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*"... The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few."*  
*Matthew 9:37*

The church today needs good leadership to complete the work that God has given it to accomplish. Good leadership equips and perfects the members of the body for doing the work of ministry. Beginning on page 3 is the first of a series of articles by Thayer Salisbury on the subject of leadership. We pray his articles, as he suggests, will be an encouragement to us to study even more deeply on this vital topic.

# Is the Entire Bible Inspired?

T Pierce Brown

If we were asked that question, probably those of us who think of ourselves as sound, conservative Christians would answer immediately, "Of course!" Suppose the person who asked the question then said, "I found a statement in the Bible that said, 'There is no God.' Is that an inspired statement?" We would probably then try to explain, "Not every statement in the Bible was made by an inspired man. So, although every statement in the Bible was included by inspiration, not every statement that is recorded in the Bible was true or an inspired statement."

An awareness of that fact would help us understand or explain some statements in the Bible, and might create problems with some others. For example, many persons have read in the book of Job the statements of Bildad or some other of Job's "friends" and have assumed that since they are in the Bible, they must be true. The truth is that God said in Job 42:7 to Eliphaz, "*My wrath is kindled against thee, and against thy two friends: for ye have not spoken of me the thing that is right, as my servant Job hath.*" It should be evident that Eliphaz did not tell the truth in some instances, and if one reads his words assuming that everything he said was inspired of God, he may make serious errors. We believe it to be recorded by inspiration, but not uttered by inspiration.

However, this may cause us some problems. For example, Paul was an inspired Apostle. Does this mean that every statement uttered by Paul was by inspiration, implying that he was almost infallible or omnipotent? The most likely answer is, "No." If he was making a tent and someone asked him, "What is the best way to make this kind of tent?" and Paul replied, "This is the way it should be done," it is my judgment that we could safely assume that since Paul was probably an outstanding tentmaker, it would be well to follow his advice, but that there is nothing in the record that indicates

that such a statement was inspired of God, or that God directed his tentmaking so that it would be perfect.

But do not Matthew 10:19 and Mark 13:11 indicate otherwise? Note exactly what is said in Mark 13:11, "*But when they shall lead you, and deliver you up, take no thought beforehand what ye shall speak, neither do ye premeditate: but whatsoever shall be given you in that hour, that speak ye: for it is not ye that speak, but the Holy Ghost.*" It should be evident that Jesus is not promising the Apostles that every word they ever uttered or wrote would be by inspiration, but

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how they would respond when they were arrested for preaching the gospel would be inspired.

This may help to explain what might otherwise be a difficult passage where Paul says in Acts 27:10, "*Sirs, I perceive that this voyage will be with hurt and much damage, not only of the lading and ship, but also of our lives.*" Yet in Acts 27:22 he says, "*And now I exhort you to be of good cheer: for there shall be no loss of any man's life among you, but of the ship.*" If one assumes that the first statement of Paul was by inspiration, then he would probably explain that the "hurt and damage" of their lives did not mean that they would lose their lives, but that they would suffer much.

It is my judgment that we are not required to assume that the first statement was by Divine revelation, although his second statement is specifically said to be so. From what little we are able to understand, at the present moment this seems a logical and scriptural conclusion to draw: When Paul or other inspired men were speaking of the gospel or things that relate to salvation, their words would be given by the Holy Spirit, but when they were merely speaking

about ordinary events, such as how to make tents, or whether it might rain tomorrow, there is no reason to assume that the Holy Spirit guided their every assumption, thought, word, or conclusion. If this is not the proper conclusion, then we find it impossible to explain satisfactorily Acts 15:38-39 where Paul thought it not wise to take John Mark, and Barnabas disagreed with him, yet Barnabas is nowhere pictured as rejecting the direction of the Holy Spirit or being in sin because he disagreed with Paul. Again in 1 Corinthians 10:12, we find that Paul encouraged Apollos to come to Corinth, but Apollos did not want to come at that time. If Paul's admonition to Apollos was by inspiration, then Apollos was disregarding the will of God by not going, and would have been in sin. There is not the remotest hint that such is the case, so we must conclude that nowhere does the Bible teach, or even suggest, that Paul was guided in all his decisions by direct inspiration of the Holy Spirit. We must be careful, however, that we not allow ourselves to conclude about some statement of Paul, "That was just his private opinion." When Paul said, "*Greet one another with a holy kiss,*" we should be able to tell by logical and scriptural analysis whether this was a specific command that involved the idea that every Christian should always greet any Christian he meets with a holy kiss. Even those who assume that we should obey that specific command by literally kissing each other do not apply the rule universally and practice greeting every person on every occasion with a holy kiss. Surely it does not take a genius or a scholar to know that when Paul said, "*Do not seek a wife*" (1 Corinthians 7:27) he was not giving an inspired instruction that applied to all persons at all times. We conclude that it was a statement given by inspiration, but was to be specifically applied to those in the circumstances addressed.

Cookeville, TN

# Leadership (#1)

Thayer Salisbury

There can be no doubt about it, we are in a leadership crisis. The antecedent of the pronoun in that sentence is irrelevant. The statement is still true whether the “we” refers to the church, the nation, or the entire world. Leaders are in short supply, and when they do appear few seem disposed to follow them.

Too often, when Christians become concerned about this crisis, they turn to worldly leadership models for solutions. There may be things that we can learn from businessmen, political figures, coaches, and others in the world, but our main source for models of leadership must be the biblical text itself. God has provided the information we need for life and godliness (2 Pet 1:3). The scriptures are capable of equipping us for every good work (2 Tim 3:16-17), and that includes the good work of leadership.

One of the best ways to learn about leadership is to observe the lives of leaders. In this series we will examine not only what the Bible says about leadership, but also what it shows us about leadership. One article in the series will turn from the biographical method to consider the theological implications of male leadership.

This series will not cover every biblical leader or every leadership principle. Study beyond this series is highly recommended. The examples used here

are intended to prepare and motivate the reader to pursue such study.

## Lessons from Deuteronomy

As Moses spoke to the people on the plains of Moab, he knew that he was about to die. As he expounded the law to them, he knew that leadership would be a continuing need for them. He could not give them a magic formula that would always produce perfect leaders, but he did identify a few basic principles that should always guide the leadership of Israel.

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## A leader must be just (16:18ff)

*“You shall appoint judges and officials throughout your tribes, in all your towns that the LORD your God is giving you, and they shall render just decisions for the people” (Dt 16:18 NRSV).*

A leader must be just (16:18-20). As Patrick Miller has commented, “Only one thing is required of the judges: right judgements” (Deuteronomy, 143).

Where our leaders often go wrong is in the priorities they have. Nationally we are more concerned with a growing economy than with justice. Within the

church, many show more concern for exciting programs than for truth, holiness, and discipline.

Justice ought to be the number one concern of every governing authority. That is the number one way we should choose leaders and measure their performance. Church elders should not be chosen because of successful business careers or pleasing personalities (Titus 1:9). Government leaders are not charged by God to provide welfare programs but to “execute wrath on the wrongdoer” (Rom 13:4). In any sphere where we are the governing authority, we must make justice our first concern. In any sphere where we can influence the governing authority, we should influence them to make justice their first priority. A deep concern for justice is an indispensable characteristic of Christian leadership.

## A leader must be of the people (17:15ff)

*“...be sure to appoint over you the king the LORD your God chooses. He must be from among your own brothers. Do not place a foreigner over you, one who is not a brother Israelite. The king, moreover, must not acquire great numbers of horses for himself or make the people return to Egypt to get more of them, for the LORD has told you, “You are not to go back that way again.” He must not take many*

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## Who Lost the Election?

Wayne Turner



As this is being written, Canada is only about two weeks away from its 38th General Election. By the time you read this, the people of Canada will have selected a new government. The polls are indicating that this will be a tight race down to the very last moment, and a minority government, either Liberal or Conservative, is very likely. With a minority government, even the smaller parties “win” in the sense that whatever major party sits in power, it will only be with the support of one (or more) of the other parties. If things remain as they now appear, almost every party will claim some moral victory in the election. If true, then who lost the election?

The answer is suggested by a statement reported in a Canada Family Action Committee email from June 2, 2004, where an unidentified Canadian politician, responding to being questioned about a moral issue raised by a church-going citizen, said, “There is no political consequence to ignoring you people...!” In this politician’s view, if you combined all of the conservative, Bible-believing Canadians from all the various faith groups they represent, together they do not have a sufficient influence to affect the direction of the country. Who lost the election? We did, the Bible believing people of Canada. We have failed to have an impact on those around us.

We need to remember that the Church was never intended to be a political lobby group nor an active participant in the electoral process. As Paul noted in 2 Timothy 2:4, “No one serving as a soldier gets involved in civilian affairs – he wants to please his commanding officer.” (NIV) The work of the church is spiritual, not political or secular. However, Christians are given the responsibility of influencing the people and culture in which they live.

We are all familiar with the various images that the New Testament uses to describe this influence. We are to be lights, leaven, and salt. As lights, we know that a city built on a hill cannot be hidden. It stands openly, for all to see. Jesus says that the light of our good works is to show a clear example that draws people to honour God. As leaven, we understand that influence is not necessarily related to size or prominence. A little leaven has a very significant impact – it can leaven the whole lump. As salt, we are reminded of salt’s three different effects: improve taste, preservation and create thirst. We are to make life better for those around us, as well as creating a thirst for God.

There is an interesting paradox for us. On one hand, we are to lead quiet lives (1 Thessalonians 4:11; 1 Timothy 2:2). In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus warned of doing things to be seen by men. This is also seen in the Christian’s pursuit of qualities like modesty and humility, of not seeking the places of honour or self-promotion. At the same time, we must live in our communities in ways that can be seen, recognized and which draw people to our God. It is not through the overt “Hey! Look at me!” way of living but in the subtle power of example and influence that we touch others, and ultimately, our culture.

One of the things we should remember as we participate in the democratic process is that our beliefs and values as Christians, more than anything else, should determine how we vote. It is easy to become caught up in the heat of a campaign, or by political, social or economic ideologies. Our primary citizenship is in heaven, not here.

If we seek the kingdom of God first in our lives, our vote should be part of our confession of Christ. Doesn’t seeking God’s kingdom mean seeking His righteousness? If so, how could a Christian vote against God? This means that to vote effectively, Christians need to take the time to be educated and informed about the issues and candidates they will choose from. (And, admittedly, they may ultimately have to choose the lesser of two evils.)

Perhaps one of the reasons why the politician mentioned earlier, and many others like him, feel they can ignore the “Bible believers” is because people in this group are often perceived as a radical fringe of backward and ill-informed people. While there have been many very outspoken proponents for this group, these people have often argued with more passion and noise than with solid information and sound reason. As New Testament Christians, we understand that faith has a very strong basis in reason and study. We have often cited the Bereans who received Paul’s message with an open mind and then studied to see if it was true. Well-informed, reasonable people have more influence than irrational fanatics.

Beyond being well prepared, we need to speak – to use our voices and pens to share our information and message. Example is not enough. The example of the early Christians helped them enjoy the favor of all the people (Acts 2:47) but they also filled Jerusalem with their teaching (Acts 5:28). (Are there any communities where this could be said today?) Examples, like the miraculous signs in the New Testament, should lead or point to something. In this case, example points to our message. Without our speaking, those around us will not understand. We need to speak out in an intelligent and loving way. We need to present Jesus and His word in a way that is relevant, that speaks to the needs and issues of today. We need to use every opportunity to speak, to share what we believe and why.

We need to be honest and admit that influencing others is not as easy as it may sound. Many of the people around us are comfortable and unwilling to even see anything different. They are only interested in the shifting fads of our culture, rather than the rock of ages. However, this should not keep us from trying. The message we have is truly the only one that will change our communities, our country and the world. Let’s not lose the next election.

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# You are the Temple of the Holy Spirit

Bill Craddock

Randy Alcorn, in his book entitled "Christians in the Wake of the Sexual Revolution," begins chapter 1 with this statement: "Ask the enlightened American what he thinks of Christian sexual morality. To him, it's a fossil – an antique that went out with washboards and penny candy. Who believes any more what the Bible says about sex? Old ladies and helpless traditionalists, the same folks who still use push mowers, manual typewriters, and clothes that are years out of style. The moral ice-age is over. Exit the dogmatic dinosaurs of sexual repression. We live in an age of sexual enlightenment, presumably but a few years from sexual utopia."

Some of these remarks may still sound out of line with the daily problems facing most Christians. But they are only deeper symptoms of the twisted views of human sexuality that color our society. And as Christians, we are not immune. Every sin to which people of the world are vulnerable, Christians are vulnerable. These problems were real to the church in first century Corinth. There Christianity came face to face with every conceivable immoral lifestyle. Listen to Paul's warning concerning immorality. *"Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God"* (1 Corinthians 6:9-11). Paul's message is that they had been involved in one or more of these wicked acts, but now that was in the past. They had been forgiven of their sins and were now

clean in Christ. But like many today it seems that some Christians in Corinth had not learned to live like Christians. They continued in their worldly, carnal thinking. Paul reproved them for their lack of maturity and said he had to talk to them like babies rather than spiritual people (1 Corinthians 3:1). It is required of Christians that they study God's word and grow spiritually.

It is important that when we are saved from our sins that we begin to think like God thinks and wants us to think. Apparently some Christians in Corinth had convinced themselves that they could become involved with prostitutes and not affect their commitment to Christ. They seemed to think their higher spiritual realm was not affected by behavior that had merely to do with the physical body. This was (and is) a false theology of Christian freedom. Paul did not begin by attacking their behavior, but the theology that permitted that behavior. God knows there must be more than simple

conformity to a legal code. God wants transformed lives that have learned to think as he thinks. God wants his children to do his will because they have come to share the mindset of God. They are to not merely be aware of God's law. They are to be filled with God's Spirit. In a time of understanding God's grace and forgiveness, much attention must be given to the nature of Christian freedom and Christian conduct. Grace properly understood does not encourage sin. Instead, it leads to a deeper relationship with God that empowers us to the kind of Godly living that was never possible through human achievement. God did not save us from sin so that we might find justification for our sins. We have freedom from sin through God's grace in Jesus Christ.

The Christians at Corinth had found justification for their sinfulness because of faulty theology of the human body's relationship with God (1 Corinthians 6:13). They believed that their relationship with God was strictly spiritual and the acts of the physical body have no affect on their spiritual relationship with God. Listen to Paul as he defeats this theory: *"Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a harlot? Certainly not! Or do you not know that he who is joined to a harlot is one body with her? For the two he says, shall become one flesh"* (1 Corinthians 6:16). Their faulty theology came from thinking that the body was irrelevant to spiritual life. Paul goes on to say: *"But he that is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him"* (1 Corinthians 6:17). We cannot separate ourselves into compartments and say that while one of our parts is involved in some activity the other part

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# Pulling Back: The Danger is Real

Steve Cordle

Recently, the congregation where I preach hosted a guest speaker for a series of lessons dealing with the over all topic of trusting in God. During one of the lessons, he made reference to the tenth chapter of Hebrews. While he spoke, I happened to notice verses 38-39 which state:

*"Now the just shall live by faith; But if anyone draws back, My soul has no pleasure in him. But we are not of those who draw back to perdition, but of those who believe to the saving of the soul."*

I underlined verse 38 and wrote a note in the margin of my Bible: "If once saved always saved is true, how can this be correct?" I really believe that the book of Hebrews goes a long way to demolishing the entire notion of once saved always saved, also known as eternal security.

The doctrine of once saved always saved is dangerous for one obvious reason: it allows someone who is a Christian to turn their back on the Lord and live unfaithfully while maintaining the hope of going to heaven. There are several other problems with such a doctrine, starting with the fact that it is totally illogical. Why would God choose to reward someone who committed his life to Christ and then walked away from that commitment? I know someone who departed from the Lord's church for a denomination some years ago. Later I learned she and her family are not attending any church service at all and cites as her reason the fact that she is now saved, cannot lose her salvation and thus it is unnecessary for her to worry about church attendance or any involvement with Christians. Let's illustrate the problem of once saved always saved with an example from every day life. In a marriage, if one of the spouses is unfaithful, the marriage bond is broken and the other party is no longer bound by the vows he or she made. The same is true between us and God. If we break the "vow" of our baptism to live for the Lord for life, then He is no longer bound to reward us with a home in heaven.

Notice the text referred to above from Hebrews 10:37-38. Commenting on this

passage, Thompson (p. 145-46) notes that the Hebrew writer is laying out a contrast between alternative modes of conduct for Christians:

"...he may **shrink back** or he may **live by faith**. To **live by faith** is here equivalent to 'endurance' at verse 36; it implies waiting patiently for Christ's return. To **shrink back** is to follow Israel's example of unbelief. This verse is especially significant in underlining Hebrews' concept of faith, which is the theme of chapter 11. For Hebrews, **faith** is faithfulness, the endurance which does not **shrink back**" (emphasis in the original).

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The book of Hebrews was written to encourage Christians of Jewish background not to retreat from their faith. Here, the writer of Hebrews uses the words of the prophet Habakkuk (2:4) to encourage them to remain faithful as noted by Thompson. Earlier in the book of Hebrews, the inspired writer remarked:

*"For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted the heavenly gift, and have become partakers of the Holy Spirit, and have tasted the good word of God and the powers of the age to come, if they fall away, to renew them again to repentance, since they crucify again for themselves the Son of God, and put Him to an open shame."*

At first glance, this passage seems to say that anyone who falls away is a lost cause and can not ever be restored to a relationship with Christ. However, Girdwood and Verkruyse (pp. 204-05) assert that the meaning of this passage is that "Those who fall away cannot be restored so long as they persist in their flagrant and public rejection of Christ." One who makes public his decision to live in a state separated from Christ cannot be restored until he changes his

mind. As long as such a person neglects his salvation, he will not return to the Lord, as Girdwood and Verkruyse continue to point out: "...the word impossible (verse 4) makes it clear that in their present condition, they will not respond." What is the present condition of those the Hebrew writer speaks of? Look at Hebrews 6:6: "... *they fall away, to renew them again to repentance, since they crucify again for themselves the Son of God, and put Him to an open shame.*" The author of the inspired book is referring to people who by their change in lifestyle are shaming the Lord through a returning to a life of open sin and rebellion. F. F. Bruce (pp. 147-8) notes:

"For it is possible for people who have been described in the language of vv. 4 and 5 to 'fall away' irretrievably. The warning of this passage is a real warning against a real danger. On the other hand, our author's meaning can be exaggerated to the point of distortion when he is understood to say that for sins committed after baptism there can be no repentance."

As stated earlier, this verse does, at first glance, seem to say a fallen Christian has no hope whatsoever. The problem is the word impossible used in verse 4, which as Coffman notes is "the most difficult word in this passage... [and] seems to perplex most of the writers. Coffman then quotes MacKnight as saying: that "The apostle does not mean that it is impossible for God to renew a second time an apostate; but that it is impossible for the ministers of Christ (to do so)." Coffman further states:

"Allow that God might indeed do what is here called impossible does no violence to truth, since all things are possible with God, except that he should lie or deny himself; and if the renewing of an apostate is not an action included in that exception, it would, of course, be possible with God."

Again, Girdwood and Verkruyse (p. 205) maintain that we need to "consider what is precisely said to be 'impossible.' It is neither their forgiveness or salvation

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## Strathmore Boulevard's 80th

On June 6 the Strathmore congregation celebrated their 80th Anniversary as a congregation. The congregation began early in the 1900s and first occupied a building at Swanwick and Main Streets. After a very successful Sunday School, in the home of one of the members, a tent was purchased and set up at Coxwell and Strathmore. Having good success the brethren purchased a lot and erected the present building.

When the building was being constructed the brethren were given the stonework with the inscription, "If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed", that had been on the building formally located on the southeast corner of Shuter and Victoria Streets. This building had been torn down a few years earlier to allow for the expansion of St. Michael's Hospital. The stonework had been stored in a construction yard until it was given to the brethren at Strathmore in 1924.

At the service on June 6 Ralph Perry, evangelist at Strathmore from 1954 to 1960, presented a challenging lesson on evangelism in a city of many cultures. There were 274 in attendance including many visitors who at one time were a part of the Strathmore congregation.

The congregation continues to believe strongly in the need to faithfully follow the word of God in faith and practice. It is our prayer that God will continue to bless the congregation in the days and years ahead.

Max Craddock



Some of Strathmore's former members who attended

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# Integrity

Mike McCabe

Last month I was watching the National on CBC and they reported on a poll and it showed that Canadians are not well informed about the political process. Out of 2100 people polled 75% said that they don't expect politicians to keep their promises and only 41% said that they had a great deal, or some, confidence in their political leaders. Along with that 37% said politicians are in politics to make a better country and 59% said they are there to feather their own nests. This poll shows a serious trend in our society. As I pondered this poll I came to realize that Christians should take a lesson from this survey and hold on to a quality called personal integrity. Integrity means a steadfast adherence to a strict ethical code. Our ethical code comes from God who has handed it to us in the form of his word. In his word we get excellent an example of integrity in Samuel and an excellent example of the lack of it in Joab. Let's look at what he says in 1 Samuel 12:1-5. In this passage we see from Samuel's example that:

## 1. People with integrity don't steal

Samuel asks the people "*whose ox or donkey have I taken?*" We may not be bank robbers or shoplifters but do we steal from work? The company may give disposable items such as hard hats and safety glasses that they don't expect back but what about other "little" items such as certain office supplies, padlocks, etc. In construction there are certain specialty tools, such as tri-squares, that I have to hide or lock away because I know they would be missing in a day or two.

How about downloading music off the Internet? In this day and age of technology we need to be aware of copyright laws. This means that the music that we're downloading belongs to someone else who expects to be paid for it. As Christians let us stay away from any practice that can be seen as stealing but rather show integrity in our conduct.

## 2. People with integrity don't cheat people

Samuel asks "*whom have I defrauded?*" Whether it is in business or in play, cheating is wrong. Proverbs says this, "*The LORD abhors dishonest scales, but accurate weights are his delight*" (Prov 11:1).

This verse brings to mind the butcher who puts his fingertips on the scale as he's weighing the meat, the used car salesman that roles back the odometer or the Olympic athlete that takes steroids. We can all think of examples of people who have cheated but as Christians, striving for integrity, we should strive for the second half of this proverb; bringing delight to the Lord through our honesty.

## 3. Integrity Doesn't oppress people

Samuel didn't oppress Israel as their leader. We may not be leaders of nations but we can still have day-to-day experiences with oppression. Have you ever known anyone who liked to make fun of people? Who would tease and ridicule them with unwanted jokes and insults? Then the person doing the bullying would say, "I'm only joking!" We need to understand that this behavior causes a great amount of stress and heartache to those who experience it. Those of us who have positions of authority in our workplace especially need to be aware of how we treat our subordinates so that we don't bring shame upon our Lord but rather lead with integrity.

## 4. Integrity doesn't use bribery

"*Do not accept a bribe, for a bribe blinds those who see and twists the words of the righteous*" (Ex 23:8).

I enjoy listening to stories of people who have been missionaries in foreign lands but it is discouraging to hear about obstacles in the work due to officials who expect or take bribes. It is truly an evil to stay away from.

## 5. Integrity doesn't lie

Samuel doesn't mention it but it is worth noting: "*The LORD detests lying lips, but he delights in men who are truthful*" (Prov 12:22).

One of the most complimentary things a person can say about another is, "I'll ask so and so. He/She will tell me the truth". This shows that you are viewed as an honest person, a person of integrity.

One person who didn't have integrity was Joab the commander of David's army. We see three cases where he murdered men in cold blood.

- In 2 Samuel 2:20-30 we see how he took Abner aside to speak with him and killed him after Abner had made peace with David.
- He murdered a helpless Absalom when David had ordered his life to be spared. (2 Samuel 18:9-15)
- Joab murdered Amasa when he pretended to give him a kiss of greeting (2 Samuel 20:4-13). Amasa then died a slow and terrible death as Judah's army walked past him.

A soldier gives us a look at the character of Joab when he explains why he didn't kill Absalom when he found him hanging from the tree.

"*And if I had put my life in jeopardy and nothing is hidden from the king you would have kept your distance from me*" (2 Sam 18:13).

The soldier knew that Joab wouldn't have come to his defense when David called him to account. Joab would have hung him out to dry. Joab was a wicked man without integrity.

As Christians today there are

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three verses that will help us live lives of integrity and establish God's ethical code in our lives:

*"Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody"* (Romans 12:17).

*"Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good"* (Romans 12:9).

*"Do to others as you would have them do to you"* (Luke 6:31).

If we practice these verses we will live lives of integrity. Integrity is a quality that every Christian should have as we set an example for people in the world. We should be people who do what we say we're going to do, who deal with people honestly and conduct ourselves in a manner worthy of the ethics God has set out for his people. Our countrymen may be cynical of those who run our governments, however they should be able to look at the children of God and say that we live lives of integrity and are great examples of what people should be.

Hamilton, ON

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which is said to be impossible but their own decision, in their present condition, to repent." Once a fallen Christian realizes his error and sin, then his mind and heart are ripe for a return to the Lord and restoration to the faith.

The Letter to the Hebrews is not the only place we see it is possible for Christians to fall away. There are many Scriptures in the Bible that make clear we can fall away and lose our salvation. Galatians 5:4 states: *"You have become estranged from Christ, you who attempt to be justified by law; you have fallen from grace."* In this context, those who want to keep the old Law of Moses have fallen from grace. The Galatian text tells Christians who were attempting to bind the Law of Moses on Christians that they have fallen from grace if they try to seek justification by the old law.

James 5:19-20 calls a Christian who has fallen *"a sinner"* and one who needs to be brought back to the faith. James further says that one who restores such a sinning brother or sister *"will save a soul from death and cover a multitude of sin."* Thus, a Christian who falls away can be restored if he so desires. God is rich in mercy and desires all sinners, even sinners who are apostate Christians to come to Him for His forgiveness. Holloway (p. 130) says of the Christian who apostatizes "If he turns from error, God will save him, no matter how far he has wandered or how many sins he has."

St. Catharines, ON

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*Reminder: In order to be published in the following months' news, each congregation's information should be sent to Walter Straker before the third last Tuesday of the month.*

### NEW BRUNSWICK

**Moncton:** After 28 years in Moncton, Tim and Diane Johnson have made the big decision to move to Edmonton, Alberta, in late August 2004. The Edmonton congregation has decided to begin an offshoot congregation in another area of the city and chose the Johnsons to spearhead that new group. In Moncton, there are now 35 members, and they will be looking for a replacement to preach for them. Their eldership will be dissolved, as Tim is one of only two elders. The congregation has been having strategy meetings to decide various things for when Tim is gone. The work there was begun on May 1, 1976, in the Johnson's mobile home. Eleven months later Ruth Peters was baptized. She is still there today, along with two of her children and three grandchildren. A great crowd attended Friend's Day; two visitors continue to attend. Shawn LeBlanc plans to head for Great Lakes Bible College in August,

and then return to New Brunswick upon graduation, to work with the congregation in Saint John. In late April, the brethren mailed out over 3,000 evangelistic pamphlets in the community around the church building.

### ONTARIO

**Beamsville:** On May 23 a special anniversary celebration was held to honour Barb & Don Smith's 25th wedding anniversary with a potluck and presentation. On May 26, Skylar Judd, GLCC student from Fenwick was baptized. On June 9, a baccalaureate service was held for GLCC graduating students. Louie Mongelluzzo died Monday, May 24, as a result of the ravages of cancer. On June 2, Tim Halls, Don and Amy's grandson, was baptized. His family attend Tintern. Landon Whitfield, a GLCC student, baptized him.

**Bramalea:** The 2004 Camp Omagh "PrimeTimers" camp will meet, Lord willing, July 13-16, with Walter Straker leading discussions on II Peter (not I Peter as advertised on the brochure.) Ishmael Antwi, a young man from Ghana, was baptized on May 16. A "Ministry Fair" was held June 13, with 13 ministries chaired by various members. Derek Czeban, GLBC student, is doing his summer internship program with Bramalea to complete his 4th year requirements for the Bachelor of Theology degree. Guest speaker in June was Javier Cuarezma. Also, Art and Ruby Ford presented a report on their Papua New Guinea trip. The congregation enjoyed having Megumi Handa, one of the Sendai team's Japanese teachers, visit in June.

**Brantford (North Park):** The young people are encouraged to bring a friend to their youth night activities each Friday at 7 p.m. The 20's weekend at Camp Omagh, July 9-11, will be taught by Jamie Azzoparde on the theme: "Battling the Desires Within." On the fifth Sunday of each month, the contribution goes to support mission work.

**Cornwall:** On May 5, Allyson Bray was baptized into Christ. Several in the congregation visited Sudbury on May 30.

**Fenwick:** June 13 was a great day at Fenwick. Worship on the lawn, lunch and strawberry shortcake attracted 61 people, with visitors from Welland and the community. On June 20, in Port Colborne, we completed a series of combined worship times with Welland and Port Colborne.

**Grimsbys:** Barb Hannah spent May 14 - June 1 on a medical mission trip to Honduras. This year's vacation Bible school will be conducted August 2-6. The June area-wide worship services in the Peninsula were to be held at Beamsville (June 6), Tintern (June 13), St. Catherines [Ontario Street] (June 20), and Grimsby (June 27).

**Kingston:** The congregation has just hired Richard Maddeaux to preach for them. It is hoped that Richard will help bring the growth that the congregation desires. They continue to

be involved in several Bible studies that show promise.

**Meaford:** In March supplies were collected and donated to the breakfast club at Meaford Community School. On Saturday, May 8, the women had their annual ladies' day and luncheon, with Phyllis Stanley, of Tintern, as guest speaker. Also, on May 8, Nathan Pickard received his Master of Divinity degree from Abilene Christian University. He was married in Portland, Oregon, on May 15. On May 22 the Georgian chapter of GLCC WAVES conducted its annual garage and bake sale. The Georgian Bay fellowship was held in Meaford on Sunday, June 13. The theme was "Loving the Unlovable," with John Bailey as featured speaker. Brian and Bonnielee Cox reported on their work among the First Nations people in Wunnumim Lake.

**Newmarket:** Jordan and Taylor Picchiottino were baptized May 23. On May 30 a farewell evening was held for the Steve Johnsons, who are moving back to Texas. Nathan and Katy Pickard began work with the congregation the first week of June.

**North Bay:** On August 7-13, Camp Manitou's wilderness camp for 13+ boys (or 10 years old with their fathers) will be taught by John Clayton.

**Omagh:** Brian Meneer has had a serious recurrence of cancer and is undergoing strong treatments, which means he is not able to teach school, or preach for the congregation, at the present time.

**St. Thomas (Southside):** Sandi Langman, daughter of the David Langmans, was baptized on May 16.

**Sundridge:** Laura Verzijenberg was baptized in February in the Dimmick's outdoor hot tub! GLCC Chorus sang for the congregation on March 13. Haleigh Raeburn gave her mom a wonderful Mother's Day gift when she was baptized. On May 18 Gerry Walsh, Effie Thorne and Ralph Russell put on their Lord in baptism. Rayburn Lansdell was with the congregation the last weekend of May to sing both old and new songs with the members. He also gave the Sunday morning lessons. George Mansfield was guest speaker on Sunday, June 13. Jeremy and Jacinthe Frost were to arrive in Guinea, West Africa, on Saturday, June 12. They are with a group called 'Pioneer Bible Translators.' Please pray for them. - Pauline Frost.

**Tintern:** Bradley Cann was baptized on May 26. Deanna James' father, Don Spong, passed away in May. The GLCC Chorus sang for the congregation on May 26.

**Toronto (Strathmore):** Benito Zambrano was baptized on May 23. He is a part of the Spanish congregation. Also on May 23 Jennifer Volcy was baptized by her father, Jean. On May 31 Charis Limos was baptized. Ovidiu (Ovi) & Natasha Tudor were welcomed to Strathmore having recently moved from Vancouver. A follow-up "Training for Service" breakfast was held on Saturday, May 15, with representatives

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(The help of Barbara Lewis in gathering news is appreciated.)

### BRITISH COLUMBIA

**Abbotsford (Central Valley):** Excitement mounted as June 17 approached, and last minute cleaning and checking of the "Keymobile" destined to make the first trip into Fort Ware and Tsay Keh, Northern BC, were made. Norm and Jen Weir had managed to raise enough money to purchase the used mobile home that seemed to be the only answer to the problem of reaching the remote native villages where two teachers were waiting to be baptized, and a dozen others are taking the "Key to The Kingdom" correspondence courses. It required some TLC by way of new lights (thanks to Neal Velthuizen), brakes checked and valve covers replaced (thanks to John Wedler), new roof vents and caps, other leaks sealed (courtesy Norm Weir), and new battery cables. Its maiden voyage also required a new set of tires since there are no gas stations or repair shops available during the 300-mile drive over backwoods roads. This first trip was for basic scouting, meeting people, having studies with those on the correspondence list who were available, and being able to baptize those who have waited nearly a year to complete their obedience.

**Burnaby:** Erol and Debrah Dogan had a fruitful six weeks in Jerusalem, Bethlehem, and Tel Aviv. They returned on June 15 with an invitation to come back to spend a year next time. Some of the highlights of their work included attending a conference hosted by a Japanese delegation which supports the church in Jerusalem, helping man a booth for a special festival in the Galilean region, distributing help to the needy in the streets of Jerusalem, visiting families of victims of the suicide bombings, and numerous studies with individuals or groups, as they became available. Former members Cyrus and Christi Crook are now living in Edinburgh, Scotland.

**City Church:** Steve Hasbrouck left Steve, Jr. in charge of most of his classes when he departed on June 2 for a five-week trip to Japan to visit his daughter and five grandchildren, and encourage churches in the Northern part of that country. We received

another shipment of 20 Bibles in simplified Mandarin from the mother of Cherry Gao in China, which are a big help to our Chinese students who are not as yet familiar with the Scriptures.

**Deep Cove:** The church has placed a classified ad for prayer homes in the provincial-wide community newspapers that occupants of each house receive free of charge each week. With the conviction that the one belief all people of differing religious faiths share in common is prayer, this outreach is being done in the hope of uniting groups who will not only pray together but eventually study together. There have already been several responses. The ad reads: "MEET PEOPLE IN HOMES in your area sharing belief in the power of prayer. For personal contact and spirituality in the internet age, visit: <http://WWW.PRAYERHOMES.COM/>"

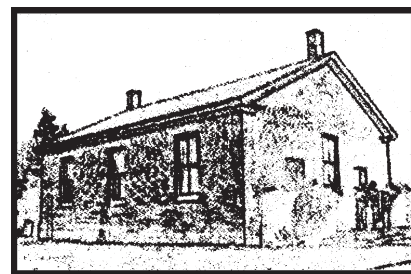
**Delta:** Jim and Carolyn Hawkins were presented with the Distinguished Christian Service Award during the 2004 Pepperdine Lectureships. They have been a great example in their untiring work for the Lord's church and individual Christians ever since arriving in Canada so many years ago. We designate one Sunday a month as "Kid's Day". Instead of going their own way, children are given a sermon topic-related activity to complete while following Darren Williamson's sermon. They watch for his pre-arranged signal to tip them off. At the end of the lesson, they are invited to come "up front" to talk about the sermon and display their work. The ladies had an unveiling of their secret sisters at an Italian-style dinner at the home of Mae Garland.

**Oakridge:** We have received a thank-you letter from Antonio Pineda for our financial help when he was involved in an accident in Central America a few months ago. He wrote that the congregation for which he preaches has had recent campaigns with the congregations of Santa Elena, San Martin, San Bartolo, and Apulo, using basketball courts to accommodate the 150 people who attended. There were four conversions. The church in San Marcos also sent thanks for our help.

### MONTANA

**Helena:** The 8th Annual Rocky Mountain Great Commission Workshop was held June 11-13 in Helena. This year's theme of "Serving God's Purpose In Our Generation" (Acts 13:36) was under the direction of local evangelist Greg King. Guest speakers for the workshop featured Dan & Wendy Jacoy, Steve & Cheryl Orduno, and Jerry & Paula Botts. Dan & Wendy work in Myrtle Creek, OR, a rural town of 2,000 people. They are aggressively involved in leading people to Christ and maturing them. The church has grown from about 35 to over 250 and there were 50 baptisms in 2003! Their sessions

were geared to teaching how to lead people to Christ in small town America or Canada. Steve and Cheryl planted a new church in Paso Robles, CA., utilizing proven outreach methods successfully in their community. Their attendance is now up to over 100 and growing. Steve and Cheryl continue to serve God's purpose in a medium-size city on the Central California coast. Jerry and Paula are on staff at the Rocky Mountain Church. Jerry's ministry is working with and developing new believers in Christ, and teaching them the lifestyle of Jesus. He has developed a program called "Second Teach" that guides new believers through a one year walk with Jesus. Acappella presented a program for those attending on Saturday evening.



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**HAITI:** Many have been concerned about reports of the flooding in Haiti. It has not affected our area, as we are on a high plateau. But the almost continuous torrential rain has destroyed many stick and mud huts in the village. We are the only ones in that whole area who can help. The task is endless. Since my last report, many have been impressed with what we are doing at the mission. Most are especially interested in the houses we are building for the homeless. We now have six houses completed. In April we started to feed 27 poor people on Mondays – the number by June was up to 40. We have also distributed more than 2,000 lbs of rice. We are still giving bread and peanut butter four days a week to 150 children in the school. Two young girls were baptized

in May, bringing the total for this year to 15 girls and four boys. Monique manages to take care of all this with God's help. – Raymond Fillion

**CHINA:** From Ming Paul Lee comes word that schools in Changchu and Longhui are being remodelled to become homes for orphans and other children. There is a call for help from families with teen-agers to come over to help during the months of July and August when other workers plan to be there. A great experience for young people!

**SENDAI JAPAN:** Pam Keese, the team's one-year Let's Start Talking intern, returned to the US in May. Her quiet, encouraging, Christian demeanour and service will be greatly missed by those who worked with her in Sendai. Please pray for God's guidance as Pam decides what He wants her to do now. David Moon, former ESL teacher in Sendai, feels God is calling him to return to work full-time with the Sendai team. Dave is highly recommended by the team, the Sendai congregation, as well as East Hill in York, and Bramalea in Ontario. Please pray for David as he prepares himself – and raises funds – for his work in Japan. Megumi Handa, one of the team's faithful

Japanese teachers over the past two years, recently visited Joel, and Jonathan's parents in Ontario. Megumi is one of 14 teachers who freely gave their time and efforts to assist the young people with their language study. Ben, Crimsen, Joel and Jonathan can now speak fairly competent Japanese, mainly due to the dedication of Megumi and her co-teachers. Let's Start Talking, 2004, had 76 students registered at last report. Please pray for the hearts of the Japanese people to be opened through this effort. The Nationwide Preachers' Meeting was hosted by the Sendai congregation from June 7-9 at Zao. Team Furlough: From August-October 2004, Ben Berry, Joel Osborne, Crimsen Ruhnke, and Jonathan and Michiko Straker will return to North America for their first three-month furlough. Please pray for them as they visit family and friends, report to sponsoring congregations (East Hill, York, Nebraska, and Bramalea, Brampton, Ontario), as well as to supporting congregations and individuals. (Hopefully, they will also have some time to relax!) Our prayer is that funds will be ongoing and/or forthcoming to allow the team to complete the last 3 years of its 5-year commitment to Sendai. (The team will also undergo follow-up group and individual testing and counseling at Abilene Christian University.)

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from the five congregations that have been involved over the years to review this year's meeting and make plans for 2005. The Bramalea congregation will be the hosts for 2005.

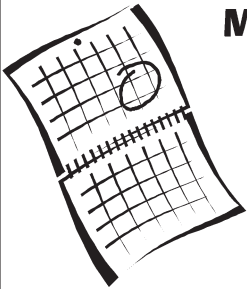
**Walkerton:** Greg Smith has asked for assistance to send 12 barrels of shoes, clothing, and computers to the Accra church of Christ in Ghana. This congregation sponsors a Bible school there. The cost is \$200 per barrel, and several congregations are participating by sending one or two barrels. Greg was still short for funds to send five barrels. He may be contacted at (519) 392 8128, or email Gregory@gregorycsmith.com.

**Waterloo:** On June 3, the congregation hosted "A Celebration of the Cuarezma Ministry," for Javier and Isabelle Cuarezma. The Cuarezmas were to move to Detroit, Michigan, in June to begin a Spanish congregation there with the approximately 150,000 legal Spanish-speaking people. They will work in conjunction with the Vinewood congregation in Little Mexico City in Detroit. In May, Tiffany Grant-McIntosh was baptized into Christ, and Almy Montenegro recommitted herself to the Lord.

## QUEBEC

**Verdun:** Lise and Michael Mazzalongo visited several California congregations to help make up the \$2000 per month support they had lost. On June 1, the El Cajon church of Christ in San Diego began supporting them on a long-term basis to make up this difference. Along with several private contributors, the Mazzalongos have now regained all of their losses. The Canyon View church of Christ Tuesday ladies' class asked Mike how much it would cost to buy recording equipment to videotape classes for small churches and preaching schools to watch. While Mike spoke, one of the sisters quietly passed a hat and collected \$7,200 – enough cash to buy the equipment. On April 8, 72 people attended the Verdun service – up from 23 in July 2003. Jessica Estes, a member of the Canyon View congregation, San Diego, helped the congregation launch its own FriendSpeak program in the community, with 20 people registering.

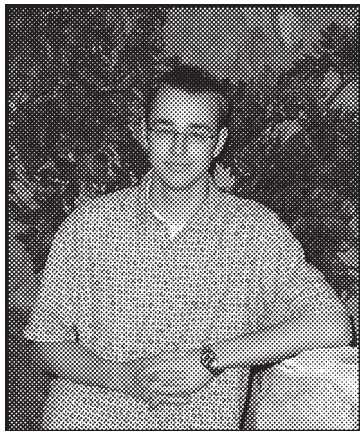
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| September 7    | Registration Day at Bible College and High School<br>First day of school for Preschool  |
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is not involved. The whole person is involved in every act one performs. The physical body cannot be parked while the spiritual body is active nor can the spirit be parked while the physical body is active. This seemed to be the thinking of the Corinthian Christians, but they were wrong.

Lewis Smedes says it well: "We sense that our bodies are not mere baggage carried around by souls, to be discarded when we die. When our stomachs hurt, we hurt; when our bodies are seasick, we are seasick; what we do with our bodies, we do with our selves. Christians may sometimes piously talk as though souls were some sort of air bubble inside our bodies; but ordinarily they act as though their bodies are their very selves. Our bodies are us – the outside of us, but still us. This reflects Paul's view: a person's body was his outer self. When a body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, the person is a temple (1 Corinthians 6:19); when a person glorifies God in his body, he is glorifying God as a person; when a person gives

his body to be burned, he gives himself to the flames; when a Christian yields his body as an offered service to God, he yields himself (Romans 12:1). And when two bodies are united in sex, two persons are united. The body is the person, the outside person that touches the world around him."

Paul denies one can have sexual relations with another with no meaning beyond the physical act itself. (People today call this casual sex) The very nature of sexual union is more far-reaching than the physical act. Sexual relations with a prostitute doesn't constitute marriage. Remember, Jesus in speaking with the Samaritan woman at the well told her to call her husband and she replied that she did not have a husband. Jesus said, "You have well said, 'I have no husband,' for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly" (John 4:17b-18). This is what makes sexual relationship of this nature wrong. Sex outside of marriage is sinful (Hebrews 13:4). Christians cannot be involved in this sinful activity.

Christians do not have control over their lives. They belong to someone else. "Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's" (1 Corinthians 6:19-20). God paid the highest price ever paid for the soul of a Christian. There can be no higher price than the life of one's son. Since the Christian has been purchased, he has no further control over his life but must live it according to the will of the one that owns him, God. One gives up the right to control his life at the time of the new birth. God is not willing to save one who will not give up that right.

Does the Holy Spirit make his abode in your body? If you truly belong to God he does. Be careful what you do with the dwelling place of God's Spirit. Be sure you do not do anything that would make the Holy Spirit move out. Those who want to have things their way are living in an empty house and don't know it.

Plantation, FL



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wives, or his heart will be led astray. He must not accumulate large amounts of silver and gold" (Dt 17:15-17 NIV).

A leader must be one of the people. The sad truth is that leadership has had a corrupting influence on many people. Jesus warns us that it can often be so,

But Jesus called them to him and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. It will not be so among you; but whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be your slave; just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many" (Mat 20:25-28 NRSV).

The cure for this problem is simple: a leader must be one of the people and he must remain one of the people (cf Heb 3, 4 & 5). Perhaps the greatest flaw in most governmental systems is the tendency to give us leaders so little like us. In a monarchy the rulers are treated with a deference that places them apart from the people. Democracy has not proven a solution to this distance between the leaders and the people. In our media dominated world, democracy

becomes the rule of the smooth talker. Appearance becomes much more important than substance. The one who looks best on Television, no matter how far he may be removed from the ideals of the people, wins.

This is not just a problem of government. Church leaders can have this difficulty also. We have too many miseducated preachers who do not know what it is to earn a living by ordinary work. Some elders are living in the past and have lost touch with current concerns and problems. In reaction to this, and in keeping with our culture's emphasis on youth, some are tempted to follow youthful leaders. It is good to develop youthful leaders, but too many of these lack perspective and lack appreciation for the older generation.

Healthy leadership is drawn from among the people, and remains in touch with the people.

#### **A leader must be under authority (17:18-20)**

*"When he takes the throne of his kingdom, he is to write for himself on a scroll a copy of this law, taken from that of the priests, who are Levites. It is to be with him, and he is to read it all*

*the days of his life so that he may learn to revere the LORD his God and follow carefully all the words of this law and these decrees and not consider himself better than his brothers and turn from the law to the right or to the left. Then he and his descendants will reign a long time over his kingdom in Israel."*

A good ruler must see himself as under authority not just in authority. In constitutional government that authority is the constitution. A constitution serves as an anchor outside the current situation that protects us from being overly influenced by the concerns of the moment. Unfortunately, today it is not unusual for governmental leaders to throw off the restraints of the constitution.

The undermining of foundational documents has become common with political leaders. Early in his Presidency, Bill Clinton spoke of his inability to amend the constitution, but said that he would accomplish his goals by "redefining key terms" in the constitution. In Zimbabwe, Robert Mugabwe has driven hundreds of people from their homes. Many of these were declared – by judges that Mugabwe had appointed, acting under a constitution Mugabwe was pledged to uphold – to be the legal owners of the farms from which they were driven. In other cases the abuse may not be as obvious, but many modern rulers have cast off the restraints of constitutional government and are ruling according to the whims of the moment. The only hope for modern government is leaders who submit to an authority above them and limit themselves by that.

A Christian leader must be a man of God's book.

This would be very helpful even for our government authorities. Our greatest governmental leaders knew the Bible. It humbled them and helped them. They did not run the country by the Sermon on the Mount – nor should they have – but seeing themselves as people under authority made a positive difference in how they led.

Certainly, if we are leaders in any sphere of life, we ought to know the book and mould our lives in that way. Unquestionably those who lead the church ought to be people of the book.

Regina, SK

#### **UPDATE ON THE FLOOD SITUATION IN HAITI**

## **When it rains it pours in Haiti!**

With political turmoil, lack of everything, and now heavy rains and floods, Haiti has certainly had its share of sufferings. The situation that was already bad, worsened for the people in several villages and towns of South Eastern Haiti, as the Soliete River surprised the inhabitants of Fond-Verette, Gozier, Mapou, Fond-Parisien, etc, and killed over 4000 people and destroyed their houses and plantations in the region. Thanks be to God that the international community, the armed forces that were sent to Haiti to help re-establish peace and order after the departure of the Haitian President (Aristide), were there to help in the rescue efforts and save so many lives that would have been lost. The need in South Eastern Haiti is great!

This is especially true for the new congregation of the church that we had the privilege of establishing in Fond-Parisien in December 2002 (so far, that's the first and only congregation of the church in the region). Several members of this congregation lost everything, their houses

and farms as the heavy floods took them all away. One brother, who was baptized during our first mission to Haiti in December 2002, told me that their house had been destroyed and that he, his wife, and their five children are now living in the house of his wife's parents. A lady that lived a few houses away from the church building perished with 4 of her 6 children in the floods. Needless to say, some help is needed not just for the church but also for several in the region that have been affected by this catastrophe.

If you have helped in the past with this work, we thank you, and we count on your continued support. If you are able to help but haven't yet, please consider sending your contribution, as we'd like to be able to send some urgently needed assistance to the church there.

Please send your assistance to  
Strathmore Church Christ (Haiti Mission),  
346 Strathmore Blvd., Toronto, ON, M4C 1N3.

Thank you and May God bless you!

Jean Volcy

# OBITUARIES

## Hopkins, Hilda Edith (Shriner)

Hilda Edith (Shriner) Hopkins passed away at the age of 93 on June 10 at Rapelje Lodge in Welland. She was born in Hamilton on November 13, 1910. She was the beloved wife of the late Ronald Hopkins and was predeceased by her brothers George, Harold, and Eric Shriner. Hilda was a faithful member of the Fenwick church of Christ for many years.

After selling their home, she and Ronald moved into Sunset Haven. When Rapelje Lodge was built, they moved to that facility. Ronald passed away in 2002. Following Ronald's death, Hilda's health deteriorated. A broken hip and other ailments confined her to a wheelchair and finally to her bed.

Hilda dearly loved the Lord. Members of the congregation would visit and keep her updated on activities. She was eager to know how Sunday worship, gospel meetings and various outreach events had gone. She often inquired about the health of others and was keenly interested in the well-being and growth of the children. She enjoyed listening to sermon summaries and readings from scripture, especially the Psalms.

As her health failed, she still looked forward to receiving communion. As we entered her room, she would usually comment about it being Sunday again. She finally had to partake of the fruit of the vine using a straw but when asked if she was up to taking communion she always answered, "Yes, it makes me feel better." She was a special individual. A dear sister. She will be missed, but Hilda has left a great example for all of us at Fenwick.

Don Hipwell

## Oswald, Deloy "Ozzie" Weldon

Deloy "Ozzie" Weldon Oswald passed away peacefully at home on May 25 in Tweed, Ontario after enduring several years of failing health. He was born on September 10, 1927 in Osgood, Idaho.

Ozzie will be sadly missed by his wife of 53 years, H. Christine Oswald and his four daughters and son: Christine and Mark, Pam, Dorene and Austin, Karla and Reed and Sherri. Grandchildren, Kila and her husband, Tim McCann, Zeke Harrington, Josh Foster, Justin Harrington, Wade and Rory Wilson, Kyle and Travis Oswald. Great-grandchildren: Mack and Marshall McCann and Riley Shantz. Ozzie will be missed as well by Sherri's children, Rebecca and Dillon Carman.

He was a member of the Westside Church of Christ in Searcy, Arkansas and the Kingston Church of Christ in Kingston. Ozzie retired from the Ministry of Labour in Ontario as the District Manager of Occupational Health and Safety in Kingston. He held management positions with the Visador Company in Seattle,

Washington; Dallas, Texas; Jasper, Texas; and Picton, Ontario over a twenty year span. Ozzie served in the United States Army Airborne for eight years and was active in his church and community.

He is survived and missed by his three brothers and their families: Ken, Ron, and Alan Oswald.

We pray God will bless those who mourn at this time.

Gordon Gibson

## Preston, Grant Frederick

Grant Preston passed peacefully from this life on Friday, February 27, 2004, in his 76th year. Grant had struggled with the crippling effects of Parkinson's disease for more than 15 years and had been a resident of Eastholme Home for the Aged for the last 2 years.

Born in Newmarket on January 1, 1929 to Alexander and Viola Preston, Grant was the grandson of early Ontario Evangelist Charles Petch. He was one of seven children, and leaves his sister June (Lewis) Kent, brothers, Eugene (Edna), Claire (Elsie - deceased), Alex (Shirley), Clark (Donna), Fred (Barb). He was predeceased by brother Don (Marg). He married Edith Vail of Meaford on January 7, 1951. Soon taking up residence in Sundridge, they raised five children together: Don (Midori), Marilyn (Neil) Boden, Karen (Dean) Bernas, Rob (Penny) and Carla (Brian) Harmer. Also left to mourn are 7 grandchildren.

In 1958 Grant became a Case Heavy Equipment dealer and served the area as a businessman operating Preston Sales & Service. His business continues today operated by son Don as G. F. Preston Sales & Service Ltd.

Grant was a charter member of the Sundridge Church of Christ where he spoke and taught often and led singing regularly. He served as an elder of the church with brother-in-law, Lewis, during the 1980's.

He also preached for various churches throughout Ontario on an occasional basis and held gospel meetings in Saskatchewan. His fondness for "the West" and the brethren there was deep having been sparked by his trips to Saskatchewan to work in the fall harvests as a young man and his attendance at the Winter Bible Schools in Radville in 1945 and 1946.

Grant was generous with what God had blessed him with and was a supporter of both Western Christian College and Great Lakes Christian College. He served on the board of directors of G.L.C.C. from 1973 to 1981.

**Songs of Faith and Praise** (Howard Publishing) We need 20 copies of the blue covered 1st. edition. We have 7 copies of the grey covered 3rd edition available. Salmon Arm Church of Christ (250-832-3828)

His funeral service was held on March 1 in the worship facility of the Sundridge Church of Christ, a building built in 1967 with the help of his leadership.

Together we reflected upon his love for his family, his church, and his business and took comfort from II Corinthians 1:3-7 and Paul's admonition to comfort one another with the comfort we ourselves have been comforted with by the Father of all comfort.

We also looked to the promise of Jesus of a place prepared for those of faith and faithfulness and a crown of righteousness for one who had finished his course on this earth. And together we rejoiced that now free from the restrictions of a frail and tired body Grant Frederick Preston was now at home with his Lord.

The Funeral service was conducted by Don Smith and Steve May. Edith can be reached at Box 540, Sundridge, Ontario POA 1Z0

Steve May

## Scott, Charlotte Kate (Town)

Charlotte was born on April 6, 1915, in San Francisco to English parents. She died in Victoria on Dec. 8, 2003, after several years of wheelchair confinement and dialysis treatment. She leaves a daughter, Marilyn Baudais, of Coquitlam, two sons, David and Rodney, in Victoria, and several grandchildren.

Her family brought her to Canada in 1924. They camped up the coast in a large tent, without a floor, as they traveled with four children about 150 miles a day in their 1911 Chevrolet. With a mattress tied to each running board, and a piano secured to the top of the car, they arrived in Cloverdale after just over a week of travel. Their first house was a chicken house on which they were gradually to add additional rooms.

At age 15, Charlotte got her first full-time baby-sitting-housekeeping job. After her father died at an early age, she helped raise all of her six siblings. Later she was able to get nursing positions in private homes.

Charlotte was married to Robert Duncan Scott on Sept. 17, 1937. She took an accounting course in order to be able to help her husband, who had gone into the trucking business. He hauled oil in the winter, and switched to gravel and asphalt during the summer months. They both loved children and over time, they adopted three children, and became foster parents to many more. Charlotte also loved to read, sew and knit, especially as she grew older and had the time for it.

Charlotte and Robert were faithful members of the church all of their married life. They made a number of trips to Eastern Canada, where Robert's brother, Phillip, lived, and took an Alaskan cruise in 1987. In 1990, they were able to visit England. Robert died May 17, 1992. Since that time, David was his mother's primary caretaker.

Barbara Lewis



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## PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

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

**CALGARY:** 4030 Maryvale Dr. NE, T2A 2S8; (June – August) Sun. service 10 am, (Sept – May) Children's Bible Classes 9:30 & 11:15, Worship 9 & 10:45, Wed. 6:45 p.m. Small Groups (Fri – Mon, eve.) Phone (403) 272-2111; E-mail: info@calgarycfc.com

**CAMROSE:** 4901-42 St. T4V 1A2 Sun. 10:30 am. Wed. 7:00 pm 780-672-1220 (off).

**EDMONTON:** 13015-116 Ave., T5M 3C9. (780) 455-1049; FAX 454-9545; Sun. 9:30, 11:00; Wed. 7:00 class at the building & CARE groups in homes. Dave Friesen, ev 460-4258. Elders: Henri Bouchard, Vern Hibbard, David Hotchkiss, Walter Hreczuch, C.Eric Limb, Peter Ross. www.edmontonchurchofchrist.org, email: church5@telus.net.

**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, 655 Stewart Dr. NW, T1A 7C2; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7; Jamie Lobert, ev. (403) 527-7346 or (403) 527-7311 (off)

**RED DEER:** 68 Donlevy Ave., T4R 2V8; Sun. 11:30, 10, (evening—call for information); Wed. 7; John Smith, ev. (403) 347-3986 email: <davenportco@aol.com>

## PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

**ABBOTSFORD (Central Valley):** #5 – 2580 Cedar Park Place; Sun. 10,11; Tues. 7:30 at address above, Norm Weir, ev. (604) 850-8670 (off); 859-5973 (res). If no answer 852-5052; email: normjen@rapidnet.net; website: http://www.members.shaw.ca/allanjn/cvcc/

**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 Hildey 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; Al McCutcheon, sec. (604) 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:** 1295 Monashee Court; Sun. 10:00; Tues. 7:00; PO Box 2129, V2B 7K5; Dane Bengard, ev. (250) 377-3386

**KELOWNA:** 1317 Ethel St., Kelowna BC, V1Y 2X1; Building 250-861-9486, Sunday 10:45 a.m.

Worship, Evangelist: Barrie Forman, 250-764-4313, sonlover@shaw.ca, cell 212-0080; Elders: Wayne Muirhead, 250-861-4008, marwayn@hotmail.com; Ted Windmill, 250-763-8445, edward\_windmill@telus.net

**NANAIMO:** 1720 Meredith Rd., V9S 2M4; Sun. 10:00, 11:00, Wed. 7:00 meeting in homes, please phone for time and place; 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 VOK 1C0; 867-9420.

**PRINCE GEORGE:** 4337 Ewen Dr.; Mailing Address: PO Box 2437, V2N 2S6; Sun. 10; For more information contact Grahame Somerville 562-6708, Leo Selzer 964-9102 or Office (250) 562-0502.

**PRINCE RUPERT:** 977 Prince Rupert Blvd.; PO Box 324, V8J 3P9; Sun. 4-5 pm, 3-4 pm; Thurs. 7; Dick Brant, ev. (250) 624-4449 (off), 624-5834 (res)

**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.

**SURREY (Greater Vancouver):**15042 92nd Ave., V3R 5V7; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Ron Beckett, ev., 594-1796.

**Vancouver (City Church):** Trout Lake Community Centre, 3350 Victoria Drive, Worship 4:30 to 6:15 p.m., Bible Study 6:30 p.m.(mailing address, 483 East 51st Ave, Vancouver, V5X 1C8), Stephen C. Hasbrouck, Sr. ev., (604) 263-3470

**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 Ververda, ev., (250) 545-5256 (res); 545-6892 (off).

**VICTORIA:** 3460 Shelbourne St., V8P 4G5; Sun. 9, 10:15; midweek in homes; (250) 592-4914 (off); website: www.churchadmin@sscc.bc.ca

## 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; Bob Norris, ev., 745-6969.

**DAUPHIN:** 220 Whitmore Ave. W; Mailing address: Box 70, Dauphin, R7N 2T9; Sun. worship 9:00 & 10:00; Sun. & Wed. nights call for details; (204) 638-6321 (off), Fax: 638-0872; Randy Foss, ev., email: wvyes@hotmail.com

**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.

**PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE:** Contact Gerald Mccutcheon, 239-1817.

**WINNIPEG (Central):** 217 Osborne St. S., R3L 1Z4; Sun. 10 worship, 11:15 Bible School, Wed. 7; Office: (204) 475-6462 Fax: (413) 677-6165 web site: http://www.winnipegchurch.ca; Jim Hobbs, sec. for elders (204) 261-9861; Wayne Turner, ev. (204) 257-7926 (res); wayne@winnipegchurch.ca Chad Celaire, youth min. (204) 284-6280 chad@winnipegchurch.ca

## 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. <preacher-tim@rogers.com>

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

## NEW YORK STATE

**BUFFALO (Linwood):** 2523 Main St., 14214; Sun. 9:30, 10:45, 6; Training Class 5; Wed. 7; John Smiley, ev. (716) 832-7171.

**NIAGARA FALLS:** 359 14th St., Niagara Falls, NY, 14303. Off(716)285-6534, Home (716) 886-2871. Sunday Bible study 10 am, worship 11 am, evening 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm. Minister Eddie J. Cornelius. e-mail BROCNFCC@juno.com

**NORTH BUFFALO:** 350 Kenmore Ave., 14223; Sun. 10,11,7; Wed. 7:30.

**SARDINIA:** Rt. 39, (1 mile west of Rt. 16), Sun. 10 & 11, Wed. 7 PM, mailing address: PO Box 186, Sardinia, NY, 14134, Glen Mueller, ev., (716)-496-5143, Cell (716)-560-6304, gemsar@adelphia.net

## NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

**YELLOWKNIFE:** 516 Range Lake Rd., X1A 3A7; Sun. 9, 11; (867) 873-3875. Elders: Doug Ashby, Craig Robinson, Randy Straker; Steve McMillan, min.

## PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA

**HALIFAX:** 48 Conroy Ave., B3N 2P8; Sun. 10, 11; Midweek, check for day and place; ev. (902) 443-9628 (off), Wayne Taylor, sec. (902) 876-7402

**DARTMOUTH:** 19 Killikee Gate, Dartmouth, NS, B3B 1A7; Neil Prokop (902) 463-3629/430-9543cell, nellisaprokop@hotmail.com. Please call for Sunday worship times and midweek information

**KENTVILLE:** 177 Middle Dyke Rd. exit 12 off Hwy 101, Sun. 11, 10; Wed. 6; Box 26, B4N 3V9; (902) 678-8881 or Ray Fisher, ev; 582-3457; Toll free 1-866-236-7891

**SHUBENACADIE:** Mill Village Church, 3613 Indian Rd.; Sun. 10:15, 11; Wed. 6:30; R.R. 1, B0N 2H0; D. Hallett (902) 758-2133; J. Mackey, (902) 758-2633.

## 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); Malcolm Porter, (905) 668 3346 res,

**AURORA:** 15216 Yonge St. S.; (entrance beside Mac Flemming Paints); Sun. 9:30, Wed. 7:30; P.O. Box 71523, L4G 1L9; Contact: Scott & Linda Harvey, (905) 473-5631 or leave message; e-mail <r.sharvey@sympatico.ca> or Clare Preston, (905) 841-2272

**BARRIE:** 345 Grove St. E. (at Cook), L4M 2R6; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:00; (705) 722-7155 (off.); Claude Cox, ev. (705) 737-2272.

**BEAMSVILLE:** 4900 John St., L0R 1B6; Sun. 9:30, 10:30 am, 6:00 pm small groups in various places (small group in library at building) (Visitors welcome); Wed. 7:00; Don Smith, ev. 905-563-7655 (off); e-mail: don093@sympatico.ca

**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 Ray Knight (519) 754-0401; office (519) 759-6630; Jamie Azzoparde, ev. (519) 770-4814 (res)

**BRANTFORD:** (Costain/Johnson Community Centre) 16 Morrell St., N3T 4J2; Sun. 10 & 11., Wed. 7; call for information on various other mid-week classes; 519-758-5673 (75-U-LORD); Rick Gable (min.); 519-753-5353 (res.); www.followers.ca or e-mail followers@bfree.on.ca

**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; Wed. 7; C/O Peter Dale, 75 Peel Street, L9V 3V5; (705) 444-0010 (office); Don MacMullin, ev.

**CORNWALL:** 1702 Dover Road, K6J 1W1; Sun. 10,11; Wed 7; Allen Bojarski, ev. Phone (613) 933-1825; Fax: (613) 933-2464; Emails: churchofchrist@cogeco.ca or abojarski@cogeco.ca; Website: http://home.cogeco.ca/~abojarski/abojarski

**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>

**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. 10:30, 11; Wed. 7:30 (phone for location); c/o 25 Keys Crescent, N1G 5J7; David Azzoparde, sec. (519) 821-9179.

**HAILEYBURY/NEW LISKEARD:** 554 Helmer Pedersen Drive, New Liskeard; Sun. 10:30; Wed. 7:30; Contacts: Jim Robertson, PO Box 1556, New Liskeard ON P0J 1P0 (705)647-5488 or Mike Tinney PO Box 702, Haileybury ON P0J 1K0 (705)672-9241

**HAMILTON:** 321 East 27th Street (at Fennell), L8V 3G8 (Mt. Hamilton); Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7:30, (905) 385-5775(off); Mike McCabe, ev., (905) 574-3022(h), mike\_p\_m@yahoo.com; Chris Gardner, sec., (905) 388-9174

**HAMILTON (North):** YMCA building, 79 James St. S.; Sun.10, 11 Wed. 7; Joe Sandassie, (905) 389-0714, 286 East 26th Street, Hamilton ON L8V 3E1

**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. 10:30, c/o Dave Preston, (705) 789-7697, 491 Fowlers Rd., R.R.#5, Huntsville, Ont, P1H 2N5. Other contacts: Ken Smith, (705) 789-8292, Steve Watson, (705) 788-2332.

**HUNTSVILLE:** 36 Hilltop Dr. P1H 1C5 (off Hwy. 11BN); Sun. 9:45, 11, 7; Wed. 8; Ken Skinner 705-382-2283 or Evelyn Preston, sec. 705-767-3237.

**ICE LAKE (Manitoulin Island):** 1-1/4 mile S. of Hwy 540; classes 9:45, worship 11:00, Sun; Les Cramp ev; 705-282-0974; PO Box 3, Mindemoya, ON POP 1S0.

**KENORA:** 101 Norman Dr.; Sun. 10, 11; P.O. Box 2905, P9N 3X8; Earl Rattai, ev., 548-2245.

**KINGSTON:** 446 College St., K7L 4M7; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; (613) 546-5409 (off.); e-mail: kingstonsoc@aol.com; Preacher: Richard Maddeaux Associate Preacher: Gordon Gibson

**KITCHENER SOUTH:** Kitchener City Hall (Learning Room) 200 King St. W.; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:30 in homes; Mailing address: Kitchener Church of Christ, P.O. Box 25040, SDM Hiway Centre Postal Outlet, Kitchener, ON, N2A 4A5; Hugh Pitcher 519-699-5263 or Julian Smith 519-742-8626.

**LONDON:** 1750 Huron St., N5V 3A2; (519) 455-6730; Sun. 9:30, 11; Call for mid-week opportunities. Harold Byne, ev., 645-0575; FAX 645-8088

**LONDON (East):** 380 Adelaide North, Tolpuddle Building Common Rm., entrance off of Adelaide at King St. S. Parking in Marshall Street Lot 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: meafordcofc@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); Stephen Johnson, ev. 905-841-1812, (res) e-mail - Johnson@bible.acu.edu

**MISSISSAUGA:** Living Waters Christian Fellowship. Rody and Nancy Ostli; 2305 S Millway, Unit 108, Mississauga ON L5L 3P8; Bible study and prayer every Thursday 7:30pm.; Lord's supper offered on Sundays - call for time; 905-608-2508; cell - 647-887-7794.

**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. 10:30; Wed. 7; Box 745, P1B 8J8; (705) 472-7040 (off.); David Lock, ev. 78-345 Mulligan St. P1A 3S3; (705) 475-0911, e-mail: davidrlock@acncanada.net; WebSite: [www.northbaycoc.com](http://www.northbaycoc.com).

**OMAGH:** 1412 Britannia Road W. at 4th line, Milton, L9T 2X8; Sun. 10, 11; 7 pm at church building; c/o Harold Ellis, Sec., R.R. #3, Campbellville, L0P 1B0; Bryan Meneer, ev. (905) 383-5259; 875-2939 (off).

**OTTAWA:** 1515 Chomley Cres., K1G 0V9; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7; Robert MacRury, ev., 733-2580 (off); 737-0701 (res.); [www.churchofchrist.ca](http://www.churchofchrist.ca)

**OWEN SOUND:** 835 10th Ave. E., Sun. 9:45, 11, 6; Thurs. 7; Brian Thompson, ev., (519)376-6702 (off.), 372-2155 (res.); email: <osoc@bmts.com>

**PETERBOROUGH:** The Board Room., Parkway Place Mall Landsdowne St.W. Sunday: 10 & 10:45 Mid-Week Study contact Peter McPherson at 705-742-5349 or Fred at 705-741-4031.

**PINE ORCHARD:** 16716 Warden Ave (just south of Vivian Rd.) 3 km east of Newmarket; Sun. 10, 11; (905) 953-9386. Mailing address: Bruce Brandon, Sec., RR 2, Uxbridge, L9P 1R2 (905) 852-5026

**PORT COLBORNE:** 700 Steele St., L3K 4Z2; Sun. 11, 10, 6:30; Wed. 6:30; (905) 834-5775 (off).

**ST. CATHARINES:** 439 Ontario St. N., L2N 4M9; Sun. 9:30, 10:30, 6; Wed. 7:30; Steve Cordle, ev.; (905) 934-3862 (res); 935-9581 (off.); Email: ccofc@mergetel.com; WebSite: [churchofchrist.n3.net](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 Midweek meeting in homes. Call for location. (519)782-4902.

**ST. THOMAS (Southside):** 15 Hepburn Avenue, N5R 4J4, (519) 633-4180 Contact: David Langeman. Please call for times. email: dlangeman@rogers.com

**SARNIA:** 796 Errol Rd. E., N7V 2G7; Sun. 9:30, 10:45, 6:30; Wed. 7; David H. Dunn, ev.; (519) 542-4108 (res); (519)-339-1161 (off); email: dhdudd@sympatico.ca

**SAULT STE. MARIE (Eastside):** 99 Melville Rd., P6A 5J6; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7:00; 705-942-9283.

**SAULT STE. MARIE (Pinehill):** 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 in homes; 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. (705) 386-2551.

**STONEY CREEK:** 105 King St. E., L8G 1L1; (905) 664-1130 (off.); Sun. 9:45, 11; Sun.; Wkdy evenings call for time and place; Darrell Buchanan, ev., (905) 643-7853 (res); Robert Priestnall, sec. email: emailus@sccoc.ca; website: [www.sccoc.ca](http://www.sccoc.ca)

**STRATFORD:** 478 Brunswick St., N5A 3N6; Sunday Worship 10:00, Wed. Bible Study 7:30; voice mail (519) 273-5280; Larry Hoover (519) 271-9545; Paul Dale (519) 273-9063 email: pauldeb.dale@sympatico.ca

**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.

**THESSALON:** 8 Albert St. off Hwy. 17; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7:30; Guy Stopard, ev. 705-842-3340; Eric White, RR 2, P0R 1L0 (705) 842-6533.

**THUNDER BAY:** 501 Edward St. N. (at Redwood), P7C 4R1; Sun. 9:45, 11 (call for summer hours); Wed. call for information; 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.

**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, sec., mhilborn@rogers.com; 63 Campbell Ave., M6P 3T9; (416) 489-7405 (off).

**TORONTO (Scarborough):** Scarborough Y.M.C.A., 230 Town Centre Court; Sun. 9 a.m., 10 a.m.; (Mailing Address: PO Box 47011, 300 Borough Dr., Scarborough, ON M1P 4Z7); Devon Bennett, ev., 905-686-2486, cell: 416-522-6237, Fax: 905-686-0612; e-mail: devon.bennett@sympatico.ca

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

**TORONTO (Strathmore Blvd.):** 346 Strathmore Blvd. M4C 1N3 (across from Coxwell subway station); 416-461-7406; Sun. 9:45, 11, 6; Wed. 7; Marvin Johnson (416) 752-0325, Stephen Gill (416) 265-2496, Peter Dwomoh (416) 462-3816; Jean Volcy (416) 267-6820, Elders; Max Craddock, ev. (416) 461-7406, e-mail <maxc@strathmorecofc.ca>; Fax (416) 424-1850; Santiago Molina (Spanish) (416) 751-6879, ev, website: [www.strathmorecofc.ca](http://www.strathmorecofc.ca)

**TRENTON-BELLEVILLE:** Sun. 9:45; 10:45; p.m.; Canterbury Hall, Trenton; Tues. p.m. in homes; P.O. Box 22049, Trenton Center, Trenton, ON K8V 6S3; M. McDonnell (613) 969-0741; Ron Moore (613) 392-1530

**VANDELEUR:** E. off Hwy #10 (2 km S. of Markdale) along Artemesia Township sideroad 10.7 km; Sun. 10, 11; Ian Boyce, sec., R.R. #6, Markdale, NOC 1H0; (519) 986-2143. Gordon Dennis, 240 Elgin St. N., Box 274, Mount Forest, N0G 2L0; (519) 323-2424

**WATERLOO:** 470 Glenelm Cres., N2L 5C8; (519) 885-6330 (off); Sun. 9:30, 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).

**WALKERTON:** Victoria Jubilee Hall; 111 Jackson st.; Sun 10 a.m. and 11a.m.; Gregory Smith (519) 392-8128; Mailing- RR2 Teeswater, ON N0G 2S0; email- gregory@gregorycnsmith.com

**WELLAND:** 72 Summit Ave., L3C 4G6; 11, 10, Wed 6:30 pm, call 905-732-2465 for alternate locations; David Steward, 834-5652; Harold Bruggen, ev. 732-2465

**WEST MANITOULIN:** Meets in homes, call ahead; Sun. 10:30. Mailing address: 10787 Hwy 540, R.R.1, Gore Bay, POP 1H0. Contact Bill Baker 705-282-2095 or Dieter Nollert 705-282-2908

**WINDSOR (West Side):** 2255 Totten St., N9B 1X6 (E. of Huron Church Rd.); 254-6262 or 945-4851; Sun. 9:45, 11, 5:30; Wed. 7:30; Drew Chapados, ev., 3713 Shinglecreek Cr., Windsor, N8W 5T8; (519) 250-4407; email: wsidecoc@wincom.net; [www.geocities.com/wsidecoc](http://www.geocities.com/wsidecoc).

## 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):** 598-5 th Avenue, Lachine; Sun. 10, 11, 6:30; Wed. 7:30 (English); Fri. 7 (French); PO Box 66 Westmount Station, H3Z 2T1; (514) 606 8777.

**MONTREAL (Verdun - English/French):** 503-5th Avenue, Verdun, QC H4G 2Z2; (514) 765-8919; English: Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; Michael Mazzalongo, ev. (514) 694-0994; email: Mazzalongo@videotron.ca French: Sun. 11, 10; Wed. 7; Roger Saumur, ev. (450) 635-5105; email: rogersaumur@sympatico.ca Sylvain Arseneault, ev. 450-973-9880; <woody\_preacher2@hotmail.com>

**PLESSISVILLE:** Centre Communautaire, André Côté, CP21, G6L 2Y6; Sun. 6 & 7 pm; Yvon Beaudoin, (418)728-5240; email: ybeaudoin@oricom.ca.

**QUEBEC CITY:** 2980 Vertheuil, Ste-Foy (corner Jean-Noel); Sun. 9:30, 10:30 (French); Wed. 19:30; C.P. 9041 Ste-Foy, G1V 4A8; Yvon Beaudoin, ev. (418) 728-5240; office 418-651-3664; email: ybeaudoin@oricom.ca.

## 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. 9:30, 10:30; Rolland Bouchard, ev.; (780) 875-4056; email: lloydcooc@telus.net

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

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

**PRINCE ALBERT:** 264-23rd St. S6, W6V 4L6; Sun. 10, 11; 763-3057 (off.); Dean Hotchkiss, ev. (306) 763-2218. Contact Bob Jenkins, 764-6187

**RADVILLE:** in private Residence at (810 Mann Ave.); Richard Thue, 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., 949-0969

**SASKATOON:** Sunday, coffee & fellowship 9:30; Worship 10, Wed. 7; Phone for summer schedule; Office: 343-7922; Bob Parker, ev, 343-7884; Outreach: Bernard Krogsgaard 373-3651; location & mail, 134 Cardinal Cres. S7L 6H6; Fax: 343-1589; e-mail: stooncofcoffice@sasktel.net

**SWIFT CURRENT:** 400 2nd Ave. S.E., S9H 3J6; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 6:30; Susan Eidem, sec., 306-773-9043.

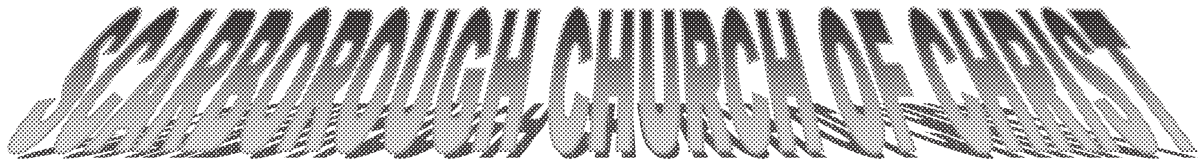
**WAWOTA:** Hwy. 48 W. of town; Box 454, S0G 5A0; Sun. 10; Mid-week call; Brent Olson, minister, 306-577-4992 or contact Cam Husband, 306-538-4585.

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

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**Bro. ALBERT E. REGIS—Fairfield Church of Christ [Cal.]**

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