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Statue depicting the Apostle John in the atrium of St. Paul's Basilica, in Rome, Italy.

THIS ISSUE'S THEME:

The Letters of the Apostle John

The Aging Apostle John – Truth Warrior

Geoffrey Ellis

The effort to understand and live the pure faith of the New Testament was not unique to the Restoration Movement of the 19th century, nor to the Reformation of the 16th century, nor to similar efforts spread over the intervening centuries. The New Testament itself is the first “restorationist” document. The competition of truth and error is a major theme of the New Testament. Every book, with the one exception of Philemon, refers to this challenge, including at least 50 significant passages.

Late in the first century the Apostle John is in his 80’s, the only apostle remaining alive, living and serving in Ephesus and the surrounding province of Asia—actively leading as an elder and an apostle. His three letters written in that location, 1st, 2nd and 3rd John, are gems of restorationist emphasis! John is indeed the Truth Warrior!

John moved to Ephesus possibly before AD 70. (Some point to the flight from Jerusalem urged upon his followers by Jesus, “When you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies...flee to the mountains” (Luke 21:20-21); this happened when the Roman armies first came in AD 66.) At Ephesus he composed his Gospel. John was imprisoned for his faith during the persecution of emperor Domitian at about AD 95 on the nearby island of Patmos where he was given the *Revelation* by Jesus (Rev. 1:9). Tradition reports John’s return from imprisonment to Ephesus at the reign of emperor Nerva in AD 96. He died

early in Trajan’s rule, perhaps in AD 98. Thus it is possible that John ministered in this region for over thirty years. It is in this setting that we consider the import of John’s three “Letters.”

Churches in Ephesus and the surrounding province of Asia had their beginning earlier, in the ministry of the apostle Paul in AD 54-56. During this time, “All the Jews and Greeks who lived in the province of Asia heard the word of the Lord” (Acts 19:10). John thus inherited a growing, thriving regional church to serve and to lead. The “seven churches in the province of Asia” to whom John addressed the *Revelation* (Rev. 1:4), and who received their Lord’s personal assessment (Rev. 2, 3), identify the major churches in the region—Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodicea—churches for which John would have concern and responsibility. It has been suggested that the order of the list given in *Revelation* represents a postal circuit that a courier would follow and that these in turn would be communication centers from which secondary messages could be sent out. One researcher identifies 37 churches ultimately in this region. We can imagine copies of John’s “1st John,” spreading throughout the region and shared repeatedly, and letters 2nd and 3rd being directed to a specific congregation and a person in that region, or possibly both letters to one location!

John does not identify himself nor the recipients in 1st John, as was the practice in letters of that era. However, John’s message is filled with references to his “writing”—2:1, 7, 8, 12, 13 (3), 14 (2), 21, 26; 5:13. Also, John writes comfortable in the confidence that he knows to whom he is writing and his readers know him as the

writer and respect him as an apostle of the Lord Jesus: he addresses them as “dear children”—2:1, 12, 18, 28; 3:7, 18; and as “dear friends”—2:7; 3:21; 4:1. This writing is more a “circulating sermon” than a typical letter, to be shared by many believers throughout the province of Asia.

2nd and 3rd John are truly letters in form, with the writer identified, although obliquely, in both as “the elder,” and the recipients, although in veiled terms, as “the chosen lady and her children,” and “my dear friend Gaius,” respectively. The use of “the elder” (*ho presbuteros*) suggests several possibilities: an understood familiarity on the part of the readers as to the writer’s identity; a modesty on the part of the writer who avoids naming himself (cf. John’s Gospel); acceptance by the writer of his advanced age—acknowledging the respect it deserves; and the role it identifies of one who shepherds the flock. “Chosen lady” can be properly understood as a euphemism for a congregation, whose “children” are her individual members (cf. “church,” *ecclesia*, is feminine in the New Testament (NT) original language; “you” in the text of 2nd John directed to the “lady” is consistently plural in 6 (2), 8 (4), 10 (2), 12 (2); and see 1 Pet. 5:13 re: “election”). This veiled language breathes of the dangers faced by believers in this time.

It has been surmised that the length of these two letters may have been determined in part by what could be included on one sheet of papyrus. These are the shortest writings in the NT, the 2nd with 245 words, and the 3rd with 219. These two letters are possibly the last of the NT documents to have been written. They are not to be minimized because of their brevity. Rather, along with

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1st John, they are to be valued for their final message given in inspired teaching—beware of apostasy, teach the truth!

It is absolutely breathtaking to consider how quickly Satan acted and how strategically focused he was in attacking the core truth of Christianity—i.e. that the divine Word of God took on flesh, lived among us in perfection as Jesus, i.e. “Savior,” died physically on the cross as God’s “Lamb,” was raised back to life, ascended to God’s throne where he rules heaven and earth with “all authority.” Not so, the Liar said: the material world and its creatures are essentially evil; Christ could not partake of this evil; he only appeared to be human; he only seemed to die physically on the cross. This was all a mirage! “Docetism” (*dokesis*, “an apparition”) was spread in its incipient form in the first century to become a widespread heresy by the second, and was an important plank of Gnosticism (cf. Marcionism of the mid-second century). Docetism is the central issue of these three letters of John. They should be studied in tandem, identifying this error that must be opposed, and the glorious truth that must be heralded!

John opens his first writing with a ringing affirmation of the human nature of Jesus Christ: who was eternal yet became human, i.e. “That which was from the beginning,” was seen, heard, and touched by John, “the Word of life.” Three times in these first three verses John says, “we have seen him!” Even now, “Our fellowship is with the Father and his Son, Jesus Christ” (1 Jn. 1:1-4.)

Next, John contradicts the lie of Docetism/Gnosticism, i.e. man is not guilty of sin, only of ignorance of righteousness. “If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us” (see 1:5-10). Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, “also for the sins of the whole world” (2:2). If Jesus’ presence was only a mirage, there would be no real example of righteousness to follow, i.e. “the truth seen in him” (2:8).

Then John clearly identifies the false teaching that is circulating and its proponents: “Dear children, this is the last hour; and as you have heard that the antichrist is coming, even now the antichrists have come” (2:18). “Who is the liar? It is the man who denies Jesus is the Christ. Such a man is the antichrist who denies the Father and the Son” (2:23-24). “Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from

God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, but every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard is coming and even now is already in the world” (4:1-3).

This heresy is also the central issue identified by John in his second letter: “Many deceivers, who do not acknowledge that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh, have gone out into the world. Any such person is the deceiver and the antichrist” (2 Jn. 7). John’s third letter does not specifically identify the heresy of Docetism. Yet the shocking denigration of John and rejection of the evangelists who are circulating throughout the region by one named Diotrephes, points to one who can be readily identified as one of these “deceivers.”

He “loves to be first, will have nothing to do with us...and gossiping maliciously about us. Not satisfied with that, he refuses to welcome the brothers. He also stops those who want to do so and puts them out of the church” (3 Jn. 9-10).

Three writings, one addressed to churches in the region, one addressed to a specific church in the area, and one addressed to an individual. All emphasize truth in opposition to error: expose the evil; restore the truth. The second and third letters conclude with John’s promise to come and personally address these issues, “face to face!” The apostle John, venerably old, but a warrior for the truth!

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An Authentic Disciple

Wayne Turner



Have you ever heard someone speaking and realized they were saying the “right” words, yet felt that somehow, the words were not genuine. Many of us have had this experience while hearing a politician. After all, many people do not believe politicians can be believed or trusted. Similarly, we hear people express their

love, yet wonder if that means they want to make an undying profession of loyalty, or if this is a manipulative tool to gain their own selfish purposes. In the religious community, we have heard of well-known “evangelists” who have garnered large followings who have been wooed by the appearance of sincerity, only to later be shown to be insincere and hypocritical. Words themselves mean little without the proof of consistent action.

The apostle John deserves our attention as a demonstration of the change that can be made in a person’s life by Christ, and of the genuine example and influence they can have. When we first meet John, his brother, James, and their fishing partners, Peter and Andrew, they are simple, Galilean fishermen. They were hardened by years of toiling in the sun, and sometimes unproductive ventures. When James and John went to follow the call of Jesus, they left their responsibilities with their father. Shortly, it seems, their characters became known. Jesus called them “sons of thunder” a term that seems to suggest they were hot-tempered. When Jesus was refused entry by a Samaritan village, they wanted to call down fire and obliterate the village. They were among the apostles arguing who was greatest, meaning who should be most privileged and powerful in the kingdom. In short, we might say, that during Christ’s ministry, they might well be identified as the disciples needing the most work, the ones who were furthest from the character of the Master. Had John written his gospel and letters during the life and ministry of Jesus, we might well wonder how real he was. He certainly said the right words, but did he mean them, and did he live them.

As Jesus approached the end of his ministry and earthly life, something appears to have happened to John (seen even more many years later when he did write his account of the life of Jesus, his letters and Revelation). In his gospel, the desire for self-promotion has given way to humility. Even when he is a primary person in a story, John does not mention himself by name – he only styles himself as the “disciple whom Jesus loved.” He focuses on the character and unity Jesus wants in his disciples, ultimately earning the designation as the “disciple of love.” So, when John encourages struggling Christians, “greater is he who is in you than he who is in the world,” these are not merely the empty platitudes that people sometimes offer, or the

“right words” that might come from the preacher, they were the real words coming from an authentic Christian. John wasn’t just telling us to “buck up” and hang in. He was reminding us where the genuine power to change our lives comes from. He knew by experience.

In his gospel, John wrote that “as many as have received him, Jesus gave power to become the sons of God.” In the religious world, this has become a mindless platitude, a substitute “plan of salvation.” John intended something far more dynamic. Jesus gives transformational power to his followers. Jesus creates change for us and in us. Through Him, we become something completely different from what we were before. John knew that from his experience with Jesus.

Jesus said that a tree would be known by its fruit. John is one of those early disciples whose fruit we can examine. We know that he spent the later years of his life in the Province of Asia. Among those he taught and disciplined, according to tradition, was Polycarp – a highly respected elder in Smyrna in the second century. Reading the accounts of Polycarp, and his writing, and later his martyrdom, we can see the effects of his teacher, John. Polycarp was a great man of faith, character and love. John was authentic, not just spouting the right words, but living those words. John has shared his teaching with the church through the ages through his gospel, letters and book of Revelation.

This issue of the Gospel Herald is focused on sharing from the letters of John. Though small compared with most of the other books in the New Testament, they are rich in teaching. We see John’s concern for genuine love between Christians, and the danger created by false teachers. We thank Paul Birston for organizing this very worthwhile issue, and the brethren who have written for it.

May we be as authentic in following Jesus as John.

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God's Character and Our Sanctification

IN JOHN'S THREE LETTERS

Paul Birston

For John, our sanctification (becoming holy) is deeply rooted in God's character. John highlights at least seven of God's wonderful attributes involved in sanctifying us: He is light, faithful, righteous, pure, love, truth and life. "God is light and in Him there is no darkness at all" (1 John 1:5). "He is faithful" (1:9). "He is righteous" (1:9; 2:29). "He is pure" (3:3). "God is love" (4:8, 16). "The Spirit is the truth" (5:6). "This is the true God and eternal life" (5:20).

Light

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world" (John 8:12; 9:5). As we walk in God's Light Jesus' blood cleanses us: "And this is the message we have heard from Him and announce to you, that God is Light, and in Him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. If we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and *the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin*" (1:5-7). God cleanses us from sin initially and continually. The ultimate sphere in which we live is God's light which encompasses His essence, presence, domain, ethical teachings and commands based on his character.

Faithful and Righteous

God forgives us because He is "faithful and righteous," "If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we

say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar and His word is not in us" (1:8-10). Walter Bauer's lexicon adds to our understanding of confession: It is "to concede that something is factual or true."

God's faithfulness makes Him completely worthy of our trust. We have confidence that His standards are the highest and best. When we fall short He will help us get up and keep up. "If you know that **He is righteous**, you know that everyone also who practices righteousness *is born of Him*" (2:29). "Little children, make sure no one deceives you; the one who practices righteousness is righteous, just as **He is righteous**" (3:7).

Pure

God is pure. God's sanctifying Spirit and Christians' self-purification together transform us into the likeness of Christ: "Beloved, now we are chil-

dren of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that *when He appears, we will be like Him*, because we will see Him just as He is. And everyone who has this hope fixed on Him *purifies himself*, just as **He is pure**" (3:2-3). God purifies us to prepare us to see Him.

Love

God's sanctifying love comes through Jesus' sacrifice for our sin: "In this is **love**, not that we loved God, but that **He loved us** and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins" (4:10).

Sanctification also comes through loving others: "The one who *loves his brother abides in the light* and there is no cause for stumbling in him" (2:10).

The sanctifying perfection of God's love in the Christian comes from keeping His word, remaining in Him, and walking as Jesus did: "But whoever keeps His word, in him the **love of God** has truly been perfected. By this we know that we are in Him: the one who says he abides in Him ought himself to walk in the same manner as He walked" (2:5-6).

Truth

Jesus' prayer in John's Gospel highlights truth as a vital agent in our sanctification: "Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth. As You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world. For their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they themselves also may be sanctified in truth" (John 17:17-19).

Second John emphasizes God is the source of "the truth which abides in us and will be with us forever" (2 John 2). "I was very glad to →



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find some of your children **walking in truth**, just as we have received commandment to do from the Father” (2 John 4). “For I was very glad when brethren came and testified to your truth, that is, how you are **walking in truth**. I have no greater joy than this, to hear of my children walking in the truth” (3 John 3-4). According to Bauer John’s joy is, “a state of happiness and well-being” to “rejoice, be glad,” “to a high degree, exceedingly.” Joy is a positive result of God’s sanctifying truth.

Sanctification comes from walking in the truth of God’s commandments: “And this is love, that *we walk according to His commandments*. This is the commandment, just as you have heard from the beginning, that you should walk in it” (2 John 6); “By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and observe His commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments; and His commandments are not burdensome” (1 John 5:2-3). God’s commandments flow directly from His character: love, holiness, justice, mercy...

Obedience to God is a way of life. Those who obey God are victorious: “For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that has overcome the world - our faith” (1 John 5:4). “Beloved, do not imitate what is evil, but what is good. The one who does good is of God; the one who does evil has not seen God” (3 John 11).

In his second letter, John exhorts Christians to remain in the true teaching: “Watch yourselves, that you do not lose what we have accomplished, but that you may receive a full reward. Anyone who goes too far and does not abide in the teaching of Christ, does not have God; the one who abides in the teaching, he has both the Father and the Son” (2 John 8-9).

God’s anointing of the Holy Spirit teaches us truth: “But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and you all know...the anointing

which you received from Him abides in you, and you have no need for anyone to teach you; but as His anointing teaches you about all things” (1 John 2:20, 27a)...you abide in Him.

Life

In the beginning and ending of his first letter John highlights the central importance of eternal life, “concerning the **Word of Life** - and the life was manifested, and we have seen and testify and proclaim to you **the eternal life**, which was with the Father and was *manifested to us*” (1:1b-2). It is “Him who is true; and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus Christ. **This is the true God and eternal life**” (5:20). John’s central purpose is to affirm we have eternal life now, “These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that *you have eternal life*” (5:13). This *life* sets us apart (sanctifies us) for God eternally.

Guarding & Practicing Our Sanctification

John ends his first letter with a further instruction regarding sanctification: “Little children, guard yourself from idols” (5:21). The first century world was full of idols. The twenty-first century world has many tempting idols of its own.

Sanctification takes practice. Walking in God’s light means practicing the truth, doing what God says, loving Him and one another. For John “walking” encompasses the entire sphere of life, how we behave and conduct our affairs.

Conclusion

John emphasizes that the character of the sanctified Christian comes from the fundamental attributes of God who is light, faithful, righteous, pure, love, truth and life.

Sanctification is an on going practical walk with God in His light and the truth of His Word. We set our sights on the eternal horizon of hope in Christ (1 John 3:3) which inspires us to be like Him now.

Becoming holy is possible because of the cleansing blood of Christ, the power of His indwelling Spirit, living in the Word of Truth and cooperating with God in practicing righteousness, truth, and love for one’s brothers and sisters. Walking with God in His holiness requires diligence, fortitude and endurance to overcome the devil, to keep one’s self from idols, and to keep oneself firmly rooted in the love and fellowship of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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“God Is Greater Than Our Heart”

1 JOHN 3:19-20

Edwin Broadus

The final arbiter of our conduct and beliefs is never what our own heart, or conscience, tells us is right or wrong. Many people do not understand this, and we hear people say, “Follow your heart.” For some this means, “Follow your desires,” while to others it somewhat more appropriately means, “Do what you believe is right.”

It is true that the best any of us can do at any given time is what we believe to be right. This is why the Bible unequivocally warns us, not only to avoid going against our own conscience but also causing others to go against theirs. To some who thought it was wrong to eat some or all kinds of meat, Paul wrote, “Whoever has doubts is condemned if he eats, because the eating is not from faith [conviction]. For whatever does not proceed from faith [conviction] is sin” (Romans 14:23). In the same context, he says that even though all food is clean, it is not only “unclean for the person who thinks it is unclean” (14:14), but it is also wrong “to make another stumble by what he eats” (14:20).

But just because we believe something is either right or wrong does not mean that this is the case. Paul said, “I am not aware of anything against myself, but I am not thereby acquitted. It is the Lord who judges me” (1 Corinthians 4:4). This is why it mattered little to him if he was judged by the Corinthians or by a human court, and he did not even judge himself (1 Corinthians 4:3-4). He said on another occasion, “I have lived my life in all good conscience up to this day” (Acts 23:1), which embraced the time when, as he told King Agrippa, “I myself was convinced that I ought to do many things in opposing the name of Jesus of Nazareth” (Acts 26:9). During that time, his conscience was not a safe guide.

We do well, then, to properly educate our conscience and to develop the right habits of the heart, so that when we act in keeping with our conscience we are also acting in keeping with God’s will. We also do right to warn others that “there is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way to death” (Proverbs 16:26).

But John, in our text, is not concerned with those whose hearts tell them that it is right to do something that Scripture says is wrong. Rather, he is concerned with those whose hearts condemn them when God ap-

He said that he wrote what is in the letter so that “you may know that you have eternal life”

proves them. He is writing for the benefit of sensitive souls who feel guilty when they should not feel this way and consequently doubt their salvation. While it is right for everyone to be sensitive to the reality of sin in his life, it is also right and comforting to be aware of God’s forgiveness. A key message in John’s first letter is that those with faith in Jesus and love for one another can know that they are saved. He said that he wrote what is in the letter so that “you may know that you have eternal life” (1 John 5:13).

This assurance does not come because we are sinless, but because we are forgiven by the blood of Christ. John makes it clear at the very beginning of his letter, “If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us” (1:8). But he also says, in the very next verse, that if we own up to our sins “he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” This wonderful promise is given to those who “walk in the light, as he [God] is in the light” and who thus have fellowship with God and are

cleansed from all sin by the blood of Jesus (1:7).

To those whose hearts still condemn them, John tells us, in 3:16-24, how we can “know we are of the truth and assure our heart before him.” We can know this by keeping his commandments and by his Spirit whom he has given us (3:22-24). John identifies these commandments as believing in God’s Son, Jesus Christ, and loving one another. Over and over in this letter, John emphasizes believing in Jesus Christ (2:22-23; 4:1-3; 4:15; 5:1; 5:4; 5:10-12; 5:20) and loving one another (2:9-11; 3:11-15; 4:7-11; 4:20-21; 5:1-2). We put our faith in Jesus, not only as God’s Son, but also as the Christ, or Messiah (2:22) and as the one who became flesh (4:2). It is through love that we become like God, for “God is love” (4:8, 16).

We also know that we have God within us by his Spirit whom he has given us (3:24; cf. 4:13). John says little more in this letter about the Spirit, perhaps because his readers already knew that God had given them his Spirit. Paul tells us more about the significance of the Spirit within us, telling us that “the Spirit himself bears witness with our Spirit that we are children of God, and if children then heirs – heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ” (Romans 8:16-17).

Keeping God’s commandments to believe in his Son and to love one another, along with recognizing his Spirit within us, enables us to know what God already knows about our heart. When we understand this, we live, not in fear and doubt, but with confidence that we are accepted by him and that our prayers are heard. Praise God, who “is greater than our heart” and does not condemn us, even when we mistakenly condemn ourselves.

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(1 JOHN 4:7 – 21)

Shawn Edward Leblanc

The apostle John often wrote about the love of God. Since he was known as “the apostle of love” and “the disciple whom Jesus loved,” this should come as no surprise. Throughout the letter of 1 John, the apostle wanted his Christian audience to be reassured that they are saved, that they can KNOW that they are saved. In one section of this letter, he went to great lengths to talk about the love of God and he covered many important points.

Love Comes from God (4:7-8)

God has shown His love to us. Love is an important characteristic of God. It is part of who He is. God asks us and commands us to love one another. Love is not just something we are supposed to do because we have become Christians. Love should become part of who we are. “Whoever does not love does not know God” (4:8). The Greek verb translated as love is present active which means it would have been better translated as “Whoever does not continue to love does not know God, because God is love.” Christians have been introduced to the ultimate and divine love when they have responded to the gift of love, God’s grace.

God Showed Us What Love Looks Like (4:9-10)

The nature of love is self-sacrifice (John 3:16; 1 John 3:16). God didn’t show any favoritism when He sent Jesus, His Son, to die on the cross for the sins of the world. It was not for certain people, a special select group. The gospel was and is for all people. We

who have obeyed the gospel are recipients of the love of God found in Christ Jesus.

Love Began with God (4:11)

God loved us and we are under obligation to love one another. Now some people believe that the Greek word translated as so is used to describe quantity, thus reading it as “He loved us so much.” However, the Greek word used is an adverb of manner and is describing the manner in which He loved, not the amount. “Dear friends, since God so loved us, i.e., loved us in this way, in this manner, we also ought to love one another.” In what way, in what manner did God show his love for us? He showed it by sending Jesus to earth to be an atoning sacrifice for our sins. This Greek word is used in the same way in John 3:16: “For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only

Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.”

God did not save us simply because He loved us so much, as if He could not help Himself because He was overwhelmed by love. It was a choice He decided to make. He chose to love us and He chose to show us that love through His Son.

Love Accomplishes its Intended End when We Love One Another (4:12)

It proves that the love of God is in us. God’s love is made complete. It has matured, became mature. We develop and make mature our love for God as we love one another more and more.

God Shared His Love when He Allowed His Spirit to Live in Us (4:13)

John was using language these Christians would have understood (Romans 5:5). The Spirit is the inner witness (Rom. 8:16). “We KNOW that we live in Him...” John wanted them to have confidence in this knowledge.

God’s Love Came to Us through Jesus (4:14-16a)

John pointed out that he was a witness and testified that Jesus was the Savior of the world. These Christians could trust in the testimony of one who was with Jesus. If they would continue to believe that Jesus truly is the Son of God, God would continue to dwell in them and His love would be with them.

God Is Love (4:16a-17)

In 2 John, verse 6, John mentioned walking in love. →

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It should be habitual. It should be second nature for us. We should live a life of loving others. If we are living a love-saturated life, then God lives in us and we in God. God is love and we should imitate our God!

We must be careful not to hate and let it blind us. This is very easy to do. It is easier to hate than it is to love. Hating others is easy; we just have to be selfish! Loving others is hard work. If we want to know what the love of God looks like then we need to try to put 1 Corinthians 13:4 – 7 into practice. It should become a habit for us. As John said in verse 17, in this way, love will become mature in us so we can have confidence on the day Jesus returns for us because we have put God's word, will and love into practice. We will know we did what He wanted us to because we made it a habit to love. We imitate the nature of God and become like Him when we love in this way.

No Fear in Love (4:18)

Confidence gets rid of fear. We do not need to fear punishment and judgement if we are living a life of love. Perfect and mature love drives out fear. If we are loving each other the way God wants us to, we do not have anything to fear because we know we are doing what we are supposed to.

We Love God Because He First Loved Us (4:19-21)

God chose to love us and what He wants from us is to make a choice to love Him back. He does not force it out of us. He showed us what true love looks like by accepting us with all our failures and all our sins, through the gospel, through the sacrifice of His Son.

If we wish to love God, we must also love our brothers and sisters in Christ. How can we love God, who we cannot physically see, if we cannot even love our brother or sister, who we can see face to face? God has given us each other, the church, to be able to put love into practice. May we live a life of love and be like our Great Creator!!

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Walking in the Light

As I get older I come to appreciate more and more the value of having light where I need to walk. Sometimes, not as sure-footed as I seem to remember that I once was, it is much easier to move from one place to another when I can clearly see where I am stepping. Being able to see the imperfections that may cause one to stumble is appreciated.

Oh yes, and do I ever hate ice!! This past winter we had plenty of snow along with several freezing rain events. With the very cold temps, the ice was hard and very slick. In Toronto, the winter before, we had more or less normal winter weather for Toronto. One day, going to pick up my paper, the ice was gone, or so I thought. I think the only ice patch in Toronto, covered by innocent looking snow, was along my path and I stepped on it. After hitting the ground, I looked around to see if anyone had seen me...and they had! (Thankfully one of them offered to help me back to my feet 😊). That ice patch reminded me of how Satan works trying to fool us into thinking that the dangers he offers are really not dangers at all. Rather, they are opportunities for us to enjoy life while here on earth without taking thought for the future.

Perhaps this is one reason I relate to the importance of the thoughts of John, "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin" – 1 John 1:7 (ESV).

An important characteristic of God is that He is, by nature, light. Wherever He is there is light since it radiates from His very being. John, in his description of heaven says, "And the

city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there" – Revelation 21:23-25 (ESV), and "And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever" – Revelation 22:5 (ESV).

Of course, the same is true of the entire godhead, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. During His ministry on earth, Jesus spoke of this when He said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life" – John 8:12 (ESV). Since an important work of the Holy Spirit was the inspiration of the Word of God, He certainly has a big part to play in our life of faithful service.

Consider the following from the Gospel Advocate Commentaries – Epistles of Peter, John, and Jude:

"In 1 John 1:7, the verb 'walk' is present active subjunctive, thus literally, 'If we keep on walking in the light...' It must be a continuing walk. And the blood of Jesus his Son cleanseth us from all sin. – This clause is coordinate with "we have fellowship one with another," and is a statement of the means by which it is possible for us to walk in the light. Thus, by walking in the light two results follow: (1) we have fellowship with each other; (2) the blood of Jesus cleanses us from all sin. Cleansing efficacy is thus attributed to the blood of Christ. Many important considerations follow from this passage: (a) It is not the mere example of Christ's dying that accomplishes our salvation; (b)

it is not simply the contemplation of his death which delivers us from the guilt of sin; (c) it is not belief in the moral implications of Calvary which produces the blessing; nor (d) faith in the suffering of Christ on the cross. It is the blood, the shed blood of the Son of God, that cleanses us from sin. Moreover, it cleanses from sin, not merely or solely the conscience, but sin, all sin, whether of thought, word, or deed, rash sins, sins of ignorance, of malice, of omission or commission, sins of the flesh, sins of the disposition, sins of pleasure or of pain, sins of every type and kind committed at any time or place”.

Truly, the God of heaven has given us hope through His provision for eternal life by giving us a book clearly describing His desire for us to be with Him forever. Not only did He give this information on the unfolding of His plan, he gave us a visual to help us across Satan’s minefield, Jesus His beloved Son. Peter reminds us, “ For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you,

leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed” – 1 Peter 2:21-24 (ESV). Do not let God down. Determine that, with His help, you are going to “walk with the Lord daily”.

In thinking about this walk, I am reminded of a song we used to sing often during my youth and earlier Christian walk. Like many meaningful old songs this one has been dropped from our more “up to date” hymn books. In view of our thoughts on “Walking in the Light” remember, or hear for the first time and think about these words of the song, “Stepping in the Light”.

Verse 1: Trying to walk in the steps of the Savior, Trying to follow our

Savior and King; Shaping our lives by His blessed example, Happy, how happy, the songs that we bring.

Verse 2: Pressing more closely to Him who is leading, when we are tempted to turn from the way; Trusting the arm that is strong to defend us, Happy, how happy, our praises each day.

Verse 3: Walking in footprints of gentle forbearance, Footsteps of faithfulness, mercy and love; Looking to Him for the grace freely promised, Happy, how happy, our journey above!

Verse 4: Trying to walk in the steps of the Savior, Upward, still upward we’ll follow our Guide. When we shall see Him, “the king in His beauty”. Happy, how happy, our place at His side!

Chorus: How beautiful to walk in the steps of the Savior, Stepping in the light, Stepping in the light, How beautiful to walk in the steps of the Savior, Led in paths of light!

Amen.

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Sibling Rivalry

The noted hymn writer, Isaac Watts, penned this poem about sibling rivalry.

*Whatever brawls disturb the street,
There should be peace at home;
Where sisters dwell, and
brothers meet,
Quarrels should never come.
Birds in their little nests agree;
And 'tis a shameful sight,
When children of one family
Fall out and chide and fight.
Hard names at first, and threat'ning
words
That are but noisy breath
May grow to clubs and
naked swords,
To murder and to death.
The devil tempts one mother's son
To rage against another;
So wicked Cain was hurried on
Till he had killed his brother.
The wise will make their anger cool,
At least before 'tis night;
But in the bosom of a fool
It burns till morning-light.
Pardon, O Lord, our childish rage,
Our little brawls remove,
That as we grow to riper age
Our hearts may all be love.*

Indeed, sibling rivalries have existed since the time of Cain and Abel. Thankfully, most are not as tragic as the one we read about in Genesis 4 and often they do decrease as “we grow to riper age” because our hearts do fill with love. Unfortunately, even though we are supposedly mature, there are sometimes sibling rivalries among spiritual brothers and sisters.

In the missive we have titled 1 John, the apostle emphasizes that there should be no such rivalries among the children in God's family. John tells us that we are to do more than just get along or simply tolerate each other. We are to truly and deeply love one another.

Other New Testament writers have also pointed out our need to love our brothers and sisters, but a large portion of this letter from John is devoted to the topic of love.

In 1 John, the word love, in one form or another, is used forty-three times. Lost to our English translations is that the Greek word used is agape which describes the type of love God has for us – a love which is sacrificial, unselfish, complete and which seeks the ultimate good for the object of that love. Such love is the very nature of God so that John says, “God is love” (4:8, 16). He did not say, “God is loving” but that God IS love! It is His essence and therefore all that He does is imbued with love.

God loves us even though we are unworthy of His love (Romans 5:8). His love was demonstrated by sending His Son to be our sacrifice for sin (1 John

4:9, 10). God's love for us is the source for our love. It is our example and our motivation for loving one another.

“Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God” – 4:7 (ESV).

“Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another” – 4:11 (ESV).

“We love because he first loved us” – 4:19 (ESV).

Such love is not optional. It is commanded!

“This is the message you have heard from the beginning: We should love one another” – 3:11 (NLT).

“This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers” – 3:16 (NIV 1984).

“And this is his commandment: We must believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another, just as he commanded us” – 3:23 (NLT).

“And he has given us this command: Those who love God must also love their Christian brothers and sisters” – 4:21 (NLT). See also: 4:7, 11 and 5:1.

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John repeatedly emphasized the fact that our love for one another is intrinsically entwined with our love for God. He makes several comparisons contrasting those who love their brothers and sisters and those who do not. Living in light or in darkness. Is a child of God or a child of the devil. Passed from death to life or remains in death. Has been born of God and knows God or does not know God. Lives in God and God in him or the love of God is not in him.

“Anyone who claims to be in the light but hates his brother is still in the darkness. Whoever loves his brother lives in the light, and there is nothing in him to make him stumble. But whoever hates his brother is in the darkness and walks around in the darkness; he does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded him” – 2:9-11 (NIV 1984).

“This is how we know who the children of God are and who the children of the devil are: Anyone who does not do what is right is not a child of God; nor is anyone who does not love his brother” – 3:10 (NIV 1984).

“We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love our brothers. Anyone who does not love remains in death. Anyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life in him. This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him?” – 3:14-17 (NIV 1984).

“Dear friends, let us continue to love one another, for love comes from God. Anyone who loves is a child of God and knows God. But anyone who does not love does not know God, for God is love” – 4:7, 8 (NLT).

“God is love, and all who live in love live in God, and God lives in them” – 4:16b (NLT).

John points out that true love is shown through actions (3:16, 17) and that our love for one another demonstrates our love for God and marks us as one of His children.

“If someone says, “I love God,” but hates a Christian brother or sister, that person is a liar; for if we don’t love people we can see, how can we love God, whom we cannot see? And he has given us this command: Those who love God must also love their Christian brothers and sisters” – 4:20, 21 (NLT).

“Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has become a child of God. And everyone who loves the Father loves his children, too” – 5:1 (NLT). See also: 3:10 and 4:7.

Jesus said it this way, “So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples” – John 13:34, 35 (NLT).

“If a believer does not love his or her Christian brothers and sisters, who are God’s visible representatives, how can that person possibly love the invisible God? It is easy to claim to love God when that love doesn’t cost anything more than weekly attendance at religious services. But the real test of a person’s love for God is how that person treats the people right in front of him or her—family members and fellow believers. People cannot truly love God while neglecting to love their Christian brothers and sisters as well”. – Life Application Concise New Testament Commentary (WORDsearch7 software). Sibling rivalry has no place in God family!

Pardon, O Lord, our childish rage,
Our little brawls remove,
That as we grow to riper [spiritual] age
Our hearts may all be love.

Virginia Hipwell

For I Am Not Ashamed Of The Gospel

Romans 1:16 – For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile.



Cedar Park church of Christ 566 Simcoe St. North, Oshawa Ladies Retreat

*When: Saturday June 16, 2018
Time: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm*

*Registration: Please contact Melanie Harris 905-666-3212
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Speaker: Debra Hibbard (Strathmore Blvd. church of Christ)

*Lesson 1 (am): For I Am Not Ashamed Of The Gospel
Lesson 2 (pm): Strategies For Sharing The Gospel*

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ONTARIO

Fenwick: The men's day at Fenwick was unfortunately hampered by the weather. As forecasted, an ice storm hit making it impossible for several who had planned to attend to be able to do so. Of the 60 that were registered, 29 were able to come. Leslie Williams presented thoughtful and challenging lessons on the topic of "True Worship." Our Young Disciples Club visited the local sugar bush in March and had a movie night in April. They have been learning lessons about love and kindness and

memorizing 1 Corinthians 13. Chris and Serenity Laprise received an award for their efforts.

Toronto (Bayview Ave.): On the fifth Sunday in April thirty gathered for our regularly scheduled potluck after service. We were pleased to have a number of visitors at worship and for the potluck. The men at Bayview are serving communion to our shut-ins as a new act of service for the congregation. Myrtle Dale celebrated her 95th birthday on May 5.

Toronto (Strathmore Blvd): A party was held at the church building on Saturday, April 7, to celebrate the birthday and life of sister Elsie Gill. This was a very special celebration for Elsie as it was for her 100th Birthday. A very enjoyable time was had as many memories were shared and it was a delight to see her enjoyment of

the day. We pray God will continue to bless her daily. Jean Volcy, Isaac Persaud, and Trevor Shelley spent two weeks in Haiti at the end of March and beginning of April. Their trip was successful as they started the classroom building project at the orphanage, preached and taught the Word in street meetings, held two gospel meetings and performed two weddings. They pronounced the trip both busy and rewarding – all glory to God. Moises Velasco has returned to the Philippines for the second year to spend three months preaching and teaching. He plans to return to Canada on July 31. (Next month watch for a report on his first such trip last year on the Mission Page.) A BIG THANK YOU to all who joined with Strathmore to pray for and financially support the continuing ministry of Key To The Kingdom on Key Day, May 6. In sending support please make →

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cheques payable to "Strathmore Blvd. Church of Christ" with "Key" on the memo line. On May 13, Academic Dean and President of Great Lakes Bible College, Dave Knutson, made a presentation on behalf of the Bible College during the adult Bible class period, and presented a sermon during the morning worship. His presentation on the work of the Bible College was interesting and encouraging. We are thankful for the good work being accomplished through Great Lakes Bible College.

Waterloo: We want to welcome our new brother in the Lord. Josiah Azzoparde made the decision to put on his Lord in baptism on Sun. March 25. We rejoice with the angels, his family and with him.

Praise the Lord on Monday, April 16 the Kingdom received 4 new lives! Marie Grimme's 2 daughters (Emily and Sierra) along with her son (Jacob), and fiancée (Randy) all committed their lives through baptism. Their story reminds us of the jailer and his family in Acts 16. Marie, Randy and Marie's three kids were all convicted after a Bible study. They decided that as soon as the ice storm passed they needed to pledge their lives to Christ. Monday evening after further study, they committed their lives and went on their way rejoicing.

We rejoice with Shirley Ruttan who put on her Lord and Saviour in baptism Wednesday May 2. We want to welcome all of our new brothers and sisters in Christ to God's family.

The Carman church of Christ is looking for a full time Evangelist.

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(BC news supplied by Barbara Lewis)

ALBERTA

Edmonton (Northside): At our 5th Sunday potluck we honored our youth and young adults. A memorial tea was held to celebrate the life of Barb MacPhee. Our annual youth retreat was held June 1-3. The theme for the weekend was "The Amazing Grace" with Bruce Boland as guest speaker.

St. Albert: May 19-20 Don Patton was guest speaker at our lecture-ship on "Science, Creationism and the Bible". Lessons included: What is Creation Science?, Laws

Pictures & Reports

We are always looking for items concerning outreach and service activities of congregations across Canada. Pictures are worth a thousand words, they say, and we like to have pictures we can publish on mission outreach and service projects in evangelism, teaching and doing service. These may be of work done in Canada or by Canadian congregational groups who travel and serve outside of Canada. Good quality digital photographs allow us to see, be encouraged by and praise God for these activities of our fellow Christians. We look forward to being able to share these "good news reports" with readers of the Gospel Herald.

— The editors

of Science, Age of the Earth, Fossil Record, The Ark and An Awesome God – Isaiah 40.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Abbotsford (Central Valley): With Jen at the wheel, she and Norm Weir hope to make their first circuit of the year the second week of May. They are celebrating the unlikely birth of a sixth daughter to their son, leaving them with still only one grandson to cherish.

Burnaby: The ladies are planning another all-day outing for sometime this fall.

Delta: The congregation enjoyed a recent "Sandwich Sunday" lunch as they were transported into a lovely decorated room together where Italian cooking was featured and finished off with a beautifully-decorated cake, starting talk of picnic weather arriving soon. Erol and Debra Dogan left in June on their annual trip to Israel, planning to help our brethren over there for approximately seven weeks. When he spoke to us on May 20, he shared a little about what they intended to do, people which the Delta congregation could connect with and brought Ezekiel 36 into the picture as well in order to draw some similarities from it to present day circumstances.

Oakridge: Milton Diaz brought to our attention the intense suffering of the people in two distant areas of Canada in his "Oak" email edition following two mass disasters in one month. With 16 killed in Humboldt, SK, and 13 injured; a few days later 10 were killed in Toronto and 16 injured when deliberately mowed down on the sidewalk by a truck. "These tragedies affect all of Canada," he noted, "and these people need our special prayers and concern."

Surrey: A warm "thank you" for an afternoon presentation by several of our "Blossom" ladies at the Dania Home was echoed by the congregation which urged the group which meets once a month after our service to continue reaching out to others who may be confined in places where there is little to cheer them. Upon Joann and Linda Simonson's return from a two-week voyage to and around four of the Hawaiian Islands, Joann found seven new requests for Bible correspondence lessons and 24 answers to lessons in her mail. Fortunately, their ship had first visited the island that was almost destroyed by heavy rain a few days later. Joann's family has made this unusual trip a number of times over the years, enjoying the group Bible studies and a church service aboard ship on Sundays.

Victoria: A "55-Plus Four-day Camp Weekend" is being planned for Aug. 17 to 20, with the BC Ferry services offering a free ride to adults 55 years and older to enjoy at the Spruston Road Bible Camp. The catch is that the dates require the person to be able to arrive a day early and stay an extra day afterward.

MANITOBA

Carman: The annual Rest & Renewal Ladies Retreat was held May 25 – 27.

Winnipeg: We rejoice with Ray Paynter who was baptized May 10. Be W.I.L.D. The ladies are going on a journey through Daniel's plan. It is a 6-week study on food, fitness, friendship, focus and fun. Learn about health and fitness from a Biblical perspective. May 4 the youth held a come and go supper.

SASKATCHEWAN

Weyburn: Great Lakes College short course "Paul's Early Letters" was held May 28 – June 1.



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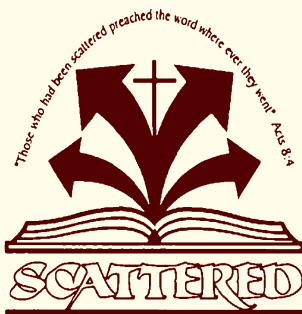
MOZAMBIQUE: Veteran missionary to Portuguese-speaking countries, Tim Brumfield, has made nine trips to Mozambique, the long, narrow country on the lower south-eastern side of the African continent. Much of the population speaks Portuguese because of the explorer Vasco da Gama's arrival there in 1498, making its claim by Portugal last over the next four centuries. Nationals gained independence in 1975, but it soon ended in a long civil war. Elections leading to a stable government came in 1994, although unrest still simmers at times, and we have found that the people have proven exceptionally receptive to the Gospel. Thousands of baptisms are taking place, including entire religious groups. The movement began when a denominational preacher was baptized and took the new lessons he had learned

to 28 churches where he had previously preached. The people in all the 28 were receptive to the truth and were baptized, even going so far as destroying symbols of their former religion. A dozen of our evangelists have taught in these churches since that time and have received repeated invitations to return. During a severe drought, we sent over 17 tons of corn and beans, resulting in even more invitations to come teach the people. "My work has focused on training evangelists and leaders to strengthen the new churches where most needed is a healthy knowledge of the Bible. WBS is updating Bible courses in Portuguese and preparing them for printing in Mozambique."

HEALING HANDS INTERNATIONAL: On Wednesday, April 25, Healing Hands International celebrated the digging of their 1,000th water well in the small Atlantic island of Haiti which has suffered so many major storms in recent years. Frequently, even their original supply of water had been unsafe for human consumption, but the disaster caused by the storms contaminated even

what little there was. Since providing their households with water has always fallen upon the children, it meant that over 50% of them have been unable to attend school due to the excessive time spent in finding and carrying water to their homes. Now that several new wells have produced water, the children now have time to return to school. Adults, also, find they have more time to provide financially for their families because water-related illnesses have been dramatically reduced, and most importantly, families are now able to grow food year-around. The greatest impact is that the wells have been drilled in partnership with the agreement of local churches to allow people the opportunity to be taught about the "Living Water". HHI kicked off a month of showcasing stories, projects and "Walk4Water" events on our social media pages in March. We are continuing our support of all the walks scheduled for this year by bringing them to the attention of Sean Judge at sjudge@hhi.org. Even the youngest children love taking part in these events which are being planned all over the country. (From Healing Hands International News Issue 1)

KENYA: Prison is not usually a place one thinks of visiting when in a foreign country, but for Healing Hands International the Sotik Prison in Sotik, Kenya is one of our regular stops. Recently we found a man we had not seen since May of 2013, much to our surprise and delight. He is Robert Gisemba, who now serves as a Welfare Officer and trained alongside 40 prisoners in our agriculture techniques workshop when we held a workshop there five or more years ago. Robert found the workshop to be so helpful and efficient that he has personally trained 150+ prisoners himself over the last five years! (From Healing Hands International News Issue1)



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PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

CAMROSE: 4901 42 Street T4V 1A2; Sunday AM Bible study 10 am; Sunday AM worship service 11 am; Thursday Bible Study 7 PM; Phone: (780) 672-1220 (Office); Evangelist: David Friesen; Email: info@camrosechurchofchrist.org Website: www.camrosechurchofchrist.org

EDMONTON Church of Christ: meeting place in Northwest of city, 13015 – 116 Avenue NW; Ofc 780.455.1049; Mail: 11532 – 130 Street NW, Edmonton AB T5M 1A4 Sun 9:30 am Bible classes; 10:30 am Worship; Wed 7 pm Bible study CARE groups at the building And in various homes (phone for location and other times); Elders: Henri Bouchard, Walter Hreczuch, Kirby Salter; Evangelist: Emanuel Burnstad 587.599.9445; Email: church5@telus.net; Web: edmontonchurchofchrist.org

SOUTH EDMONTON: Southwood Community Centre 1880 – 37 street NW, Edmonton, AB; Mailing Address: P. O. Box 42126 Edmonton, AB T6K 4C4; Evangelist: Roy Graneau; 780-902-1329 Sun. 10:00 adult & children's Bible class, 11:00 worship; Midweek CARE Groups in homes (phone evangelist for details); Web: southedmontonchurchofchrist.org Email: southedmonton.churchofchrist@gmail.com

LLOYDMINSTER Church of Christ: 4702 56 Ave., Mailing Address: Box 88, Lloydminster, AB T9V 0X9; Sun. 10:00, 11:00, Mid-week in Homes, call for information; Off (780) 875-4056; Lee Patmore, ev.; res: (306) 825-2505; cell (306) 821-7446 e-mail: lee_patmore@me.com

MEDICINE HAT: Crescent Heights Church of Christ, 655 Stewart Dr. NW, T1A 7C2; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7; Jamie Lobert, ev. (403) 527-7346 or (403) 527-7311 (off)

RED DEER: Davenport Church of Christ, 68 Donlevy Avenue, Red Deer, T4R 2Y8, tel. 403-347-3986; (fax) 403.347.332, Edward Klym, Minister/Evangelist; Sunday morning worship: 10:00 am, Sunday School: 11:00 am; Wednesday Bible Class: 7:00 pm Email: davenportchurchofchrist@gmail.com Website: www.reddeerchurchofchrist.com Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/rdccc

ST. ALBERT: Sunday Worship: 10:15 a.m. at the St. Albert Seniors Center at 7 Tache St., St. Albert, Wednesday Night Bible Study: 7:00 at – call for address, Mailing Address: 20 Desmarais Cres., St. Albert, AB T8N 5X7; (780) 690-9947, E-mail: stalbertcfc@hotmail.com, webpage: www.stalbertchurchofchrist.org

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

ABBOTSFORD (Central Valley): Sun. 10:30, 11; Please call for Thursday evening bible study and Wed. morning ladies class locations. Meeting place for Sunday mornings only is: 32026 George Ferguson Way, Abbotsford, in the Clearwood Room. Mailing address: #4 – 3292 Elmwood Dr.; V2S 6B2; Norm Weir, ev. 604-850-8670 (off); 859-5973 (res). If no answer 604-855-2394; email: normjen@shaw.ca

CAMPBELL RIVER: 226 Hilchey Road Campbell River, BC V9W 1P4; Contact: Office (250) 923-5233; Charles Witty (250) 923-6396; Jim McGeachy (250) 286-3780; besijim2@hotmail.com

COURTENAY: Tslolum Building, Lewis Park, Courtenay; Worship 10 am; Ev. Bill Pakosz, ph. 250-923-6176; Website: www.churchofchristcourtenay.org, Email: Churchofchristcourtenay@shaw.ca Mailing address: 2239 Oyster Garden Rd, Campbell River. BC V9H 1E7

CRESTON: Call for service times and place: David & Diane Phypers: 250-428-5937

CROFTON: 1288 Smith Rd. Box 45, VOR 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; contact Larry Hoff (604) 943-1468; Ron Bailey (604) 943-7517

KELOWNA: Spring Valley Church of Christ, #106 – 1580 Springfield Road, Kelowna, B.C. V1Y 5V4 Sun. 10:30, Charlie McKnight, ev., Ph. 250-862-8739, email: McKnight8739@shaw.ca

NANAIMO: 1720 Meredith Rd., V9S 2M4; Sun. 10:00, 11:00, Wed. meeting in homes 7:00 PM. Please phone for times and place. Wayne Peckett, (250) 758-6985, wjp.cc79@telus.net

NORTH BEND Church of Christ: North Bend Community Hall, 48846 Highline Road, North Bend; Sun. 10:30 am; Mailing address: 47220 Green Ranch Road, North Bend, BC, V0K 1C1 Borden Krosgaard 604-867-9420

PRINCE GEORGE: 9465 Old Summit Road South, V2K 5S8, Sunday worship – 10 AM, 250-962-6978 or 250-562-6708

PRINCE RUPERT Church of Christ: 977 Prince Rupert Blvd.; PO Box 324, V8J 3P9; Sunday Bible classes 11:00 am, worship 10:00 am; Thurs. 7 pm; Contact: Meynard Carlow (250) 624-4449 (off) or (250) 624-3347

SALMON ARM: 490- 5th Ave, S.W. V1E 1V4; Sunday 10:00; Call for times and locations of other meetings; 250-833-0927; Doug Kendig, and Gordon Parmenter, elders; website: sa4CHRIST.com

SOUTH BURNABY Church of Christ (Metro Vancouver): 7485 Salisbury Ave., Burnaby BC V5E 3A5; Sunday worship: 10 a.m.; Bible classes for all ages: 10:45; Midweek groups meet in homes. Kirk Ruch, ev.; K.M.Ruch@SBChurch.ca; Conor Wilkerson, youth; Office: our.office@SBChurch.ca; (604) 522-7721; Website: www.sbchurch.ca

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

VANCOUVER (Oakridge): 6970 Oak St., V6P 3Z6; English services: Sun. 10, 11, Milton Diaz, ev., 604-432-1749 (res.).

VERNON: 4107 Pleasant Valley Rd, V1T 4M1; Sun. 10, 11; Murray Verwerda, ev., (250) 545-6892 (off) www.vernonchurchofchrist.com; email: vernonchurchofchrist@telus.net

VICTORIA (South Island Church of Christ): Mailing address: South Island Church of Christ, c/o 1600 Charlton Rd. Victoria, B.C. V9E 2C8; Meeting address: Westshore Chamber of Commerce, 2830 Aldwynd Rd., Langford, BC.; Worship service 11:00 am – 12:00 pm, Contacts: Dick Morton 250-479-8480, L/S Walters 250-478-7275, Don Knox 250-382-0824; e-mail: southislandsndchurch@gmail.com

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 PM; Box 955, R0G 0J0; Contact Ray Winkler (elder), 204-745-3226; Randy Foss, 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: 204-638-0872

MANSON: Box 2, Manson, MB, R0M 1J0; Meeting Sunday Mornings – 10 & 11, (most Sundays) at Elkhorn Leisure Centre, 10 Richhill Ave E, Elkhorn, MB; Call to confirm meeting place or other information: Wilf Rogers, 204-722-2293 or Ken Starnes, 306-435-2512; email: kennyg1@myaccess.ca

WINNIPEG (Central): Sun. Worship 10, Bible classes 11:15, Eve. 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m.; (204) 475-6462; Fax: (413) 677-6165; Mail: 170 St. Mary's Road, Winnipeg, MB R2H 1H9; website: www.winnipegchurch.ca; Jim Hobbs, sec. for elders (204) 261-9861; Shawn LeBlanc ev. (shawn@winnipegchurch.ca) Jay Manimtim youth min (jay@winnipegchurch.ca)

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK

MONCTON: 365 Pine Glen Rd., Riverview (Moncton), E1B 4J8; Sun. 10, Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Stephane Maillet, ev., (506) 204-8365 (Office) (506) 872-3179 (H) (506) 988-0098 (C) Email: stephanemallet@rogers.com; moncton.churchofchrist@gmail.ca FB page: https://www.facebook.com/AddedMembersOfChurchOfChrist

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NEW YORK STATE

NIAGARA FALLS: 2011 Tennessee Ave., Niagara Falls, NY, 14305; Off (716)285-6534, Home (716) 297-6563; Sunday Bible study 10 am, worship 11 AM, Wed. 7 PM. Minister Eddie J. Cornelius; cell:716-478-5278, e-mail: niarafallscofc@aol.com; website: www.niagarafallscofc.com

NIAGARA FALLS: LaSalle church of Christ 1121 North Military Rd, Niagara Falls NY 14304 Phone: 716-283-1214; Sun. Bible Study 9:45 a.m., Worship 11:00 a.m., Wed. 7:00 p.m. Evangelist: Mark R. Dailey (716-754-2752) Email: minister@lasallechurchofchrist.org Website: lasallechurchofchrist.org

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA

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KENTVILLE: 177 Middle Dyke Rd. exit 12 off Hwy 101, Sun. 11, 10; Wed. 6; Box 26, B4N 3V9; Contact Jack Bearden; (902) 538-3329 or Ray Fisher rcfisherofmen@gmail.com www.live4jesus.ca

MILL VILLAGE: 3557 Indian Road Shubenacadie, NS B0N 2H0; Sunday Worship Times: Fellowship at 9:30 a.m., Bible class and Sunday school at 10 a.m.; Worship at 11 a.m. Tuesday night Bible study at 7 p.m. Ladies Bible study class at noon on Thursdays. 902-758-4252 (to leave a message at the church building), 902-758-2633 J. Mackey, natbrown@ns.sympatico.ca

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Ajax Church of Christ: 75 Centennial Road, Ajax, Ontario L1S-4L4, 2nd floor, Duffins Room Sunday School 10:00 am-10:45 am, Worship 11:00 am; Wednesday night Bible class in different brethren homes; Steve Chubry, Minister, ↗

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BARRIE: 345 Grove St. E. (at Cook), L4M 2R6; Sun. 10, 11, 6:30; Wed. 7:00; Tim Johnson, ev. 705-718-0017 (cell); email: minister@barriechurch.ca

BEAMSVILLE: 4900 John St., L0R 1B6; Bible Classes: 9:30 am, Worship: 10:30 am, Small groups meeting throughout the week; Don Smith, ev. 905-563-7655 (off); e-mail: beamsvillechurchofchrist@bellnet.ca website: www.beamsvillechurchofchrist.ca

BRAMALEA: 750 Clark Blvd., L6T 3Y2; (905) 792-2297; mail@bramaleacofc.ca; Sunday worship 10:00, Bible class 11:15; Adult Bible Study Thursday 1:30 pm, Kevin Hunter, ev. (905) 455-5796 (res); www.bramaleacofc.ca

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CHESLEY & AREA: Call for time and place of meetings. Padfield: 519-934-0441; David Vance: 519-507-5070; Ron Zavitz: 519-506-6952

COLLINGWOOD: 494 10th Street, Collingwood, Ontario L9Y 2H1; Email: churchofchrist@bmts.com; Phone 705-444-0010; Minister: Les Cramp, Phone 519-538-5184; Cell 519-375-0559; Sunday Study 10:00 a.m. & Worship 11 a.m.; Study Thursday 2 p.m.; Please join us for worship, Bible study or fellowship at any time.

CORNWALL: 105 3rd St W Cornwall, ON K6J 2N9 Mid-week study: Wednesday 7 pm Sunday Service: 10 am Bible Study/Children's Classes: 11 am Service website: churchofchristcornwall.ca ph: 613-933-1825; email: albojarski@hotmail.com Evangelist: Allen Bojarski Chairman: Jeremy Bojarski Treasurer: Mark Duperron

FENWICK: 765 Welland Ave.; Sun. 9:45, 11, 6:00; Wed. 7:30; P.O. Box 416, L0S 1C0; (905) 892-5661; email: cofcfenwick@gmail.com Website: www.fenwickchurchofchrist.ca

GRIMSBY: 164 Mountain Rd. Grimsby, Sun. Worship 10 am; Bible classes 11 am; Sun evening 7 pm, Wed. 7 pm; Box 181, L3M 4G3; (905) 945-3058 (off); George Mansfield, ev. (c) 905-401-3482; website: www.grimsbycofc.org

GUELPH: Sun. 10:00, 11:00, Wed. 7:00 evs. Johnathan Ledbetter (226) 343-0925 Jason Rollins (519) 760-4694 Call for meeting locations. www.GuelphChurchOfChrist.com

HAILEYBURY: Meeting in homes, usually Sundays at 4 PM but call to confirm place and time. Week day Bible studies by appointment, Mailing address: Box 702, POJ 1K0; Mike & Judy Tinney 705-672-9241 or e-mail: can@parolink.net

HAMILTON: Fennell Ave. Church of Christ, 321 East 27 Street (at Fennell), L8V 3G8; Sunday 10:00, 11:00, 6:00; Wednesday 7:00; (905) 385-5775 (off.); Randy Morrill, ev. email@churchofchristhamilton.com Chris Gardner, sec., (905) 388-9174; Website: www.churchofchristhamilton.com

NORTH HAMILTON: Sun. Bible Study, 9:30-10:30; Worship: 10:30-11:30; meetings at YMCA building, 79 James St. S. Wednesday Bible Study 6:30-7:30 For information re. place of meeting, please call 905-389-8308 c/o Joe Sandassie, 286 East 26th Street, Hamilton ON L8V 3E1; email: jrjwss@cogeco.ca

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

HUNTSVILLE: 36 Hilltop Dr., P1H 1C5 (off Hwy. 118N); 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, Ice Lake, ON); Mailing address: RR# 1, Site2, Box 3, 408A Robertson Rd., Gore Bay, Ontario POP 1H0; Sunday: classes 10 am, Worship 11 am; midweek - call for information: Bud Dearing 705 282-0406

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KINGSTON: 446 College St., K7L 4M7; Sunday worship 11 AM; (off) 613-546-5409

KITCHENER (Southwest): Sunday 10:30 AM, Williamsburg Community Centre, 1187 Fischer Hallman Road, Building 600, Suite 620, Kitchener, Ontario. Church phone: (519) 496-2286 Mail to: Southwest Kitchener church of Christ, 1187 Fischer Hallman Rd, PO Box 48035 Williamsburg RO, Kitchener, Ontario N2E 4H0.

LONDON: 186 Gammage Street, London ON N5Y 2B3; (519) 672-2426; Sun. Worship 10 AM, Contact: M. Pennington, 519-872-7629; Email: mpennington40@gmail.com; P. Fewster, 519-672-2426; Email: peter.fewster@gmail.com

MEAFORD: 113 Nelson St. W. N4L 1G3; Sunday School 9:45-10:30 a.m., Morning Worship 11:00 Sunday night: home locations will be posted on the web page each month; Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Kevin Cleary, ev.; (519) 538-1750; e-mail: meaford-cofc@brucetelecom.com website: <http://www.meafordcofc.ca/> Check website for monthly changes

MISSISSAUGA: Mail address: Mississauga Church of Christ; PO Box 42264; 128 Queen Street S., Mississauga ON L5M 5Z5; Place of Worship: McKinnon Public School, 3270 Tacc Drive, Mississauga ON L5M 0H3; Worship: 10:30-11:30 AM; Bible Class 9:30 to 10:15 AM; Contact name: Tony Lourenco; tlourenco@cogeco.ca; Bill Currie, 905-826-4816, Email: wjcurrie65@gmail.com Web address www.mississaugacofc.ca Email: mail@mississaugacofc.ca

NEW LISKEARD: 554 Helmer Pedersen Drive, New Liskeard; Sun. 9:30, 10:30; Wed. 7:00; Contacts: Jim Robertson, PO Box 1556, New Liskeard ON; POJ 1P0; (705) 647-5488, Email: ccstone65@hotmail.com

NEWMARKET: 230 Davis Dr., L3Y 2N4; Sunday worship 10 am, Bible classes 11:15 am; Wednesday, please call for time and location; Nathan Pickard, ev.; 905-895-6502 (off); email: pickardnathan@hotmail.com www.newmarketchurchofchrist.ca

NIAGARA FALLS: 3901 Dorchester Rd. N., L2J 3A8, (905) 356-3412 (turn E. on Thorold Stone Rd. from QEW and left on Dorchester Rd.); Sunday Worship 10:30 AM, Sunday School 11:30 AM Wed. 7:30 Adult & Children's classes; Darrin Douglas, (minister) 905-356-3412, darrin@niagaracoc.com; Bruce Boland (youth/involvement minister) 905-356-3412, bruce@niagaracoc.com; website: www.niagaracoc.com

NORTH BAY: 73 Gertrude St. E.; Box 745, P1B 8J8; Sun. 10:00; (705) 472-7040 (off.); email: church@northbaycoc.ca; Website: www.northbaycoc.ca

OMAGH: 9850 Britannia Road, Milton, ON L9E 0E4; 10, 11; website: www.omaghchurch.org, Mailing address: Harold Ellis, Sec., 7435 Twiss Rd., RR # 3, Campbellville, ON L0P 1B0

OSHAWA: Cedar Park Church of Christ 566 Simcoe St. N, Oshawa, L1G 4V3 Sun. 9:45, 11:00, 7; Thursday 7:00 pm; Church Phone. 905-434-1258 (Please leave a message) Santiago Molina, ev. 416-751-6879

OTTAWA (Riverview Park): 1515 Chomley Cres., K1G 0V9; Sun. Sunday School 10 am, Worship 11 am, 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm Robert MacRury, ev., 613-737-0701, Website: www.ottawachurchofchrist.com Ottawa church of Christ facebook

OTTAWA (West): The Olde Forge Community Resource Centre, 2730 Carling Avenue, Ottawa; Mailing Address: West Ottawa Church of Christ, c/o Bill Schlarb, 361 Viewmont Drive, Ottawa, ON, K2E 7R9; Sunday morning: 10 am. Bible study, 11 am; Worship service Contacts: Bill Schlarb, 613-224-8507; Bruce Veinot, 613-592-0291 email: westottawacofc@gmail.com, website: www.westottawacofc.ca

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

PETERBOROUGH: The Board Room, Parkway Place Mall, Landsdowne Street W.; Mailing address: c/o Bob and Carol Myers, 2567 Dummer-Asphodel, Norwood, ON K0L 2V0. Sunday 10 & 10:45; Wed. The Board Room, 7:00 pm, Bob Myers (705) 760-2661

PINE ORCHARD: 16716 Warden Ave (just south of Vivian Rd.) 3 km east of Newmarket; Sunday School 10 am except July/August, Worship 11 am; Mailing address: Judy Yaksich, Sec. S12125 Sideroad 17, RR #1, Sunderland, ON L0C 1H0; phone: (705) 357-1224 Email: jayaksich@yahoo.com

PORT COLBORNE: 700 Steele St., Port Colborne, ON L3K 4Z2; Sun. worship 10:00, SS 10:15, Adult SS 11:00; (905) 732-2465

REXDALE: Thistle Town Community Service Centre 925 Albion Rd, Etobicoke, ON Bible Class: 10:00 AM Worship: 11:00 AM Minister:Derrick Grant Contact: 416-893-2241 email: derrick.grant101@gmail.com

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 Wednesday 7 pm; Bob Jackson, 519-633-1123

SARNIA: 796 Errol Rd E N7V 2G7 Bible Study Sunday 9:30 am Worship 11:45 am Bible Study Wednesday 7 pm mailto: sarniachurchofchrist1@gmail.com phone (519) 339-1161

SAULT STE. MARIE (Pinehill): 132 Cunningham Road, P6B 1N4; (705)949-4988; Sunday 9:40 AM, 10:40 AM; call for Sunday P.m time; Wednesday 7 PM; Elders: P. Bailey (705) 256-6789), C. Whitfield (705) 254-6153

SELKIRK: 1/2 km n. of village 58 Erie St. N., Selkirk, On. N0A 1P0 Sun 10 & 11am. Wed.7:00pm.

SOUTH RIVER: Jaspar St. S.; off Ottawa St. W.; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7:00; Box 549, POA 1X0; Chris Nicholson, ev. (705) 384-5252

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STRATFORD: 478 Brunswick St.,N5A 3N6; Sunday Worship 10:00, Wednesday - various activities 7:00 pm, please call for details; Voice mail (519) 273-5280; Greg Toohy, ev. 519-635-5921; Contacts: John Brush (519) 625-1054; Charles Kippax (519) 539-6931

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TORONTO (Harding Ave.): 47 Harding Ave., M6M 3A3; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7; 416-244-9152; contact: Aikins Wiredo, 905-216-6896; Bernard Worloson, 416-742-8292; Twi service available last Sunday of the month, and Spanish Classes, Mondays 7:30 p.m., Santiago Molina (416) 751-6879.

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WATERLOO church of Christ: 470 Glenelm Cres., Waterloo, ON N2L 5C8; (519) 885-6330 (off); Sun, 9:30, 10:30, Wed 7:00 pm, Jamie Azzoparde, 519-885-6330, e-mail: Jazz.wcoc@gmail.com website: churchofchristwaterloo@gmail.com

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ESTEVAN: 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

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LLOYDMINSTER Church of Christ: 4702 56 Ave., Mailing Address: Box 88, Lloydminster, AB T9V 0X9; Sun. 10:00, 11:00; Mid-week in Homes, call for information; Off (780) 875-4056; Lee Patmore, ev.; res: (306) 825-2505; cell (306) 821-7446 e-mail: lee_patmore@me.com

MOOSE JAW: 901 James Street, Moose Jaw, SK S6H 3H5; (306) 693-4064 (off.); mjcc@sasktel.net Call for times of worship.

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