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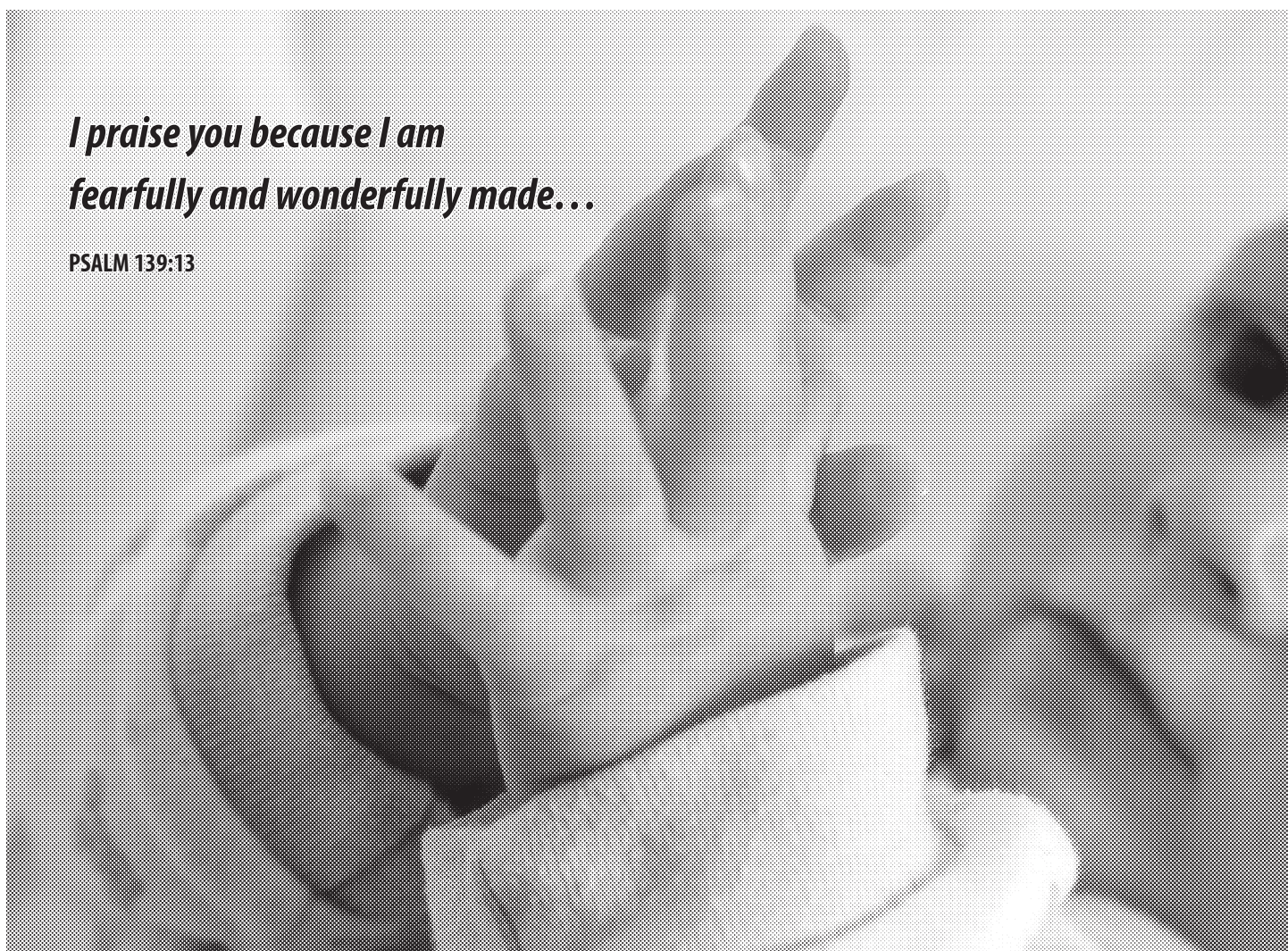
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## CHURCH PLANTING #8

# Some Final Considerations in Church Planting

In this final article about church planting, we will consider two important questions, as follows: (1) who should attempt it? (2) should it be left to the professionals? The first is an obvious consideration because most of our Canadian congregations are smaller in size. The second is a choice being pressed on our brotherhood today. Both need to be weighed.

**Who should attempt to plant a new congregation?** In earlier articles we examined the merits of one congregation planting another, as compared to a lone evangelist planting one. Both methods have advantages in appropriate situations. But here we will consider the congregational/team method. Can every congregation successfully plant another? Does a group's size and maturity affect the outcome?

Perhaps the apostles wondered how effective they could be when Jesus said, "...and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth" (Acts 1:8b). All of them were expected to preach the gospel. In turn, new Christians were taught that they must also share the good news. It's a brotherhood-wide responsibility. However, not all will be smooth at it, and not all will do it in the same way or use the same method. But everybody can play a part in taking the gospel to the lost. Church planting is similar. There's something that every congregation can do to help start new groups. Whatever we choose to do, it needs to be done proportionately to size, with wisdom and in unity.

A larger congregation may be capable of financing and spinning off a sizeable team to plant a new congregation. It's more difficult for a smaller congregation that doesn't have the same level of finances or manpower to donate to a new work. They

*Tim Johnson*

may still be capable of doing it, just on a smaller scale. Our church history in Canada has many fine examples of smaller congregations successfully reproducing themselves by capitalizing on some of their families who had to move into another area. They simply began meeting in their new surroundings and planting the seed as they went. This can be done wisely today by smaller congregations who know the communities in their areas and can help plant another group. Care must be taken to make sure the planting church doesn't exceed the 15-25% congregational limit of manpower sent out. As noted in previous articles, exceeding this number would hurt the sending group too much. So a small congregation can only send a small team to plant a new group.

There are other methods smaller congregations can use, such as teaming up with another congregation to plant a third in a community about which they are both concerned. The advantage of this kind of partnering would be a smaller drain on finances and manpower for both congregations.

All congregations can prepare for the future. Planting a new group can be a goal. Every congregation can work to arrange itself to meet the goal. They can evaluate and choose a target community, and save up funds to get ready. The 1½-year old south Edmonton congregation is already saving money toward a new church

planting. It's not time to plant yet, but the goal is there. Some congregations may struggle with internal troubles that prevent a unified effort to plant another group. Their goal can be to work out their affairs so that they can. There's something we can all do toward church planting. Most of all, we can pray that God will use us to fulfill this great challenge.

**Should it be left to the professionals?** There are interdenominational organizations today that specialize in the work of church planting. Used as a model, our brethren have developed similar organizations claiming to have the expertise and resources to help our congregations reproduce themselves. Some of these are connected with brotherhood universities, and I'm aware of one that is not. They do not claim to be the church, but are separate organizations claiming to help the church do its evangelistic work. Often these groups say that the church is neither equipped nor interested in planting new congregations. One organization teaches that the brotherhood does not plant quickly enough to keep ahead of the number of our congregations closing their doors. Whether they are right or wrong depends on research and one's judgment. The real question that should be asked is the one we are contemplating: should the work of planting new congregations be left to these organizations? Many issues need to be considered.

First, how do these organizations function? Typically, they urge the church to send them men and their families for testing, evaluation, training, guidance and ongoing encouragement. Certainly an amount of testing and training is wise. Some organizations insist that financial support is to be sent to them alone, and it will be administered solely by

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# Sex/Text Scandal

Peter Morphy

In recent months the news media has reported various political leaders who have been caught in scandalous immoral relationships. The criminating evidence was discovered through inappropriate cell phone conversations and text messages. Sex and scandal are not new. More than one leader of God's people in the Old Testament has also been involved in immoral relationships and cover up. The intimate details have been preserved in the text of the Bible for millions to read.

How would our lives change if we knew that everything we did, said and thought was documented and recorded for everyone to read?

There's no doubt that our society is becoming more accepting of immoral sexual relationships. We see a growing number of couples just living together, flagrant sex on TV and in the movies, endorsing homosexual relationships and the profusion of pornography. Sexual sin has also entrapped many of our church members who worship with us every week. It's the secret sin that we don't talk about because it's personal, intimate and frankly quite embarrassing.

God's original design for an intimate relationship between a husband and wife is wonderful and fulfilling. God's plan was clearly stated in the beginning "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh" (Genesis 2:24; Matthew 19:4-6). Any kind of sexual relationship outside of marriage is deadly. Here is a strong warning, "Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral" (Hebrews 13:4). It's pretty clear, stay out of bed with anyone you're not married to.

The seventh commandment in the Old Law is "You shall not commit adultery" (Exodus 20:14). Do any of these five words need explanation? It's pretty straight. The tenth command also gives us some more information about sexual temptation and avoiding sin, "You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his man-servant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor" (Exodus 20:17). Looking leads to longing and longing leads to lusting.

King David, a man after God's own heart (1 Samuel 13:14), was involved in sex and scandal. Maybe his story is recorded so that we can learn from his mistakes and understand the grace of God more fully.

Between 2 Samuel 5 and 11, David was not only the king, he was the national hero. He had great victory and success in battle and was admired

by his people. He had a great political career and multiplied money, power, fame authority and influence. His family was growing and he was blessed by God. In fact, he was very spiritual and gave glory to the Lord for working in his life (2 Samuel 7:18-29).

Sometimes when people rise to abundant power, especially at a young age, they think they are invincible, above the law, not accountable. They can begin believing that they are really "all that" as others idolize and look up to them. Being at the top can be a very dangerous place. Many political leaders, business leaders and church leaders have fallen because of power, position and prestige.

King David's sexual sin did not begin with Bathsheba. David was familiar with God's law and plan for the family and for kings. The king was forbidden to multiply horses, wives, silver or gold (Deuteronomy 17:14-17). David had already had more than

ten wives and ten concubines (2 Samuel 5:13). When a man is not satisfied with his wife, he will not be satisfied with many lovers. Years later David's son, Solomon, wrote "May your fountain be blessed, and may you rejoice in the wife of your youth. A loving doe, a graceful deer—may her breasts satisfy you always, may you ever be captivated by her love. Why be captivated, my son, by an adulteress? Why embrace the bosom of another man's wife?" (Proverbs 5:18-20). If you compromise in one area, it's much easier to fall into other sins.

The text message in 2 Samuel 11 helps us understand how great men fall. David was not where he should have been. Kings were supposed to be at war, but David stayed in Jerusalem. Since his close friends and comrades were not with him,

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## Moving Past Postmodernism

Wayne Turner



Clearly, the Western world is in a time of transition. Nations are rising and falling, human migration is transforming the face of our cities, social attitudes are shifting. Cultural institutions that attempt to shape human thought, such as universities and organized religion, have also undergone a transformation in their approaches to knowledge in the last thirty years. The cracks in their foundations are beginning to reveal the results of postmodern approaches to truth that centre on individuals “constructing meaning” for themselves rather than searching for an external and objective reality.

The “modern” worldview, which dominated Western thinking through much of the 20th century, looked for truth (in religion, “the truth”) and human progress through reasoned, scientific inquiry. Disillusionment with the ills of the modern world in the late 20th century led to “postmodern” views, which questioned the ability of the individual to know anything for certain—(“many truths”). In turn, as a new generation that has grown up with reality TV and the Internet responds to the failure of postmodernism’s relativity and skepticism to find “any truth”, or to provide meaning and stability, we wonder what form post-postmodernism will take?

It appears that there’s bad news and good news.

The bad news is the “dumbing down” of mainstream culture as knowledge and thinking have become increasingly relative and subjective. Both religious and secular observers have recently noted the public’s apparent disdain for thinking. In a recent *Christianity Today* review of *21st Century Apologetics* by Timothy Keller, Anthony Sacramone asks, “...in an ADHD world in which factoids supplant facts, rage overrides reason and the sui generis self (lit., of its own kind, unique – Ed) knows none of the permanent things, how does the Christian soul-winner keep cool, engage the easily distracted and defend the faith...?”

In “Dumb and Dumber: Are Americans Hostile to Knowledge?”, a *New York Times* article, Patricia Cohen relates the appearance of Kellie Pickler, “American Idol” contestant on “Are You Smarter Than a 5th Grader?”, who was asked, “Budapest is the capital of what European country?” Pickler replied, “I thought Europe was a country.” When told that her 5th grade partner’s answer was Hungary, she said, “Hungry? That’s a country?...I’ve never heard of it.” Cohen goes on to mention that a number of writers “bemoan the state of American culture.” She focuses especially on Susan Jacoby’s new book, *The Age of American Unreason*, pointing out that Jacoby feels

that there is now a “generalized hostility to knowledge.” Jacoby’s summary of the prevailing attitudes is “(that) too much learning can be a dangerous thing... and... that there is no such thing as evidence or fact, just opinion.” Cohen notes, “Not only are citizens ignorant about essential scientific, civic and cultural knowledge, she said, but they also don’t think it matters.”

Nicholas D. Kristoff, op-ed columnist for the *New York Times*, in “With a Few More Brains...” quotes Jacoby, “America is now ill with a powerful mutant strain of intertwined ignorance, anti-rationalism, and anti-intellectualism.” As an example, Kristoff points out the widespread belief in flying saucers and government conspiracy theories, including the 9/11 attack.

Although these comments refer to American culture and thinking, can Canadians be very far behind?

Even more serious is the corresponding decline in the religious world. What was once a general Biblical knowledge underpinning North American culture has been displaced by a widespread Biblical illiteracy even among many of those who profess some form of faith. In a sometimes well-intentioned attempt to communicate to a culture that is not attracted to reasoned, study-based approaches to learning spiritual truth, outreach methods are increasingly being based on consumer and entertainment preferences. Someone has observed that some church lobbies seem more like food courts in malls. Sociologist Alan Wolfe is concerned that the call to self-denial and sacrifice has been displaced by a watered-down, feel-good religion that caters to religious consumers. Doesn’t this sound like the blind leading the blind? How can people find real hope and faith in Christ, or the meaning and answers for life that Jesus offers? How can people find spiritual satisfaction when they are only being

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# No Room For Family

Stanley N. Helton

Christian people speak often of family values, the sanctity of marriage and the horrors of broken families. We definitely care a great deal about family, as we should, and the Bible has much to say about family, too. For instance, Jesus himself taught that God's ideal for marriage was a man and woman in life-long partnership and that a marriage should only dissolve when a spouse has chosen another's bed. Moreover, several New Testament writers speak of the commitment a husband and wife should have for one another, and that children and parents should treat one another with appropriate respect. Yet, Jesus placed marriage (and family!) second to following him. Accordingly, marriage and family are important, but they are not our most important commitments as Christians.

One only has to spend a few moments in western Canada to find that family is important in the local churches of Christ; one soon finds out that family is often the glue holding our congregations together. Shortly after moving to Canada, I learned how interconnected church and family were. When we introduce ourselves here, we immediately follow up with which family is ours. Because of this, ministers and elders in western Canada also need to be part family counselors. In addition, families are the earthen vessels that pass the gospel from one generation to another. Family ties are one of the strengths of the church in Canada—however, it may also be a serious weakness in participating in God's mission.

Sociologist Reginald Bibby has done some serious cultural analysis of the state of "Christianity" in Canada. In *Restless Gods: The Renaissance of Religion in Canada* (2002), he addresses

the place of family in the life of Canadian churches. "For all the talk about evangelism," says Bibby, "groups of all kinds were failing to demonstrate much success in recruiting people outside their own boundaries. Most were growing by adding people who were primarily their own—children and geographically mobile members" (p. 24). In another place, Bibby asserts that churches in Canada generally grow in two ways: birth and marriage. That is, either we give birth to future members or our children marry people who then also become members. In his earlier work, *Unknown Gods: The Ongoing Story of Religion in Canada* (1993), he observes that churches in Canada were often "family shrines." In these churches a few families hold all of decision-making posts, both formal (elders, deacons) and informal (highly respected members). Regarding a congregation he once attended he states, "For all the external signs of

engaging in outreach, I increasingly had a great difficulty being convinced that people in my small church really wanted things to change. New people would have upset the organizational appletart" (269).

Some of what Bibby observes rings true for us as well. It is entirely possible that we have so much biological family around us that we do not feel the need to invite new people into our church family. Even if folks try us, they might not find the welcome they seek. I often ask church leaders in workshops I hold, "Who does your church exclude?" The first response is usually that their congregation is very friendly and welcoming. I quiz deeper, "Would the handicapped find a welcome here?" Most of our older buildings are not up-to-date and so we usually have to admit that a wheelchair-bound visitor would find it difficult to move around. We could ask the same about the blind and the deaf, although most of congregation would probably adapt if they had a member with such needs.

But let's look even deeper. As the morning service adjourns, do we have room at our families' tables for those who are not physical family? Do people have to know the same people as you know to be welcomed? Do people have to have attended the same (unnamed) school to be part of the circle? If a visitor really wanted to become a member, could they find a clear way in? If they had leadership potential and desire, could they learn what it would take to be a Sunday school teacher, deacon, or elder in your congregation? Before answering these questions, think about how successful your congregation has been in the past ten years at bringing in new people and assimilating them into the

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## The Heart of the Servant

**W**e live in an unhappy world filled with unhappy people. We hear frustrated unhappy people saying that all that they want is to be happy, yet they continue to do things that make them unhappy. They measure success in ways that make them truly miserable. They are successful if they have or make a lot of money. They are successful if they own a big house and have lots of things to put in their big house. They are successful if people respect them in their field of work and they have many employees that answer to them. They would be successful if their job would make them happy, yet are unsure of what it would take for their jobs to make them happy.

They believe that they could be happy if those around them would make them happy by doing things the way that they want them done. If those in their lives would give lots of compliments then they could be happy. If those they have relationships with would just meet their needs, then they could be happy. If the church would have the programmes that would meet their needs, then they would be happy.

They are at the centre of their world and as a result their world is spinning off centre. We will never really be happy when we measure success the way the world does. Even if all those around us did precisely what we want them to do in order to meet our needs (make us happy) we would still not be happy. Other people do not have the ability to make us happy!

Our greatest needs cannot be met by other people; our greatest needs can only be met by God. One of the greatest needs that we have is to be involved with serving others. The happiest people I have ever come in contact with are those who engage themselves

in serving and are passionate about serving God and others.

Jesus shared this lesson with his disciples when he gathered with them for one last meal. Jesus knew that his time was quickly coming to an end and that he had the opportunity to teach but one lesson. Does he teach on a particular doctrinal point? No! Does he share with them some specifics about what his bride the church will look like? No! He shares with them an object lesson on serving.

Foot washing was not a ceremonial thing that they did before important dinners it was a practical necessity. They walked either barefoot or in sandals on the same roads that animals traveled on. When they reclined at the table their feet came close to the noses of others, thus foot washing became a practical necessity. It was usually a job reserved for the lowest servant in the house, but there were no servants present when Jesus and his disciples gathered for dinner. Jesus saw his disciples positioning for the places of honour at the table and knew the argument that it would provoke if he asked one of them to volunteer to serve. So... Jesus gets up from the table takes his outer clothing off and wraps the towel that had been provided around him and takes the basin of water and goes from one disciple to the other washing their feet and drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him. When he finishes, he seeks to reinforce the lesson that he has just taught by example. He says, "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord' and rightly so for that is what I am. Now that I, your Lord and teacher, have washed your feet you should wash one another's feet" (John 13:12-14 NIV). Jesus was not seeking to introduce ceremonial foot washing into Christian worship

but rather to teach his disciples to serve each other.

We can follow Jesus' example of humility and serving by having a heart like Jesus. What is the heart or attitude of Jesus? In Philippians 2:5-11 we see that although Jesus had equality with God he didn't see it as something he had to grasp on to. He made himself nothing by taking the nature of a servant. He further humbles himself by coming to us as a man. He humbled himself still further by dying in one of the most humiliating ways devised by men. He died on a cross and not for his own sins but for our sins. As a result, God exalted him to the highest place and gave him a name above any other name. That at the name of Jesus every knee will bow in heaven and on earth and under the earth and every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord so that God will be further glorified.

In Philippians 2:1-2 we find the motivation for serving. If you have received any encouragement by being united with Christ, then serve. If you have received any comfort from his love, then serve. Your fellowship with the spirit that dwells in you will motivate you to serve. If you have any tenderness or compassion then please make my joy complete by serving together.

How do we serve together? We must be like-minded, not identical but like-minded. We must love each other and share a common spirit and purpose. The loving each other and the common spirit and purpose describe how to be like minded. We practice humility by doing nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. In humility we consider others better than ourselves. We don't look at what is good for ourselves but we seek to benefit others. Humility doesn't mean you think less of yourself but that you think of yourself less.

In Romans 12:1 we find that when we are motivated by God's mercy to offer our bodies as living sacrifices, serving God with our lives in a way that is holy and pleasing to Him, we are worshipping God in the most spiritual of ways. The heart of the servant is the heart of Christ. This humble heart serves and through his/her serving worships God.

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them. Much like missionary societies of the past, they assume the financial controls, make decisions who they will support and terminate the support if the church planter does not produce according to the organization's standards and time-table. The goals and work of the organization are financed by monthly support from participating congregations, a percentage of the weekly collections from the churches it plants, and sometimes large lump-sum donations are expected of cooperating churches. These details may vary with different church-planting organizations, but most are similar.

Second, is this system of church planting as efficient as it claims to be? One wonders, when so much money is needed to support the organization itself, in addition to the work it claims to do. Wouldn't it be more cost-effective for each congregation to spend its resources directly on its own evangelistic work?

Third, is it fair? By what standards does such an organization approve an evangelist? Is his personality the key? Must he show the ability to hustle-and-bustle? Is he proficient in marketing? Unfortunately I've known one excellent evangelist who was evaluated and dismissed as a good candidate, ultimately discouraging him. He went on to do great work in a foreign country without the organization's involvement. One wonders if men like the apostle Paul, criticized for his "unimpressive personal presence" and "his speech contemptible" (2 Cor.10:10), would be accepted by an organization? Is this fair?

Fourth, and most importantly, do such church-planting organizations violate congregational autonomy? The true test of this Biblical principle is whether the organization seeks to control congregations in some way. After hearing one organization's claim that the church is not doing its job,

and that they can do better directing and managing the church's funds, evaluating and hiring preachers and directing the work of church-planting, it would seem that a degree of control is being exercised. We do ourselves a service to remember the past agonies of the brotherhood over similar organizations that eventually sought control.

I believe there is no organization better equipped to plant new congregations than the church itself. It has the various talents needed, it can raise and efficiently manage the funding required, it has the wisdom and skill to evaluate the best locations and make up the teams and it possesses the ability to encourage and help a new work to be a success. Let's commit ourselves to the world's most important work, and do it well here in Canada.

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offered distractions or momentary bandages instead of real solutions and substance?

Is there any good news? Winnie Hu, in another *New York Times* article, suggests that there may be. She notes a growing trend among university age young people who are enrolling in philosophy courses. She sees this, in part, as a search for answers to the “big questions”—the “life examined.” She speaks of a “new generation ... who are drawing modern-day lessons from the age-old discipline as they try to make sense of their world.”

In other words, these young people are looking for understanding and meaning. Could this be seen as post-modernism’s ultimate inability to provide any real answers? But why are they looking for these answers in university philosophy departments and not churches? Is it because they can only see the emptiness of today’s dumbed-down and watered-down religion? That the postmodern heritage passed on to them has left them

distrustful of religious institutions and simplistic answers that show little difference from any other part of society? However, speaking in another age of skepticism that looked to human philosophy for guidance, Paul described the result as “their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened” (Romans 1:21).

Peter tells us that it wasn’t through silver or gold (or anything else of this world) that we were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down from our forefathers. (1 Peter 1:18). The New Testament repeatedly reminds us that the Gospel is not based on the wisdom of men or conforming to worldviews that rise from human thinking. Discipleship is daring to believe in and to confront culture with God’s eternal truth. Jesus included loving God with the mind, as well as the heart and soul, in the greatest commandment. To teach truth, we must know it and then live it. How many church members today have replaced solid Bible study with

the casual reading of popular religious writers – the substance of scripture with what is little more than “religion light”? How many have abandoned the meat of God’s word for something that could not even be considered spiritual milk? And how many of us have allowed that word to transform our beings so that our daily life, as salt and light within our culture, testifies to the reality and power of God’s truth? For a post-postmodern generation, this may be the entry point to the deeper conversation about the reasons for the hope that we have (1 Peter 1: 15).

Postmodernism has had a significant impact on our world. It has challenged the way people think and know. It has led some to rethink, doubt and even abandon their beliefs. At the same time, it has also created a void—a spiritual emptiness. There is a growing number of young people looking for understanding, meaning and direction. Will God’s people be there to help them find the way?

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### ONTARIO

**Beamsville:** Alaina Moore, granddaughter of Mark and Marion McDonnell, was baptized by her father, Ron Moore, when she was home in Nova Scotia for March break. The congregation participated in a Good Friday service at the building on March 21. They received reports from the following mission points: Papua New Guinea: Craig and Jeri Ford report that Lonsdale, Theresa and Lilly were recently baptized. They ask for prayers that God will give

them clarity and vision to provide leadership for the church there; for ongoing Bible studies with Roger; for the upcoming time of transition as the Reeses are gone from the end of April to the beginning of August, and the Williams family leaves for sabbatical in late May for a year. France: Max and Prisca Dauner report that they had some 30 visitors out of a total attendance of 90 on Easter Sunday.

**Bramalea:** The overall topic for the spring Sunday a.m. adult Bible classes is: "Christian Fellowship," with lessons on "Concepts of Fellowship in the New Testament," "Fellowship with Christians," "Scriptural Foundations" and "Stewardship." The "Foundations" class is studying Jerry Tallman's book: "His Eternal Plan," as is the Oakville/Mississauga small group. A special collection was taken up by the congregation on March 30 to assist Jonathan and Michiko Straker and \$2,630 was donated. A seminar: "Reducing the Risk: Street Proofing the Church against Abuse," is scheduled for May 24.

**Brantford:** Recent guest speakers were Scott Mansfield, Glen Robbins, Ralph Perry, Jamie Azzoparde and Jim Holston. The congregation's Wednesday evening study is on the Christian graces. The ladies class is studying "Women of the Bible." They participate in "Food Share" and the clothing drive for the community.

**Cambridge:** Greg Whitfield reports: "The

first Sunday morning of March blew us away: we had 12 people from the community and 12 of us. The third Sunday was more surprising: we had 15 from the community and 11 of us. The three-person increase was through the work of the guys (the young people from the community who attend). They had randomly 'hung out' with a neighbour in their building and invited him to church. He ended up coming with his girl friend and her son. It seems as if they are better at inviting friends to church than we are." The congregation invites those who come out Sunday morning to also come out in the afternoon to eat lunch and 'hang out.'" The members at this new congregation believe "it is evident to us that God has been working in this community long before we got here." However, they feel they have two big problems: 1) they want to meet the needs of the new people; and 2) they feel they lack depth of teaching and fellowship for their established members. They ask for prayers as they tackle these problems. A church retreat was scheduled for April 4 and 5 at Samson and Sunsan Ling's home.

**Fennell Avenue (Hamilton):** Art Ford arrived back from Papua New Guinea the weekend of March 8. The congregation thanked several of its members for their work with the mini VBS on Thursday during spring break. Ten children attended and had a great

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time. Art attended the Ohio Valley University Lectureships this year, beginning Sunday, April 6. The lessons this year are on the book of Philippians.

**Fenwick:** The congregation was represented at the Pelham Home and Leisure Show for the first time on April 18-20. New Testaments, pens, trinkets for kids, and information about Christ's church were distributed and asked for prayers for positive results. Greg Smith was with the congregation from April 25-27. Evening sessions were open to the community and area congregations ("The Mission of the Church") and Greg led the congregation in setting goals during the day on Saturday. The ladies are hosting their third annual ladies' day on May 31, with Sherry Stephens and Dorothy Dennis speaking. A special collection was taken March 30 for a church planting effort in Wauseon, Ohio. People from Wauseon have helped the Fenwick congregation with its vacation Bible school in the past, so \$400 was sent.

**Tintern:** The Missional Workshop with Dr. Mark Love was held on March 30th. It went well and there were over 250 people in attendance at the Empire Theatre at the Penn Centre in St. Catharines. The series continued on Monday and Tuesday evenings, with 90 people in attendance. Dr. Love's presentation provided us with much to think about and do. CDs or online download of each program is available. Go to <http://ephesians2eight.com> for details. On Friday April 18th Tintern held it's monthly kids youth night with games, crafts and snacks.

**Toronto (Bayview):** The congregation expressed its appreciation to David Knutson who travels most Sundays to share his teaching with them. Currently, they are studying the book of Acts. Michael Tease preached a powerful sermon, and Geoff Ellis also shared an uplifting message for the congregation. Bayview attended and supported the work of the "Training for Service." Maggie Hilborn and Christine Koehler taught a grade 3 and 4 children's class. The lesson was from Matthew 5:44, 45: "Love your enemies." God has blessed us with wonderful, zealous, young believers who are the future of His work. The ladies' class met on Saturday, April 12, for Bible study and fellowship. "The Six Gifts of Hospitality," by Laurel S. Sewell is being studied. The congregation asks for prayers in the Lord's work at Bayview and for those of their number who are

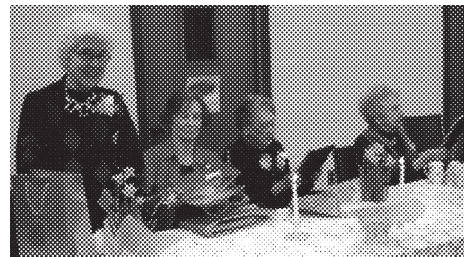
ill, in distress or looking for employment.

**Toronto (Strathmore Blvd):** March 29 and 30, Max was in Ottawa for a meeting with the Riverview Park congregation. A very encouraging time of study, worship and fellowship was shared. It also provided an opportunity to take Key To The Kingdom on the road and film two programmes in Ottawa. Following a very enjoyable pot luck in Ottawa after the Sunday morning service, we travelled to Kingston in the afternoon and filmed a couple of programmes there. Several from the congregation came to observe and had also prepared a pot luck supper for us. Two pot lucks in one day!! It was a fulfilling weekend, both spiritually and physically. The young adults enjoyed an Inter-congregational games night, dinner and devotional evening on Saturday, April 19, at the Strathmore building. Individuals from four area congregations joined with the Strathmore young adults for the activity. April 5-15, Jean Volcy, Gerry Ellis and Derrick & Faith Wilson were in Haiti to work with the congregation Jean had established in his home town of Fonds Pariesen. In spite of some political problems, they had a very successful time working there. (See Jean's report on page 14.)

**QUEBEC;**

**Montreal (VilleÉnard):** Correction: In 2007 the congregation had nine people baptized,

four restored and 14 placed membership, not three baptisms and four placing membership as reported in the April NewsEast. These latter figures were for 2008 as of March.



**St. Catharines Ladies Honoured:**

The "over-Eighty Ladies" of the Ontario Street congregation in St. Catharines, ON, were honoured at a meeting of the Monday evening Bible Study Class with a beautifully-arranged dinner and presentation of plaques commending their (many!!) years of Christian service and example. Two were unable to attend: Aileen Hilchey, who was represented by her daughter, Julie Culp and Judy Fisher of London. Left to right: Ruth (McPhee) Wilson, Nelle Merritt, Alice Conn and Dorothy (Wallace) Ellis.

**New Preacher at St. Catharines:**

Jeremiah Cisco, new evangelist with the Ontario Street Church of Christ in St. Catharines, ON, and his daughter Patsy, a student at Great Lakes Christian High School, now have their Permanent Resident Cards which means they are free to remain in Canada and pursue Canadian citizenship. Jeremiah's wife, Mary, received her card earlier. The two were warmly welcomed by the congregation following a Sunday evening worship service with a surprise reception where Canadian flags were on abundant display. After prayers and an emotional thanksgiving from Jeremiah, the two cut and served a special cake and the celebration ended with the singing of "O Canada." The Ciscos are originally from Liberia.



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(BC news supplied by Barbara Lewis)

### ALBERTA

**Edmonton South:** The first three months of the New Year have been positive and we continue to move forward. We began 2008 as a self-supporting congregation, which is a milestone for us. We have also managed to begin supporting a missionary in Cambodia. We are grateful for these blessings and pray for wisdom to handle them well. Mike and Kathryn Taylor placed membership with us recently. Sunday March, 30 was our first Friend's Day, to which everyone is to bring an acquaintance. In May and June we will advertise a special series of evangelistic sermons called Games we Play to Win Happiness; each lesson will be illustrated by a board game (Risk, Clue, Battleship, etc). Three brothers from the north-side congregation, and three from the south-side, will preach these lessons. We are also investigating FriendSpeak as a way to reach into our heavily-populated ethnic area. Thanks for your prayers and we ask that they continue. - Tim Johnson

**Edmonton North:** This year's ladies retreat is titled "Life is a Jungle. Who is Your Guide?" The guest speaker is Terri Fanning of Lubbock, Texas. Carlyn Elford was baptized and added to the Lord's family during the Alberta Spring Fellowship weekend.

**Red Deer:** Blair Roberts, Bible Teacher at WCC and Kirk Hinnegardt, minister of Church of Christ in Regina are the guest speakers at the Men's Day. The theme is "Pursuit of Manliness". The lessons are entitled Manly Commitment, Manly Self-Control, Manly Speech and Manly Spending.

### BRITISH COLUMBIA

**Burnaby:** The Burnaby young people hosted their 9th annual Youth Rally from April 25-27 at the Spruston Road Bible Camp on Vancouver Island under the direction of Mike Parker. Starting on Friday evening, the theme of "Getting Real" featured Nanaimo's new preacher, Derek King, as the principle speaker. While Kirk Ruch was teaching a session in a Ministry Resource Workshop at Cascade College in Portland on April 6, our associate minister, Mike Parker, shared the Word with us in the morning assembly, and Erol Dogan gave evening worshippers an insight into his December mission trip to Israel and Egypt, complete with photos. Justin Andrews also brought a report on his two-week mission trip to Thailand with the outreach team of the Pacific Academy he attends.

**City Church (Vancouver):** In April, Steve and Marcia Hasbrouck had estimators give them final prices on the shipping of their belongings to Japan. Marcia expects to fly to Hokkaido on May 19, and Steve will follow on May 31, bringing 16 years of living in Vancouver to a close. They will be missed, not only by this congregation, but by all the others in the area. Steve preached for the Oakridge church

for nine years before starting a new plant in East Vancouver. Some of his former converts who returned to China are very excited about their move to Japan, and already making plans to visit them.

**Nanaimo:** Leah Jewell was baptized by her father, David, on March 23. Multiple congregations will be leading different facets of a special Men's Retreat at the Spruston Road Bible Camp on May 30-31. Men in the Nanaimo church have been asked to lead the worship part of the sessions, which will focus on the theme, "Rise Up, O Men of God". Those planning the retreat feel that it will be a time for brethren to connect with the Lord, as well as be refreshed, renewed and encouraged in interaction with their brothers in Christ Friday evening and Saturday.

**Salmon Arm:** March 30 marked the last Sunday that Scott and Cindy Roberts were with our congregation, but there was great rejoicing to accompany the sorrow as Rick Salter, originally from Surrey, B.C., confessed Christ, and was baptized into His name. He is the husband of the former Anita Taylor, whom he met in Red Deer, AB, when both were living there. The Roberts, who have worked with the Salmon Arm church for several years, left the following day for Williston,

ND, in order to take care of Cindy's aging parents who are in fragile health. The church has been hosting a games and fellowship evening two Sundays a month. Members are encouraged to bring along guests in the hope that it will break the ice of walking through the door of our place of worship by making them feel comfortable with us and causing them to want to become involved. A spring tea for the senior ladies to let them know how special they are was planned for the first week in May. The Junior class was invited to serve. We expect to sponsor a Ladies Day in mid-June, and are also in the process of organizing our summer VBS set for early August.

### MANITOBA

**Winnipeg (Central):** After Sunday, May 11, we will no longer be meeting in our building on Osborne St. The building has been sold, with possession changing hands on May 27. For the near future, on Sunday

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# MISSION NEWS

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**Fiji:** "We are still in cyclone season here but have not experienced any additional named cyclones since we last wrote to you. We have, though, received over 10 inches of additional rain. Thankfully we have not experienced any more flooding and our container has remained dry inside. All the books I brought out of the container that were water damaged from the last time, are hung up drying, that is, when we have sunny conditions. I have them hanging on a rotary clothes hoist and under the car port. One side effect of water damage to books is that they now smell, another side effect is that they are much bulkier. (The swelling of the paper doesn't go away when they are dried out. Either way they will never be back in my office but perhaps they can still be useful in less confined spaces. (As I was writing this report we have a low pressure cell over the island and are experiencing cyclonic winds, rains and thunder. It is blowing the rain into the louver windows along the front of the house, which are 10 feet back on the veranda. We have had over 1.5 inches of rain in 15 minutes and it is still coming in waves and the electricity is flickering. Kathy did towels this morning and they are wetter now than when she hung them out in the veranda. We have no electric dryer so the wind needs to continue but without the driving rain.) "We are aware that inflation and higher prices have an affect on what we have available to spend. We are not immune to these fluctuations either. We get hit with a double whammy in Fiji because we have to contend with currency exchange as well as inflation. Our gasoline now costs \$6.47 US per gallon. Flour, rice and all other import grocery items have increased in cost every week. Potatoes from New Zealand are now \$1 US per pound, double the price in December. Fees for electricity and water have also increased. With the devaluation of money and the increased prices we are spending 25% more than when we came last June, but our support remains the same. We are grateful to those who support our work and make it possible for us to be here. We know that many congregations in the USA are having to cut back on expenditures due to this economic downturn, but pray and plead that you look with mercy on your mission work and missionaries and not

resort to cutting back on the Lord's work in foreign fields. We have no way of making up for the inflationary increase in costs other than your generosity and it is even harder when we are so far away." (March Report from Tobey Huff)

**Iraq:** "There are great things happening in the Middle East that you'll never hear about on the news. In light of the brutal repression of God's Word and Christianity by radicals in the Middle East, it is exciting that a way to get the Bible to Muslims has been found with less physical danger to our brothers there! When one older villager found out that our WBTC ministry partners were passing out Scriptures he asked, 'Why do you endanger yourselves and come to this area? This place is a forgotten and violent area.' They responded by saying, 'Our purpose is to show the love of Christ; we want to share this with you and give it to you.' After they shared the gospel, he begged them to return, saying that their visit gave him a new hope. Other people in the area were complaining about the New Testaments. A religious elder from one of the tribes told them, 'If you don't take these books you are idiots. Jesus is accepted by Islam; you must believe what He said.' After they had helped his family, he followed them from home to home to make sure that no one bothered them. This opened the door to finish the distribution of the New Testaments, and he even asked for extra copies so that he could continue giving them away after they left." (Report from Dale Randolph, CEO of World Bible Translation Center)

**Haiti:** "For the last 15 years, the mission

in Central Haiti has never stopped growing one way or another. The most amazing is the growth of our schools. This week 448 students took the state exam. There are 363 students at the mission and 85 at the other school in the hills. An adult class started two years ago now has 35 students. Their day starts by saluting the flag, singing spiritual songs, and prayers. We enjoy many of them at church on Sunday as well. "A year ago a goat project for some of our school children was started. There are now 30 pregnant goats. All female offspring eventually return to the mission. The males stay with the families. When the offspring are old enough, they go to other families and so the growth comes from within. In June of 2007 a program was started to help families become self sufficient. Individuals received the equivalent of \$100 US dollars and history was made. Today 170 people have signed a contract and received the loan. So far all of them are successful and paying back their loan. Most repay within 24 weeks or less. As of March 20, 87 are subscribed and waiting for their \$100. Micro-credit is only one part of the Micro-finance initiative. Savings accounts have been established for people and they can now put money aside for the first time in their lives. Only the initial loan comes from the bank. As they repay part of it each week, the proceeds go toward funding new loans. The 87 are waiting for enough money to be generated. We are very excited that this venture is successful, and has been able to improve the lives of so many families. We hope to reach 500 participants

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# Haiti Fifth Mission Trip Report

(April 5-15, 2008)

Jean Volcy, a native of Haiti, and an elder of the Strathmore Blvd. congregation in Toronto, returned to Haiti in December of 2002 with a mission. That mission was to establish a congregation of the Lord's Church in his hometown of Fond-Parisien. With the aid of several brethren from Port-au-Prince (Haitian capital), and Yvon Beaudoin of Plessisville, Quebec, a very successful campaign was realized. During that campaign there were 12 baptisms, including Jean's sister. With the Lord's grace, the church was established as planned. About once a year Jean,

were shipped to Haiti ahead of time for distribution to the brethren and other needy individuals in the community. They also brought along other items including a PA system as well as tools to build some pews for the congregation down there. Unfortunately, due to some unrest in the capital, customs were not open to deliver the barrels. This prevented Jean, Gerry, Derrick and Faith from distributing the goods themselves, but brother Jean Elmera, evangelist at the Delmas 28 Congregation in Port-au-Prince will receive the goods and proceed with the distribution on our behalf. He will send some photos, which we will be share.

At Fonds-Parisien, from Sunday April 6 to Sunday April 13, a campaign of evangelization was held every evening. The theme this year was taken from Mt. 27:22 (In French): *Que ferai-je de Jesus (What shall I do with Jesus?)*. As usual, Steve Gill (from Strathmore) made the banner for the campaign (Thanks Steve). During the 8-day campaign the gospel meetings were held in both the church's rented place of worship, as well as in two Town Squares. Jean reports that attendance was so great that when they met at the place of worship it was full, and that dozens of people had to stand outside. The entire community was very welcoming. In fact, one of the community leaders pleaded with

them to have the first open air meeting in his Town Square. Not only did he attend all the meetings, he brought more visitors along than anybody else. The owner of the hotel where Jean, Gerry, Derrick and Faith stayed also



Left to right: Raymond Lubin (the preacher in Fond-Parisien), Jean Volcy and Lobens Filcidor (Raymond's assistant)



Making the pews

accompanied by his family and/or some other brethren, travel to Haiti (Fond-Parisien) to help strengthen the church down there.

This year (April 5-15, 2008) three brethren from Strathmore: Gerry Ellis,



Faith Wilson giving out toys/sweet to the Kids in Fond-Parisien

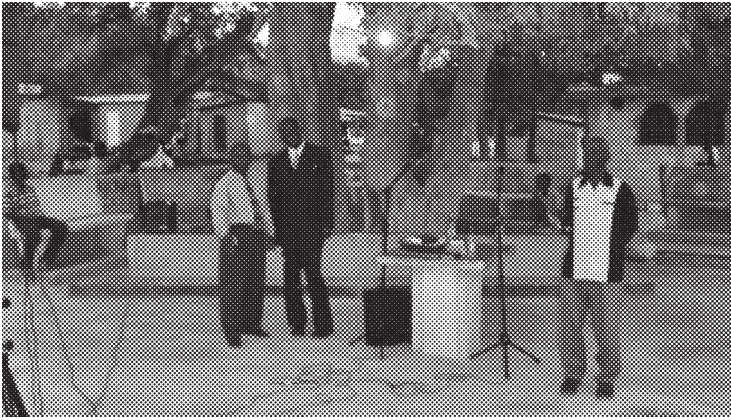
Derrick Wilson and his wife Faith, accompanied Jean in the fifth mission trip to Haiti to encourage the church. eight barrels of food items, clothing, etc., received from several in Canada

attended some of the meetings. He drove them sometimes in his private car to the meetings. There was one baptism, and several have shown good interest in the Word. The brethren at Fond-Parisien will follow up.

Jean is happy to report that the congregation is doing well in Fonds-Parisien that they are getting stronger in the Lord, and are also helping in the community as much as they can. For example, during the week, they receive about 50 children (different age groups) in the community who cannot afford to go to school, and teach them. While Jean, Gerry, Derrick and Faith were down there, they had the opportunity to visit a property for sale on the main road



The new pews are now in the church building.



One of the 2 town squares where we held one open air gospel meeting

for \$25,000 (Twenty five thousand) US. The property would be perfect for the "Mission Center" in Fond-Parisien. It is a large property where a place of worship and several other houses could be built to be used for school, cafeteria/orphanage, a place where missionaries could stay during their visit, etc. There is also a 60% finished block (brick) house already on the property. This house alone is worth over \$10,000 US. Jean, Gerry, Derrick and Faith think it is a great opportunity and strongly recommend that all efforts be made to purchase that

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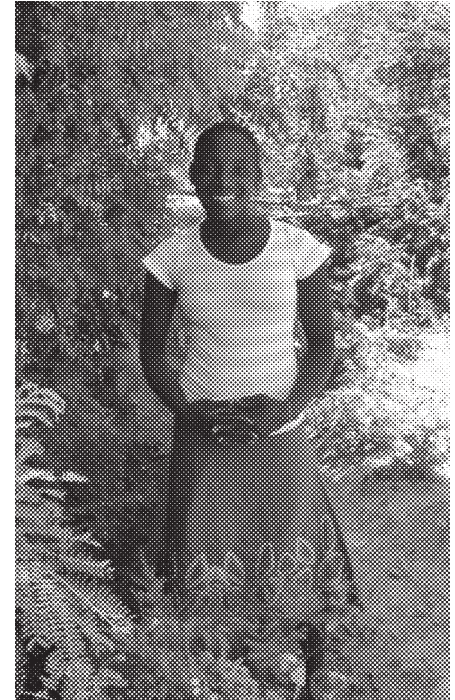
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property for the church, considering the size of the land and its prime location.

Jean says, thanks to everyone for your prayers, and financial assistance, and looks forward for your continued support. Any who

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Our newest sister, Tania Jean who obeyed the Lord who was baptized during our campaign

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mornings, we will be meeting in River East Collegiate, 295 Sutton (east off Henderson Highway). From May 18, we will be meeting at 10 a.m. on Sunday. If you are planning to visit Winnipeg, please call to confirm times and locations. Other than the Osborne Street address, all our other contact information will be the same as in the directory at the back.

**WASHINGTON STATE**

**Vancouver, WA.:** Patty Kunkle is appealing to all those hoping to join the group going to Mexico this summer to contact her as soon as possible. Members of the "True North Helping Hands" organization expect to make the trip down to work from June 29 to July 5. This year they will be building two more classrooms, as well as reinstalling the electricity and renovating the existing doublewide trailer. Those planning to join them may e-mail Patty at <mailto:tnhelpinghands@msn.com> and are also invited to visit the web-site at <http://www.truenorthhh.org/>.

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by the end of this year. "Other programmes are in the works and I hope that within a year we will be able to help more people feed their families. The church is still strong and the evangelistic programme into the hills continues once or twice a month. One village has baptized 85, and now has at least 200 worshipping on Sunday morning. I pray that you will continue to be generous so that many more Haitians will be liberated both from poverty and from a life without Jesus. It can be done! (Report from Ray Fillion) (Ed. Note: Ray and Merle were in Haiti in February. Their website is [www.partners-forhaiti.org](http://www.partners-forhaiti.org), and they may be reached in Canada at (604) 850-9001 or #102-2410 Emerson St Abbotsford, BC V2T 3J3. Their U.S. address is: P.O. Box 1116 Sumas, WA 98295-1116.)

**Japan/Singapore:** Jonathan and Michiko Straker continue to study missions at Abilene Christian University, to work with the Highway 36 church of Christ just outside of Abilene. Jon will take two short courses before going to Japan this summer. Ben Berry also is completing his first semester's graduate work and will take summer school. He

and the Strakers meet weekly with a group of Japanese students. Crimsen Ruhnke is still in the US with her mother but they feel her mother's chemotherapy treatments have been completed successfully. Joel Osborne is in Singapore being mentored by and assisting the church there. In January, he spent time in Sendai, and also attended the nationwide New Year's gathering at the Mito church. In February he began his mentoring/learning in Singapore. In March, he and several others from Japan and Singapore, Thailand, Malaysia and Cambodia participated in the Cambodian campaign. Around 180 children were touched in that effort. Joel says: "This year we taught English, Japanese and Mandarin to the kids, washed their hair with lice shampoo and gave haircuts!" Jonathan, Michiko, 2-year-old Hijiri and their new baby, as well as Joel plan to return to Japan at some point during the next few months to assist the Sendai congregation, to visit and to renew contacts. Please keep the Asian work in your prayers. For information or reports, contact Bramalea Church of Christ: [mail@bramaleacofc.ca](mailto:mail@bramaleacofc.ca); Jonathan Straker: [jstrake@yahoo.com](mailto:jstrake@yahoo.com); or Joel Osborne: [joelosborne4@yahoo.com](mailto:joelosborne4@yahoo.com).

common life of the church. (If this concerns you, see Lyle E. Schaller, *Assimilating New Members* [Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1978]).

While Bibby's research may help us take a hard look at ourselves, we depend ultimately on the teachings of Jesus to place family, church and discipleship in proper perspective. One time, Jesus' family came to take him away because they believed he was crazy. When his family, which included Mary and his brothers, approached where he was teaching, they sent word to see him. To this Jesus asked the messenger, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" Looking around at the rag-tag crowd listening eagerly to his message, Jesus said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother"

(Mark 3.32-35). To feel the sting of this, imagine your son or a significant family member saying something like this about you. Jesus gave preference to his seeking-God's-will family over his physical family.

However, Jesus has more to say regarding family. Luke records Jesus teaching, "If anyone comes to me and does not hate his father and mother, his wife and children, his brothers and sisters—yes, even his own life—he cannot be my disciple. And anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my disciple" (Luke 14.26-27; cf. Matt 10.37-38). To be a disciple of Jesus is to value your relationship with Jesus more than your relationship with your own family. When these come into conflict, our physical family must lose if we are to be faithful to Jesus. We always


pray that we do not have too many of these kinds of choices. But some among us had to make that choice, just to become a Christian.

This topic is of personal importance to me. My mother and father were strangers to the people of God. I am a Christian today because a Christian woman invited me to a Vacation Bible School when I was seven years old. I had no physical family in the church and the physical family I had was not able to teach me God's ways. I was a stranger and the church took me in and gave me a place to belong. Consequently, I have always looked to the church to be my family wherever I have lived. I understood that when I accepted the call to follow Jesus that my present family—my wife, my daughter, and any extended family I have—all come second to my loyalty to Jesus.

This topic has become important to me for another reason. I now live in this country and I want our churches to grow and to prosper in every way. We all know that we are not growing and I have come to suspect that in some degree we are the problem. The protection and nearness of our families may give us the false illusion that we are doing well, yet all the while church after church is on the verge of closure; as many as four have closed in Saskatchewan since I arrived here in 2003. As these churches die, they often find themselves being mostly members of a single-family group. I know several such families and they are my heroes for keeping the doors open, but they know that if revival is to occur, it must involve those who are not biological family.

I do not write this as a final word, or even as a word of judgment, but as a place to begin a very difficult conversation. I recognize I could be butchering a sacred cow here, but we must be willing to lay this one on the altar if we are serious about following Jesus. I may have overstated my case a bit here or there, but maybe not. Is it possible we are not inviting people into the family of God because we have "enough" family on earth?

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# Making the Best of It

Brian Thompson

*"Things work out best for those who make the best of the way things work out."*

-Anonymous-

Growing up we've often heard from either our parents or from a schoolteacher that when you were about to write a difficult exam you just need to do the best you can. No one should expect any more from you. That often sounded pretty good but when you got your exam results back you wondered if you could have done better. Certainly there's always room for improvement, but one needs to recognize that at that particular time when they wrote that exam they did the best they could. So take the credit for giving it your best.

Spiritually, when faced with making the right decisions or saying the right things we too may question whether we've done the best we could. Perhaps after studying with a friend you sit at home wondering if you should have said more or listened more. Battering yourself with questions over whether your effort was your best will only make that pleasant opportunity unpleasant if repeated.

No one is perfect nor should they ever expect to be so. Only God is. But He can help us make the best of any situation if we allow Him. We can make the best of old age, financial difficulties, marriage struggles or raising children. Yes, we can even do our best studying with a friend if we ask God for His help prior to and during that study.

But sometimes it's hard to think positively and feel that we've done our best. Yes, making the best of any situation is a matter of focus, an attitude that says, "No matter what happens, no matter what lies ahead, we will do the best we can with the help of the Lord." And it's then that things work out best for those who make the best of it (with God's help).

It's always intriguing and some-

what irritating when some people are more content in a situation that you are. I guess if you're lazy you should feel bad about your situation, but if you've tried your best to survive in a difficult situation then you have nothing to be ashamed of. You should be able to rejoice always even if your walk as a Christian lands you in prison like it did the Apostle Paul. But it's here, when making the best of it, he says, "Rejoice always, again I say rejoice." And later, paraphrasing what Paul said, "I have

learned to be content in whatever circumstances. I know how to get along with humble means, and I know how to live in prosperity; in any and every circumstance I have learned the secret of being filled and going hungry, both of having abundance and suffering need. I can do all things through Him who strengthens me" (Phil.4:4-13).

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David did not have accountability. If David was leading his warriors as he did in the past, this chapter in his life would not be written.

David had selective hearing when he asked about the woman on the roof. He was clearly told that she was the wife of Uriah the Hittite (2 Samuel 11:3). David should have heard the words, "She is married, she belongs to another man, she is not available, stay away, go back to bed... alone." Lusting after another person is so strong that Jesus equates it with the action of immorality. "But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart" (Matthew 5:28). Christians and secular psychologists agree that lust is very destructive and addictive. Some research has concluded that pornography is more addicting than alcohol or cocaine. Solomon said it straight up "My son, give me your heart and let your eyes keep to my ways, for a prostitute is a deep pit and a wayward wife is a narrow well" (Proverbs 23:26-27). Once you're entrapped in a deep pit or a narrow well, there's no getting out. Just stay away from the edge or you might fall in.

David received a text message from his neighbor. "I'm pregnant - Bathsheba." Often one sin leads to lies, deceit, cover up and scandal. David brings Uriah, Bathsheba's husband, home from war and had a shallow conversation. Uriah is told to go home to his wife, hoping he would sleep with her and think he was the father. Uriah was a valiant soldier and

wouldn't spend the night in comfort while his troops were fighting. The next night David got Uriah drunk and tried the same tactic. It still didn't work. In fact, Uriah was a better man when drunk than David was sober. So another text message was written by David, sent in a sealed envelope to the commander. The memo: murder Uriah ASAP.

Lust is a never satisfied hunger. Many who begin by being aroused by soft-core pornography end up in some very hard-core, even illegal, sexual sins. Paul said it this way, "Having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity, with a continual lust for more" (Ephesians 4:19). It's a craving that can't be filled, a thirst that can't be quenched, a hunger that's never satisfied.

There are many reading this who are addicted and trapped in sexual sin. To be free from any sin, we must believe that God wants us to be free.

While our sin is against other people, it is ultimately against God. After David sinned against Bathsheba, Uriah, his family, the army and the nations, he confessed his sin against God, "Against You, You only, have I sinned and done what is evil in Your sight, so that You are proved right when You speak and justified when You judge" (Psalm 51:4). When Joseph was being seduced by Potiphar's wife, he resisted and said, "How then could I do such a wicked thing and sin against God?" (Genesis 39:8-9).

We must be in control of what we look at. We, like Job, must commit to this statement, "I made a covenant with my eyes not to look lustfully at a girl" (Job 31:1). A few verses later he speaks about the destructive results an immoral relationship, "For that would have been shameful, a sin to be judged. It is a fire that burns to Destruction; it would have uprooted my harvest" (Job 31:11). Jesus said we should be so serious about sin, we will do whatever we need to do to overcome, even, as a last resort, gouging out our eye (Matthew 5:29). Hopefully, poking out eyes is the last resort as we consider drastic measures for drastic times.

Sometimes it is easier to flirt with temptation instead of fleeing. As Joseph did, we must run from temptation. To a young, single minister, Paul wrote, "Flee the evil desires of youth, and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart." (2 Timothy 2:22)

There is something about sexual sin that is different than all other sins. It is not only a sin done with the body, but done to the body. Since our body belongs to the Lord, we must use self-control. Paul wrote, "Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a man commits are outside his body, but he who sins sexually sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body" (1 Corinthians 6:18-20).

Sin is very serious. Paul is straight up when he writes about overcoming temptation. We don't just suppress sin or control temptation, we kill it! The text tells us, "Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry." (Colossians 3:5) There should be no evidence of sexual sin in the Christian's life. To the Ephesians, Paul wrote, "But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people" (Ephesians 5:13). No evidence, no clue, no trace.

God's love is so immense that He wants us to be a part of His family. God's grace is so abundant it can forgive all of our sin. God's Spirit will give us power and wisdom so that we can overcome our sin. After all His love, grace, forgiveness and power worked for King David. It's still there for you and me. To the woman caught in adultery, Jesus said, "Then neither do I condemn you. Go now and leave your life of sin" (John 8:11). Free from guilt, free from punishment, free from addiction, free to live free.

Royal Oak, MI

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# OBITUARIES

## Parker, Helen Margaret

Helen Margaret Parker was born April 30, 1918, in Walter's Falls, Grey County, Ontario, the oldest of three children born to Alfred and Millie Dixon. She peacefully passed away on February 20, 2008, at the Weyburn Special Care home in Saskatchewan. She was predeceased by her dear husband, Allison Parker on January 24, 1979, at the age of 68, and also by her brother, Harvey, her sister Jessie Manarey and an infant granddaughter.

Mom's faithful involvement in the Lord's Church was an important part of her life. She was also a strong supporter of Christian education and for many years faithfully supported Western Christian College.

A celebration of Mom's life was held on February 26, 2008, at the Weyburn Church of Christ, with Scott Wade officiating. A number of Mom's family and members of the congregation participated in the service. The eulogy was given by Deanna Cook and Curtis Parker during which they shared many special memories of their grandmother. Pallbearers were Robert Cook, John J. Harvey, Curtis Parker, Jason

Parker, Andrew Parker and Ashley Parker. Interment took place following the service at Hillcrest Cemetery in Weyburn.

Mom is lovingly remembered by her children, Dorothy (Leonard) Graham of Beamsville, ON., Ken (Donna) Parker of Kelowna, BC, Elgin (Yvonne) Parker of Oyama, BC, Doug (Marion) Parker of Regina, SK, and Ruth (John) Cook of Weyburn, SK; 17 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; brother-in-law, Harvey (Olive) Parker; sister-in-law, Muriel Parker and brother-in-law Mervin Manarey.

Our sincere thanks for personal visits, telephone calls, cards and notes to Mom during her many years in Weyburn Special Care Home. To God Be The Glory!

- Submitted by Dorothy Graham

## Peterson, Roger

Roger was born on April 28, 1927 to Margaretta and Hjelmer Peterson. He was raised on the family farm 10 miles south of Radville, SK. Roger's siblings were, sisters Lillace Whitfield, Ruth Bailey, Bernice Whitfield and brother, Robert. He was predeceased by his brother Dwayne, who died in infancy.

Roger graduated in 1945 from Radville High School and in the fall of 1946 he attended Moose Jaw Normal School. His first teaching position was in Gladmar.

He also taught at Pebble Hill in the Horse Creek area for a period of time in those early days.

Roger attended Bible school for three winters and spent two summers in Thessalon, ON, doing carpentry, preaching and working with the young people of the church in that area. He began teaching at Radville Christian College in 1951. Roger and Helen Sinclair first met at R.C.C in 1949. While leading a summer Bible school in 1953 in Thessalon, Ontario, Roger began a courtship with Helen. They continued a long distance relationship by mail and in 1954 Roger traveled to St. Catherines, ON, married Helen and brought her back to Radville so he could continue teaching at R.C.C. To this union six children were born: Wadell, LaVonne, Clayton, Lowell, Bradley and Michelle.

When I think of Roger as my colleague and friend, I remember him as being consistent in some very important ways;

Consistent in his love for God and the church. Over the years Roger served as song leader, deacon, Bible teacher, preacher and elder for different churches.

Consistent in his commitment to Christian education. Roger earned three degrees from Abilene Christian University: A bachelors degree, a Masters of Arts in Bible in 1959 and a Masters of Psychology and Counselling in 1971. He taught at Radville Christian and Western Christian at both Weyburn and Dauphin.

Consistent in his love for family. The large gathering of children, grandchildren and great grandchildren who are here this afternoon are witness to this. Roger was always eager to boast about his love for his twenty grandchildren and five great grandchildren who were all, in his words, "the best looking grandchildren in the country."

Consistent in his belief that home would always be a place where hospitality was practiced. Shirley and I have been in their home many times over the years both during times of plenty and times when things were not so plentiful. One thing that did not change was the warm welcome. When Roger built the home Lowell and Darla now live in, the large kitchen and living room were built to accommodate large gatherings.

I think the thing that most impresses me as I reflect on my friend's life is that he lived by the belief, "if a need arises and I am called to meet that need I will do the best I can to answer the call." It was this belief that caused a telephone line to be built to the campus at Radville, that put Roger on the road to raise money when the school at

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Radville was in dire need of funds. It was this belief that saw him as chorus director, builder of lab tables, science teacher, dorm supervisor, Bible teacher, psychology instructor and principal.

Roger filled many roles at Western until he decided to take a break from the classroom in 1979. In the fall of 1982 a principal's position became open in Fillmore, Saskatchewan. He was encouraged to apply and for the next five years served in that capacity. In 1987, after he retired, Roger was asked to fill a three months position as a Bible teacher at Nigerian Christian Bible College, so Roger and Helen packed their bags and off they went to Africa where he taught the first and second year ministerial students and preached to village congregations on Sunday.

When Western moved from Weyburn to Dauphin, Manitoba, a principal was needed to assist the school in this transition. Roger was asked if he would become the principal, so in 1989 Roger and Helen moved to Dauphin, Manitoba, where Roger was principal for the next four years. After another year in Dauphin teaching college level psychology on a contract basis, Roger retired again, and he and Helen moved back to their family home in North Weyburn.

Shortly after they moved back to Weyburn they were asked to teach another term at Nigerian Christian Bible College so they packed their bags again and once more set off to Africa. After their term there they returned to North Weyburn and became a support and encouragement for family and friends as they settled back into life and service there.

His work lives on in the lives of the students he taught in Gladmar and Pebble Hill, Western Christian and Nigerian Christian Bible College. There is a boy in Africa named Roger and a girl named Helen; named by their parents in honor of the work done by Roger and Helen in their community.

Even as Roger's health began to deteriorate, he continued to be a source of love and strength, laughter and joy for his children and grandchildren, creating lasting and loving memories that remain his legacy. The love of his family, even when it was difficult for Roger to communicate, was evidence to all of his love and impact. It reflected his love for the Lord and was a testimony to his life as husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, friend and mentor to many.

- Adapted from a eulogy given by  
David Lidbury

### Elford-Kowch, Neita Joyce

Neita Joyce passed away peacefully at home with her family by her side on Sunday, February 24, 2008 at the age of 53 years. She was predeceased by an infant



brother Larry; her loving parents Ed and Helen Elford and a special brother-in-law Eugene Kowch.

Neita leaves to mourn her passing her husband and best friend Nestor Kowch, son Jason (Erin) Leier; grandchildren Kara Joyce and Caleb Josef; step children Darrol (Tracy) Kowch, Cheryle (Tony) Renwick, Kerri Kowch (Tony Yan) and Scott Kowch; step grandchildren to whom she was Baba; Alison Kowch and Seth, Duncan and Harvey Renwick; sisters Sharon (Mandry) and Cheryl (Ian); brothers Lloyd

(Ruthanne), Dale (Kathy), Calvin (Mary) and Russell (Milessa); along with cherished nieces, nephews and special friends.

Special thanks to Dr. M. Casey, Dr. J. McHattie and Dr. J. McLeod and the staff at the Cancer Clinic for their compassionate care. A memorial service was held at the Regina Funeral Home, Hwy #1 East Regina, SK on Wednesday, March 5, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations in Neitas' memory may be made to Regina Palliative Care Inc., 4F 4101 Dewdney Avenue, Regina, SK S4T 1A5.

May God bless those who mourn at this time and grant to them the special blessing of His comfort.

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- Information provided by Marion Waugh

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**RED DEER:** 68 Donlevy Ave., T4R 2Y8; Sun. 10, 11, (evening - call for information); John Smith, ev. (403) 347-3986

## PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

**ABBOTSFORD (Central Valley): #5 - 2580 Cedar Park Place V2S 6B2; 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@shaw.ca; website: http://allann.dyndns.org/cvcc**

**BURNABY (Greater Vancouver):** 7485 Salisbury Ave. V5E 3A5; Sunday 9:45 am, 6 pm, Sunday School 10:30, Midweek groups meet in homes. Call for times and locations; Kirk Ruch, ev. K.M.R@SBChurch.ca; Mike Parker, youth, FishFreaks@SBChurch.ca; Office, office.contact@SBChurch.ca (604) 522-7721 (off.); Website: www.SBChurch.ca

**CAMPBELL RIVER:** 226 Hilchey Road V9W 1P4 Contact: (250) 923-5233; (250) 923-6396; (250) 286-3780

**CHILLIWACK:** Senior Citizens Bldg. Br 24, corner of Cook and Victoria St.; PO Box 327; Sun. 10:30, 11; 7:00 p.m. at #102-8075 Mary Street at John Forman's house. Phone # 604-792-7806; Al McCutcheon, sec. 604-824-6703

**CRESTON:** Box 866, Creston, BC, V0B 1G0. Phone: 250-428-5937 or 250-428-4376.

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

**DELTA:** Delta Christian School, 53rd & Ladner Trunk Road, Ladner; 9:45, 10:45; Midweek: Call for times; PO Box 18623, RPO Ladner, Delta, BC V4K 4V7; (604) 943-0515 (off)

**KELOWNA:** 1317 Ethel St., Kelowna BC, V1Y 2X1; Building 250-861-9486, Sunday 10:30 a.m. Worship, Evangelist: Barrie Forman, 250-860-4354 and cell: 250-469-2161, 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., Sun. 10:00, 11:00, Wed. meeting in homes 7:00 PM. Please phone for times and place. Wayne Peckett, (250) 758-6985, wjpeckett@shaw.ca

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

**PRINCE GEORGE:** 9465 Old Summit Lake Road, V2K 5S8, 250-962-6978

**PRINCE RUPERT:** 977 Prince Rupert Blvd.; PO Box 324, V8J 3P9; Sunday Bible classes 11:00 am, worship 10:00 am; 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 (250) 804-2672; Box 51, V1E 4N2; Doug Kendig, John Murrey, Gordon Parmenter and Dave Myers, elders; Scott Roberts, ev.

**SURREY: (Greater Vancouver):**15042 92nd Ave., V3R 5V7; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Ron Beckett, ev., 604-594-1796.

**VANCOUVER (City Church):** Trout Lake Community Centre, 3350 Victoria Drive; Worship service 12:30 p.m.; (Mailing address: 6669 Granville Street, Vancouver, BC V6P 4X1) Stephen C. Hasbrouck, Sr., ev.; Ph: 604-263-3470

**VANCOUVER (Oakridge):** 6970 Oak St., V6P 3Z6; English services: Sun. 10, 11, 6 Spanish Bible study Friday 6:30; Milton Diaz, ev., 604-432-1749 (res.). website: www.churchofchristoakridge.com

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

**VICTORIA (South Island Church of Christ):** Mail: South Island Church of Christ, c/o 1600 Charlton Rd., V9E 2C8 Phone for place and time. K. Hannan, 250-474-6149 or D. Morton, 250-479-8480; e-mail SICOC@shaw.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; Dale Eloff, ev. 745 6969 (office)

**DAUPHIN:** 220 Whitmore Ave. W; Mailing address: Box 70, Dauphin, R7N 2T9; Sun. worship 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, ROM 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):** Please call for times and locations. (204) 475-6462; Fax: (413) 677-6165; Mail: c/o Wayne Turner, 45 Millfield Dr., Winnipeg, MB R2M 2N9; website: 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 (res) chad@winnipegchurch.ca

## PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK

**MONCTON:** 365 Pine Glen Rd., Riverview (Moncton), E1B 4J8; Sun. 10, Wed. 7:30 p.m.; (506) 866-1458; Royal Maillet (506) 532-2956; other contact: Kenny Woodman (506) 382-9409

**SAINT JOHN:** Meeting in the home of FRED NELSON, 5 Devonayer Court, Rothesay E2E 6E2; Sunday meetings flexible; Phone (506) 847-2802.

## 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) 297-6563; Sunday Bible study 10 am, worship 11 am, evening 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm. Minister Eddie J. Cornelius; e-mail: niainfallscoc@aol.com

## PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA

**HALIFAX:** 48 Convoey Ave., B3N 2P8; Sun. 10, 11; Midweek, check for day and place; ev. (902) 443-9628 (off), Wayne Taylor, sec. (902) 876-7402; Kevin Cleary (ev) 902-446-5818

**KENTVILLE:** 177 Middle Dyke Rd. exit 12 off Hwy 101, Sun. 11, 10; Wed. 6; Box 26, B4N 3V9; Elders: Kevin Irvine, Jack Bearden; (902) 678-8881 or Ray Fisher, ev; (902) 582-3457; email: rcfisherofmen@yahoo.com

**SHUBENACADIE:** Mill Village Church, 3613 Indian Rd.; Sun. 10:15, 11; Wed. 6:30; R.R. 1, B0N 2H0; (902) 758-4252 D. Hallett (902) 758-2133; J. Mackey, (902) 758-2633; 902-758-4252 bldg, email:sdboeher@xplornet.com

## PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

**AJAX (Serving Durham Region):** Ajax Community Centre, 75 Centennial Rd., Ajax, ON, (mailing address: 290 Harwood Ave. S., PO Box 21018, Ajax, ON, L1S 2J1); Sun. 9:30, 10:30, 7; call for mid-week information; Marlon Molina, ev., marlonm@strathmorecofc.ca; Malcolm Porter, 905-668-3346 (res).

**AURORA:** 15216 Yonge St. S.; (entrance beside Benjamin Moore Paints); Sun. 9:30, 11:00, Wed. 7:30; P.O. Box 71523, L4G 1L9; Contact: Scott & Linda Harvey, (905) 473-5631 or leave message; e-mail: aurorachurchofchrist@hotmail.com or Clare Preston, (905) 841-2272

**BARRIE:** 345 Grove St. E. (at Cook), L4M 2R6; Sun. 10, 11, 6:30; Wed. 7:00; (705) 722-7155 (off.); Shawn Redding, ev. (705) 792-5024 Home; (705) 718-6876 Cell. sdrredding89@rogers.com

**BEAMSVILLE:** 4900 John St., L0R 1B6; Sunday 9:30 am Bible classes and Discussion Groups, 10:30 worship, 6:00 pm Contemporary worship, Wednesday 7:00, praise and celebration; Don Smith, ev. 905-563-7655 (off); e-mail: beamsvillechurchofchrist@bellnet.ca website: www.beamsvillechurchofchrist.ca

**BRAMALEA:** 750 Clark Blvd., (south of Hwy. 7 on Finchgate Boulevard), L6T 3Y2; (905) 792-2297; bramaleacocf@bellnet.ca. Sun. 9:45, 11, 6; Thurs. 7:30; Kevin Hunter, ev (905) 455-5796 (res); Walter Straker, ev (905) 789-1632 (res); www.bramaleacocf.ca.

**BRANTFORD:** 267 North Park St., N3R 4L2; Sun. 10, 11, last Sunday of month 6:30; Wed. 7; contact Ray Knight (519) 754-0401; Roy Cox, 519-449-3239 office (519) 759-6630

**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 Gamble (min.); 519-753-5353 (res.); www.followers.ca or e-mail followers@bfree.on.ca

**BURKS FALLS:** 51B, Ontario Street, Sun: 9:15 am to 12:00 includes 2 children Classes, Tues 6:30; Mailing Address: Church of Christ, c/o Eunice Johnston, 205 First Avenue, RR# 1, Burks Falls, Ontario P0A 1C0; 705-783-6476 (off); Evangelist: Hubert Lawrence 705-382-1414; e-mail: hubertlawrence@xplornet.com; web site: www.churchesofchrist.ca.

**CAMBRIDGE:** Meeting at Youth Unlimited across from 45 Brierdale Rd. Sun. 10:30, call for midweek small groups. evs. Greg Whitfield (226) 338-6720, Paul Moore (519) 635-7837; www.cambridgecofc.ca Mailing address: 315-150 Christopher Dr., Cambridge, ON N1R 4S4

**COLLINGWOOD:** 494 Tenth St.; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; (705) 444-0010 (office); Randy Morrirt, ev (h) 705-445-0924.

**CORNWALL:** 1702 Dover Road, Cornwall, ON K6J; Sun. 10,11; Wednesday 7:00; call ahead for worship times in case of any changes; Allen Bojarski, ev. Phone (613) 933-1825; Fax (613) 933-2464; Emails: abojarski@cocego.ca or churchofchrist@cocego.ca; Jeremy Bojarski, youth minister. Phone (613) 933-8445; Joel Bojarski, treasurer; Mark Duperron, chairman, Phone: (613) 932-3701; website: http://home.cocego.ca/~abojarski/index.html

**FENWICK:** 765 Welland Ave.; Sun. 9:45, 11, 6:30; 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. Worship 9:45, Bible classes 11 am Sun evening 5, Wed. 7 pm; Box 181, L3M 4G3; (905) 945-3058 (off); George Mansfield, ev (h) 289-235-9411 website: www.grimsbycofc.org; other contact (905) 945-8668

**HAMILTON:** 321 East 27th Street (at Fennell) L8V 3G8 (Mt. Hamilton) Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7:00 p.m. (905) 385-5775 (off); Art Ford, ev., (905) 296-1560 (h), artf@hurchofchristhamilton.com; Chris Gardner, sec., (905) 388-9174; www.churchofchristhamilton.com

**HAMILTON (North):** YMCA building, 79 James St. S.; Sun. 9:30, 10:30; Wed. 7; Joe Sandassie, (905) 389-0714, 286 East 26th Street, Hamilton ON L8V 3E1

**HUNTSVILLE:** Huntsville Public Library, 7 Minerva St. E., Sun. 10:00, 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; Ken Skinner 705-382-2283 or Evelyn Preston, sec. 705-767-3237.

**ICE LAKE (Manitoulin Island):** 1-1/4 miles South of Hwy 540; Sunday: classes 9:45, worship 11 am; 7:30 pm Wed.; Contact: Joel Lock (705) 282-8531, wjlock@hotmail.com; RR #1, Gore Bay, ON P0P 1H0

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

**KINGSTON:** 446 College St., K7L 4M7; worship Sun 11:00 a.m.; evening 4 to 6 Friday "introduction to church" 1 to 3 p.m.; Gordon Gibson ev. – (res) 613-536-7008, (off) 613-546-5409 gordonregibson@hotmail.com; website http://know-your-bible-too.com

**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; contact Gordon Worrall (519)434-1981

**MEAFORD:** 113 Nelson St.W. N4L 1G3; Sun. 9:45, 11, 6; Wed. 7:30; Les Cramp; (519) 538-1750; e-mail: meaford-cofc@brucetelecom.com

**MISSISSAUGA:** (Living Water Fellowship): fellowship, sharing, prayer, Monday through Saturday 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.; 2305 South Millway, apt. #308, Mississauga ON L5L 3P8; Call Rod Ostil to confirm 647-887-7794

**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

**NEWMARKET:** 230 Davis Dr.; Box 21581, L3Y 8J1; Sunday 11:15 am Bible classes, worship 10 am, 6:30 pm; Wednesday, please call for time and location; Nathan Pickard, ev., 905-895-6502(off); e-mail-pickardnathan@hotmail.com

**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. North Bay; 705-840-0303, e-mail: davidlock@sympatico.ca; Website: www.northbaycoc.com.

**OMAGH:** 1412 Britannia Road West, Milton, L9T 2X8; 10, 11; website: http://omaghchurch.n3.net, Harold Ellis, Sec., RR # 3, Campbellville, L0P 1B0.

**OTTAWA:** 1515 Chomley Cres., K1G 0V9; Sun. 9:30, 10:30, 6; Wed. 7; Robert MacRury, ev., 733-2580 (off); 737-0701 (res.); www.churchofchrist.ca

**OWEN SOUND:** 835 10th Ave. E., N4K 3H8; Sun. 9:45, 11:00, 6; Thurs. 7; Brian Thompson, ev. (519) 376-6702 (off.), 372-2155 (res.); email: oscoc@bmts.com

**PETERBOROUGH:** The Board Room, Parkway Place Mall, Landsdowne Street W.; Mailing Address: 323 Lindan Ave., K9L 1K9; Sunday 10 & 10:45; Wed. The Board Room, 7:00 pm, Peter McPherson (705) 742-5349

**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

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

**REXDALE:** Meets Sunday for SS 9:30, worship 10:30 at 1485 Albion Road, Etobicoke, corner of Albion and Kipling. mail goes to Derrick Grant, 29 Revelstoke Place, Brampton ON L6R 3G3, phone 416-628-9620 (D. Grant) or 416-656-9309 (Rupert Comrie)

**ST. CATHARINES:** 439 Ontario St. N., L2N 4M9; Sun. 9:30, 10:30, 6; Wed. 7:00; 935-9581 (off.); Jeremiah Cisco, ev.; Email: churchofchrist@bellnet.ca; WebSite: www.stcatharinescofc.ca

**ST. THOMAS:** 60 S. Edgeware Rd, N5P 2H6; 519-633-2210 Sun 10,11 Call for midweek date and place; Wil Maddeau, 519-637-0741.

**SARNIA:** 796 Errol Road E., N7V 2G7; Sunday 9:30, 10:45, 6:30; Wednesday 7; Joseph Woodford, ev., (519) 339-1161 (off.), (519) 542-6071 (res.); E-mail: fjosephwoodford@gmail.com

**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 (705)949-4988 Sun 9:40A, 10:40A, call for PM time, Wed 7PM Elders: C. Whitfield (705)253-6153 L. Hotchkiss (705)759-0649

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

**SMITHVILLE:** 246 Station St. L0R 2A0, PO Box 451; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7:30. 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.; Robert Priestnall, sec.; email: emailus@scoc.ca; website: www.scoc.ca

**STRATFORD:** 478 Brunswick St.,N5A 3N6; Sunday Worship 10:00, Wed. Bible Study 7:00; voice mail (519) 273-5280; Larry Hoover (519) 271-9545; Shawn Lablanc, ev. 519-305-0457

**SUDBURY:** 2663 Bancroft Dr. P3B 1T7; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7:00; Edward Klym (ev), 705-560-3964, Wes Bailey, sec. 523-0933.

**SUNDRIDGE:** Hwy. 11 N.; Sun. Bible classes & worship – 10:30–12:00; 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, POR 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; (807) 577-2213 (off.).

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

**TINTERN:** 4359 Spring Creek Rd. Vineland ON L0R 2C0; Worship at 9: 45a.m. with classes to follow; Sunday pm call for times and locations; Wed. 7:00 pm; Noel Walker ev. (905) 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):** 700 Progress Avenue Unit # 14 Scarborough, Ontario M1H 2Z7; Sun. 9:45am; 11:00am. (Mailing Address: P.O. Box 47011, 300 Borough Dr. Scarborough, ON M1P 4Z7; Church Phone: 416-970-3835; Devon Bennett, ev. 905686-2486, cell: 416-209-2529, Fax: 905-686-0612; e-mail: devon.bennett@sympatico.ca; Phillip Brown ev.905-231-9304, cell: 905-406-9160; e-mail: philkare@gmail.com. Website: www.scarboroughchurchofchrist.net

**TORONTO (Harding Ave.):** 47 Harding Ave., M6M 3A3; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7; Dick Forsyth, ev., Beamsville, 563-7874; Aikins Wiredu, sec., 905-791-0694; contact, Kaso Ramcharitar, 416-652-7266; Twi service available.

**TORONTO (Strathmore Blvd.):** 346 Strathmore Blvd. M4C 1N3 (across from Coxwell subway station); 416-461-7406; Sun. 9:45, 11, 6; Wed. 7; Elders: Marvin Johnson (416) 752-0325, Stephen Gill (416) 265-2496, Peter Dwomoh (416) 462-3616; Jean Volcy (416) 267-6820; Max Craddock, ev. (416) 461-7406, e-mail <maxc@strathmorecofc.ca>; Fax (416) 424-1850; Santiago Molina (Spanish) ev, (416) 751-6879, website: www.strathmorecofc.ca

**VANDELEUR:** E. off Hwy #10 (2 km S. of Markdale) along Artemesia Township sideroad 10 7 km; Sun. 10, 11; Ian Boyce, sec., PO Box 1196, 450 Countess Street S, Durham ON NOG 1R0. Phone 519-369-1731. Gordon Dennis, 240 Elgin St. N., Box 274, Mount Forest, NOG 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; David Dunn ev., 519-669-4319; Jamie Azzoparde, 519-578-8553 (res), e-mail: azzoparde@gmail.com

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

**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., 785 Sandison Ave., Windsor, N9E 4T3; (519) 250-4407; Email: wsiddecoc@sympatico.ca; www.geocities.com/wsiddecoc.

## 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; 387-6163 (off.); Fredeick Feruzi, ev. e-mail: feruzik@hotmail.com

**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; 514-637-7604; Leonard Amanatey, ev; email: churchofchristmontreal@hotmail.com; website: www.greatermontrealchurchofchrist.com.

**MONTREAL (South-Central - English/French/ Spanish):** 6259 Monk Blvd. Ville-Émard, Montreal, QC H4E 3H8 (2 streets east of the Monk Subway Station) (514) 765-8919; Simultaneous Translation: Sun.10, 11, Wed. 7; website: www.villeemardchurchofchrist.org Michael Mazzalongo, ev. 514-766-4911 email: mazzalongo@videotron.ca Roger Saumur, ev. (450) 635-5105 email: rogersaumur@sympatico.ca

**MONTREAL (Spanish):** 7378 rue Lajeunesse, Rm.#101, Montreal, QC H2R 2H8; Sunday 10, 11; Héctor Méndez info (514)948-0917; e-mail: 303012@gosympatico.ca; Roberto Herrera info (514)328-1467; e-mail: robertoro38@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 Verteuil, Ste-Foy (corner Jean-Noël); 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.

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

**GRAVELBOURG:** 300-2nd Ave. E.; Sun. 10:30, Box 507, S0H 1X0; Wendell Bailey, ev (306) 648-3435; Edna Johnson, sec.; Gerry Bell and Stan Bell, elders.

**KENOSE VILLAGE:** Moose Mountain Church of Christ, Mailing address: Box 322, Wawota, SK S0G 5A0; Sun. 10; Mid-week call: Brent Olson, ev., 306-577-2477 or contact Cam Husband, 306-739-2882

**LLOYDMINSTER:** 56 Ave. and 47 St., Box 88, S9V 0X9; Sun. 9:30, 10:30; Lee Patmore, ev.; (780) 875-4056; email: patmores@sasktel.net

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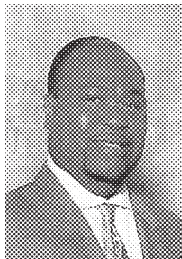
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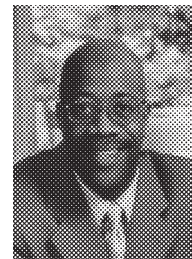
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