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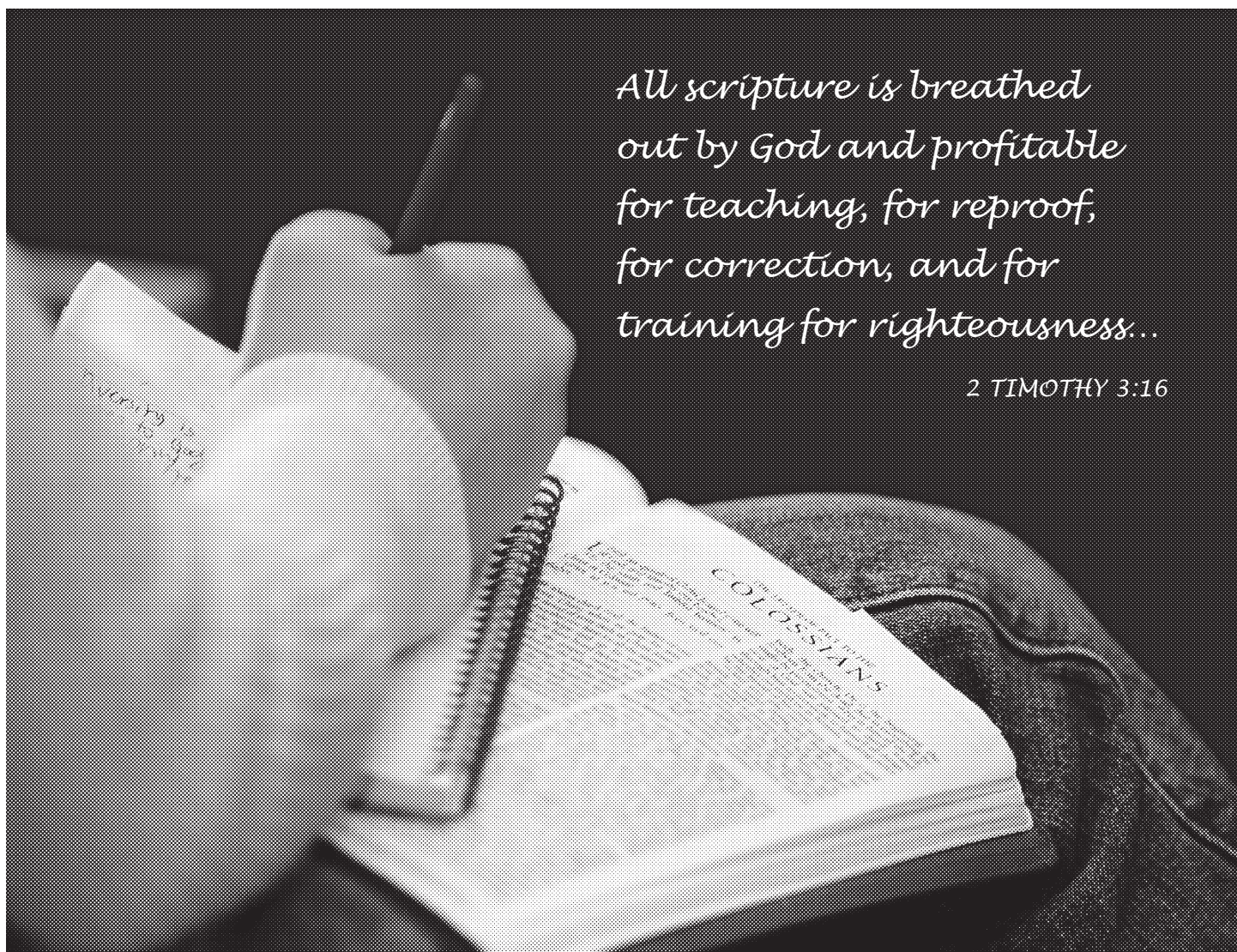
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The Revelation of Jesus Christ

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How do we get to know Jesus Christ for who He really is? In our relationships with others, we usually get to know them gradually. As we talk and do things together we find out each other's likes and dislikes, where we're coming from and what we'd like to do. Some call this process "self-disclosure." Another word is revelation. We gradually reveal personal things to others as we trust them. The more we value and trust them, the more we reveal.

When it comes to knowing Jesus, our growing relationship with Him also follows a gradual process of self-disclosure and maturation. Since God loves us and wants us to know Him as He knows us, He takes the lead in revealing Himself to us gradually in the Scriptures from Genesis to Revelation and in His creation and providential work in our lives (Psalm 19; Romans 1:18-20; 8:28). To build our faith and trust in Him He reveals Himself most profoundly in Jesus.

He begins the Gospels by telling us about Jesus' family and birth. Luke tells us of Jesus' adolescence. Jesus discloses that He is the Son of God in whom God reveals His great love for us (John 3:16). Each gospel tells of Jesus' ministry and His most important work of dying on the cross for us. God reveals His power over death by raising Jesus. Acts reveals how Christ, ascended to heaven, sends His Spirit, guides His people and saves those responding to the good news of His death, burial and resurrection by faith, repentance, confession, immersion and faithful living.

The New Testament letters reveal more about Jesus, expanding on what John wrote in his gospel, "He was in the beginning with God" and "All things came into being by Him" (John 1:2-3a). Paul tells us that not only did Christ create everything, "in Him all things hold together" (Colossians 1:17). We learn that Christ is everywhere (Ephesians 4:10).

The New Testament helps us see Jesus in the Old Testament. In Corinthians we learn that Christ is "the spiritual rock" that followed and cared for Israel (1 Corinthians 10:4). We now understand that when in Genesis God is referred to by the plural name Elohim and said "Let us make man in our own image" that Christ was there (Genesis 1:26). He is the One the Old Testament Law, prophets and Psalms speak of as the coming Messiah

Revelation is the climax of God's self-disclosure...

and Suffering Servant (Luke 24:44; Daniel 9; Psalm 22; Isaiah 53).

Revelation discloses even more about who Jesus is and what He does. Jesus says near the opening and ending, "I am the Alpha and the Omega*...the first and the last, the beginning and the end" (Revelation 1:8; 22:13; i.e. *A-Z in English). He is "the faithful witness, the first born of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth" (1:5). John unites Jesus' person and actions in the word He very frequently uses for Him, "the Lamb" (about 31 of 39 New Testament occurrences) saturating Revelation with the essence of the gospel. Jesus, the Lamb, is the perfect sacrifice and so is worthy to act and to receive honour: "And they sang a new song, saying, 'Worthy are You to take the book and to break its seals; for You were slain, and purchased for God with Your blood men from every tribe and tongue and people and nation... Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches

and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing'" (5:9, 12). Through Revelation Jesus speaks to His people, opens the sealed book, breaks the seals, stands on Mount Zion, rules over nations, judges, punishes the enemies of God, oversees the consummation of history and with God receives the thunderous praise of multitudes: "as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty peals of thunder" (19:6).

Suprisingly to people like us living in a visual culture, the Scriptures from Genesis to Jude tell us much about Jesus but say little about what He looks like. Isaiah says that "He has no stately form or majesty that we should look upon Him, nor appearance that we should be attracted to Him" (53:2). To strengthen the faith of early Christians living in cultures saturated with alluring visual images of idols and temptation, God gives a powerful vision of Jesus in Revelation as the victorious Lord of heaven and earth. First-century Christians also lived under Roman military rule so Revelation gives them a head-to toe vision, with sound, of the all-powerful victorious Christ who has ultimate rule and victory over all who threaten His people: "one like a son of man, clothed in a robe reaching to the feet, and girded across His chest with a golden sash. His head and His hair were white like white wool, like snow; and His eyes were like a flame of fire. His feet were like burnished bronze, when it has been made to glow in a furnace, and His voice was like the sound of many waters. In His right hand He held seven stars, and out of His mouth came a sharp two-edged sword; and His face was like the sun shining in its strength... And I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse, and He who sat on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and wages war. His eyes are a flame of fire, and on His head are many diadems; and He has

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Matters of First Importance

Roy D. Merritt

First-century cities, like their modern counterparts, earned reputations of various kinds. One might be known for its religious importance: for example—Jerusalem. Another, like Athens, could be noted for the strength of its intellectual and philosophic activities, and yet another, like Rome, for its political power. First-century Corinth had a well-deserved notoriety for its depraved lifestyle.

Respected Bible scholar Bruce Metzger has described the city in Paul's day this way: "The worship of fertility goddesses flourished in the most voluptuous and sensual forms, making Corinth a notorious center of immorality. Indeed, its reputation was so bad that the expression 'to live like a Corinthian' meant to live an utterly dissolute life."

The Apostle Paul described his entrance, about 50 AD, into this "sin-bin" as fraught with uncertainty: "I came to you in weakness and fear, and with much trembling" (1 Cor. 2:3). His work there was very successful despite the social and pagan obstacles he encountered. Later he wrote two Epistles, perhaps three, to the young church he had established in Corinth to encourage and strengthen the understanding of the new converts who were facing tremendous challenges.

In the salutation of his first letter, Paul tells the Corinthians that he is writing to them as an apostle of Jesus

Christ. As such, he gives necessary teaching on a variety of subjects in order to correct abuses and help to lead his readers to a more mature understanding of God's will for them. These apostolic admonitions were directed both to the individual members and to the congregation as a whole.

In Chapter 15, Paul moved on to the foundational truth of his teaching—

Here is the core doctrine of the Christian faith.

the Gospel—the "good news" which Christ had brought to the world. The chapter begins with a reminder to the Corinthians of the first importance of the Gospel which he had preached to them during his 18-month stay with them. They had received it; they had taken their stand on it and they had been saved by it (1 Cor. 15:1-2). Here is the core doctrine of the Christian faith.

What was, and is, the content of that vital truth? Paul reveals three items as the center of this "good news." Each is a part of the Divine remedy for man's sins and deserves some quiet meditation as well as discussion today.

Item One

The first item is that "Christ died for our sins" (1 Cor. 15:3). This is, in one sense, the greatest of them all. The fact of Christ's death on the cross is supported by a wealth of histori-

cal references from friends, foes and secular historians.

Notice the background circumstance of this death: it was "according to the Scriptures" (1 Cor. 15:3). Christ's vicarious death for the sins of mankind graphically fulfilled many Old Testament prophecies. The risen Christ rebuked two of His followers on the road to Emmaus with these words: "How foolish you are, and how slow of heart that you do not believe all that the prophets have spoken...! And beginning with Moses and all the prophets, He explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning Himself" (Luke 24:25-27).

Item Two

For many, the reference to the second item, the burial of Jesus, seems to be redundant since this is a commonplace event after a death. However, the account of the manner of that burial helps to furnish one of the great evidences for a miraculous resurrection. Two noted Pharisees, Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus, placed the body in Joseph's unused tomb (John 19:38-39). Then they rolled a great stone down a slot to seal the doorway, another commonplace action after a death. Later, at the request of the Jewish authorities, an armed guard was stationed there and an official Roman seal was added, not only for security but as authority. It appeared that neither friend nor enemy could

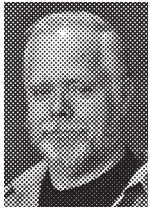
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The Age of Non-Commitment

Wayne Turner



In pre-marital counselling, the young woman said, "I believe marriage is for life." Then she added, "But I'm not sticking around in a bad marriage!" Her subsequent actions showed that what she really meant was that she wasn't willing to completely commit to the relationship. Is it any wonder the marriage soon ended in divorce?

This difficulty in making or keeping commitments can be seen in Canada's 2006 census. Though the country's population had grown by 7.2% since 2001, the number of married people only grew by 3.8%. The number of people who were separated grew by 5.7% and the number who were divorced by 12.5%. Perhaps most revealing, is that the number of people who were living together increased by 19.6%! While there were 12.4 million married people in the country, 2.7 million were living together. One in 6 co-habiting couples is not married! Increasingly, people are choosing to be in non-committed relationships.

Obviously, such a tendency toward non-commitment is also showing in other areas—family and home, workplace and community, just to mention a few. It seems that the "Me" generation of the past has given way to an "only Me" generation with little sense of responsibility to anyone other than self.

This non-commitment has also carried over into the religious world. Under Walter Kallestad's leadership, 200-member Community Church of Joy in Phoenix exploded to become a megachurch of 12,000. While recovering from a heart attack, he came to realize that the church was based on entertainment and catering to consumerism. People were not committed to anything—God, the church or one another. In "'Showtime!' No More" (*Leadership*, Fall 2008) he wrote, "Too many were observing the show... They meandered in and out of relationships but weren't in real community." They were no more committed to one another than movie goers in a theatre. Attendance dropped by a third when the church leaders changed its approach to worship and shifted expectations from passive spectators to involved, committed disciples.

For some time, there has been a well recognized distinction between religious groups: those which expect a high level of commitment and involvement and those with low expectations. The first are more participatory in their worship and emphasize personal faith, the priesthood of believers and use of spiritual gifts. The latter tend to emphasize liturgy, ritual and clergy with the congregation as spectators. In more recent times, a new category has arisen. Like Kallestad's church, though they hope to lead

people to higher commitment, they use a low commitment, attraction approach to get people in the door—highly scripted, professional productions with professional performers. Looking back, he writes, "For us, worship was a show... We'd put all our energies into producing religious goods and services... We'd produced consumers—like Pac-Man, gobbling up religious experiences, navigating a maze but going nowhere in particular."

Typically, we have measured commitment by attendance at Bible classes and worship assemblies (especially Sunday and Wednesday evenings), giving, teaching classes, leading worship, visitation, fellowship. Many congregations have experienced a decline in some (or even most) of these. Due to lack of participation, some churches have even dropped Sunday evening and midweek activities altogether. (This is not to include those who are using other activities, like small groups.)

What should be asked is how committed are church members to each other? Do they have any commitment—any sense of responsibility—to the church, its activities or its members? Has the non-commitment of our culture infiltrated and undermined the work and fellowship of the church? Should we not be concerned if it seems that some feel no responsibility toward others, and feel free to disassociate or leave whenever the mood strikes them?

In Romans 12:5, Paul said, "...each member belongs to all the others." (NIV) The KJV and NASB say we are "members one of another." Several passages tell us that we are all one body in Christ. We should have the same concern for each another. Our assemblies are neither to isolate us from one another nor to entertain. We are to build up, edify, encourage, teach and admonish one another. This is why Hebrews 10:25 tells us not to neglect

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Opportunities Pass

An ambitious young man asked an experienced salesman for the secret of his success in selling. The salesman said, "There's no great secret, you just have to jump at every opportunity that comes along." The young man replied, "But how can I tell when an opportunity is coming?" The salesman responded, "You can't. You have to keep jumping." (Illustrations Unlimited). Good point!

How many times are we guilty of not doing some good work because we think, "I can do it tomorrow... next week...?" Sometimes we get

tired of doing the work of the Lord because we do not see the results we hope for. People with whom we share the good news, seem to ignore or reject the message to their destruction. If we are not careful, we may become discouraged and give up. Paul reminds us, "Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labour is not in vain" (1 Corinthians 15:58). We must not allow opportunities to pass because the task looks large. Since we are not alone (we have the Spirit of God

with us and we also have fellow Christians to help and encourage our efforts) we can take heart in the work.

Sadly, sometimes we fool ourselves by passing up opportunities, believing that a better one will come along. We need to train ourselves to take hold of every opportunity because it may be our only one. Consider the lesson in the following story.

A city boy wanted to marry a farmer's daughter. The farmer said that if the boy could pass a simple test he could have his daughter's hand in marriage. He took the young man to the gate of the barn lot. If the young man could catch, by the tail, any one of the three bulls the farmer would send through the gate, his wish would be granted.

The first bull was really big and looked very fierce. He decided to let

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Random Acts of Kindness

“Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity” (Colossians 3:12-14 NIV).

We’ve all benefited from them haven’t we? A boost when our old car wouldn’t start on a cold day. Help getting our car out of a snow drift when we had driven on a day in which we should have stayed home. A hot meal when we were too busy to cook one for ourselves. A kind word when we were discouraged and ready to give up. Financial help when we had over spent our limited resources. The random acts of kindness that we have benefited from are simply too numerous to mention.

These random acts of kindness go a long way towards making this world a better place. Each kind thing we do connects us to the hearts, souls and lives of those around us. Each kind thought we think, each kind word we say and each kind action we take brings us closer to love, closer to each other and most importantly closer to God. Kindness is contagious. Seeing acts of kindness encourage us to perform acts of kindness. Hearing kind words encourages us to say kind words.

Just look at the company that kindness keeps in the verse above. Kindness is closely related to compassion,

humility, gentleness and patience. If we have no compassion in our heart we will not act in kindness. Unless in humility, we can think more of others than we do of ourselves we are not likely to practice kindness. In gentleness we give up our rights so that we might act in kindness. In patience we bear with the frustrations and wrongs of others and act in kindness even though we don’t feel like it.

We don’t practice kindness because we feel like it, we practice kindness because we are motivated by the love Jesus has for us (1 John 3:16-18). Do not become a prisoner of your feelings; be motivated by the love of Jesus and practice kindness towards others.

We aren’t kind towards others

because they deserve it, we are kind because it is the right thing to do. We have heard some excuse themselves from acting in kindness because the recipients of their kindness didn’t really deserve it. When have we ever deserved the kindness of God? How often have we received kindness when we didn’t deserve it?

I fear that we may have become too dependant on programmes to do our kindness for us. We excuse ourselves from helping because we know of a programme that should be able to meet that need. I have too often seen people fall between the cracks of the many good programmes that we have available. When we act in kindness we build a relationship with the individual that we help, a programme cannot build a relationship like that. If you find yourselves with few good relationships, try reaching out to others with random acts of kindness.

Perhaps the greatest way we can change our world is by practicing kindness toward those who may be our enemies. In the passage above we are commanded to forgive as the

Lord has forgiven us. God freely forgave us, not expecting us to earn or deserve our forgiveness. We don’t need to wait for someone to ask for our forgiveness or to somehow earn or deserve our forgiveness. We are simply to forgive. The longer we hold onto it the harder it will be to forgive and while it is true that forgiveness may take time, it is a journey we need to begin immediately. When we act in kindness towards those we have forgiven, we help heal the relationship and ourselves.

There are people all around us that need our kind words and actions, all we have to do is watch for opportunities. Never say “somebody ought to help that person.” You are somebody and you can help. When you see a need too big for you, enlist the help of others in filling that need.

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Don Hipwell

“Personal” Evangelism

by Harold Bruggen

I don't believe the importance of sharing the gospel with others can be overemphasized. Christ gave us the “great commission” in Mark 16:15-16. He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.” He has provided the gospel as God's power to save all who will believe. “I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: ‘The righteous will live by faith’” Romans 1:16-17.

But what is the most effective way to teach the gospel to our fellow man? I found a survey on the Internet conducted by the Institute for American Church Growth. They asked 10,000 people this question: What was responsible for your coming to Christ and to this church? Their replies were as follows:

- (1) I just happened in – 3%,
- (2) I had a special need – 3%,
- (3) I liked the minister – 6%,
- (4) I visited there – 1%,
- (5) I liked the Bible classes – 5%,
- (6) I attended a gospel meeting – 0.5%,
- (7) I liked the programmes – 3%,
- (8) a friend or relative invited me – 79%.

So, what can we learn from a survey like this? It certainly shows that gospel meetings, as traditionally held, have lost a lot of their effectiveness. It justifies our concern about carefully picking the right minister and the need for good Bible classes. The obvious is this: that if congregations are to grow, it will take the efforts of

the individual members! Preachers, programmes and classes will help, but will probably only help maintain the size of the congregation.

Some congregational programmes and efforts are worthwhile because they help us to reach those who we may never come into contact with otherwise. But the fact remains that the greatest potential lies with people whom we come into direct contact with: our family members, our work colleagues, our friends, and/or casual contacts. From Revelation 3:7-8 we learn that the Lord knows the true condition of His Churches and that He will “open doors” for those that can be useful to Him. “These are the words of him who is holy and true, who holds the key of David. What he opens no one can shut, and what he shuts no one can open. I know your deeds. See, I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut. I know that you have little strength, yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name.”


Let us all strive to do a better job of sharing the gospel with our friends and inviting them to services as often as we can.

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or forsake our assembly. Coming to a worship assembly or Bible class is not just about us and “what we get out of it.” It is about fulfilling our commitment to one another. We normally think about attending and participating as part of our faithfulness to God. What about being faithful to one another?

Jesus intended for the church to be more than a loose association of casual strangers. It is to be a family with a real sense of commitment to each other. We might even suggest that, like marriage, it should be seen and lived as a life-time commitment. We are to be devoted to, honour and live in harmony with one another (Romans 12:10,16). Our commitment to Christ is directly measured by our commitment to each other.



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Alas For that Day, The Day of the Lord—1

Drew Chapados

Remember this commercial? The best part of waking up... is Folgers in your cup!

I always dreamed of being able to wake up like the Folgers commercials!

Some people have a wonderful ability where waking up is a nice slow pace, the light of the day slowly creeps into the room and you just begin to wake up and soon you are moving and then go faster and faster and finally you are chirping and singing like Snow White.

Then there are others, like me, who need the violent intrusion of the alarm clock that makes you think you're having a heart attack. You're not the nicest person to be around for a few minutes anyways.

There is one other option, and that is to hear a voice that you haven't heard in a very long time, gently calling you to wake up!

This is the first in a series of lessons looking at the idea presented from the book of Joel, the day of the Lord!

Alas for that Day! (Joel 1:1-15)

One of the most significant promises of the New Testament is found in Acts 1:11, the first followers of Jesus; so overwhelmed by the events they had been able to witness for the last little while, the horror of His trial and death, the sadness of the silence of His tomb, the 'unbelievableness' of His resurrection and now, Jesus has just left them, has he left them for good? Has He left them alone? No, the promise is that one day, when? We're never told, but one day, He is coming back!

One day, Jesus is coming back and the world as we know it will have seen it's

last day! The amazing thing for me is this, It is almost certain that some time between now and 80 years I will die and I have to answer the next question with all seriousness: then what?

But equally true is that sometime, and that means anytime, there will come a day when everyone's world will end and the answer we give to the next question must be answered by each of us with the same seriousness: then what?

Let's give a few quick notes about the book of Joel to help set up the topic:

- There is no king mentioned, and most prophets mention their kings, so it is difficult to date.
- There is no mention of the Northern kingdom of Israel, only the southern of Judah.
- The Jewish people have been scattered all over (3:1,2).

• There seems to be no problem with idol worship.

• It mentions the Greeks in 3:6 Where a lot of people get confused is this: most prophets didn't speak of the end of the world as much as they did the end of their world. That being said, Jesus could use similar language to describe the final day. While Joel might be talking about a catastrophic day about to happen, the challenge can be easily related to our day.

We discover in Joel a few things about what the prophet is trying to do and how it might relate to us:

It was a time to wake up! Notice again the call repeatedly from vs.2-6, wake up! This isn't a gentle wake-up or a soothing voice but it is an alarm. There is one brutal fact about life: as comfortable as it is to be sleeping, in order to live life you have to be awake. The temptation to fall asleep, or become so drowsy that sleep is

the only good choice, is so easy for many Christians to fall into spiritually. You live your life, attempt to be somewhat moral, you become a member of the church but everything is really simply a part of this life, no one lives as if judgment day can happen anytime soon! The Bible always uses the idea of waking up to get us to focus our attention as we should, Romans 13:11-14, Ephesians 5:14-16, listen, as much as we would like to, sleeping through the alarm clock doesn't get anything done, it was time for people to wake up to the serious fact that God was about to do something unlike ever before. Judgment Day will be such a day, it is time to wake up to the facts about it.

It was a sermon to everyone who could hear! (vs.7-14, every part of life is going

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to be touched, elders, inhabitants & children's children!) Listen whoever can hear this message, the Day of the Lord is coming. Luke 13:1-5, you see what happened to them, you will all likewise perish if you don't repent! John 5:25-29, the hour is coming and now is, the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God! What was the sermon attempting to do? Get everyone it could to be conscious of the eternal issues of life.

It was a day that was sure to come! (vs.15, oh, it is so easy to think the final warnings are still far away! We live today like there will be a tomorrow because there was a yesterday. What was happening on that day? It was a day like any other but soon it would become unlike any other! Matthew 24:36-41, Jesus warned his followers of the same.

It was a day to be ready for! (vs.15, the whole purpose of this scripture was not simply to state what is going to happen, but to get people to be prepared for it, which means, as horrible as that Day sounds, there must be some chance, some opportunity to not let that day be your day of demise!

The question for us is, "can we see the eternal in the midst of our every day lives?" As we make plans for our future, are we keeping the things of God and eternity in mind? As we contemplate what we think of doing over the next little while for play, pleasure, fun and finances, are we thinking of how God would think of our use of it? Is eternity still something that seems like an eternity away, or is it something of which we are prepared for now?

2 Cor.4:16-18, The promise of God still stands, the day of the Lord is coming, will we be among those who say 'Alas for that day', or will we be those cheering, 'at last that day'?

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a name written on Him which no one knows except Himself. He is clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. And the armies which are in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, were following Him on white horses. From His mouth comes a sharp sword, so that with it He may strike down the nations, and He will rule them with a rod of iron; and He treads the wine press of the fierce wrath of God, the Almighty. And on His robe and on His thigh He has a name written, 'KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS' (Revelation 1:13-16; 19:11-16). The first and most fitting responses to these awe-inspiring visions is worship and obedience (please recall our June 2008 article, "Revelation Worship").

Revelation is the climax of God's self-disclosure over thousands of years of history and in the writing of Scripture. Looking over the wide span of the Bible, we learn that Jesus is the Spiritual Rock of the Old Testament, the invisible caring Creator. In the Gospels Christ comes in the flesh, incarnate and compassionate, crucified and risen. In Acts and the letters we see Jesus the risen cosmic Lord. In Revelation we see Christ the ruling victor, Lord of lords, King of kings, "the bright morning star" (22:16) and eternal light of His people.

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Here are some practical suggestions to get you started.

- Offer to babysit for parents that could really use a night out.
- Visit those who are housebound and not able to get out much; they will really enjoy your visit.
- Give your gently used clothing to those in need.
- Be a good listener, many that are hurting and lonely feel so much better after they have had a chance to share with someone who will listen.
- Share the books you have already read with others.
- Use your pen for kindness and write appreciation and encouragement cards to others. Everyone

Our life with God is often called a walk. God walked and talked with Adam and Eve in the garden of Eden (Genesis 3:9). Faithful people like Enoch and Noah "walked with God," (Genesis 5:22, 24; 6:9). Jesus takes the first step of self-disclosure in our walk with Him, showing us what He thinks and through doing God's will. He encourages us to do the same, promising we will know His teaching for certain as we do: "If any man is willing to do His will, he shall know of the teaching, whether it is of God, or whether I speak from Myself" (John 7:17). John is a spiritual writer yet also very practical. He says "I have no greater joy than to see my children walking in the truth" (3 John 4). Revelation promises blessings to those who walk in its truth: "Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of the prophecy, and heed the things which are written in it" (1:3; recall our February 2008 article, "Revelation Blessings [Beatitudes]").

God cares enough to reveal Himself and His Son to us. Through His awesome revelation, we catch a vision of Him, hear Him, trust Him and know Him better each day as we walk with Him in His wonderful creation and do His will. We look forward to His ultimate revelation of Himself when we shall see our victorious Lord in all His glory!

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can use a little encouragement and appreciation.

- Take some time to read to a child.
- Volunteer at a food bank or soup kitchen.
- Hold doors open for others.
- Try not to complain but instead to be encouraging to all that you come in contact with.

Hopefully these ideas will help you get started, I am sure that you will add to my list as you see many more opportunities for random acts of kindness in your life. "Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:16 NIV). To God be the glory!



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ONTARIO

Beamsville: Great Lakes Christian High School alumni day was held the weekend of October 24-26. The youth group got off to a great start with a movie/pizza night, a games night and a bowling night with the St. Catharines young people. Brandon and Tammy Wartman are helping with the Young People's Team this year. The Women's Discussion Group is studying "Just Like Jesus," by Max Lucado. The congregation welcomes Sylvia Zavitz to the congregation.

Bramalea: Derek and Angel Czeban recently returned to Brampton from Edmonton and placed membership with the congregation. Jim Holston, Great Lakes Bible College teacher, and member at Cambridge, brought three great lessons re: "Leadership" as the congregation prepares to review their elders and deacons. Bramalea helped plant a new congregation in Mississauga on November 16. The young adult class is collecting shoeboxes for Samaritan's Purse "Operation Christmas Tree."

Brantford: The congregation collected \$56.26 in the month of September in their change box. The money was used for making purchases for needy families who request support for food. The young people enjoyed an outing to the pumpkin and apple farm in early October. The ladies' class is continuing their study on "Women of the Bible." The community clothing giveaway was planned for November 29.

Cambridge: Greg Whitfield reports that the church is in a neighbourhood which has the highest drug use of those 17 years old and younger in Cambridge, and is across the street from a youth centre. Greg, who currently serves as

part-time minister for the Cambridge congregation is in need of financial support - currently another \$400 a month. Anyone interested in assisting Greg and the Cambridge congregation can email Greg at thee_greggor@yahoo.com.

Mississauga: The first meeting of the Mississauga church of Christ was held Sunday, November 16, 9:30 am at McKinnon Public School, 3270 Tacc Drive, Mississauga, Ontario—north of highway 403 on Winston Churchill and 2 blocks west on Tacc Drive at 10th Line. For many years discussions took place regarding the planting of a congregation in Mississauga—a city with over 700,000 population. For several months recently, four families and one individual have been in serious discussion about beginning a work there. Tony Lourenco, Paul Neves, Moses Lall, Robin Mattadeen, Sabastin Daniel, with their families, made the commitment to be the nucleus for this congregation. Patricia Redwood also plans to attend as she lives within walking distance of the school. Altogether, about 30 members from Bramalea are considering placing membership with the Mississauga church. Kevin Hunter and Walter Straker, Bramalea's ministers, will speak once each every 6 weeks. The Bramalea elders also plan to take turns attending each Sunday for the first 2 months. For further information, contact Tony Lourenco at 416-346-6147, or Bramalea church of Christ at 905-792-2297.

Newmarket: This fall, instead of Sunday evening meetings, the congregation is experimenting with small groups at other times. Among them: Nathan Pickard leads a "Soup and Scripture" group on Wednesday evenings, where he makes and serves soup before a study in 1st Samuel. Kathy Russell leads a group on alternate Mondays and Wednesdays at the building on "Prayer, Meditation and Stretching." The ladies' class has begun a study of Beth Moore's "Breaking Free" book.

Owen Sound: The congregation rejoiced in the baptism of Simon Porteous on November 9, 2008. Brady and Jackie Preston recently placed membership with the church there.

Sault Ste. Marie: Eastside church of Christ in Sault Ste Marie will be joining together with Pinehill church of Christ on December 1. During the past year we have had several wonderful gatherings together which has given us much encouragement. Due to our small number at Eastside and the relationship that is building with the Pinehill members we have decided to become one. - Phil & Kay Bailey

St. Catharines: An 80th birthday party "Cake and Ice Cream Celebration" was held for Vivian MacKenzie on Sunday, October 19. A 90th birthday party for Roy Merritt was held on Sunday, November 2.



Roy and Nelle Merritt

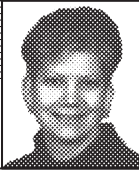
Stratford: The congregation rejoices in two recent baptisms: Barb Howard (July), and Ben Dale, son of Paul and Deborah Dale (November). Barb had been studying the Bible with a Christian in Lubbock, Texas, who contacted the Stratford church. They called Barb and she was subsequently baptized. Shawn LeBlanc, current minister, will continue to serve with the Stratford congregation until May 2009 before returning to his home province of New Brunswick to preach.

Tintern: Twenty seven children attended the youth night on October 24 to participate in some indoor fall fun. The teens plan for a 30-hour famine at the building on November 21 and 22. The Neskatanga Christmas shoebox program is in full swing. Thanks to the Beamsville, Grimsby and St. Catharines congregations for helping out.

Toronto (Scarborough): The food pantry is now "up and running" for those who need it. On November 16, the congregation began prayer meetings every 3rd Sunday of the month at 6 p.m. The mid-week Bible study is the book of Romans.

Waterloo: Great Lakes Bible Lectureship was held November 7-19 on the Great Lakes Christian High School campus. The theme for the lessons was: "That You May Believe: John, the Gospel of Belief." Keynote speakers were the GLBC faculty. The collections for the congregation's China Mission was \$251.88 US. Funds recently raised to help the African well-digging project were \$1,670. The congregation rejoiced in the November baptism of Ryan Azzoparde.

Windsor: The Ladies' Book Study is on "Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World." On November 2, the congregation began its first Small Group evening. The annual Community Giveaway was planned for December 5 and 6.



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BRITISH COLUMBIA

Central Valley (Abbotsford): Norm and Jen Weir managed their two weeks in the First Nation Villages of Fort Ware and Tsay Keh the last two weeks of October. In addition to the fall scenery, they reported that the 200-mile logging road was the best it had ever been, since a grader had just gone over most of it. As both logging and a lot of the mining have stopped in that part of BC, the big companies are not maintaining the roads and the natives can do it only when paid. At age 62, Robert Inyallie, of Fort Ware, had been contemplating baptism since late summer and could hardly wait when he learned the Weirs were there. He wanted to be baptized in the Finley River, so he could, as he said, "visualize my sins being washed away down the river". But with ice already courting the river's edge and a skiff of snow in the village that was quite heavy on the mountains, he had to concede that perhaps it was not the best idea. A day after their arrival, the Weirs filled containers with warm water. They pulled a 72-gallon stock tank near the door of a building, making two trips in a pickup to fill it. As they had already scheduled a singing, some 20 people witnessed Robert's immersion into Christ. Jen wished for a camera a moment later to capture two elderly heads together as a friend said to him, "So, Robert, now you are a Christian". As they took him back to Fort Ware after the worship service in Tsay Keh on Sunday, Robert talked about feeling clean now that his sins were washed away and how excited he was to take communion. He told them he was baptized as a baby in the

Catholic church, and said "...but that was not my decision. This is now my decision, to be baptized to become a child of God". While Norm cleaned drains, fixed door latches, and other odd jobs, Jen had her first experience of cooking a "moose" roast. One of their most enjoyable events this trip was on Wednesday evening in Tsay Keh, when some 30 people responded to notices at the store and band office for a singing there. The group included quite a few children, who openly enjoyed it. One little girl kept requesting children's songs (Fishers of Men; I'm in the Lord's Army; Jesus Loves Me; All the Children of the World, etc). When Jen asked how she knew all these songs, she learned that the child spends a lot of time with her Great-grandmother Mabel, who plays Christian CD's when her grandchildren are at her home. She is the lady for whom Norm did a wedding ceremony and, less than three years later, the funeral service for her husband. Although Mabel does not drive, she kept his truck. When she has her adult children or grandchildren to drive her anywhere, she plays Christian CD's enroute. As they are held captive, they don't have much choice but to listen. The Weirs hope her persistence will pay off eventually, as it is a long drive to Prince

George when she has a doctor's appointment! Although she can fly without cost, Mabel refuses because she once survived a bush plane crash and does not want to repeat the experience.

Burnaby: Emily Andrews was immersed into Christ by her grandfather, Ray Mansell, in October. Kirk Ruch explained the "Front Lines" Prayer Ministry at the Metro church of Christ in Portland, OR, the weekend of Nov. 9. At the assembly here, Erol Dogan gave a presentation of his latest trip to Israel, speaking of the work he and Debra did while there and recent developments. As many parents (and some grandparents) who are raising children are in need of help, we have begun a parenting ministry by developing a list of on-line resources from Christian organizations to give insight, encouragement, ideas and suggestions through both articles and personal advice. To receive e-mail updates about the Family Resources Ministry send e-mail to familyresources@sbchurch.ca

Nanaimo: Sharon Welch, who is employed by an agency that works with the homeless here, arranged for the use of the basement of a church building in the downtown area for the church to host a free Thanksgiving dinner. With the help of other churches who were invited to join us, some 200 people were served. Also in October, Velma Forman shared a DVD of her work in Papua New Guinea. "The Lord's Table Aspect of Worship" was the topic of a men's breakfast session. Three Life Groups have been formed to meet in homes. The lesson format consists of a group discussion of the previous Sunday's sermon text, based on questions intended to spur thought processes and share insights into the scripture. Those having missed (or forgotten) the sermon are not hindered in participating and can benefit from the experience.

Oakridge: The congregation is appreciating a new directory assembled by Nora Ignacio. According to Milton Diaz, a directory has a practical use in addition to giving the names and addresses of members. He feels that Heb. 3:13 which admonishes us to encourage one another "as long as it is called today"

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Craig and Jeri Ford

Meet Craig and Jeri Ford, who live in Alotau, Papua New Guinea. After spending a month looking at the different works and opportunities in PNG in the summer of 2003, they were convinced that it offered much to be done in the way of mission work and would be a good fit for them. They moved to Memphis in order for Craig to finish his Masters degree which he had started at ACU while serving as youth minister for a Houston congregation. "Our plan was to do full time work in Papua New Guinea when I finished. The graduation ceremony at Harding's Graduate School of Religion was on a Saturday and the next day we were on a plane to New Guinea," Craig noted.

Their arrival was actually a return to the place of his birth for Craig. His parents, Art and Ruby Ford, had been missionaries in PNG from 1977-1987, arriving in Lae a few months before their third son's appearance. At the age of 10, however, the family returned to Beamsville, Ont.,

where Art acted as principal of Great Lakes Christian College, later serving as President until recent years. Craig was baptized at the Beamsville church in 1992.

"In 1996, after graduating from Great Lakes Christian College, I decided to take a year off before extending my education. I went to Mission 1000 (a program to acquaint people with missionary life and responsibilities which was established and directed in three-month sessions by Joe Cannon in Memphis after his retirement from many years of overseas work). Encouraged by Joe, who, with his wife Rosabelle, had pioneered the planting of



Craig and Jeri Ford with children Hannah (3) and Caleb (1)

the church in PNG, I spent the next four months in various parts of New Guinea, working with and assisting various missionaries there at the time.

The following year I headed off to the States, first attending Rochester College in Michigan, then to York College in Nebraska. My initial interest in missions developed out of my family background," Craig said. "After spending almost two and a half years at Harding's Graduate School, I felt ready to assume full-time work in PNG."

Craig had met Jeri Bullock, the twin daughter of Phil and Ruth Bullock, while she was on a mission trip to Canada hosted by York College in 1998. Her family has been active in long term foster care through the years in Cheyenne, Wyoming, where their own three children were born. While attending a Bible camp during a visit to her grandparents, Jeri was baptized in Oklahoma in 1991. She and Craig were married on May 20, 2000.

The Fords decision to go to Alotau was related to the supportive team structure that was already in place there, and the great need they could see. PNG is shaped like a triangle. Alotau is near the easternmost tip of the island. "PNG is an exciting place to work because there is always openness to Christianity," Craig says. "This year there have been 14 baptisms. Our primary approach is to reach out to the town of Alotau through the development

and maturity of a strong local congregation, in addition to evangelistic efforts through home Bible studies and travels to surrounding villages. We are also giving a strong emphasis to education in the church, the development of good leaders and the using of each person's talents to involve them in church activities."

The Alotau church meets in town where Craig preaches to an average attendance of 70 people. It is in the process of making plans to plant a second congregation to add to the three groups meeting within the local area at present. Marcus Reese, from the States, works with the Gama church in one of the villages on the outskirts of town that averages about 25 members. A local evangelist works with the small Lautevateva church, some 30 minutes away.

The Fords have two children, either by God's design or accident, both born in North America: Hannah, age three, saw the light of day in Memphis. "She was 10 months old when we arrived in PNG. We had planned to take our first furlough in 2008. However, my brother was being married in 2007. Since we had hoped to have a child in 2007, the two events fit nicely together. Trevor was married July 21, (which was Caleb's due date) and Caleb was patient enough to wait until noon the next day to make his entrance into the world in Grimsby, Ontario," Craig explained.

"Because both our children essentially know only New Guinea culture, they have not had any adjustment issues. In fact, both have gone through stages where they are more comfortable with the locals than with our teammates or other foreigners who just simply 'look' different. Since Hannah is not at schooling age yet, we have not had to seriously entertain the question of her education. There is an international school here which would be an option, in addition to the obvious idea of home-schooling."

Although she has a wonderful relationship with many Christians, Jeri's primary focus is in the home. She has been responsible for writing the bulk of a three-year through-the-Bible curriculum for children. With her background in education, she is able to mentor the children's teachers and substitute for them when needed, also serving as coordinator of the program in an advisory way to a woman who sees that there are teachers in place and associated duties.

The Fords look forward to a furlough every two years. As they have just announced that they will expect to welcome a third child next June, who knows how this scene will play out?

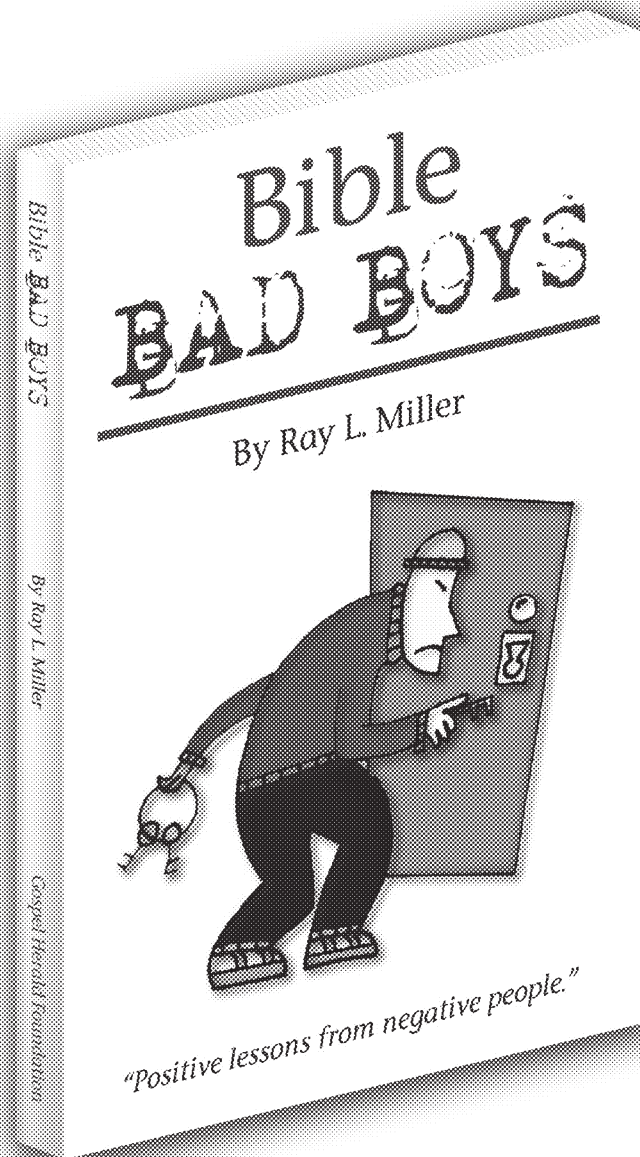
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OBITUARIES

Pinczuk, J. "Rick"

When Rick Pinczuk became ill in Kiev, he and his wife, Carol, flew to Canada where he entered the McMaster Medical Centre in Hamilton, ON. Sadly, Rick passed away following a short battle with cancer, on Friday, October 24, 2008. He was 61 years old.

Rick's parents left Ukraine in 1936 due to economic hardships and settled in Ansbach, Germany. During World War II, the Nazi regime forced the family into a detention camp, where two of their infant daughters died due to lack of food and medicine.

Rick was born in Germany in 1947. Three years later his father decided to move the family to Perth, Australia, instead of returning to Soviet-controlled Ukraine. In Australia, Rick Pinczuk's father taught his children the Bible as he searched for a place to worship. He met a group of American missionaries, and Rick's father discovered he had found the same "Lord's Church" they had known in their homeland, and became one of the first church members in Perth. (At 94, Rick's mother is the oldest living member in Western Australia.)

In 1967 Rick was baptized by missionary Mack Lyon, who later returned to the United States and became host of the television program, "In Search of the Lord's Way." The young Ukrainian Christian told the U.S. missionaries that he wanted to return to his homeland and spread the gospel. They encouraged him to pursue ministry training. One year after his baptism, Rick enrolled at Harding University in Searcy, Ark.

After graduating from Harding with degrees in Bible and journalism, he preached for congregations in the provinces of Manitoba and Ontario. He studied Slavic languages at several Canadian universities. In Beamsville, he launched the Slavic Evangelism Ministry, designed to recruit and train students for future evangelism in Ukraine. Here he also met his future wife, Ontario native, Carol Bauman.

In 1985, the Ridgewood church in

Beaumont, Texas took oversight of the Slavic Evangelism Ministry. Rick and Carol moved to Grimsby in 1984, where Rick carried on the work of the Slavic Evangelism Ministry and preached. They were able to renovate a chicken shed on their property in Grimsby into a print shop. This renovation allowed Rick to translate and print tracts and pamphlets into the Ukrainian and Russian languages. He was successful in getting a great deal of this literature to Europe, where it eventually made its way behind the Iron Curtain.

After the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1989, Rick aired one of the first Bible TV programs in Kiev. The Pinczucs made trips to Ukraine and helped establish a church in Kiev in the early 1990s. In the years that followed, Slavic Evangelism Ministry distributed more than \$800,000 of humanitarian aid to Ukrainians through the Nashville, TN, based Healing Hands International. The ministry also donated more than 60 "mini-libraries," consisting of about 80 reference and study books in Russian and Ukrainian, to churches and schools of preaching in Ukraine. In 1997 the couple moved to Kiev so they could stay more permanently in the mission field.

Rick is survived by his wife of twenty-four years, Carol (Bauman) Pinczuk, his children, Eleah and Alex Hyatt of Nashville, TN, Natasha of Searcy, AR, and Larissa of Kiev.

A memorial service was held on October 27 at the Tintern Church of Christ building in Vineland. (Seven of Carol's brothers served as pallbearers.) May God bless those who mourn at this time, while giving thanks for the life and work of our brother in Christ.

Smart, Louise May

Louise Smart, just a few days removed from her 96th birthday, passed away August 20, 2008, at Idlewyld manor in Hamilton. She was born on September 6, 1912, in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Before entering the Manor in 2007, she lived the previous three years with her daughter Beth Hibbard and her husband Bob. Over the years she has called many places her home both in Canada and the United States.

She accompanied her husband Bill

(predeceased in 1999) in his work as he preached for various congregations in Ontario, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Michigan. Married in 1939, Louise and Bill had four children: Mary Lou (Larry) Daughety of Arkansas, Linda (Don) Graham of Michigan, Beth (Bob) Hibbard of Hamilton, and Bill Jr. (Kathy) of Michigan. Following the funeral in Wallaceburg, Ontario, officiated by this writer, the interment was in Riverview Cemetery.

To family, Church family, friends and neighbours, Louise was a warm and caring person, devoted to her Lord and to her family. At the funeral service in Wallaceburg, where she lived the last few years with her husband Bill, family members, especially grandchildren, shared remembrances of Louise that were both humorous and poignant. Although she carried herself with a quiet dignity, she often displayed a sense of humour and quick wit even during the final days of her life.

What stood out to family however was the depth of her spiritual life. Of course, others also observed that she would not miss worship services or other activities of the Church, even when she was not in the best of health. But what impressed family members the most was her nightly practice of kneeling before her bed in prayer. When she could no longer kneel, she could be observed sitting on the edge of her bed reading her Bible, which was the last thing she did before turning out her light.

These memories and more were shared with many who had come from a distance to honour her on this day. It is evident that though she is gone, her example of faith and trust in the Lord yet speaks to those who knew and loved her. – Bob Hibbard

Wright, Phyllis Ivadelle (Bailey)

"Then I heard a voice from heaven say, "Write: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Yes," says the Spirit, "they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them" Revelation 14:13.

We rejoiced in this hope while we celebrated the life of a dear and wonderful Christian woman, Phyllis Ivadelle (nee Bailey) Wright. She was

a faithful servant, a beloved daughter, wife, sister, mother, grandmother, aunt, neighbour and friend. Her faith has now become sight, her hope realized, her being whole, her patience perfected, her sorrow has become joy, her mind clear, her heart strong and her death has ended in life. She now rests from her labour and her deeds follow her.

Phyllis was born June 12, 1930, and went to her reward September 28, 2008. Her sons, George, Laurie, Dean and Galand Curtis celebrated her life at her funeral service held at the Arthur Funeral home in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. Phyllis was predeceased by her husband, Ivan and her daughter, Ivadelle (Ivy) Campbell. In addition to her four sons she is survived by her daughter, Shelly Meyer, fifteen grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. She will be missed by her brothers and sisters and a host of other family and friends.

Phyllis worked beside her husband in a family owned auto repair and salvage business while raising her children and showing hospitality to whoever

walked through her door. As a young girl she obeyed the Lord in baptism and dedicated her life to His service. She wanted others to do the same. Jennifer, her granddaughter, summarized her life in this way, "Grandma's life revolved around the church and her family". That was a good description of her. She was a woman of faith and she left a legacy of faith to her family and friends

It was her faith that enabled her to endure what she was called on to endure in this life. She was the spiritual strength for her family. She was a constant, faithful, reassuring, stabilizing force for family and friends. She showed others what faithfulness and love looked like in richer and poorer, in sickness and in health, in all circumstances until death itself separated her from those she loved.

In her latter years the frailties of age weakened her heart and dulled her mind. She never became bitter or negative but continued to live in hope. She had a cheerful disposition, a great sense of humour and was singing up to the end of her journey. Though her physical

heart was weak she did not lose heart but always trusted in the Lord.

Phyllis was a humble woman with simple tastes. She was not a complainer. She found contentment in her lot in life. A good description of her legacy is found in I Thessalonians 4:11-12, "Make it your ambition to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business and to work with your hands, just as we told you, so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody."

This good woman is now blessed because she rests from her labours. She is blessed because she blessed our lives. She is blessed because she honoured God in her life. She is blessed because she is now with her Lord in glory. Her influence will live on in our lives. We thank God for blessing us through her. So we celebrate and commemorate a life well lived. Though we are saddened by our loss we rejoice in her gain, in the victory that she has won through Christ Jesus her Lord. And we look forward to a time when we can share in that glory... with her.

– Dean Wright, Little Rock, AR

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can be interpreted "as long as the CALL is TODAY!" He feels that people need to stay in touch with each other throughout the week as well as during public gatherings. A vote by the church in November will determine whether or not our building may be used as a daycare centre through the week. Many feel that it would add another community service.

Salmon Arm: Advance advertising of the Michael Mazzalongo lectures in October found a number of visitors from the community in attendance, as well as from other congregations. A mail-out called "House to House and Heart to Heart" was sent to several hundred homes, encouraging the community to be involved. An ad was also run in the local paper. Michael's topic on "Preparation for the Second Coming" was preceded during each session with handouts for the lesson and a review of the previous lesson for those not able to attend all of them.

MANITOBA

Winnipeg (Central): The Friendspeak program began again at the beginning of November. Prayers are requested for this

program and those lives touched with the story of Jesus. Landen Johnson was re-baptized by his uncle Scott, October 20th. Prayers are requested for Landen as he rededicates his life to God.

SASKATCHEWAN

Weyburn: Guest speakers in October were Stan Helton of Western Christian College and John McMillan. There is a group of people from Weyburn included in a large group of people in Saskatchewan memorizing the same scriptures. In the spring they will see how much of the memory work has been retained. October was Random Acts of Kindness month in Weyburn. It was a great time to let our lights shine in concrete, random, spontaneous ways on behalf of others. Clearview Christian Camp's annual meeting will be held November 22 in the annex of the church building. Various reports and a financial update will be presented at that time.

News Update from Bill McDonough in Cambodia: "In a tragic traffic accident, Sokha, our orphanage mother to 22 children plus three of her own, was killed on

Oct. 28. While walking on the road to visit an ailing grandfather, she was run over by a dump truck and killed instantly. Prayers are asked for her husband, Kimsom, and the children. Messages may be sent to her husband through PIPNary@aol.com

MINISTER @ MEAFORD

The congregation is looking for a full time minister, meeting the needs of our multi aged membership.

Position is available January, 2009

Interested applicants, please forward resume to:

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As the risen Lord appeared over and over again to them during the next 40 days, the disciples changed in a marvellous manner. Once a scattered group of sorrowful and perplexed individuals, they became a dynamic and confident band of bold heralds of

their resurrected Lord. The Apostle Paul voiced this boldness as he wrote to the church in the proud and arrogant center of the Roman Empire: "I am not ashamed of the Gospel, because it is the power of God for salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile" (Romans 1:16).

Through our series of lessons we have repeatedly connected two words which belong together—power and resurrection. As Paul began his letter to Christians in Rome, he once again employed the two words in reference to proof that Jesus Christ is indeed the Son of God. His claim that this risen One was "declared with power to be the Son of God by His resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord" (Romans 1:4) closes this lesson.

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this one go without even making a try. The second looked just as fierce and was very fast and had big horns. He looked worse than the first one, so again the young man let him pass with the thought, "Surely the last one will be better."

As the third bull approached the young man thought, "He does look a lot less fierce and dangerous than the first two. I can grab hold of this one without any problem." He braced himself to catch this one as it kind of walked quickly through the gate. However, he did not succeed and lost the opportunity to claim the young lady's hand. Why? The bull's tail had been cut off!!

The moral is clear. Don't let your opportunities pass. There may be no place to "get hold" of the last one.

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EDMONTON NORTH: 13015 – 116 Avenue, T5M 3C9; Office (780) 455-1049; Fax 454-9545; Sun. 9:30am Bible classes; 10:30am Worship; Wed. 7:00pm Bible Study CARE Groups at the building and in various homes (phone for locations); Elders: Henri Bouchard, Walter Hreczuch; Evangelists: Garth Johnson, Nate Seecharan Web: edmontonchurchofchrist.org E-mail: church5@telus.net

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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

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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), art@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, 905-389-8308, 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; Sunday School 10 am, worship 11 am, Sunday evening 4 to 6 "introduction to church"; Gordon Gibson ev. – (res) 613-536-7008, (off) 613-546-5409; gibsonregordon@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. worship 10 a.m. Bible study to follow at 11 a.m.; Call for mid-week opportunities; 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: davidrlock@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., 613-733-2580 (off); 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@wightman.ca

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

PORT 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 9G3, 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 Maddeaux, 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: minister@sarniachurchofchrist.ca

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

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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 LeBlanc, 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; Jim Kent, sec, RR2 Thessalon P0R 1L0, 705-842-5538.

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; 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

VAUDELEUR: 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 N0G 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 N0G 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: wsidedoc@sympatico.ca; www.geocities.com/wsidedoc.

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: feruzikj@hotmail.com

MONTREAL (English/French/Ashante/Ghanian): 598-5 th Avenue, Lachine; Sun. 10, 11, 6:30; Wed. 7:00 (English); Fri. 7 (French); PO Box 66 Westmont Station, H3Z 2T1; 514-637-7604; Leonard Amanatey, ev; email: churchofchristmontreal@hotmail.com; website: www.greatermontrealchurchofchrist.com.

MONTREAL (South-West – English/French/Spanish): Ville Emard Church of Christ, 6259 Monk Blvd., Montreal, QC, H4E 3H8 (2 streets east of the Monk subway station); (514) 765-8919. Simultaneous electronic translation: Sunday 10, 11, Wed. 7; Website: www.vecc.org; Michael Mazzalongo, ev. (514) 766-4911; e-mail: Mazzalongo@videotron.ca; Roger Saumur, ev. (450) 635-5105 e-mail: rogersaumur@sympatico.ca

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

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

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

ESTEVA: 1302 8th St., S4A 1H6; 634-3116; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7; Tim Pippus, ev., 634-8195, res. E-mail: estevan.cofc@sasktel.net website: www.estevanchurchofchrist.org

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: patmore@sasktel.net

MOOSE JAW: 901 James Street, Moose Jaw, SK S6H 3H5; (306) 693-4064 (off.); mjcc@sasktel.net Website: http://mjchurchofchrist.blogspot.com; Call for times of worship, Darrin Ashby, ev

RADVILLE: in private Residence at (810 Mann Ave.); Richard Thue, sec., Box 532, SOC 2G0; (306) 869-3103 (res.).

REGINA (Glen Elm): 1825 Rothwell St., S4N 2C3, Minister: Jason Bandura; Youth Minister: Blair Roberts; (306)757-1825; FAX (306)757-5727; e-mail: office@warmwelcome.ca, Website: www.warmwelcome.ca; Please call for times

REGINA: Northwest Church of Christ, 4400-4th Ave., S4T 0H8 – on the campus of Western Christian College; Sunday 9:45; Classes 11:15; (306) 539-2280; Kirk Hinnergardt, Minister; Website: www.thenorthwestchurchofchrist.com ; E-mail: kirkink@hotmail.com

SASKATOON: Sunday, Worship 10 AM, Wed,7PM; Phone for summer schedule; Office:343-7922; Ministers: Bob Parker; Mike Parker. Location & Mail: 134 Cardinal Cres. S7L 6H6; Fax: 343-1589; Email: stooncofcoffice@sasktel.net

SWIFT CURRENT: Church of Christ, Box 1103, Swift Current, SK, S9H 3X3; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 6:30; Susan Eidem, sec., 306-773-9043; (call for location of meetings).

WEYBURN: 1115 First Ave. NE (Hwy. 13E), S4H 0N2; Sun. 9:30, 10:30, 7; Wed. 7; Scott Wade, ev., (306) 842-6424 (off); (306) 848-2032 (res).

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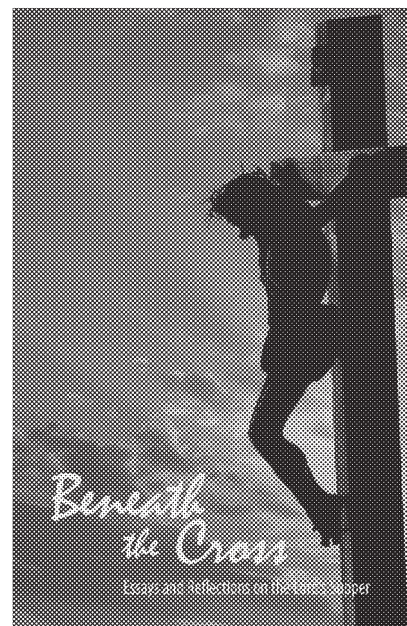
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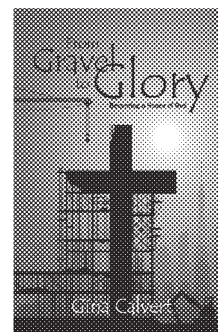
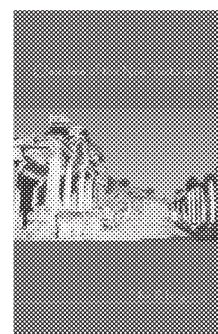
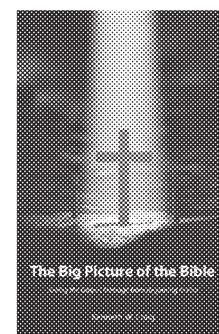
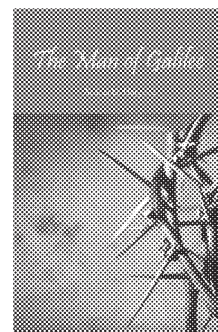
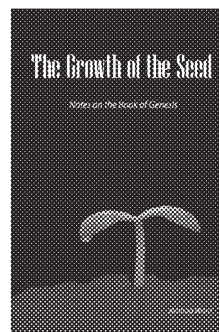
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