, email: <vhbbard@ebtech.net>

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

**SAULT STE. MARIE (Pinchill):** 132 Cunningham Rd., P6B 1N4, Sun. 9:30, 10:50; call for Sun. pm time; Wed. 7; Roger Lansdell, ev., (705) 256-1977 (off/res), <r.s.lansdell@sympatico.ca>; Rob Whitfield, sec., (705) 949-7612, <rwhitfield@sympatico.ca>.

**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. Chris Nicholson, ev. (905) 957-6039

**SOUTH RIVER:** Jasper St. S.; off Ottawa St. W.; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7:00; Box 549, P0A 1X0; Jim Nicholson, ev. (705) 384-5215, church bldg. 386-2551.

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

**STRATFORD:** 478 Brunswick St., N5A 3N6; Sun. 9:30 Assembly; 10:00 Bible Study; Wed. 7:30, (519) 273-5280, George Mansfield, ev. 272-1714, <gmansfield@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 Meecham, 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./areas., (705) 268-4526

**TINTERN:** R.R. #1, 4359 Spring Creek Rd., Vineland, ON L0R 2C0, Sun. 11:15, 9:45, 6 (call to confirm); 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, (416) 534-3033, Tony Lewis, ev., (416) 489-7405 (off).

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

**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, Peter Dusomoh (416) 462-3616; Jean Voley (416) 267-6820, Elders; Max Craddock (416) 461-7406, e-mail <maxc@strathmorecof.ca>; FAX (416) 424-1850; Santiago Molina (Spanish) (416) 751-6879, ev. Devon Bennett (English) ev. (905) 686-2486; website: [www.strathmorecof.ca](http://www.strathmorecof.ca)

**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;

**VANDELEUR:** E. off Hwy #10 (2 km S. of Markdale) along Artemesia Township sideroad 10 7 km, Sun. 10, 11, Jan 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 Cuarezma, 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. 7:00; Drew Chapados, ev., 1179 Harrison Ave., N9C 3J4; (519) 250-4407; Chad Cellaire, ev.; email: [wsidccoc@wincom.net](mailto:wsidccoc@wincom.net); [www.geocities.com/wsidedccoc](http://www.geocities.com/wsidedccoc)

#### PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

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

**MONTREAL (English/French/Ashante/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) 683-1638 (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. (450) 635-5105, rogersaumur@sympatico.ca, <http://www3.sympatico.ca/rogersaumur/>; (English) Sun. 11, 10; Wed. 7

**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. 9:30, 10:30 (French); Wed. 19:30; C.P. 9041 Ste-Foy, G1V 4A8; Yvon Boudoin, ev. (418) 728-5240

#### PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

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

**ESTEVA:** 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. 10:30, Box 507, S0H 1X0, Wendell Bailey, ev. (306) 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) 478-2516.

**LLOYDMINSTER:** 56 Ave. and 47 St., Box 88, S9V 0X9; Sun. 10, 11, (780) 875-4056, email: <kawed@telusplanet.net>

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

**NORTH BATTLEFORD:** 1462-110 St., S9A 2J2; Sun. 10-11; Wed. 7, Box 804, Wilkie, S0K 4W0, Contact: Owen Davies, (306) 843-2210

**PERRYVILLE:** Meetings in the home of Sheldon Perry, Phone (306) 835-2681, Mail to Box 496, Wynyard, S.

**PRINCE ALBERT:** 264-23rd St. W., S6V 4L6, Sun. 10, 11; 763-3057 (off); Dean Hotchkiss, ev. (306) 763-2218. 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; Please call for times; Ray McMillan, senior min., 949-0959

**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: <stooncof@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; Scott Wade, ev., (306) 842-6424 (off); (306) 848-2032 (res).

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

## CALENDAR

### March

- 9-15 • Welland, ON: Campaigners from Searcy, AR
- 10-13 • GLCC Chorus Trip: <sup>(10:00)</sup> Sault Ste. Marie, ON, (*morning*) Sault Ste. Marie, MI (*evening*) <sup>(10:00)</sup>Thessalon <sup>(12:00)</sup> Gore Bay <sup>13th</sup> Sudbury
- 15-17 • Edmonton, AB: Men's Retreat at Van Es Camp
- 29-31 • Edmonton, AB: Alberta Spring Fellowship with Jim McGuiggan and Thaddeus Bruno
- Carman, MB: Lectureship
- April
- 5-7 • Fenwick, ON: Weekend Meeting, "Been There, Done That", Darrin Douglas of Niagara Falls
- 19-21 • Beamsville, ON: Spring Spiritual Renewal
- Conquitem, B.C. - Youth Rally at Camp Howdy
- 26-28 • GLCC Youth Rally
- 29-May 3 • GLBC Short Course with Dr. Claude Cox

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