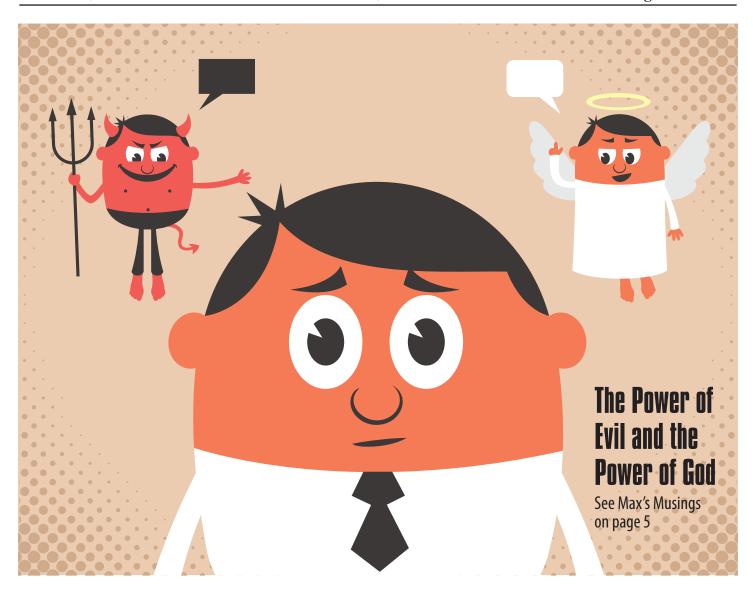


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## **Runaway Bride**

Shawn Redding/Don Hipwell

ost of us know what a runaway bride is. It is the bride who begins to have serious doubts about the marriage to the point she does not show up for her wedding. Many questions entered her mind. She panics and soon she is gone, often leaving the groom at the altar. What causes someone to do that? It may boil down to three questions.

First, it is a question of love. "Does he really love me?" Love is a complicated concept involving various emotions, feelings and thoughts. How

## Jesus loves me, but do I truly love Jesus.

does one know what is truly in the heart of another person? Perhaps, she considers the signs of his love; how he expresses his love for her. How does he treat her, speak to her, help her?

Another question might be one of support. "Will I need to work or can he and will he support me?" After all, when a couple wed, ties to parents are severed. Financial support that may have been provided by the parents are

now the husband's responsibility. If she was supporting herself, the question arises concerning family income. "What will the future hold?" "What will our lifestyle be like?"

A third thought concerns 'forever'. "He may love me now but will it last?" Adultery is rampant in our society. It is estimated 60% of married men have affairs. (RenewAmerica.com) The divorce rate in Canada, for first marriages, is 4 out of 10. (CBC.ca) "Will I have to go through a divorce with the pain, loneliness and emotions attached to it?" These may be some thoughts running through the bride's mind and next thing you know she bolts for the door.

Let's now consider the church situation. Have you ever taught someone, worked with them in explaining the necessity of becoming the bride of Christ (see 2 Cor 11:2; Eph 5:31-32; Rev 19:7-8; Rev 21:9) only to have them run away at the last moment? Perhaps the thoughts we have considered above concerning a young lady getting cold feet on her wedding day applies to some degree to those who run away from becoming a Christian.

Could it be a question of love? "Does Jesus/God really love me?" "I've done terrible things in my life, how can Jesus accept me?" Many do not love themselves and thus cannot believe God can love them.

All we can do is point out how Jesus expressed His love for us. Perhaps read Matthew 27 to get a feeling for the greatness of that love. Or look to Romans 5:6-8 which says, "For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die-but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." John described it this way, "Greater love has no one than this that someone lavs down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you" (Jn 15:13-14). And of course John 3:16-17, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him." We recognize a person's love for us by how that person expresses that love. God and Jesus could not have expressed it in any greater way. No doubt Jesus loves us!

Is it a matter of support? "Will God/ Jesus take care of me?" "Can this Jesus from so long ago and so far away see to my needs today?"

The question of support, of help was on the minds of the multitudes in Jesus' day. He answered this way, "I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?... if God so clothes

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the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe vou. O vou of little faith? Therefore do not be anxious..." (Matt 6:25, 30-31a). God knows our needs and Paul told the Philippian church "my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus" (Phil 4:19). Not only will He supply our needs but will go beyond... "Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think. according to the power at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen" (Eph 3:20-21). He is able to take care of us in more ways than we can imagine!

But, what about forever? Again, we can only point out how faithful God is. "Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, Your faithfulness to the clouds" (Ps 36:5). He keeps His promises. "Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom. You rule throughout all generations. The Lord always keeps His promises; He is gracious in all he does" (Ps 145:13). God has said, "I will

never leave you nor forsake you" (Heb 13:5b). And Paul stated, "For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Rom 8:38-39). Jesus is committed. He is in it for the long haul!

Marriage is a major decision in our lives and it is no wonder some get cold feet. A bigger decision is our union with Christ. Knowing what may be some thoughts going through the minds of people considering giving their life to Christ, may help us alleviate the concerns. It is a huge commitment to submit to Christ and besides the questions considered above we need to realize they have a flip side. One that every person considering a union with Jesus, the Christ, needs to think about seriously.

Jesus loves me, but do I truly love Jesus. Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments" (Jn 14:15). He is willing to take care of me, but am I willing to submit to Him? "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you" (Ja 4:7). I understand Jesus will be with me, but will I be faithful or am I just rocky soil? (Matt 13:20-21) Consider Peter's response when asked about leaving Jesus, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, and we have believed, and have come to know, that You are the Holy One of God" (Jn 6:68-69).

When we marry the focus of our life must change. Previously it was all about "me" but marriage changes that to "we". Our spouse must not only be considered in all we do but we need to put him/her first. That is what submission and love are all about. (See Eph 5:21-26) We make the necessary changes in our life to gain the love and companionship of our marriage partner. Such are the blessings of married life. How much greater are the blessings we enjoy when we give our life to Christ, in our union with Him?

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## EDMORIAL

#### Nehushtan

Wayne Turner



'hat was Nehushtan? If you have already answered this correctly, great. Perhaps you recognize the word but can't quite place it. Or, you may be completely puzzled by it. Regardless, Nehushtan represents something that offers an important lesson for us.

The story of Nehushtan begins in Number 21:4-9. The people of Israel are in the desert. Aaron had died. His priestly garments were placed on his son Eleazar by Moses. The people set out from Mount Hor, passing around Edom. They had grown impatient, speaking against God and complaining about Moses. "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? There is no bread! There is no water! And we detest this miserable food!" (v. 5)

God brought the people to repent by sending poisonous snakes into the camp. Those who were bitten by the snakes died. The people approached Moses and admitted their sin, and asked him to intercede on their behalf to God so the snakes would be taken away. God instructed Moses to make a snake and put it on a pole, so "anyone who is bitten can look at it and live." Moses did as instructed and made a bronze snake and put it up on a pole. (In John 3, Jesus will equate this serpent with himself with the idea of being lifted up on the cross.) As God had said, from that time on, those bitten by one of the snakes needed only to look at the serpent on the pole to live.

The next verse says that Israel moved on from that place. We would assume that meant that the crisis was over. It is unlikely that the snakes would have followed the people. So the threat and the need for the bronze serpent was gone. Some might imagine the serpent would have either been taken down and cast aside or that it was left hanging on the pole as Israel moved away. But that isn't what happened. Some might assume that the snake would have faded into obscurity until Jesus mentioned it again when talking to Nicodemus. However, there is another reference, in 2 Kings 18:1-4. Many centuries later, when Hezekiah became king at age 25, we find that the bronze snake still existed! It appears that the snake was in the temple area and people were burning incense to it. As Hezekiah destroyed the high places, sacred stones and Asherah poles, he also destroyed "the bronze snake which Moses had made." It is here referred to by the name Nehushtan, apparently related to the Hebrew words for bronze and serpent. Commentators are not sure whether this was the common name for it

or possibly a more derogatory term used by Hezekiah for the idea that is was merely a thing of bronze. What is most noteworthy, in the intervening time from the Exodus, it had been transported with Israel, had been set up, possibly in the temple and had become an object of veneration and devotion—seen as some magical totem!

Sometimes, we wonder why there are so few physical evidences of Biblical events. It seems like it would be so much easier to show people the accuracy of the Bible if we could, for example, show them the ruins of the Garden of Eden, the remains of the ark in the mountains of Ararat, the broken chariots of Pharaoh's army in the Red Sea, or some other tangible, unmistakeable evidence for unique Bible events. Yet, we understand that human nature would turn them into objects of worship. as it has created elaborate shrines throughout Palestine that would so obscure their value as evidence that they would lose their value and importance.

But perhaps the real point for us is the need to recognize and remove (even destroy) the "sacred cows" (the bronze snakes) that can interfere with accomplishing those things we need or what God really wants us to do. For example, most congregations have a way that they traditionally do things in their worship assemblies. From how the meeting room is arranged, where the pulpit and communion table are located, how the order of service is created. Do people sit in rows facing the front or is there a more semi-circular seating arrangement that allows the congregation to see face to face? (Some may have heard of smaller congregations who even sat in a circle

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#### The Power of Evil and the Power of God

The title of this article is the heading on Psalm 36 in the Interpreter's Bible Commentary. Addressed to the choirmaster of David, it features two sharply different values. Beginning with the word "transgression" the Psalm speaks to the wicked about what is not deep in his heart, "fear of God before his eyes". He speaks here of the deep unrestrained evil of the wicked, verses 1–4. The opposite is the endless goodness, mercy and grace of God, verses 5–9.

The Psalm begins, "Transgression speaks to the wicked deep in his heart; there is no fear of God before his eyes" (Psalm 36:1 ESV). The key word with which the Psalm begins is "transgression". Makes one think of the cartoon idea of the little devil sitting on one's shoulder, encouraging the negative (sinful) action. However, there is nothing funny about the idea of being "spoken to" by the evil one and being encouraged to sin. Thankfully the psalmist has reminded us of the fact that God has not left us without protection. "With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments! I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you" (Psalm 119:10-11 ESV).

The person being described in verses 1–4, is the one who refuses to be directed by the word of God, living his life according to the feelings of his evil heart. This is explained by "There is no fear of God before his eyes". No feelings of awe or respect of God leads one to ignore Him. In fact the writer goes on to point out that the person is so influenced by the evil one, "He plots trouble while on his bed; he sets himself in a way

that is not good; he does not reject evil" (Psalm 36:4 ESV).

There are comments from two commentaries I think are worthy of sharing with you here. "In word and deed he ceases to act wisely and do good, and the fever of wickedness so grows on him that even at night on his bed he gives himself no rest from plotting mischief. The end of listening to the whisperings of the demon is that the man loses all sense of what is right." (The Interpreter's Bible – Volume 4)

The writer contrasts the despair and darkness in the heart of men with the light of God's mercy...

The second is from the Layman's Bible Commentary - Volume 5: "The crux of the matter is that wicked people have no fear of the Lord. In this case, the root word for fear is less suggestive of fright than of anxiety or trepidation. Some people commit grievous injustices that apparently don't trigger any sense of dread or accountability to God. Instead, such people couch the severity of their sin with flattering and deceitful speech. They detect no reason to stop their evil actions, and the problem intensifies to the point where they can lie in bed and dream up new offenses to commit". The person being described here feels no obligation to submit himself to principled restraints. His arrogant pride and disregard of God prevents him from recognizing his failures. Spurgeon observed, "He who makes little of God makes much of himself". Solomon said it this way, "Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall" (Proverbs 16:18 ESV).

It has been well said, "None is so blind as he who will not see". The individual who is responsible for his own self-deception makes it impossible for him to be honest in making sound decisions. This is especially sad in view of the fact that they appear to have digressed from a relationship with God to one without Him, they have "ceased to act wisely and do good" (Psalm 36:3b ESV). The poet is right in writing, "Of all sad words of tongue or pen, the saddest are these, 'It might have been'". A thousand times sadder are the words, "I used to have" when they are used in reference to the walk with God.

Thankfully Psalm 36 does not end at verse 4. In verses 5–9 he turns his attention to the steadfast love of God. The dependability of God is as high as the sky, His righteousness is as firm as the mountains and His justice as deep as the ocean. The writer contrasts the despair and darkness in the heart of men with the light of God's mercy, reminding his readers of the covenant love, faithfulness, righteousness and justice that are the hallmark of our Creator God.

The ignorance, greed and abuse which is seen often in mankind can turn even a Garden of Eden into a wasteland. The believer rejoices in the conviction that God has made adequate provision for every need of humankind: physical, spiritual and emotional. The wonderful gift of God is His priceless, unfailing love guaranteed to all who put their trust in Him and seek to be a faithful part of His Kingdom first. (Matthew 6:33).

The writer reminds us of what is ours when in relationship with God. Remember, "How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings. They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights. For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light" (Psalm 36:7–9 ESV). The emphasis we should see here is not so much on the contrast with death as upon

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## **Fight Back With Joy**

(This article was adapted from a lesson presented to the Fenwick ladies' class by Mary Colyn. Some of her material was taken from *Fight Back With Joy* by Margaret Feinberg)

Tone of us can escape trials and sorrows in this world. Sometimes the most painful chapters in our lives are the most meaningful and provide the most growth. How can we fight back with joy through those difficult times? How can we live out joy in our lives when we face trials of many kinds?

Some of us have been in emotional pain, wanting to withdraw and hide from everyone. Some with constant physical pain or severe health issues which leave us with questions about our future. Some are grieving for a loved one or a lost relationship. Aging and financial constraints challenge others. Marriage breakdowns can be dev-

astating. Whatever our trial, we can fight back with joy. Joy reflects our progress as we grow closer to God.

Friends can help us experience the sense of joy. Paul's short epistle to Philemon reminds us of the importance of friendships. Philemon was a dear friend and fellow worker. Paul stated in this letter, "Your love has given me much joy and comfort, my brother, for your kindness has often refreshed the hearts of God's people" (Philemon 7 NLT). Paul had

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a friend who stood by him. Someone he could call on in a time of need. Someone who reminded him that he was deeply loved.

We need people who will reach out and hold our hands whenever we find ourselves walking in troubling times. People who are quick to put our hearts at ease and swift to remind us of how much we are loved. These are friends who refresh us deep down when we need it the most. When such a friend encourages us, one cannot help but experience the presence of joy.

The journey to joy begins with acceptance. For Paul, accepting his circumstances was the secret to being content with them. This freed him to give his attention to the opportunities presented to him rather than focus on what had been stripped away. "I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want" (Philippians 4:11b, 12).

We tend to resist unwanted circumstances. We try to pull away or simply deny the existence of our trials. Or worse yet, we may spin in the comparison trap of what our lives used to be. None of those lead to the contentment Paul described but rather handcuffs us to pain and unhealthy habits as it keeps our focus on the negative. Acceptance acknowledges our helplessness and requires us to put our focus on God.

Paul did not find contentment in bucking his circumstances but in surrendering control of them to God.

The journey to joy heads towards adaptation. Paul often faced difficult circumstances, such as imprisonment, but once he accepted his situation, he was able to adapt to it. That allowed him to rise above it because his circumstance did not master him. Paul could have given up and felt that he was useless in



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prison, instead, he adapts and he writes. No longer able to travel to visit congregations in person, he sends letters. Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians and Philemon were the fruit of his imprisonment. We rarely are able to choose what is subtracted from our lives, but we can choose how we respond and reorganize in order to move forward.

The journey to joy leads us to greater dependence on Christ. Paul told the Philippians, "I can do everything through him who gives me strength" (Philippians 4:13). If we stop after accepting and adapting, we leave out the most crucial element—dependence on Christ. Aging cannot be reversed, illnesses often compound, financial constraints are apt to tighten, relationships often cannot be repaired. We cannot go back and change the past, but whenever we turn to Jesus as our source of strength, we will be able to face the future with joy. We do not have to face limitations alone. It

is through Christ and with His aid that we are able to find joy in the midst of them. Walk in confidence knowing that God is our tower of strength, Jesus our advocate when we feel abandoned and the Holy Spirit our comforter when we feel crushed. The severity of our hardship only increases our opportunity to depend on God. Our weaknesses become ripe opportunities for His power to be displayed. How can we fight back with joy? How do we apply those principles? Here is a list of practical ways to fight life's battles with joy.

- Smile! Act better than vou feel. 1 Thessalonians 5:16
- Count Your Blessings! Give thanks for God's gifts. 1 Thessalonians 5:18

- FRIENDSHIPS! Have those with whom you are able to share your inner fears, temptations, and hurts. Proverbs 17:17
- Always Look to Jesus! Lean on Hebrews 12:2, 3
- through your tears. Romans 12:12
- Spend Time With God! Pray -Philippians 4:6. Study God's word - Psalm 119:111 & 114 Memorize Scripture - Psalm 19:8
- Guard Your Thinking! Focus on the positive, not the negative. Philippians 4:8
- Forgive Others! An unforgiving heart eats away our joy. Ephesians 4:32
- others turns us outward rather than inward. 2 Corinthians 1:3-5
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faith in God. 1 Corinthians 16:13

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"I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him. Then you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit."

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Romans 15:13 NLT

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with the leaders in the centre.) Is the Lord's Supper before or after the sermon? Is the collection taken right after the Lord's Supper ("separate and apart" as is often said to create a distinction) or at some other time? Is an invitation song used after the sermon or another way to respond identified? Does the congregation use hymnals, PowerPoint or a combination of both? How we do things may have once been determined on the basis of what was needed

> or most helpful. Though time may have erased the original circumstances or the understanding of the reason or need, the practice may have continued for so long that it has become untouchable and inviolable.

> At some point, after the Israelites were in the Promised Land, someone put up Nehushtan. They must have meant well. Perhaps it was as a symbol of God's providential care. Whatever the reason, however, it came to be associated with the worship of idols and an object of worship itself. Whether we realize it or not, we all have bronze serpents — things from our past which have lost their usefulness and purpose but which continue to influence our lives. What are the personal things we need to identify and eliminate?

#### **Fundamentalist**

Kevin Cleary

If you look up the word fundamental in the dictionary you find that it simply refers to that which is necessary core or basic. One could learn the fundamental elements of exercise or computers or writing. Fundamentalism based on the above definition would simply be an adherence to a set of core foundational or basic principles. That however is not at all what

the word fundamentalism or fundamentalist in 2015. Today the word usually refers to an individual who is committed to an extreme or literal approach to a particular religion. Most often the word is applied to Muslims, but it's often used of Christians as well. So what does it mean to be a Christian fundamentalist, where are they? What do they look like? And should I be worried?

For some time now the term fundamentalist/m was used by Christians themselves to describe a movement which wished to reaffirm and recommit to a set of core beliefs. These included the inspiration and infallibility of scripture, and the historicity of miraculous events in scripture including Jesus bodily resurrection. This movement was largely in response to liberal theology which attempted to invent a Christianity devoid of the miraculous (This is an oversimplification but this article is not the place for a full description of Liberal Theology). This kind of Christian fundamentalism has validity. In fact this author would agree with the Apostle Paul in saying that Christianity devoid of the miraculous would be a waste of time (I Cor 15:1219). However in some ways even this definition of fundamentalist/m is no longer helpful. Today the term fundamentalist is used as a curse or a byword as it describes those who's religious convictions make them dangerous and harmful, even scary.

One definition (the first on *bing*) says the word describes an approach to religion especially Islam or Protestant Christianity that upholds

If you're reading this and you're a Christian would you consider yourself a fundamentalist?

belief in the strict, literal interpretation of scripture. This definition is not far from the one above and for most people has a negative connotation. It is perceived as being antiquated restrictive and hateful toward certain segments of the population.



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Let's unpack the above definition just a little before you answer.

Notice the main defining characteristic is how you approach scripture (whatever holy book is under consideration). So, is it good to uphold a belief

in a strict literal interpretation of scripture? Maybe you're getting ready to say yes but hold on. Do you remember the books about Amelia Bedelia? She had a strict literal approach to language. When she stamped envelopes she put them on the ground and walked all over

> them. When she pitched a tent she threw it into the woods. Her sponge cake was made with actual sponges. I would suggest to you that even the most basic reader of scripture knows not to approach it this way. Rather we understand that the Bible like most books includes all kinds of figurative language which must be interpreted by the reader. So most Christians would not fall into the dictionary definition of a Fundamentalist.

> Let's go a step further now and ask; is it good and right to take scripture seriously, as if it's written by God to be understood and obeyed by men? The answer to that question (which is really what most people

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mean when they talk about a literal approach to scripture) is yes. If you believe that as I do maybe, you are a fundamentalist.

Before we go any further let's consider one more thing, what does a fundamentalist Christian look like? The way some people use the word you would think that a fundamentalist Christian is a religious crackpot who hates everyone, is anti-everything especially science and progress and who will probably be rude judgmental and mean. They will do all this while patting themselves on the back for being holier than everyone around them.

If this describes you, I want to let you know you are not a fundamentalist Christian, you're a hypocrite. A fundamentalist Christian (someone who upholds a strict literal interpretation of scripture) will be different but not in the way you may think. A fundamentalist Christian will love all people regardless of their race, gender, politics, socioeconomic status and even behavior (Matt 12:31). They will love even those who mistreat them don't like them or speak evil about them (Mat 5:38-48). They will

put others first seeking their best interest even at the cost of their own (Phil 2:3-5). They will live moral virtuous lives valuing honesty, purity, and integrity (Gal 5:19-24; 1 Cor 6:9-11). They will be hard working honest employees (Col 3:24). They will be faithful loving spouses (Eph 5:22-33). They will be good parents and respectful obedient children (Eph 6:1-4). They will be good neighbours locally and globally (Rom 12:18; Col 4:5-6). They will tell others about the Jesus they love and serve, which some people may find annoying, but it will be with a humbly loving attitude (Mat 10:32: 28:18-20). I don't know about you but that doesn't sound all that scary to me?

Maybe as Christians we need to be a little more fundamentalist. If you're not a Christian I would encourage you to spend a little time reading the Bible; Mathew, Mark, Luke, and John and ask yourself if you should be afraid of those who follow Jesus as you see what he actually did and taught. I hope the next time you hear the term fundamentalist applied to religion you'll remember that not all religions are

# 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

the same and someone who strictly follows Jesus is not someone to be worried about.

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#### **NEW BRUNSWICK**

St. John: At the end of April/start of May, I was asked to be the special guest speaker at an event called YAW weekend hosted by the Barrie church of Christ. The theme for the event was "On Fire for Christ." The weekend was a success and we left feeling very encouraged and refreshed in our faith. Thank you, Barrie congregation, for your hospitality! Shortly after our return, Chieh and I were informed that Sarah Whittaker and her two children, along with Fred and Linda Nelson would be moving to Edmonton, Alberta. This came as a big surprise but we are happy for them all and wish them well. They all will be able to attend one of two congregations in Edmonton and I have no doubt they will continue to stay faithful to the Lord. Sarah and her children leave for Edmonton on July 5 and Fred and Linda will be leaving sometime near the end of August. Please keep them in your prayers! As a result of these two families leaving, the congregation is down to four members. We are now looking into things to see if it is even possible for us to continue here in Saint John. There are some deciding factors which Chieh and I need to consider and think over. If we are unable to continue in Saint John, we will look for another congregation we can work with so that I could continue to serve the Lord in this way! Please pray that we can find some needed answers and use wisdom in deciding what to do. - Shawn Leblanc

#### **ONTARIO**

Beamsville: We greatly rejoice with the new life of the following students of GLCC who were baptized in June: Jane Hu, Paul Park, Peggie, Aria Sze, Daniel Wu, and Iris Xu. We also rejoice with the angels in heaven over the baptism of our own, Jewelee Horne, and Lynn and Dave MacKenzie's granddaughter, Molly MacKenzie.

**Bramalea:** Lee-Andrew Duncan from Trinidad placed membership with us on June 21, 2015. His mother, Gemma, is visiting in Canada until November. Glen Robins was guest speaker on July 19, 2015. The "Fishers of Men" workshop, hosted by the Mississauga congregation, was held at Bramalea on June 13 with over 120 in attendance. Speakers were Jay and Linda Manimtim; brother Manimtim also spoke to the Mississauga congregation on Sunday, June 14. The 7th annual Filipino Intercongregational Retreat at Camp Omagh was held June 26-28, with 144 individuals attending! Jay Manimtim, from Edmonton, was guest speaker; the theme was: "Let the Beauty of Jesus be Seen in Me." From all reports, the weekend was a blessing to those who participated in the weekend's events, including the entertaining talent show.

**Fenwick:** The 10th annual ladies. day was a great success. On May 30. eighty eight ladies representing fourteen congregations and the community came together to hear lessons presented by Lisa Johnson. Five men from Fenwick attended the men's day at Strathmore on June 6. Despite the rain, Harold and Eva MacDonald hosted their annual BBO on June 14. The church's give away was held on June 20. Many from the village found something they could use and \$250.30 was donated to "Help a Child Smile". After much thoughtful study and consideration, Sue Ostrosser was baptized into Christ on June 26. Shawn and Donna Redding hosted the first quarterly men's breakfast on June 27. Canada Day on Dandelion Acres was well attended, 130 people dropped in for the fun, food and fellowship.

**Tintern:** Aaron Maleare, Don Rose and Linda Smith leave with a group of eight teens to Misión Para Cristo in Nicaragua August 11 and will be returning on the 19. Your prayers for the team as they help Misión Para Cristo in their efforts and that they have safe travels to and from Nicaragua. Wow! We had 200 kids come to Bible Day Camp on the first day. It was a fantastic week. All kinds of pictures and videos are on Facebook. Thanks to all our helpers, they made a huge difference. Special thanks to our friends from the

Three Chopt Road Church of Christ. We are planning to join with the Beamsville congregation for Church in the Park at 10 am on Sunday, September 6 at Charles Daley Park. You are welcome to join us. Check out our Facebook page and our web page (www.tinternchurchofchrist.ca) to find out what is happening at Tintern.

Toronto (Bayview): On May 31 members at Bayview gathered for a special get together to wish Pavel and Minerva Hant "God speed" in their move to Austin, Texas. The Hants had made a new life for themselves and their daughter. Paula. after leaving Romania 19 years ago, and Bayview became their church family. We will miss them! Michael Hilborn retired from teaching in June after 27 productive years, with 15 of them at the Etobicoke School of the Arts and Helena Dhamko successfully completed her residency in internal medicine in June and is due to start her fellowship in haematology in Toronto in July. Congratulations are due to both Michael and Helena. May God bless them in their future pursuits.

Toronto (Strathmore Blvd): Strathmore is the host for the 2016 Training For Service meeting on March 25, 2016. We plan to have Aubrey Johnson from the Peachtree City congregation in Atlanta, Georgia, as the featured speaker and his wife, Lisa, will teach a ladies class. Plan to be here for an uplifting day. The annual Filipino Intercongregational Retreat at Camp Omagh was held June 26 - 28 and was a wonderful weekend of fellowship, worship and study on the theme "Let the Beauty of Jesus be seen..." Psalms 90:17. A number of brethren from the U.S., Ouebec, New Brunswick and Ontario attended. The retreat ended on a high note with the baptism of Maribel Baldovino who has been studying the Bible with a group and attending the worship at Strathmore for several months. Also, Elsie Tennix was welcomed into the Strathmore Family. She came to us as a result of the Key To The Kingdom program.

Windsor (West Side): We had a clothing giveaway & movie night July 23for the neighbourhood around the church building. On August 2 we had a bilingual worship service with guest speaker Jose Otoniel Fepulveda from Edmond Oklahoma.

**Mississauga Church of Christ change of location** Due to construction, we have to move to another school for the year September 2015 – August 2016. The new location starting September 6, 2015 is: 3325 Artesian Drive, Mississauga ON L5M 7J8. (Erin Mills Pkwy and 403)

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(BC news supplied by Barbara Lewis)

#### **ALBERTA**

Edmonton(northside): We rejoice with Jessica Pang in her recent baptism. Get Real: Romance and Love Lessons from the Bible for teens. Separate lessons for the boys and girls. This series began February 20 at the Manimtim home. Ladies night out was held at Heidi Logan's home. Fishers of Men Workshop was held February 28. Jay Manimtim taught the men and Linda Manimtim taught the ladies. Lesson titles were "Preparing and Planning", "Engaging" and "Delivering". Chris Banbury is teaching the teen class "The World Christ Entered". Alberta Spring Fellowship is April 3-5. Theme is: Wisdom: It's Thoughts "Psalms" and Actions "Proverbs". Guest speakers are Larry Moran of Henderson, TN and Chris Swinford of Lubbock, TX.

**Edmonton (southside):** We hosted a Winter Retreat March 13 – 15 themed "Be Strong...." Guest speaker is Mark Johnson of Washington, USA.

#### **BRITISH COLUMBIA**

Abbotsford (Central Valley): Burial and a service for the family of Gladys (Courage) Waite was held Feb. 7 at the Valley View Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Surrey. Sister Waite died on January 26 without pain in her 102nd year of life. Her memorial service took place on Friday, March 27 at 1:00 pm in the Burnaby church building. She leaves a daughter, Willodean Wedler, and two sons, Grant and Roy, grandchildren, great grandchildren and many friends.

**Burnaby:** The congregation was invited to rejoice with the new multi-colored church meeting at the Maranatha African Mission on Sunday afternoon as they celebrated their first baptism on January 25 when Grace Kimwimwe

put on her Lord in baptism. She is the daughter of Tchaka Kimwimwe, who is spear-heading this work with the goal of teaching, training and equipping members to improve their usefulness in God's Kingdom. The Sudanese studies on Saturday afternoons was re-started in mid-January by Kalahan Deng, and Richard Park resumed Korean meetings on Tuesday evenings. The Rey Yplayas invited all to lunch on Jan. 25 to celebrate their foster baby, Christina's, first birthday. It also celebrated her imminent transfer to join her sister in a permanent home. The Yplayas are also parents to several other foster children. The new address for Jim and Betty Johnson, who moved to the Calgary vicinity in January to be near their children and grandchildren is: #115—1,000 Glenhaven Wav. Cochrane, AB, T4C 1Y9.

**Delta:** Our congregation was relieved on Jan. 21 to learn of the safe arrival, complete with picture, of Jay Don and Mary Lee Rogers surrounded by friends, in Kiev, Ukraine. Jay Don was our preacher for 20 years prior to the call of this work with the Ukrainian Bible Institute fourteen years ago. His sermons (always more than just reports) are appreciated when he is able to visit us during their frequent returns.

Oakridge (Vancouver): The church received the sad news that the 11-vearold nephew of one of our members was to be moved to a hospice hospital after his parents were told there was no hope for his survival after the discovery of a large mass of blood in his brain that has kept him in a coma since mid-January. Other families were notified and planned to be present when the breathing device was removed the following day. However, when he was being questioned the evening before, Christopher responded with a slight movement, causing doctors to decide to wait awhile longer. A week later, a visitor reported that the boy had opened one eye and moved his leg while he was with him in the ICU unit. As of this writing, the child is still living, leading those concerned to believe it is through the power of prayer.

**Salmon Arm:** It takes brave men (and women) to go for the walk on the coldest night of the year, which, it has been decided, might have been on February 21, 2015. Walkers who made up the

contingent from our congregation and survived the chilly atmosphere found that it was a jovial occasion, and money was raised to help support various needs in our city.

Surrey: "For 12 weeks we advertised on the radio CISL--650AM. This radio program has been on the air for many years as realtor Tom Lucas looked for interested clients. He noticed our ad for the Bible correspondence courses in the 'Coffee News', a free locally distributed paper. He phoned the Surrey church, asking if we'd be interested in advertising on his program on Saturdays from 10-11 a.m. He offered to play our 30- second long spots four times during the hour. Our preacher, Ron Beckett (a one-time singer on a radio program with his brother, Doug,) was the perfect "voice" and wrote the spots for our church services, while Joann Simonson, (who puts the ads in the local news publication,) wrote those advertising the Bible correspondence courses offered. The contract was from November until January. Two of the ads have been placed on the correspondence website (www.correspondencecourse.webs.com) where they may be heard on either the "home page" or the "contact us" page." (Submitted by Joann Simonsen)

**Vernon:** Congregations in this part of B. C. were invited to join us on February 21 for a special "Relationships Workshop" Day. The program involved lectures from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. with a break for lunch.

#### **MANITOBA**

Winnipeg: Our Tree of Knowledge continues to grow. Congratulations to Heather Woods and Bella Daoust in level 1 and to Levi Tyndall, Mackenzie Arbuckle and Nora Tyndall in level 2. We held our annual International Dinner on February 14th.

#### **SASKATCHEWAN**

**Weyburn:** We are counting the days down as we plan and prepare for our 2015 VBS – August 17 - 21. The theme is "Hometown Nazareth: Where Jesus was a Kid". Beach Day and the movie were great ways to get our own kids together to learn about Jesus in John 21:1-14 and to reconnect with a handful of children and their parents from the community.



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**BIBLE INSTITUTE OF CENTRAL AMERICA:** Director George Hall is looking for an assistant director, as the school continues to grow. He reported a baptism in a barrel took place in Guatamala during one of their student's meetings in Amatitlan. There were a total of 85 baptisms and 64 restorations during this series. (Ed. Note: Brother Hall's phone number is (281) 252-4444, if you or someone you know is interested.

UKRAINE (KIEV): "We had 52 come to the graduation and dinner which was wonderful for the first graduation in Kiev. Of eight graduates, five were present and three who could not come due to being scattered all over the place. We also had one lady come to receive a certificate for completing the correspondence courses.... A few years ago the students

started saying a few words after they each received their diplomas. It was so emotionally moving that this has become a very special tradition each year. Without exception they all said UBI has made such a huge impact in their lives and just thanked us over and over for providing such a wonderful Institute where they can be immersed in God's word for two years. They all felt they truly learned how to love God and others as Jesus wants them. Our final term of the semester started the first week in May. Jay Don taught Galatians which he loves doing. Since our space is so small we have not been able to have ladies classes. The ladies are all begging me to restart them. I promised them we would start classes for them in August even if I have to have them in our apartment, which is a 20minute walk one way. On May 9 we went to Zaporizhzhya and Nikopol. Our student, Yuri, works in Zaporizhzhya and our graduate, Slavic, runs the

rehab center and preaches in Nikopol. They both had begged us to come to see their work and worship with them so we caught a train on Friday afternoon, May 8 at 2:pm and arrived in Zaporizhzhya a little after 9 p. m. It was a nicer, (clean) train and we got a lot of reading time in. When we arrived we were taken to an apartment which was o.k. except for the fact that when we turned on the light, cock roaches ran all over the place in the kitchen area. We first went to one of our graduate's apartment who is helping Slavic with his work at the church and rehab center. He, his wife and baby had to flee Donetsk and have moved into a one bedroom apartment with her grandmother. The three of them "live" in the living room which also serves as the bedroom for the three. The grandmother, who is 90, uses the one bedroom, She looked and acted amazingly well for such an age (very unusual for someone here). We visited with them a bit and then all went over to Slavic's apartment who so wanted us to see his wife and meet their new son. We had a great visit with them. They shared all about the work they are doing and how the church is growing with so many refugees. We went to the rented

building in Zaporizhzhya on Sunday. We met with this group a year ago when they had about 10 people meeting in Yuri's apartment. After the war started, many refugees fled here and they had grown to about 40 when we again visited last September. Because their apartment could not handle this many, we had paid for a rental building. When we got there, it was packed with people standing everywhere, even outside. There were over 80, so need a bigger place desperately!!! We can't afford more money for this, but if you--or if you know someone who could-- Yuri would so appreciate the help. He is doing an amazing job and we are so very happy about this work. He has two rooms filled with clothes, groceries, etc. to help refugees. His wife said people start lining up at 4:00 in the morning to receive the help they are so desperate for.... After lunch Yuri took us to the train station where we caught our train for the seven-hour trip back to Kiev.... We were exhausted, but also filled with the joy of what we had seen and experienced over the week- end." (Bits and pieces from a long report from the Rogers in Kiev.)

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VANUATUA: (Ed. Note: Tobey and

Kathy Huff accomplished guite a bit of restoration to the school, church buildings and several homes, including their own, after the storm-ravaged island was hit so hard in April before having to leave for the States to report to the VA for Tobey's medical problems to be checked. They have been with their son's family in Missouri since May.) "Kathy and I are at a loss for words at the outpouring of funds to help in the rebuilding after Cyclone Pam. The relief funds will be administered by a group of Christians there while we are gone, but I do not think much will be needed until August/September when the government will get tired of feeding everyone and cut back even more over those already made . That is when our help will be most needed. We have a lot of food set aside in one of our containers. As for rebuilding houses, most of the people build with bush wood with grass/coconut leaf mat roofs so they are waiting for

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vegetation to regrow. Before we left we went to the bank to get another account set up that we could transfer funds to the brethren, through a trusted friend, Goman, for relief expenses. We went to the bank 10 days before we left and were told "No problem--in a couple of days it will be ready". (This was after we had to produce our passports and work permits for verification even though we already have an account with them. WHAT????) Long story short, it was not ready and it was still not ready, even though we got the cards and password code the day we left. They were not active until I CALLED them the next banking day. We finally got them to call us and activated the accounts only to find out I could not access the online banking two days after that. SO another email to them and a call from them before we finally got it working, only four weeks after they said "no problem". Our plans are still to return home August 19th. In the meantime we are available (between VA appointments and medical appointments for Kathy) to come share with you. We are here in Joplin MO staying with Jason and his family. Thanking you all so much for your prayers and extra support for recovery. May God bless you richly as He has us." Onward and upward! Tobey(Excerpts from letter showing pictures of progress made before they left to restoration of school buildings and home, with details about VA medical problems and a description of a South Pacific disease they may both have contracted just prior to leaving Vanuatua.) Permanent Address: Jason Huff, 2730 East 24th St., Joplin 64804, (417) 396-9122 or j13huf@yahoo,com

JAPAN: Ishimomaki: The interns who served with the Strakers over the summer have now returned to their homes. Jonathan Straker continues his work on a Doctor of Ministry at Lipscomb University in Nashville, Tennessee, for the month of July. Mito: Riso Kato was recently baptized. Hiro Akahoshi preached his first full sermon at Mito church in June. In March the Mito church took up a special collection for Nepal disaster relief. Mito had several interns working with them this summer. Joel Osborne and Jonathan and Michiko Straker appreciate the love shown them by the continuing support of prayers and financial donations from individuals and congregations in North America. Tomobe: Prayers are requested for the recovery from heart problems of long-time missionary Marlin Ray.

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the quality of life that the Lord provides TODAY—life abundantly filled with genuine delights, not the false promises of Satan.

Having learned, hopefully, by our reading of the love of God for mankind and His provision for those who have honoured Him from the dawn of creation, we join the writer in his prayer, "Oh, continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your righteousness to the upright of heart!" (Psalm 36:10 ESV). May we

never be guilty of taking the blessings of God for granted nor may we ever think of them as small. It is exactly because of His steadfast love that we can have confidence in His promises.

While there remains the reality of the evil in our world, we can seek and expect the help of God like that which was asked for by the writer. "Let not the foot of arrogance come upon me, nor the hand of the wicked drive me away. There the evildoers lie fallen; they are thrust down, unable to rise" (Psalm 36:11–12 ESV).

## The Gospel Herald Congratulates the Gospel Advocate...

The *Gospel Advocate*, the longest running periodical in the churches of Christ, celebrated 160 years of service in July.

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The Gospel Advocate has been a family-owned business since its beginning. Owners include Tolbert Fanning, David Lipscomb, J.C. McQuiddy, and since 1990, the Neil W. Anderson family.

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## We Are Both Wrong

Thayer Salisbury

n June 25, a court in Kano, Nigeria sentenced nine people to death for "blasphemy." Their crime was stating that Sheikh Ibrahim Niasse, the leader of the Islamic sect of which they are members, was "bigger than Mohammed." That, the court ruled, is blasphemy punishable by death.

As the title of my article indicates, I intend to show that both this Islamic court and "we" are wrong about something. Unfortunately I can only present one side of this at a time. I will take on the court first, but please read to the end because the second half may have more application to your life than does the first.

The Islamic court is wrong because it is beyond illogical to criticize Christians for committing "shirk" ("the deification or worship of anyone or anything other than the singular God") and then call the criticism of Mohammed blasphemy. Either Mohammed is divine or he is not.

If Mohammed is divine then Islam also has the concept of God existing in multiple persons. If he is not divine, then what one says about him cannot be labeled "blasphemy" for by definition blasphemy is speaking against a divine being.

Muslims try to have it both ways. They want to be allowed to kill people for making an image of Mohammed, which implies that he is divine; they want to call speaking against him blasphemy, and even kill people for doing this; and yet they do not want to admit that in doing this they are treating Mohammed as a god.

To the court in Kano I say, "Make up your mind. Either declare Mohammed a god or let these people go. You cannot deny the divinity of Mohammed while calling what these people said blasphemy."

This hypocrisy about the status of Mohammed is a fundamental weakness of Islam. It may not be the way to begin a discussion with our Muslim neighbors, but it is a matter that will have to be dealt with sooner or later. Islam is contradictory about Mohammed. Either he is divine or he is not. Most Muslims deny that he is divine while acting as if he is. Such a contradiction between statement and behavior shows inconsistency at the very least.

They are wrong, but so are we. In keeping with the teaching of the scriptures, we claim to believe that Jesus is divine, but we often treat him with less respect than we show so many others.

Many of us are entertained by people taking his name in vain. Young men are taught to show respect for the singing of a national antheme by removing their hats. But they wear their hats while supposedly singing praises to our Lord. We prepare ourselves carefully for a wedding, a funeral, or a meeting with a VIP. But many of us enter worship unprepared week after week.

Muslims may be hypocritical for treating Mohammed as God while denying that he is one. We are hypocritical for treating Jesus disrespectfully while claiming to believe that he is divine.

Toledo, Ohio

## BOOKREVIEWS

When Shovels Break, Michael J. Shank, 424 pages, 2015, \$14.95 USD.

This book is a sequel to the author's earlier book, Muscle and a Shovel, which many of our readers shared with others and used effectively to influence friends and neighbours. We have known of some who purchased multiple copies and keep a supply on hand to share with enquirers.

Published by the author in March of this year, the narrative follows the lives of Michael and his wife as they slip back into a worldly life-style that appears even worse than that before their conversions. A true story, written in novel form, it will touch the hearts and lives of those who have failed to continue faithful or have fallen away and despair of God's mercy.

There are 52 short chapters. The early ones deal with the sordid details of their fall or slide as they spiral downwards into despair, to the extreme of considering suicide. Then we follow the circumstances of their lives as they return to fruitful service in the Lord's church.

There follows five chapters dealing with "Coming Back to God" and eight with "God's Plan of Prevention".

This book provides interesting and edifying reading for both those who are in despair because of failures and those who have continued in the faith.

Eugene C. Perry

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#### McWalter, Edna (Thompson)

Edna McWalter was born in Windsor, Ontario on August 11, 1929, to Arthur and Alice Thompson. She had three sisters, Mary, Ada and Shirlee and a brother Jack. She was called home to be with her Lord on Thursday June 25, 2015.

Edna was the loving mother of David of Waterloo, Carolyn (Jim) Curtis of Oldcastle, and Betty of Windsor. She had four grandchildren, Brandon, Kristen, Bradley and Kelly Curtis. She was predeceased by her beloved husband, Bob, in 2009 after almost fifty-seven years of marriage.

Edna was a lifelong member of the Church of Christ in Windsor. She loved the Lord and His Church. As her health declined these past few years she was no longer able to attend the services and she so missed that opportunity of fellowship with her church family. She loved the singing in the worship services with her favourite hymn being "How Great Thou Art."

A celebration service of Edna's life was held on June 29, 2015, at the Anderson Funeral Home in Windsor. Family members shared meaningful and touching remembrances of their mother. Granddaughter Kristen read Psalm 121. Jim Dawson and Wayne Parker conducted the service.

We mourn Edna's passing but we know that she is now with Her Lord.

- submitted by Wayne Parker

#### **Husband, Doris Mae**

Doris Mae Husband was born March 31, 1929, in Fairview, Montana and passed away at the Regina General Hospital on June 13, 2015.

She is survived by her five children; Donald & Loreen (Kroeker), Dauphin, MB; Cameron & Margaret (Limb), Wawota, SK; Miriam & Kenneth Kerr, Stockholm, SK; Ruth & Gordon Goldsmith, Moosehorn, MB and Mark & Christina (Starnes), Regina SK. Doris is also survived by her grandchildren and their families Heidi & Ryan Fowler, Rhys and Hudson, North Weyburn, SK; Maria & Konrad Neumann and Mika, Winnipeg, MB; Benjamin & Lisa Husband, Lethbridge, AB; James & Natasha Husband, Aaden, Aurora and Avery, Kennedy, SK; Rachel Husband & Clint Gottselig, Regina, SK;

Beth Ann & Dave Ruecker and Jasper, Regina, SK; Serena Kerr ,Stockholm, SK; Bana & Larissa Goldsmith, Saskatoon, SK; Thessalie & Aaron Yanke and Judy, Ashern, MB; Davin Husband & Aaron Husband, Regina, SK; and Ryan & Alicia Husband, Outlook, SK. She is also survived by the children of her second husband Richard Reynolds: Carolyn and John McMillan, Kenosee Lake, SK and Rick and Colleen Reynolds, Monroe, Washington and their children and grandchildren. Doris is also survived by her brother and sisters Don & Carol Lewis, Juanita Haven and Bonnie Buckallew, all of Kalispell, MT and Dorothy Long, Missoula, MT; as well as numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was predeceased by her first husband George Husband and her second husband Richard Reynolds.

George and Doris Husband met at Radville Christian College and after their marriage moved to the family farm west of Wawota where they spent 52 years mixed farming and raising their family. Doris had many interests during her life such as gardening, raising Arabian horses, Bed and Breakfast, singing, Women's Service Club (WCC), the Wawota Museum, the Wawota Thrift Store, Wheels and Saddles Horse Club and the Kitchen Utensils. Doris will be remembered for her adventurous spirit, her generosity and kindness, her big and loving heart and her overflowing hospitality to everyone who crossed her path.

Doris' legacy to her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren is her example of the importance of family and a strong faith, both of which she modelled to her family so powerfully during her life.

Donations may be made in Doris' name to Clearview Christian Camp, Box 396, Carlyle, SK, SOC 0R0.

 Information supplied by Eugene Perry

#### Robinson, Jean Elizabeth

Jean Robinson passed away peacefully surrounded by the love of her family at her son's home in Chatsworth on June 19, 2015. She was in her 88th year.

She was the dearly loved wife of the late Murray Robinson and loving mother of Allan Robinson and his wife Shawn of Owen Sound and David Robinson and his wife Debora of Chatsworth. She was the proud grandmother of eight grandchildren and sixteen great-grandchildren. Jean was the dear sister of three brothers and three sisters.

Jean was born in Gravenhurst on June 25, 1927, and was the second youngest of seven children. While there she attended Gravenhurst Central Public School and High School and was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church where she taught Sunday School. She was in the Explorer's Group of young girls from 9-12 years of age and was president of the Young People's Group. After high school she worked at a local bank for a period of time eventually leaving to work for an electrical company for two years

In September, 1947 Jean married Murray Robinson and in May of 1948 they moved to Owen Sound. Their first son, Allan, was born in August 1948 and their second son, David, in 1953. Since that time Jean worked at Walker's store for a year and then at Edward's of Canada for six years in the purchasing department. Last of all she worked at the G & M Hospital as an evening ward clerk on the surgical floor (2B).

Jean did volunteer work at Crafts of the World in St. Francis Place for five years and also delivered Meals On Wheels.

She loved going on several bus trips with a good friend of hers.

Jean attended the First Baptist church for several years then the Central United church and later, by listening to our church worship broadcast on our local radio station CFOS and through the invitation from a church member to attend worship, she attended worship with the church of Christ and after further teaching obeyed the gospel on January 14, 2009. Jean was our first convert through our church worship broadcast. While a resident of Kelso Villa retirement home in Owen Sound Jean attended worship services as long as her health permitted and then when it didn't she was faithful in partaking of the Lord's Supper when it was brought to her. She has been a faithful member of the Lord's church from the day of her conversion until the day of her passing. An opened Bible lay on her casket reminding us of her love to read God's word. She especially enjoyed Psalms 46 & Psalms 139.

When I think of Jean I am reminded of someone who faced much adversary in her life with such humility, kindness, love and forgiveness. She exemplified Christ in so many ways and is now at rest in Paradise with all those who have been faithful to God as well. We'll miss you Jean so much!!

- Submitted by Brian Thompson

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### **Intergenerational Faith**

## Keynote Speaker: Dale Hartman Pulpit Minister, Eastside Church of Christ Midwest City, Ok.

#### **October 16-18**

#### Hosted by the Weyburn, Saskatchewan Church of Christ

Friday, October 16

7:00 PM **Singing** 

7:30 **Keynote Address:** Faith – The Catalyst of Personal Conviction

Following Keynote – Coffee and cookies

Saturday, October 17

9:00 AM **Singing** (Auditorium)

9:30 Adult Class Sessions & Children's Activities

**Teen Class** 

10:30 **Keynote Address:** Faith: The Head and the Heart

**Children's Activities** 

11:30 **Lunch** 

1:30 PM Adult Class Sessions & Children's Activities

**Teen Class** 

2:30 Break

2:45 Class Sessions & Children's Activities

Teen Class Singing

3:45 **Singing** 4:30 **Supper** 

6:30 **Keynote Address:** Faith: The Hands

7:30 **Dessert and Fellowship** 

Sunday, October 18

9:30 AM **Keynote Address**: This is My Son

Tree of Knowledge Children's Classes

10:30 Worship

**Keynote Address**: Asaph – The Heritage of Faithfulness

#### **Saturday Adult Classes:**

- Vince Anderson, Winnipeg, Manitoba How to Continue Hope when Family Members Walk Away
- Chris Crooks, Great Falls, Montana –Growing Disciples from Those Who Grew up in the Church
- Blair Roberts It is More Blessed to Give than Receive
- Susan Roberts Being a Blessing
- Wayne Turner, Winnipeg, Manitoba Passing the Torch

Teen Class - Thomas Williams , Regina, studying at Harding

#### **DIRECTORY OF CHURCHES**

This listing includes most but not all of the churches of Christ in Canada along with a few in bordering states. Please help us to keep it useful by updating the information regularly. Listings are \$9.00 per year. The information, unless otherwise specified, is in the following order: Place of meeting; times of Bible Class, Worship and mid-week gatherings; mailing address if different from meeting place; (Post Office is at the beginning unless otherwise indicated); preacher; phone.

The Gospel Herald Publication exists to serve the non-instrumental Churches of Christ. The church directory is included as a service to the congregations. It should be understood that inclusion of a congregation in the church directory does not necessarily imply complete endorsement, by the editors, of all practices of those listed.

#### 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 NW of city; 13015 – 116 Avenue, T5M 3C9 Office 780.455, 1049; Fax 780.454.9545; Sun. 9:30 am Bible classes; 10:30 am Worship; Wed. 7:00 pm Bible Study CAREgroups at the building and in various homes (phone for locations and other times); Elders: Henri Bouchard, Walter Hreczuch; Evangelist: Larry Boswell, 780.270.6007 Web: edmontonchurchofchrist.org E-mail: church5@telus.net

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) 527-7311 (off) (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/rdcoc

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: stalbertcofc@hotmail.com, webpage: www.stalbertchurchofchrist.org

#### PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

ABBOTSFORD (Central Valley): Sun. 10, 11; Thur. 7 PM, Meeting at: Suite 200 - 2445 West Railway Street, Abbotsford, BC; Mailling address: #4 – 3292 Elmwood Dr.; V2S 6B2 Norm Weir, ev. 604-850-8670 (off); 859-5973 (res). If no answer 604-850-9001; email: normjen@shaw.ca

CAMPBELL RIVER: 226 Hilchey Road Campbell River, BC V9W 1P4; Contact: Office (250) 923-523; 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, 847 Wayne Road, Kelowna, V1X 1A4. 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, wjpeckett@shaw.ca

#### 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, VOK 1C1 Bordy Krogsgaard 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: 2460 Auto Rd. S.E.; Sunday 10:00; Call for times and locations of other meetings 250-833-0927; Mailing address: Box 51, V1E 4N2; Doug Kendig, and Gordon Parmenter, elders; Contact: Cliff Plummer ev.; website: sa4CHRIST.com

#### SOUTH BURNABY Church of Christ

(Metro Vancouver): 7485 Salisbury Ave., Burnaby BC VSE 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 Ververda, 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 108-800 Kelly Road, Suite 257, Victoria, BC, V9B 6J9; 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 SICOC@shaw.ca

#### PROVINCE OF MANITOBA

**BRANDON:** 943 7th St., R7A 3V1; Sun. 10:30; Midweek; call for location (204) 728-0957; Charles Muller, sec. 726-4723.

**CARMAN:** Main Street S.; Sun. 10, 1:15; Wed. 7 PM; Box 955, ROG 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, ROM 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: kennyd @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; Wayne Turner, ev. (204) 257-7926 (res); wayne@winnipegchurch.ca; Chad Celaire, youth min. (204) 284-6280 (res) chad@winnipegchurch.ca

#### PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK

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

SAINT JOHN: Carleton Community Centre, 82 Market Place, Saint John, NB, E2M 185; Mailing address: P.O. Box 23021, 407 Westmorland Drive, Saint John, NB, E2J 280, Worship 10:00 a.m., Bible study follows. Thursday night Bible study at 6:30 p.m., call for location. Contact Shawn Leblanc at (506) 832-5230 (Ev.) OR Fred Nelson at (506) 847-2802.

#### 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, evening 6 pm, Wed. 7 PM. Minister Eddie J. Cornelius; cell:716-478-5278, e-mail: niafallscofc@aol.com; website: www.niagarafallscofc.com

#### PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA

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

**KENTVILLE:** 177 Middle Dyke Rd. exit 12 off Hwy 101, Sun. 11, 10; Wed. 6; Box 26, B4N 3V9; Elders: Kevin Irvine, Jack Bearden; (902) 678-8881

MILL VILLAGE: 3557 Indian Road Shubenacadie, NS BON 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 115-414, 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, Residence 905-728-6125; Cell # 647-378-7231 e-mail: ajaxcoccentennialroad@gmail.com Personal e-mail steve.chubry@sympatico.ca

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BARRIE: 345 Grove St. E. (at Cook), L4M 2R6; Sun. 10, 11, 6:30; Wed. 7:00; 705-230-0513 (off.); Tim Johnson, ev. 705-718-0017 (cell); email: minister@barriechurch.ca

BEAMSVILLE: 4900 John St., LOR 1B6; Sunday 9 am Contemporary Worship, 10:00 am Bible Classes, 11 am Worship, 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 2:00 pm, Kevin Hunter, ev, (905) 455-5796 (res); Walter Straker, ev, (905) 789-1632 (res); www.bramaleacofc.ca

BRANTFORD: 267 North Park St., N3R 4L2; Sun. 10, 11, Mid-week, call for times; contact Curtis Thompson, 519-504-6185; email: Godlovesfaithfully@hotmail.com Mike Gray 905-387-5680, email: thegrays1@shaw.ca office (519) 759-6630

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: cchurchofchrist@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 Tues 2 p.m.; Please join us for worship, Bible study or fellowship at any time.

CORNWALL: 105 third St W, K6J 2N9; Sunday Bible Study 10 am, Service 11am; Mid-week study Wed 7 pm; Allen Bojarski: evangelist/secretary, ph: 613-933-1825; Joel Bojarski: chairman; Mark Duperron: treasurer, ph: 613-932-3701; Fax: 613-933-2464; Mail: 1702 Dover Road, Cornwall, ON, K6J 1W1; email: abojarski@cogeco.ca; website: www.home.cogeco.ca/~abojarski/index.html

FENWICK: 765 Welland Ave.; Sun. 9:45, 11, 6:00; Wed. 7:30; P.O. Box 416, LOS 100; (905) 892-5661; email: cofcfenwick@gmail.com
Website: www.fenwickchurchofchrist.ca

GRIMSBY: 63 Casablanca Blvd., south of Q.E. exit; Sun. Worship 10 am; Bible classes 11 am; Sun evening 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm; Box 181, L3M 4G3; (905) 945-3058 (off); George Mansfield, ev (h) 289-566-8963; website: www.grimsbycofc.org

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, P0J 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.); 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; Wednesday 7:00–8:00 pm, meetings at YMCA building, 79 James St. S. For information please call 905-389-8308 c/o Joe Sandassie, 286 East 26th Street, Hamilton ON L8V 3E1; email: rjwss@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 2M5. Other contacts: Ken Smith, (705) 789-8292

**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.

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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: 705-370-2908 or 705-377-4019

KENORA: 101 Norman Dr.; Sun. 10, 11; P.O. Box 2905, P9N 3X8; Phone 807-468-7523 Earle Rattai, ev., 807-548-2245; email: erattai@sympatico.ca

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 4HO.

LONDON: 1750 Huron St., N5V 3A2; (519) 455-6730; Sun. Worship 10 AM, Contact: M. Pennington, 519-872-7629; Email: pmpennington40@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 changess

MISSISSAUGA: Mail address: Mississauga Church of Christ; PO Box 42264; 128 Queen Street S., Mississauga ON L5M 5Z5; Place of Worship: 3325 Artesian Drive, Mississauga ON L5M 7J8 (Erin Mills Pkwy and 403) Worship: 10:30 – 11:45 AM; Bible Class 9:30 to 10:15 AM; Contact name: Tony Lourenco (905) 829-8312; tlourenco@cogeco.ca; Bill Currie, 905-826-4816, Email: wjc@7leaf.ca 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 1PO; (705) 647-5488, Email: ccstone65@hotmail.com

NEWMARKET: 230 Davis Dr.; Mailing address: Upper Canada Mall, Box 21581, Newmarket, L3Y 8J1; 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 L9T 7E8; 10, 11; website: www.omaghchurch.org, Jim Holston, ev., 905-875-2939; Mailing address: Harold Ellis, Sec., 7435 Twiss Rd., RR # 3, Campbellville, ON LOP 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, 2pm; 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 KOL 2VO. 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 LOC 1H0; phone: (705) 357-1224 Email: jayaksich@yahoo.ca

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

**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 Road E., N7V 2G7, Bible study, Sunday 9:30 am and 6:30 pm, Wednesday 7 pm. Worship Sunday 10:30 am. Email: info@sarniachurchofchrist.org Website: http://www.sarniachurchofchrist.org, phone (519) 339-1161 (off.) or (226) 886-3333

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

**SELKIRK:** 1/2 km n. of village, 58 Haldimand Road 53, Sun. 10 & 11. Wed. 7:00; PO Box 247, Selkirk, ON NOA 1P0; Michael Toby: 905-776-0015; medt@xplornet.com

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

STONEY CREEK: 105 King St. E., L8G 1L1; (905) 664-1130 (off.); Sun. 9:45, 11; Sun.; Brent Olson, minister, Robert Priestnall, sec.; email: emailus@sccoc.ca; website: www.patchworkinthecreek.com

**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 Toohey, ev, 519-635-5921; Contacts: John Brush (519) 625-1054; Charles Kippax (519) 539-6931

SUDBURY: 2663 Bancroft Dr. P3B 1T7: Sun. 10. 11. 6: Wed. 7 PM: 705-560-3964: Elders Wes Bailey, Don Stringer

SUNDRIDGE: Hwy. 124 N.; Sunday School 10:00; Worship 11:00; Wed 7:30; (705) 384-5214

THESSALON: 8 Albert St. off Hwy. 17; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7 PM; Mailing address: Rick Klazinga, sec, Randy Morritt, ev; Box 708, POR 1L0; 705-508-2049 (h); 705-842-3340 (0/F); email: randy.lois@eastlink.ca

**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 LOR 2CO; Worship at 9: 45a.m. with classes to follow; Sunday pm call for times and locations; Wed. 7:00 pm; Noel Walker ev., Aaron Maleare ev.; Vanessa Maleare, children's minister, (905) 563 6311 (off.)

TORONTO (Bayview Ave.): 1708 Bayview Ave., M4G 3C4 (1 block S. of Eglinton); Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; Michael Hilborn, mhilborn@rogers.com 63 Campbell Ave., M6P 3T9; (416) 489-7405 (office)

TORONTO (Scarborough): 2035 Kennedy Road, Toronto, Ontario M1T 3G2 DELTA Toronto East Hotel, (Leaside Suite) Kennedy & 401 East; Sunday Shool 10:15, Worship 11:15; Thurs, 7:00pm (in homes) (Mailing Address: 300 Borough Drive, P.O. Box 47011, Scarborough, Ontario M1P 4Z7)

Church Phone: 416-970-3835; Website: www.scarboroughchurchofchrist.com Devon Bennett, Minister, 905-686-2486,

Cell: 416-970-3835; Fax: 905-428-1579; email: devonben@gmail.com

TORONTO (Harding Ave.): 47 Harding Ave. M6M 3A3; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7; 416-244-9152; contact; Aikins Wiredu, 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.

TORONTO (Strathmore Blvd.): 346 Strathmore Blvd. M4C 1N3 (across from Coxwell subway station); 416-461-7406; Sun. 9:45, 11, 6; Wed. 7; Elders: Peter Dwomoh 416-462-3616; Stephen Gill 416-265-2496, Marvin Johnson 416-752-0325, Moises Velasco 905-591-0361, Jean Volcy 905-237-3312; Max Craddock, ev. 416-461- 7406, e-mail <maxc@strathmorecofc.ca>; Marlon Molina, ev., marlonm@strathmorecofc.ca; Fax 416-424-1850; Santiago Molina (Spanish) ev. 416-751-6879, website: www.strathmorecofc.ca

**VANDELEUR:** E. off Hwy #10 (2 km S. of Markdale) along Artemesia Township sideroad 10 7 km; Sun. 10, 11; lan Boyce, sec., PO Box 1196, 450 Countess Street S, Durham ON NOG 1R0; Phone 519-369-1731; Gordon Dennis, Box 274; Mount Forest, NOG 2L0; (519) 323-2424

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: www.waterloochurchofchrist.ca

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: westsidechurch@live.com

#### PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

MONTREAL: (English/French/Ashante): 785 Brault Ave, Verdun, QC, H4H 2B3, Sunday 10, 11, 6:30; Wednesday 7:00 (English) Ph 514-564-6780; Fax 514-564-6781, Email: churchofchristofgm@videotron.com, Website: churchofchristgreatermontreal@hotmail.ca

 $\textbf{MONTREAL:} \ (South-West \bullet English/French/Spanish):$ Ville Emard Church of Christ, 6259 Monk Blvd., Montreal, QC, H4E 3H8 (2 streets east of the Monk subway station, 10 minutes from Downtown); (514) 765-8919. Simultaneous electronic translation: Sunday 10, 11, Wed. 7; Website: www.vecoc. org; Roger Saumur, ev. (514) 602-5105; e-mail: rogersaumur@sympatico.ca

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

QUEBEC CITY: 2980 De Verteuil St (corner Jean-Noel St); Mailing address: PO Box 9041 STN Sainte-Foy, Quebec, QC G1V 4A8, Sunday School: 9:30 AM; Sunday worship: 10:30 AM (French); Wed. 7:00 PM (Phone in Summer) 418-651-3664 (of); Yvon Beaudoin, ev. 418-728-5240; email: vbeaudoin@oricom.ca: Roger Paradis. ev. 418-831-8690; email: rparadis1518@videotron.ca

#### PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

BENGOUGH: E. side Hwy. 34; Sun. 10:30, 11:15; Norman Kemp, Box 224 SOC 0K0; (306) 268-2062.

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

GRAVELBOURG: 300-2nd Ave. E., Box 507, S0H 1X0; Sun. 10:30; (306) 648-3435

KENOSEE VILLAGE: Moose Mountain Church of

Mailing address: PO Box 184, Kenosee Village, SK SOC 2SO; Sunday 10:00; Office (306) 577-2477 Mid-week: call Paul Moore (306) 575-0218 info@moosemountainchurch.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

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

REGINA (Northwest): 4400 4th Avenue Regina S4T 0H8 (in the Orr Centre) Sunday: 9:45am Classes: 11:15am Contact: Dr. Leslie Williams E-mail: lesliejawilliams@gmail.com

SASKATOON: Sunday, Worship 10 AM, Wed.7 PM: Phone for summer schedule; Office: 343-7922; Lead Minister: Mike Parker; Senior Minister: Bob Parker; Location & Mail: 134 Cardinal Cres. S7L 6H6; Fax: 343-1589; Bob Parker: stoonchurch@live.com and Mike Parker: mike@skchurch.ca

SWIFT CURRENT: Church of Christ, Box 1103, Swift Current, SK, S9H 3X3; Sun. 11; Susan Eidem, sec., 306-741-9925; (call for location of meetings)

**WEYBURN:** 1115 First Ave. NE (Hwy. 13E), S4H 0N2: Sun. 9:30, 10:30, 7: Wed. 6:30 p.m.: John Smith, ev. 306-842-6424 (off)

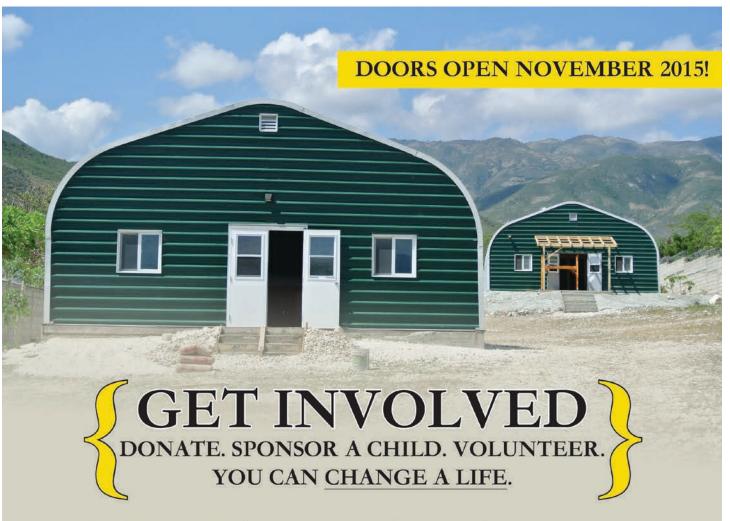
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