

# Gospel

For the promotion of  
NEW TESTAMENT CHRISTIANITY

# Herald

ISSN 0829-4666

Vol. 79, No. 2

TORONTO, ONTARIO

February 2014



## The Worship Assembly (see Editorial on page 4)



FROM:

**Gospel Herald Foundation**

Telephone: 416-461-7406 • FAX: 416-424-1850

5 Lankin Blvd., Toronto, ON M4J 4W7

[www.gospelherald.org](http://www.gospelherald.org)

# The 3 “R’s” of Resurrected People

Brian Thompson



**W**hen raised from the waters of baptism we were sinless in God’s sight. Wow, what a feeling that was!! All the sins of our past were forgiven and forgotten by God through the precious sacrifice and blood of His Son. But there’s more!! We were also raised to walk in newness of life, to be a new creature with a new purpose for our lives, right? Resurrected people (Christians) have been raised so that they will live and act like Christ the rest of their lifetime as they await His promised return. Then in that final resurrection they will experience, as promised by God—eternal life.

However, being a new creature the rest of our lifetime is not an easy walk and many will fall during it as the Israelites did in the wilderness. What did they stumble over? The same things many Christians stumble over today. Obeying God’s rules, getting along with one another and remaining faithful while wandering around in the wilderness all our life while seeking the Promised Land.

## Stumbling Blocks for Christians:

### — Rules —

There’s nothing more frustrating than to have to stop at every stoplight when trying to cross town. But try and break the rule of the stoplight and there will be consequences. Rules are in place so that society can operate and function properly and everyone is bound by the same rules. Likewise, in the church there are rules in place so that the Lord’s church functions effectively. Try to be the church without any rules and chaos is sure to follow. God’s rules exist so that the church remains holy and blessed by Him. To change His rules is to negate His blessings. However, when God’s rules prevent some from doing what they want to do then they often quit attending and start meeting with denominations that preach a “no rule” community mindset. Thinking that one can go to heaven without obeying God’s rules is the sort of thinking that God will simply not tolerate.

### — Relationships —

Jesus had difficulty getting along with many Jewish leaders. They frustrated and agitated Him greatly yet He never relinquished the task God set before Him. He even died for these people. Unfortunately many Christians

today give up their faith because they simply cannot and will not get along with their brethren. Leaving the church, they’ll even go so far as to attend denominations instead of worshipping with the church in other cities. Brethren, until we learn to love one another as Jesus loves us then relationships with our brethren will always be a stumbling block.

### — Running the Race —

The Christian race is a marathon. From the hour we became a Christian until we die we run a race that demands endurance, focus and discipline. It is a race we cannot run without God and one another. Yet many will never cross the finish line because the race will seem too long for them. Forty years was a long time for the Israelites to run around in the wilderness before entering the Promised Land. Our remaining committed to God, the truth and one another can be equally challenging for us today as well.

What God needs in 2014 is resurrected people who love obeying His rules, who sincerely love all of their brethren from their heart and who are willing to persevere when the road to eternal life seems weary and long.

Owen Sound, Ontario



## Grove Park HOME

*A Christian Ministry*

*Not for profit charitable Long-Term Care Facility,  
where you can make a difference  
now and for the future, remember us*

For information on how you can make a donation or leave a bequest in your will  
Call Linda Muszynski 705-627-2218  
705 726-1003 • fax 705 726-1076  
[www.grovetparkhome.on.ca](http://www.grovetparkhome.on.ca)



*Sharing is always more fun!*

*It's a piece of cake...  
as easy as 1 2 3!  
Make a gift in your will  
to help others...*

**NOTICE:**  
All materials for publication must be in the hands of the editors **by the tenth (10th) day of the month** preceding the date of issue. Date of issue is the first of each month.

# Reflexes

Les Cramp

One of the funniest things I have ever experienced was a doctor trying to check my reflexes. It was funny because I would anticipate when she was going to hit my knee and kick my foot a split second before the mallet hit my knee. I was trying not to. Honestly, I was trying my best. But I couldn't stop it. The doctor told me to look away and I still kicked my foot just before she hit me. Now, most doctors would have gotten upset about this foolishness and abandoned the process, but this one thought it was funny. She could tell the difference between the reflex action that she normally got by striking the reflex point and the action of a kick through a thought process. She knew the movement that I was doing was incited by a thought process but she was determined she was going to somehow get the right type of movement. She never did. Even when I covered both eyes with my hands I would still kick a split second before she struck my knee.

In life it seems that we have two motivators for our actions and reactions. One is an automatic action/reaction. One is a thought out action/reaction. The thought out action is fairly easy to explain. It is a process of taking certain facts into our thinking

process and massaging them, resulting in us taking an action prompted by what we decide to do, based on the evidence.

The automatic action/reaction, from a lay person's standpoint, often results before we have time to think about the facts or evidence.

But it also appears that our automatic reactions are usually consistent. When I see a snake, I run. I don't see a snake one time and run and the next time reach down and pet it and say, "nice snake." You all have automatic reactions/responses and they are amazingly consistent.

Why are our automatic reactions consistent? Because that is what we have programmed ourselves to do or be in the past? It is our pattern. It is our natural response to a specific kind of stimulus.

How does this relate to our lives as Christians? Well, we have automatic reactions to certain things in life. If those reactions are negative and we want to change them, we can't change them at the time we are challenged. We have to train ourselves ahead of time to avoid responding in a way that is not pleasing to God. In other words, through prayer and study and positive thinking we can change our very nature. Our automatic reactions are determined by our nature/attitude so to change our automatic

responses we have to first change our nature/attitude.

Scriptural support for this is found in Galatians 5:16-7 (ESV), "But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do." This basically says that we need to change to be guided by the Spirit of God rather than our earthly nature. When we make that change our automatic responses will also be consistently pleasing to God.

When we consider automatic reactions, our response to other people are often something learned in our childhood and played out consistently each time we encounter that type of person. I lived in a community that had a large percentage of one nationality of people. For generations, even Christians, had been taught and had subsequently taught their children that this ethnic group was less than desirable / acceptable. An automatic prejudice had arisen to the point that people did not even think they were prejudiced. They thought I was crazy when I suggested they might be prejudiced. It was so automatic they didn't even recognize it.

What automatic, negative responses do we have in our lives that need to be changed by hard systematic work, attitude adjustment, prayer and study of God's Word?

Collingwood, Ontario

## Gospel Herald

COLOUR

**We are producing the PDF version in colour on a trial basis**

- ◆ Gives some definition to the publication that may be appreciated
- ◆ Cost makes the colour production of a printed version impossible without a huge increase in the subscription price
- ◆ Any who would like to see the PDF version are invited to contact Max for a copy at [maxc@strathmorecofc.ca](mailto:maxc@strathmorecofc.ca)

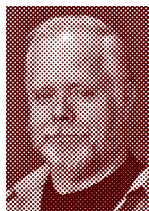
## Pictures and Reports

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 Worship Assembly

Wayne Turner



Often, when someone is “looking for a church” they are not really certain what they are seeking. It may be they want a certain style of worship: the enthusiasm of charismatics, the quiet reverence of Quakers, the formal liturgy of the Anglicans, the ritual of Catholicism, the musical productions or loud bands often associated with many evangelicals. They may want sermons that are formal homilies, self-help messages, simple devotions, commentaries on current events or deep expositions of scripture. They may wish for the comfort of familiar ritual and tradition, or ground breaking novelty and innovation. Similarly, many churches are looking for ways to attract and interact with non-attenders. These churches have retooled their services for the seekers, especially to attract the young, often alienating many in their older members in the process.

One of the challenges many churches face results from their lack of understanding of what they are trying to do. As they perpetuate the tradition of having a weekly “worship service” they don’t have a sense of what this is, what it is trying to accomplish and who it is primarily intended for. There are many assumptions about worship services, but not much information.

For example, search for the term “worship service” in the New Testament. Individually, the words will turn up. Together, they don’t. That’s interesting, don’t you think? Most congregations refer to their Sunday morning “worship service.” They put it on their signs, in their bulletin as part of their weekly schedule and on their webpages. But the expression, as such, is not found in the Bible. For a people who have described themselves with the expression, “where the Bible speaks, we speak—where the Bible is silent, we are silent,” is there not a strange disconnect in our terms between our regular weekly Sunday morning activity and the Bible? This is not suggesting that this activity should not happen on Sunday mornings (or whenever else in the day it might be scheduled). Rather, the question is if our terminology comes from religious history and tradition rather than scripture. Can this, at least in part, explain why many are confused and uncertain?

That Christians met together on Sundays is Biblical fact. From the apostles gathering in the room (without Judas or Thomas) on the day of the resurrection, to their meeting the following Sunday, the idea of a weekly gathering is clearly seen. Following Pentecost, the church is described as continuing in the teaching of the apostles, fellowship, breaking bread and prayer. Breaking bread can refer to eating a meal together or sharing in the Lord’s Supper.

Context helps discern which. Here it is included with the spiritual activities of the Jerusalem church. Luke says that Paul and his companions met together with the local church to “break bread.” In speaking of the abuse of the Lord’s Supper at Corinth, Paul implies that the Lord’s Supper is the reason they came together. The New Testament points to the church coming together as God’s family, to observe the Lord’s Supper, to teach one another and pray together. The Sunday meeting was for the church, thus it was referred to in Hebrews as the assembling of ourselves together.

Paul, writing to the Corinthians, identifies that non-Christians may be present, and that the manner in which Christians conduct their assembly should have an effect on the unbelievers. But the New Testament picture is that the assembly on Sundays was focused on the church. In 1 Corinthians 14, Paul addresses some of the problems at Corinth by saying that everything in the assembly should be done for edification—for teaching and building up the church. In other words, it is the church, the body of Christ, assembling as His people to worship together and to build up and strengthen its members. Some have well described this as “family time.” When a family gathers together, there is a very unique and special connection that is demonstrated, a unity and harmony that is affirmed. Is there anywhere in the New Testament where this time is used to reach out to or attract non-Christians?

The words used for this time, especially the word “church”, present this as an assembly. As the Jewish term “synagogue” conveyed the meaning of a gathering together, the word “church” also has the same meaning. In Ephesus, as the citizens begin to riot and assemble together, they are

*continued on page 10*

### GOSPEL HERALD

Published Monthly by the Gospel Herald Foundation, a non profit corporation, for the Promotion of New Testament Christianity  
— FOUNDED BY ROBERT SINCLAIR, 1936 —  
CO-EDITORS

Editorial Editor - Wayne Turner  
Theme Edition Editor - Paul Birston  
Managing Editor - Max Craddock

#### ASSOCIATE EDITORS

Edwin L. Broadus, Burlington, ON  
Eugene C. Perry, Beamsville, ON  
Barbara Lewis, Spokane, WA  
Walter Straker, Bramalea, ON  
Harold Bruggen, Welland, ON  
Geoffrey H. Ellis, Waterloo, ON

Marion Waugh, Edmonton, AB  
Tim Johnson, Barrie, ON  
Peter Morphy, Royal Oak, MI  
Don Hipwell, Fenwick, ON  
Virginia Hipwell, Fenwick, ON  
Kevin Cleary, Meaford, ON

Layout/Design - Stephen Gill

The inclusion of articles, advertisements and church directory listings does not in every case imply complete endorsement by the Editors of either source or content.

Send teaching articles to Wayne Turner, 45 Millfield Drive, Winnipeg, MB R2M 2N9  
(204) 257-7926 E-mail: <editorial@gospelherald.org>

Send advertising and subscription information to  
Max Craddock, 5 Lankin Blvd., Toronto, ON M4J 4W7  
Phone: 416-461-7406 Fax: 416-424-1850 E-mail: maxc@strathmorecfc.ca

**NOTICE—All materials for publication must be in the hands of the editors by the tenth (10) day of the month preceding the date of issue. Date of issue is the first of each month.**

Canadian Subscription \$16; \$28 for 2 years.; Widows & Gifts, \$15  
PDF version by email \$10.00

U.S. And Foreign Subscriptions \$23.00 CDN per year to cover higher postage  
“Publications Mail Agreement Number 4000 5401”

Indexed by Restoration Serials Index

We acknowledge the financial support of the Government of Canada through the Canada Periodical Fund of the Department of Canadian Heritage.

Canada

Return Undeliverable Address Blocks to: 5 Lankin Blvd., Toronto, ON M4J 4W7

Articles for this page or reactions to it should be sent to  
**Max Craddock, Editor**, 5 Lankin Blvd., Toronto, ON M4J 4W7,  
Phone (416) 461-7406, e-mail <maxc@strathmorecofc.ca>



## The Danger of Hypocrisy

Likely all of us know or have known individuals who are pretenders (hypocritical) in conduct. They may be people we only know in a casual sense or friends whose actions we overlook because we do not want to hurt their feelings by pointing out the fact that they are pretenders. For several years I was a pretender eight months of the year, on stage, as a member of the Scarborough Gilbert and Sullivan Society. I enjoyed dressing up and playing a role like the Earl Tolloller, a member of the House Of Lords in Iolanthe; Sir Richard Cholmondeley Lieutenant of the Tower Guards in Yeoman of the Guard; Pish-Tush, a Noble Lord in the Mikado and Ralph Rackstraw an able sailor in HMS Pinafore. And while I am sure I was very convincing in all these roles 😊 everyone knew I was playing a role.

Hypocrite is defined on [www.dictionary.com](http://www.dictionary.com) as "A person who pretends to have virtues, moral or religious beliefs, principles, etc., that he or she does not actually possess, especially a person whose actions belie stated beliefs...a person who feigns some desirable or publicly approved attitude, especially one whose private life, opinions, or statements belie his or her public statements".

In matters of godly living and holiness, we are often reminded of the problem of being a pretender. We are aware as well, that one who may be strong in faith and desire to please God, may sometimes become a pretender. This is seen in a very powerful way in the life of Peter. He was such a powerful proclaimer of the Lord's will and was given the privilege of welcoming the Gentiles into the

Kingdom. He was able to powerfully defend his actions (Acts 11) and show the brethren that his actions were in fulfillment of the Lord's plan.

Yet later we see a different Peter and should take his actions as a warning to us. "But when Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood condemned. For before certain men came from James, he was eating with the Gentiles; but when they came he drew back and separated himself, fearing the circumcision party. And the rest of the Jews acted hypocritically along with him, so that even Barnabas was led astray by their hypocrisy. But when I saw that their conduct was not in step with the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas before them all, 'If you, though a Jew, live like a Gentile and not like a Jew, how can you force the Gentiles to live like

Jews?'" (Galatians 2:11-14 ESV). Two things stand out in this event. First, even the strong can be weak sometimes. Pressure of concern for how he would be treated by some brothers led to his hypocritical action. Second, consider the power of example to destroy good in others, even those who are strong. Barnabas, the son of encouragement, was also influenced by Peter's example to do wrong.

One of the clearest condemnations of this sin is seen in Jesus' seven woes to the scribes and Pharisees in Matthew 23. These strong words of Jesus bring to light the real nature and destructive effects that come as a result of hypocritical actions, especially in those who are supposed to be leaders. This is a subject that is often spoken of in the Old Testament as the hypocritical priests and leaders are condemned because of the false nature of their teaching and even their actions in offering sacrifices. As Christians, we must always remember that the same hypocrisy, pride, externalism (excessive preoccupation with externals) and abuse of authority result in rejection by God.

Matthew 23 divides into three sections: **(1)** A description of the

*continued on page 9*



Church of Christ  
Development Company Ltd.  
Funding churches...building ministry  
in Canada since 1957

## Funding Churches... Building Ministry

### CCDC offers Capital loans with:

- 3 % interest rate for 2014
- Complete flexibility and open repayment terms
- Amortization lengths to suit your congregation's needs
- No fees for loan placement
- Maximum 4.25% interest rate for 5 year term

### CCDC Offers Project Support Funds that:

- Pay 4.5% annual interest
- Have a 5 year term with no penalties or fees for early withdrawal

Church of Christ Development Company Ltd., 8621-104 Street, Edmonton, Alberta T6E 4G6  
1-780-406-1045 info@churchdevelopment.ca

[www.churchdevelopment.ca](http://www.churchdevelopment.ca)



Articles for this page or reactions to it should be sent to Virginia Hipwell, at GHbywomen4women@aol.com

## Two Little Gadgets

From my usual spot at the kitchen table, I can see two similar gadgets. Hanging on the deck railing just outside to my right is a large round thermometer whose clock-like hand indicates the temperature outdoors. To the left, at the end of the hallway, is a much smaller round device which also registers air temperature, but this one does something more. It is a thermostat. Although they operate in similar ways, their purposes are very different. The thermometer merely reports the air temperature while the thermostat is designed to do something about it. Connected to a home's heating/cooling system, it controls the temperature by switching the furnace/AC on or off as needed. A thermostat influences. A thermometer is influenced.

People tend to be like one or the other of these gadgets. Some allow circumstances to control them while others temper their circumstances. Those men and women we consider to be heroes of faith were thermostats maintaining their faith in God no matter how hot the furnace or cold the prison. Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, were young men of nobility who witnessed the destruction of Jerusalem. Torn from home and family they were taken as prisoners to a foreign land and placed in the service of the conquering king where they spent three years being indoctrinated in pagan literature and learning. Despite all that, they remained steadfast in their service to God even

when facing death for doing so. (Daniel 1, 3, 6) Their actions caused both King Nebuchadnezzar (Daniel 3:29) and King Darius (Daniel 6:26) to acknowledge God. Those four men did not allow circumstances or the society in which they lived to control them. They remained faithful, overriding the pressure to conform. They were thermostats.

Both a thermometer and a thermostat are affected by temperature. The main difference between them is that a thermostat has connections. The thermometer can do nothing about the temperature. It can merely report it. By itself, the thermostat is also unable to change the temperature,

however, it is connected to a much more powerful device which is able to do so. When surroundings are unpleasant, the thermostat notifies the heating/cooling unit that help is needed. It is this device that actually moderates the temperature. Thus, a thermostat is only as effective as the power source to which it is connected. Daniel and his friends were able to stand their ground in the face of a fiery furnace and a lions' den because they served God Almighty, One who is more powerful than Babylonian kings or their idols. They knew their God was able to rescue them from all trials (Daniel 3:17).

Neither instrument can change the weather, but a thermostat can, if connected to a capable source, adjust the climate inside. Likewise, in our lives there are circumstances which we cannot control. We can only control what is inside and we do that by being connected to the same power source as Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego—our loving, Almighty God. Our instruction manual (the Bible) is filled with directions for keeping our hearts in the comfort zone—warmed with joy and cooled by the peace of God. Post Philippians 4:4-9 on your fridge or other handy spot. These few short verses are a six-step reference guide for optimal attitude settings.

**1. REJOICE:** "Rejoice in the Lord always." If we are in the Lord we have ample reason to rejoice regardless of the circumstances we face or problems we must cope with. "Even though the fig trees have no blossoms, and there are no grapes on the vines; even though the olive crop fails, and the fields lie empty and barren; even though the flocks die in the fields, and the cattle barns are empty, yet I will rejoice in the Lord! I will be joyful in the God of my salvation! The Sovereign Lord is my

**Not sure if your church insurance policy is giving you the coverage you need?**

With Brokerforce Insurance Inc. and the Sanctuary Plus product, you can be assured that your Church of Christ will receive the best insurance coverage at the most competitive premium. With over 45 years of experience, Brokerforce understands the unique needs of ministries and is dedicated to providing every church the highest quality protection at an affordable price.

*"I recommend Brokerforce to you. They will provide an excellent church insurance product for you just like they have for us at Strathmore Blvd. Church. We have not been disappointed in their Sanctuary Plus coverage nor their broker service."*  
-Max Craddock

Call or Visit for a Free Quote Today!

**BrokerForce** we work for you 1.800.263.9870 [www.brokerforce.ca](http://www.brokerforce.ca) **SANCTUARY PLUS**

strength! He makes me as surefooted as a deer, able to tread upon the heights” (Habakkuk 3:17–19 NLT). “And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us” (Romans 5:3–5 NIV 1984).

**2. RELINQUISH:** “Do not be anxious about anything.” Place all your cares in the capable hands of our loving Father. “Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you” (1 Peter 5:7 NLT). “Give your burdens to the Lord, and he will take care of you. He will not permit the godly to slip and fall” (Psalm 55:22 NLT).

**3. REQUEST:** “but in everything, by prayer and petition...present your requests to God.” God has the power to see us through every storm that comes our way. “This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him” (1 John 5:14, 15 NIV 1984). “Are any of you suffering hardships? You should pray” (James 5:13a NLT). “The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power

and produces wonderful results” (James 5:16b NLT).

**4. RESPOND:** “...with thanksgiving...” An attitude of gratitude lifts our spirits as it focuses us on our blessings rather than our burdens. “Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God’s will for you who belong to Christ Jesus” (1 Thessalonians 5:18 NLT). “Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of men! For he satisfies the longing soul, and the hungry soul he fills with good things” (Psalm 107:8, 9 ESV). “Since we are receiving a Kingdom that is unshakable, let us be thankful and please God by worshipping him with holy fear and awe” (Hebrews 12:28 NLT).

**5. REFLECT:** “whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.” The world is powerless to overcome us if our minds are filled with godliness. “To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace” (Romans 8:6 ESV). “Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the

right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things” (Colossians 3:1, 2 NIV 1984).

**6. REPEAT:** “Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice.” Knowledge is useless unless we use it. “...I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received” (Ephesians 4:1 NIV 1984). “Join with others in following my [Paul’s] example, brothers, and take note of those who live according to the pattern we gave you” (Philippians 3:17 NIV 1984). “Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ” (1 Corinthians 11:1 NIV 1984).

A wonderful promise of inner climate control is given in these verses: “And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.—And the God of peace will be with you” (Philippians 4:7 and end of verse 9).

Don’t let circumstances control you as they do a thermometer. Be a thermostat. Rely on Jesus. “I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world” (John 16:33 NIV 1984).

## The ICE LAKE

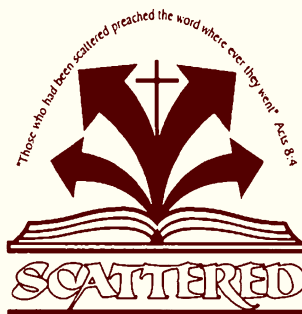
Congregation of the Church of Christ is seeking to hire a Biblically sound preacher. We own our building and church house.

To those wishing more information please respond to:

**Ice Lake Church of Christ  
408B Robertson Rd., R.R. #1,  
Site # 2, Box # 3**

**Gore Bay, Ontario P0P 1H0**  
Or via email to

**Ian@IWSWoodProducts.com**



*William H. Bunting*  
1607 Loving Trail Belton Texas 76513  
scatterministry@mail.com

Are you a small isolated congregation of the Lord’s people without an evangelist?

Would you like to be able to share the gospel in one-on-one Bible studies via a DVD?

Do you have shut-ins and loved ones in nursing homes that can no longer attend worship service?

If you have answered “YES” to any of the above questions then the “Scatter Ministry” is for YOU!

We are mailing (at no charge) to you Bible lessons on DVD’s throughout Canada, the USA and internationally to now over 90 locations!

We would love to partner with you in sharing the gospel in your area. Please contact us at the above email address if we can be of service to you or if you know of someone that would like to be added to the mailing list!

We praise God for His continual blessings on this ministry.

# ALWAYS IN SEASON

For reactions to or questions about this page, contact **Kevin Cleary** at [clearkevin@gmail.com](mailto:clearkevin@gmail.com) or at [alwaysinseasonblog.wordpress.com](http://alwaysinseasonblog.wordpress.com) or [www.facebook.com/theseasonforscripture](http://www.facebook.com/theseasonforscripture)



## Always In Season

**O**f all the natural things that I enjoy, and there are many, my favorite may be fresh peaches. I often marvel that something so delicious could come from nature. We don't cover it in sprinkles or add high fructose corn syrup or deep fry it in fat (all those things do make stuff taste really good though). You just take a perfectly ripe peach and bite into that juicy goodness. Here's the problem: peaches are only in season for a few weeks and for some of that time are not perfect. If you get the really early ones they can still be green and hard or the really late ones can have a weird texture. Peaches need to be in Season. Right now we are in a different season. Red Prince Apples are coming out of storage at Binkley's and I enjoy them too (although not quite as much as peaches). Again, though, there is a limited season. Wouldn't it be great if you could get fresh perfect peaches all year long? I for one would love it. However, remember that fruits are not the only thing that can go out of season.

Ideas, values, morals, trends and traditions also come and go. I can

remember wearing a dress shirt with an Asian collar when I was in high school. I can even remember guys wearing pink shirts and thin leather ties. These things are very much out of season. No one likes them anymore. Just as cultural norms come and go there are times when Biblical truth is popular and times when it's not. This may be on a large scale when a whole society chooses to turn away from God, His word and His standards. I would like to suggest this may also be situational and contextual. When a young couple are dating, they may not want to be reminded of God's sexual ethic. The student cheating on an exam probably doesn't want to hear the truth about honesty. When we're over spending, we don't want to hear about stewardship. We could go on but the point is clear enough. Sometimes the word of God is out of season on a large scale, sometimes it's just out of season for one person or one congregation.

There are a couple of things I want to say about this. The first is to remind all of us, and especially the preachers and teachers out there,

that we have a mandate from God to "Preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove rebuke and exhort with complete patience and teaching" (2 Timothy 4:2). I love the explanation given to this verse that says "this verse means you have to preach the word when people want to hear it and when they don't." This admonition is as true today as it was when Paul wrote it to Timothy.

I would like to take this idea one step further. What if we made a commitment, a promise to ourselves and to God, that for us the word of God will always be in season? We will apply it to all situations even the ones we wish we could ignore. We will examine all subjects in the light of God's word even if we're uncomfortable with what it calls us to do, teach or believe. Ezekiel was told to eat the scroll and even though it had words of warning and lamentation, he described it being as sweet as honey (Ezekiel 2:9-3:3). For those who love God, who have given their lives to Him, His word is always in season always as sweet as honey. Because God's word never ages or spoils, it's as powerful today as it has ever been. It can refresh and renew our lives today as well as it did when first spoken. It's not the truth from God that changes but our hearts that determine how palatable it will be for us. So as far as I'm concerned the truth is always in season.

It is with these thoughts that I would like to start this page. Here you will find all kinds of subjects and situations considered. My commitment is that they will be considered in the light of the Truth from God revealed in scripture. God's word is comforting, empowering, inspiring, challenging, uncomfortable, life changing and Always In Season.

### The Saskatoon Church of Christ

is searching for a **full time Youth/Young Adults minister** to lead our teens and college age adults.

There will also be an outreach aspect to this position.

For more information about our congregation go to [www.skchurch.ca](http://www.skchurch.ca)

If you are interested in this position or would like more information, please contact us at [youthminister@saskatoonchurchofchrist.org](mailto:youthminister@saskatoonchurchofchrist.org)



practices of Israel's leaders and a warning to Jesus' followers—vv. 1–12. **(2)** A series of woes castigating the religious leaders—vv. 13–36. **(3)** A lament over the city of Jerusalem—vv. 37–39

This passage begins with a description of the nature and attitude of many of the scribes and Pharisees. Notice, He is speaking to both the crowds who have gathered, but also to His disciples. “Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples...” (Matthew 23:1 ESV). He says, “The scribes and the Pharisees sit on Moses' seat, so do and observe whatever they tell you, but not the works they do. For they preach, but do not practice. They tie up heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on people's shoulders, but they themselves are not willing to move them with their finger. They do all their deeds to be seen by others. For they make their phylacteries broad and their fringes long, and they love the place of honor at feasts and the best seats in the synagogues and greetings in the marketplaces and being called rabbi by others. But you are not to be called rabbi, for you have one teacher, and you are all brothers. And call no man your father on earth, for you have one Father, who is in heaven. Neither be called instructors, for you have one instructor, the Christ. The greatest among you shall be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted” (Matthew 23:2-12 ESV). His description leans very much to a worldly view of what is important rather than a godly view.

He expands on these first words by describing more clearly their day to day actions and underlines the fact that they are more concerned about how they “appear” to people than where they are spiritually. In the ESV, Matthew 23:13–36, as Jesus is speaking of the scribes and Pharisees, He calls them hypocrites six times; fools one time; blind guides

two times; serpents/vipers one time. Wow!! Very strong words.

Consider some of the statements He makes to them: **1.** you shut the kingdom of heaven in people's faces; **2.** make a single proselyte, and when he becomes a proselyte, you make him twice as much a child of hell as yourselves; **3.** you clean the outside of the cup and the plate, but inside you are full of greed and self-indulgence; **4.** you are like whitewashed tombs, which outwardly appear beautiful, but within are full of dead people's bones and all uncleanness... Strong words showing the seriousness of hypocritical conduct in the life of those who are supposed to be a light

---

***The continual challenge for those who desire to be faithful in their relationship with the Lord is to understand that the glory comes as a result of humble, faithful service.***

---

for the Lord. “In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven” (Matthew 5:16 ESV).

Who are those who are to be a light for the Lord? Oh, yes, that is you and I who have come to the knowledge of Jesus Christ and have been born into the Kingdom through the death and burial of the old spiritual self and the resurrection of the new person in Jesus (Romans 6:1–4). However, we must remember that we too can be guilty of the same type of sins that are condemned by Jesus in the scribes and Pharisees. Remember...

Jesus is critical of any form of religiousness that seeks human recognition for religious practice. The Pharisees loved to call attention to their acts of “religious service” as noted in Matthew 6:1–19, Also in wearing their phylacteries broad, their fringes long, their love of the place of honor at feasts, the best seats in the synagogues and being called rabbi by others (Matthew 23:5–7 ESV). As noted above, we are to “let our light shine” but remember this is different from “shining our light”! The

idea of Matthew 5:16 is that in living a godly life before those who know we are Christians will bring glory to God since they know of our relationship to Him through Jesus Christ.

This living is not done to bring glory from man but to show others the joy of living in Christ. The whole attitude of this light shining is suggested by Jesus in His comments to the scribes and Pharisees in light of their desire for praise because, in their view, they were special in their service to God. Jesus explains there is no place for pride since, “The greatest among you shall be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted” (Matthew 23:11–12 ESV).

The continual challenge for those who desire to be faithful in their relationship with the Lord is to understand that the glory comes as a result of humble, faithful service. Jesus said, “...But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many” (Matthew 20:26-28 ESV). Further to this challenge may be that we remember we can also easily fall into the sin of the scribes and Pharisees, that of pride.

The story is told of a fellow who showed himself to be a wonderful humble servant and, in an effort to thank and encourage him, he was given a plaque honouring him for his example of humility. Then later they took it away because he hung it on the wall to be seen by any who came into his home! Perhaps the greatest lesson to be learned from the scribes and Pharisees is that seeking the praise of men is diametrically opposed to the spirit of Christianity.

“Lord, help me to grow in the spirit of humility and rejoice in sharing in fellowship with You and Your Church to complete the service for which we have been called” Amen.

by Don Hipwell and Harold Bruggen  
Church of Christ, Box 416  
Fenwick, ON L0S 1C0  
Email: donhipwell@aol.com  
or Harold Bruggen at hbruggen@gmail.com

### ONTARIO

**Beamsville:** Beginning January 2, the men of our congregation are invited to meet at Relay Restaurant at 7:00 am for breakfast and prayer each Thursday morning.

**Bramalea:** Hans Boadu, age 26, was baptized into Christ on December 15, by Walter Straker. While visiting Canada, Angela Serpe of Rome, Italy, was also immersed on January 3, 2014, by her cousin, Angelo Aiello, of Woodbridge. Clifford Wright, a 101-year-old brother, who was baptized at Bramalea church of Christ on July 18, 2010, died on January 15 and his funeral was January 24. He has a living brother who was 102 in September. Happy New Year! Fourteen members braved the cold on New Years Eve to welcome in 2014. A new day time weekly adult Bible class, entitled: "The Purpose and Value of Written Covenants," taught by David McPherson, began on Thursday, January 9, with 15 in attendance. Ladies' prayer group continues to meet every first Sunday of the month at 9 a.m. Life groups also continue.

**Fenwick:** Tom Boldt of Welland was baptized into Christ on Sunday, December 22. He is presently worshipping with the Port Colborne brethren. Jack Leadley was baptized and added to the congregation at Fenwick on Sunday, January 12. In an attempt to reach the families in the village, the church building was opened on Friday evening, January 17, for a family game night. This will be tried once a month. Guest speaker, Lee Burgess, delivered a lesson on Sunday evening, December 22. December's fifth Sunday contribution was earmarked for relief to the Philippines. The contribution totalled \$3100. A Dynamic Deacons Seminar with Aubrey Johnson is scheduled for April 11-12. This is a special men's day (for all men) so watch the Gospel Herald for further ads and information.

**Port Colborne:** We are praising God for a new brother in Christ! We welcome Tom Boldt to God's family that meets in Port Colborne. We, along with our brother Don Cole, are mourning the loss of our sister in Christ, and Don's wife, Dorothy L. Cole. Dorothy was welcomed into God's open arms on December 30, 2013.

**Toronto (Bayview):** About thirty-five women from Strathmore and Bayview gathered at the Bayview building on Saturday, December 14, for our ladies' class. We were encouraged by the large turn-out despite the snowy weather. Ruth Etienne from Strathmore was the featured speaker. She dealt with the topic of priorities, using the resource, *Keeping Your Balance*, by Nancy Eichman. Ruth admonished us to teach our younger women because we alone are

charged with this responsibility. Ruth's talk was followed by a holiday buffet enjoyed by all. A contribution to the Daily Bread Food Bank was made via Bayview by the women of the congregation.

**Toronto (Strathmore Blvd.):** As has become an annual event, many were at the church building to see the old year out and the new in. An enjoyable time of fellowship, gamesmanship and food was followed by singing and devotional to see 2014 arrive. The 2014 theme was announced, "Listening to hear the Word of the Lord" - Jeremiah 7:2. The theme reminds us of the importance of hearing and following the Lord's direction for life. Calvin Ossai, from Nigeria, who is attending the U of T for the next year or two was welcomed to the Strathmore family.

**Waterloo:** We are praising the Lord for a new brother and sister in Christ! Alex Cuaresma put on his Lord in baptism Sunday, December 8, 2013, and Autumn Allenden was baptized December 15, 2013!

**Windsor (West Side):** We had a guest speaker on December 29, 2013: Dr. Keith Huey of Rochester College. We began a sermon series in January of 2014 focusing on "Heaven: a Beautiful Place we Read About."

*Editorial... continued from page 4*

referred to as an *ekklesia*, the Greek word often translated as church.

Biblically, our Sunday morning assembly is not focused on attracting non-members. It is a time for us to meet together—to teach and build one another up, to remember Jesus through the Lord's Supper, to sing (teach and admonish one another—not entertain), pray, etc. It is "one another" time. Visitors are always welcome, but this time is not primarily for them. It is for the church. Our thought should be how we can best serve the body, not how we can draw visitors. Given this concept, does it not seem contradictory for churches to initiate things that alienate and estrange members so they can attract more visitors.

Understanding the Biblical concept of the Sunday assembly helps us to clarify and focus on what this time is about. We need times like this to strengthen and encourage one another, to prepare each other for more effective growth and service in God's kingdom, to glorify God through our unity and love.





by Marion Waugh  
3427-82 Street  
Edmonton, AB T6K 0G7  
Phone: (780) 637-0867  
E-mail: [waughr1@shaw.ca](mailto:waughr1@shaw.ca)

(BC news supplied by Barbara Lewis)

### ALBERTA

**Edmonton (northside):** We are currently studying the Book of Ecclesiastes in the Adult Bible Class Sunday mornings. The secret sister names have been drawn and we will be praying for and sending cards to our secret sisters for 3 months. Young, new and expecting mothers met for coffee at the Manimtim home. The young couples group met at the Manimtim home for a meal and a discussion on how to strengthen our relationships as young couples, with each other and with God. A ladies day was held with the Northside and Southside sisters meeting on February 1. Chedas Hess was guest speaker and the theme for the day was "Becoming a World Class Woman for God." Besides the lessons, there were times of prayer, singing and craft.

### BRITISH COLUMBIA

**Burnaby:** As the result of the work of several people, we were able to give out new directories to members and friends of the congregation on Jan. 5. It contains not only individual pictures with addresses, but also mementos of some of the activities we have been engaged in through the years.

**Creston:** Word spread quickly in BC when David Phipers went to meet his Lord on the first day of the New Year. He leaves his 96-year-old mother, Mathilda, as well as his wife, Diane, and children, David and Melissa and their families. The Phipers family have been pillars of the church of Christ in this small southeastern corner of BC for many years. A memorial service will not be held until sometime in April when the weather will be more conducive to travel.

**Delta:** The congregation's "theme" for 2014 will center around staying "Calm in the Storm" and anchoring our faith in God through the hard things we encounter, as found in 2 Thess. 3:16. On the first Sunday of the new year, Larry Hoff gave us the initial aims and benefits planned in his lesson. A new song, titled "Still", based on Ps. 46:10, was also introduced. Jim Hawkins finished a series of sermons on some of the practices,

such as "Advent", in the Catholic church and other denominations, during the 3 weeks leading up to Christmas.

**Oakridge (Vancouver):** Word was received last month confirming that the Tacloban church in the Philippines lost 15 members to the typhoon that hit the Islands after the disastrous earthquakes and tidal wave. One family lost four people and another family lost 11. Brother Milton introduced a new plan for reading the Bible through again this year by reminding the church that in 2012 we read a Chronological Plan which scholars believe was the order in which the various books were written. In 2013 we read through an Old Testament/New Testament Plan. This year, 2014, we started an ESV Plan which includes an Old Testament reading, a Psalm each day and the New Testament. He noted that "It is such a good feeling when the end of the year comes and you have read the Bible from the beginning to the end. But the most important thing is the realization that you have been feeding on the bread of life daily, and it has helped you grow in the knowledge of our Lord."

**Surrey:** Joann Simonsen received her first request for a correspondence course in the New Year on Jan. 3, followed by three more the following day. These included a preacher who wanted to send her the names of 20 more people, presumably members of the church for which he preaches. Joann wrote: "To year end there were 171 new students in 2013. There were seven requests in December, most of whom had not had a chance to do the lessons and mail them back for marking. Out of the remaining 164 students there are only 37 students left from 2013 still taking the course. Some of these have, or are, taking two or three of the series available. Also, a few of the requests from 2012 are still actively taking their courses."

### MANITOBA

**Winnipeg:** A new program was developed to have kids club, young adults, teens and some adults visit seniors and shut ins Saturday, January 25. The little groups will go out to two homes with muffins and other baking. Twelve of our members have taken the online Spiritual Leadership course with Great Lakes Bible College. Spiritual Disciplines, Samuel-Kings, Paul's Early Epistles and Survey of the New Testament are the online available courses. December 15, 2013, Joseph and Kristie Pradzynski gave a presentation of the work they plan to do in Honduras. Our 2014 Mountains of Fun on the Prairies was held January 31 - February 2. Tim Pippus of Estevan, Saskatchewan was guest speaker.

### SASKATCHEWAN

**Weyburn:** The Petersons traveled to Mexico to help in the True North Helping Hands Winter trip. They helped to build a grade 9 classroom at the school where the Olsons have worked before. It is in Madero, south of Ensenada on the Baja Peninsula. We have started a study of the book "The Story". This book is a chronological study of the whole Bible. There are readings that go with the classes. Copies of the report and questionnaire re: the closure of WCC and the Legacy Fund were received. "Time to Rest—The Sabbath of Old Speaks to our Hearts" Ladies winter retreat will be held at Kennosee Inn February 21-23.

### If your mailing address changes,

please inform us so we can make the needed adjustments to our mailing list. Be sure to include apartment or unit numbers if needed in the address as Canada Post returns copies to us— at a significant cost—if the address is not complete. Contact us at:  
The Gospel Herald, 5 Lankin Blvd,  
Toronto, ON M4J 4W7  
Phone - 416-461-7406  
email - [maxc@strathmorecofc.ca](mailto:maxc@strathmorecofc.ca)

### Opportunity to Minister

The Gravelbourg Church of Christ, located in south central Saskatchewan, Canada is seeking a fulltime minister. We are a loving and caring church with a broad base of ministries and age groups located in a diverse, rural community.

View Christian Chronicle website  
August 2009  
"Little church on the prairies  
God's work in Gravelbourg"

[www.gravelbourg.ca](http://www.gravelbourg.ca)

The minister we are seeking should have a dedicated biblical focus with a heart for sharing the Good News with our church and community.

Please apply in confidence to  
Minister Search Committee  
Box 1109, Gravelbourg, Sk. Canada  
S0H 1X0  
E-mail: [gebell@sasktel.net](mailto:gebell@sasktel.net)

# MISSION NEWS

Barbara Lewis  
4920 N. Penn Ave.  
Spokane, WA 99206-4475  
e-mail: ray-bjl@comcast.net



**PAPUA NEW GUINEA:** Velma Forman, who has made Lae her home and work for almost 21 years, feels that her prayers for the clinic's continuation have been answered by the government's provision of a staff of two nurses and their salary to take her place when she comes home to BC to stay later this year. While they will provide the medical team, the church will continue to have a lot to do with its daily operation. The church will provide funds for the facility, pay the utilities and auxiliary staff, which includes Nelson Yangom who has been her partner in treating tuberculosis victims, and the housekeeper, Rose Mingo, the past eight years. Daily devotionals will be continued along with reaching out to the neighborhood with the love of Christ. The Boundary Road church in Lae has expressed an interest in overseeing this work. Velma hopes that the people she has depended on for diverse jobs for several years will be able to continue their work without interruption.

**ETHIOPIA:** A year-end summary in the form of a picture tour from the Woodward Park church in Fresno, CA, showed an amazing number of Ethiopian children and young people being taught in training facilities supported by the Ethiopian Ministry program. In addition to this, the well-drillers have moved into a mountainous area for the first time with a contract to do 30 wells. With some over 10,000' high, this has brought obstacles that have not been encountered before. Although the region is predominately Muslim, the crew has been warmly welcomed. Last year 20 new congregations were started in areas where wells have been completed as people are overwhelmed by this unexpected aid that is changing their lives. The five preacher training schools that have been established graduated 104 preachers who will soon be preaching in various villages that have waited or an evangelist to strengthen and grow their people spiritually. Children from destitute poor families enrolled in the Christian Kindergartens in Nekemte, Shinshicho and Jimma numbered 296 for the two years that will change their lives forever. Five Schools for the deaf which have been sorely needed over the years were teaching 714 deaf and hearing students last year. Some of these go

on to enter the computer training service at the schools in Addis Ababa and Awasa, which trained 70 students last year, making a total of 285 that have graduated and are now employed and self-supported. – (Thanks to John Ed and Kevin Clark, who mentioned that both congregations and individuals are having to cut down on their budgets for foreign aid. They noted that part of the reason is because of the numerous pleas for help caused by massive natural disasters in recent years. But, they said, as Paul pointed out in 2 Cor. 8:3, “all things are possible with God,” and we are exhorted to “also excel in the grace of giving”. It's a time when we all need to re-examine our budgets and see if there are ways in which we can cut out other expenditures in order to continue to support these urgently needed works.)

**(Editor:** A small example of good stewardship came to my attention recently when a letter from India Missions used letterheads that were printed before their change in sponsorship occurred. Rather than throw their supply away, they briefly explained why they were using the already-printed letterhead. I get so annoyed with the professional “beggars” who need our contributions so desperately, yet spend thousands to send multiple letters and so-called “gifts” that people feel they have to pay for if they use their unwanted, un-asked-for, often useless “come-ons”. Are there things in our individual lives that we really have no need for? That we could do without? That we would be better off without? Do we actually taste our leftovers in the fridge before throwing them out? In a recent news special, people were told that the “Best used by date” did not mean that the item would not be good after that date. We throw away good food that could be used to feed a hungry world because we have been frightened by an innocent word. The first thing one of my granddaughters does when she comes to our house is go through our fridge and check the dates on the cheese, the salad dressings, peanut butter, or anything else that has a date on it and inform me that it needs to be thrown out. These are small things, but in time they add up. In the meantime, as noted by other budget-conscious writers, the quickest way to meet a rise in our living expenses is often to cut down our giving at church. “Mrs. So-and-so dresses well—no doubt she will take up the slack if we don't meet our church budget this month.” Or, it's time that missionary came home anyway,

since he doesn't seem to be getting very far. Now our mission efforts of all kinds are in peril. Instead of realizing that God has assured us that He is able, churches are looking at next year and deciding “we'll have to cut out part (or all) of our mission work.” If your building is in need of upgrading or repair work, take a long look at the meeting houses below where three of the 20 new congregations started in Ethiopia in 2013 are using.)



20+ congregations were established in new areas where water wells have been drilled. Left to right: Degera, Sidama; Haden Jarso, Badewatcho; and Abdeta, Sidama

**INDIA:** “Earlier this evening I was sitting by the window listening to the sounds of India. There was the constant hum of traffic and the blare of horns. Dogs were barking and the trees were rustling. It wasn't the wind, however—it was dozens of langurs (monkeys) walking and jumping single file over the roof tops and through the trees as they moved to their evening resting places. I also heard the sound of Christmas carols coming from a denominational compound nearby, occasionally competing with some Hindu musicians. Then came the undulating sound of the Muslim call to prayer. For tourists, these exotic sounds are an exciting part of traveling to countries like India. However, for me there is a great sadness about them. They remind me of the teeming masses of lost people just outside the window. They are lost in human error, either of the mystic idolatry of the east, the harsh mid-eastern sects, or the many denominational departures from Biblical Christianity. The animal noises also remind me of the religions that elevate animal life to a par with humanity. These are errors that keep people from God. I just returned from my evening preaching appointments. The journey is different each time. This night began with a long, slow and bumpy ride. We parked near an alley and walked down darkened, narrow byways, my flashlight guarding my steps to negotiate rocks, bumps, sewer openings and holes. My arm was above my head warding off overhangs, clotheslines and low door jams as we were led through the maze of alleys by singing. It was their call to worship, and to hear the word of God. We did what we were there to do: preached simple sermons straight from the Bible.” – (Account of one evening as written by Dr. Jerry Edwards of the India Missions team)

# *Spanish Ministry*

*Strathmore Blvd Church of Christ*

346 Strathmore Blvd. Toronto, On. M4C 1N3

## *We need your support for 2014*

Dear Brethren in Christ:

Greetings from the Spanish Ministry. It is my earnest desire that the peace and love of Christ dwell richly in your hearts.

Thanks to God and your support in 2013 we have achieved the victory for which we work, preaching the gospel every day for twenty eight years since 1986 in the Metropolitan City of Toronto, and surrounding areas. As well as doing mission trips to Central America.

Once again I ask you to continue your support for the year 2014 with a greater urgency.

A full report of The Spanish Ministry will be sent to those who supported us in 2013. For those who are interested in more information please send an e-mail to: [smolina@iglesiadecristo.ca](mailto:smolina@iglesiadecristo.ca), and ask for "Spanish Ministry Report 2013"

I recognize the difficult economic times, but I am asking you, if you are able, to be part of the continued preaching of the gospel in the Hispanic community in the Greater Toronto Area.

Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Please sent a check payable to: Strathmore Blvd. Church of Christ, write in the memo line, SPANISH MINISTRY, at the address above.

For any additional information you may call or write me at (416) 751-6879 or e-mail me at [smolina@iglesiadecristo.ca](mailto:smolina@iglesiadecristo.ca) or contact Marvin Johnson (Strathmore elder) at (416) 752-0325

Awaiting your kind answer, your brother in Christ,

Santiago Molina  
Evangelist.

Romans 1:16

# 2013 Haiti Mission Trip Report

*Jean Volcy*

Since the start of the Haiti Mission in December, 2002, with the planting of the Lord's Church in Fonds-Parisien, Haiti, several congregations and individuals have tirelessly supported the work, and for

that we are deeply grateful. We are sincerely humbled by your increasing love towards us, towards the Haitian brethren and the Haitian people as a whole. Haiti has had its share of trouble through the years, but can rejoice for



Orphanage building assembly begins

The **Sundridge**, ON Church of Christ is seeking applications for the **full time** position of **evangelist**. Sundridge is located 2½ hours north of Toronto between Huntsville and North Bay. It is centrally located in cottage country where outdoor recreation opportunities abound. Just on the west side of Algonquin Park, it is a small community of 1,100 on the edge of Lake Bernard. This church of about 45 members hopes to attract a young family to actively work in the community.

Email applications to  
**don@gfpreston.com**  
or phone Don Preston at  
**1-877-245-2456.**

loving and caring people like you who have helped make their burden a bit lighter to carry. Your generosity was manifested even more in 2013. Thank You!

Not only did you continue to support the Mission financially and through your prayers in 2013, your response to the Haiti Mission "Bucket List" was phenomenal. As you may recall, in the July 2013 issue of the Gospel Herald, brother Collin Jacques of the Edmonton South congregation wrote about the experience that the volunteers had while serving in Fonds-Parisien, Haiti, in December, 2012. They were amazed that a simple bucket that held some nuts & bolts would be the most sought after item. This led to a call for buckets of items for Haiti. Your response has been amazing. I know Collin plans on giving you an update on the "Bucket List" so I won't make any further comment on it, except to say, "Thank you".

One of the highest and greatest support we received in 2013 was the fact that 13 individuals from seven congregations decided to leave their personal activities, their loved ones and the comfort of their homes to go to Haiti with Marie and me (15 in total). From Nov. 28 to Dec. 13, the crew completed the work in the church building, prepared the site for and erected the orphanage building. The orphanage building is 90 % complete. The plan is for a smaller team to go back some time this coming spring to complete the work so that the orphanage can open this year. We will keep you posted.

As usual, while we were in Haiti we managed to have one evening of gospel meeting at one of the town squares; several hundreds were in attendance. There was one baptism while we were there. Also, we visited with some old friends (3 of them are physicians) and see how they could provide some medical assistance to these kids once the orphanage is up and running.

Thanks to God and your unfailing support, a great deal of good has been accomplished thus far and we look forward to even greater successes ahead. Please don't stop now. Despite all the hard work, we're happy to report that since



Volunteers from Canada



Orphanage building looking good

### Financial Need

In 2013, while we tried our best, as usual, to stretch every single dollar we received and make the optimal use of it for the purpose intended, however, because of some unexpected extra expenses the Haiti Mission fell short (\$10,705) in 2013. The extra expenses included the purchase of a 16 foot extension to the building for \$6,000 (the orphanage building is now 30 ft X 66 ft) and other building materials which we shipped in the container ahead of our November 2013 trip. Also included was the purchase and installation of an electrical transformer, a 16 ft post, and necessary hardware, etc. to bring electricity into the property in Haiti. Hundreds of photos of the 2013 trip are available. Please help us cover this deficit if you are able.

If you would like to help financially, we encourage you to please send your donations to:

#### HAITI MISSION

Strathmore Blvd. Church of Christ  
346 Strathmore Blvd., Toronto, Ontario, M4C 1N3  
Telephone: (416) 461-7406

If your contribution is specific to the orphanage please specify **Haiti Mission-Orphanage** on the note.

For further information on how to participate in any of the activities of the Haiti Mission or to help in any way, please contact Max Craddock or any of the Elders at Strathmore.

the beginning of the Mission in 2002, by God's grace, we haven't had any major issue and no one has been sick. God is good! As Samuel said, "Thus far the LORD has helped us" (1 Samuel 7:12).

Here are the names of the 15 individuals (& their congregations) who went on the 2013 Haiti Mission Trip: **Bayview** (6): Ish & Anita Daulatram; Trevor Wade Kelley & Christine Kohler; Jim Barbour and Theresa Brenner. **Strathmore** (4): Gerry Ellis, Isaac Persaud, Jean & Marie Volcy. **Edmonton South** (1): Collin Jacques. **Niagara Falls** (1): Carrie Somerville. **Peterborough** (1): Phyllis Hibbard. **Pine Orchard** (1): Elgin Whitfield. **Newmarket** (1): Howie Taylor

Gift Distribution to the Children in Fonds-Parisien, Haiti

Toronto, Ontario



# BOOK REVIEWS

## *The Bible, Truth or Lies?*

By Ken Sewell, Thinkers Discuss Press, Dallas, TX, 2013, available through Amazon.com or Ken's webpage: [thinkersdiscuss.weebly.com](http://thinkersdiscuss.weebly.com).

Although we know Jesus' command to share his gospel with the lost is clear, the task is often not that simple. The longer we are Christians, the more we may forget what it is was like to not believe in God or the Bible as His inspired word. We struggle to anticipate what a non-Christian's questions might be, let alone how to answer them. Thankfully "The Bible, Truth or Lies?" is here as a tool to help us with our outreach.

The author, Ken Sewell, is a member of the Waterview church of Christ in Richardson, Texas, who brings a unique perspective to the writing of this book. Ken earned a Ph.D. in physics, a MS in Aeronautical Engineering and before his retirement spent several years in the defense industry developing equipment to assist troops and aviators. Thus, he brings a scientific mind and logical, thorough, thoughtful approach to his defense of the Bible. He is also a mission leader in the church, having first-hand

experience in the mission fields of Lithuania, Ukraine and other countries. Through teaching one-on-one Bible lessons to scores of people, many of whom had never read the Bible and who approached life from an atheistic or humanistic philosophy, Ken developed a keen understanding of the thinking, questions and misconceptions that they held. The result is a highly readable, effective book that makes a strong case for the Bible being the inspired word of God by examining the internal evidence for its reliability and truthfulness.

Rather than using a research or "textbook" format to present his arguments, Ken lays out the case for the Bible through a fictitious but realistic conversation. The book opens with Shawn, a Christian, and Mike, a non-believer settling into their seats beside each other on a long overseas flight. Not long into the flight, Mike's preconceived misconceptions about God and religion come out when he sees Shawn reading his Bible. Rather than take offense, or worse, respond with an ineffective emotional or stock answer, Shawn respectfully and persuasively leads Mike into a deeper examination of the Bible. As we read, we learn both what non-Christians often think about the Bible and why they think the way they do, as well as how to effectively engage them in a conversation and Bible discussion to answer their questions and lead them to be more open to God's word.

Ken describes his book this way: "Is the Bible just a collection of myths or is it the book that many confess as the book God gave mankind. What does the Bible say about itself? Does it contain the evidence to prove or disprove its origin? Join the conversation between Shawn, a believer, and Mike, an unbeliever, as they investigate the Bible's internal evidence as to its reliability and truth. Mike has a lot of questions he has accumulated through the years as

# OBITUARIES

## **Cole, Dorothy L**

Dorothy L. Cole, a long-time member of the Port Colborne, ON, congregation of the Lord's church passed away peacefully at the Welland Hospital on Monday, December 30, 2013, at the age of 75 years.

Loving wife of Donald (Don) Cole. Dear mother of Donald Cole, Jr. (Lynn) of Depew, N.Y. and Cherylann (Joseph) Kelly of Burlington, ON. Also survived by 5 grandchildren.

Dorothy has suffered several years from lung and breathing problems. She had been faithful in attendance up to the last several months in which she had been hospitalized. She was a true encouragement to all of us. She will be truly missed by her church family.

– Harold Bruggen

a student at a state university. Does the Bible contain the answers and can Shawn direct him to them? They explore the primary questions raised by modern atheists as they take aim at the Bible's consistency. These are critical questions for Christians. If the Bible is inconsistent, can it be God's Word? Read along as they turn to the book itself and seek the answers only within its pages without turning to anyone else's opinion to understand what the book itself says."

The book can be read by Christians to help equip them in sharing their faith. It could also be given to a non-Christian to read on their own, to be followed-up with conversation or discussion. Ken has published the book digitally, resulting in a low cost and the ability for "The Bible Truth or Lies?" to be read on mobile electronic devices. It is available through Amazon. For information on Ken's other books, go to his webpage: [thinkersdiscuss.weebly.com](http://thinkersdiscuss.weebly.com).

– Reviewed by: Kevin Carson (member of the South Edmonton church of Christ)

## **The Selkirk Church of Christ**

**½ km north of Village at  
58 Haldimand Road 53**

Invites you to join us in congregational singing at our Second Annual



Sunday, April 27, 2014  
from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Refreshments & Fellowship  
Following



# Dynamic Deacons:

A Seminar for Elders, Deacons,  
Ministers, and Servant-Hearted Saints

Friday – Registration at 6:30 p.m.

7:00 to 8 p.m. **Roles** – *Knowing Your Purpose*

8 to 9 p.m. **Requirements** – *Increasing Your Influence*

Saturday – Refreshments at 9:30: Lunch at 12

10 a.m. **Responsibilities** – *Improving Your Performance*

11 a.m. **Relationships** – *Supporting Your Team*

1 p.m. **Rewards** – *Renewing Your Incentive*



**Host** – **Fenwick** Church of Christ

**Date** – April 11- 12

**Facilitator** – Aubrey Johnson

**Registration** – 905 – 892- 5661

**OR E-Mail** – [donhipwell@aol.com](mailto:donhipwell@aol.com) Please register by April 4



**Note: Friday night at – Fenwick Church Building  
765 Welland Road, Fenwick**

**Saturday at – North Pelham Youth Centre  
1718 Maple Street, Pelham**

# 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

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

**RED DEER:** 68 Donlevy Ave., T4R 2Y8; Sun. Worship and study 10–12 am, (evening • call for information); (403) 347-3986; email: davenportchurchofchrist@gmail.com Website: www.reddeerchurchofchrist.com

**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; Mailing 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) 923-5233; Charles Witty (250) 923-6396; Jim McGeachy (250) 286-3780; besjim2@hotmail.com

**CHILLIWACK:** Senior Citizens Bldg. Br 24, corner of Cook and Victoria St.; PO Box 327; Sun. 10:30, 11; Mid-week, call - John Forman 604-792-7806; Al McCutcheon, sec. 604-824-6703

**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, wijpeckett@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, V0K 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 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 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, R0E 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; 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.com FB page: https://www.facebook.com/AddedMembersOfChurchOfChrist

**SAINT JOHN:** Carleton Community Centre, 82 Market Place, Saint John, NB, E2M 1B5; Mailing address: P.O. Box 23021, 407 Westmorland Drive, Saint John, NB, E2J 2S0, 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.niagarafallscocf.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

**SHUBENACADIE:** 3557 Indian Road, Mill Village, 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, Residence 905-728-6125; Cell # 647-378-7231 e-mail: ajaxcofc@centennialroad@gmail.com Personal e-mail steve.chubry@sympatico.ca Find us on Facebook at Ajax Church of Christ Centennial Road

**AURORA:** 15216 Yonge St. S.; (entrance beside Benjamin Moore Paints); Sun. 9:30, 11:00, Wed. 7:30; P.O. Box 71523, L4G 1L9; Contact: Scott & Linda Harvey, (905) 473-5631 or leave message; e-mail: aurorachurchofchrist@hotmail.com or Clare Preston, (905) 895-0954

**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., L0R 1B6; Sunday 9:30 am Bible classes and Discussion Groups, 10:30 worship, 6:00 pm Contemporary 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@bramaleacocf.ca; Sunday worship 10:00, 6:00; Bible class 11:15; Kevin Hunter, ev. (905) 455-5796 (res); Walter Straker, ev. (905) 789-1632 (res); www.bramaleacocf.ca.

**BRANTFORD:** 267 North Park St., N3R 4L2; Sun. 10, 11, 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: 519-363-6952

**COLLINGWOOD:** 494 10th Street, Collingwood, Ontario L9Y 2H1; Email: cchurchofchrist@bmts.com; Phone 705-444-0010; Minister: Les Cramp, 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, L0S 1C0; (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:** YMCA building, 79 James St. S.; Sun. 9:30, 10:30; c/o Joe Sandassie, 286 East 26th Street, Hamilton ON L8V 3E1; 905-389-8308, email: jrjss@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 P0P 1H0, Sunday: classes 10 am, ↗



Barrie Church of Christ  
345 Grove Street East  
Barrie, Ontario

● **Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

7:00 pm – Registration

8:00 pm – Song Service

● **Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>**

9:30 am – Registration

10:45 am – Lesson #1

12:00 pm – Pizza Lunch

1:00 pm – Singing

1:30 pm – Lesson #2

2:00 pm – Organized  
Activity

5:00 pm – Dinner

6:30 pm – Lesson #3

● **Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>**

## BARRIE YOUNG ADULT WEEKEND



## A CLOSER WALK

MAY 2<sup>ND</sup> – 4<sup>TH</sup> 2014

FOR ADULTS AGED 18 – 35

Join us for a weekend of fellowship, study and growth  
as we examine our Christian walk

PLEASE REGISTER BY APRIL 19, 2014 BY SENDING AN  
EMAIL TO [YAWBARRIE@GMAIL.COM](mailto:YAWBARRIE@GMAIL.COM)

BILLETING AVAILABLE ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS