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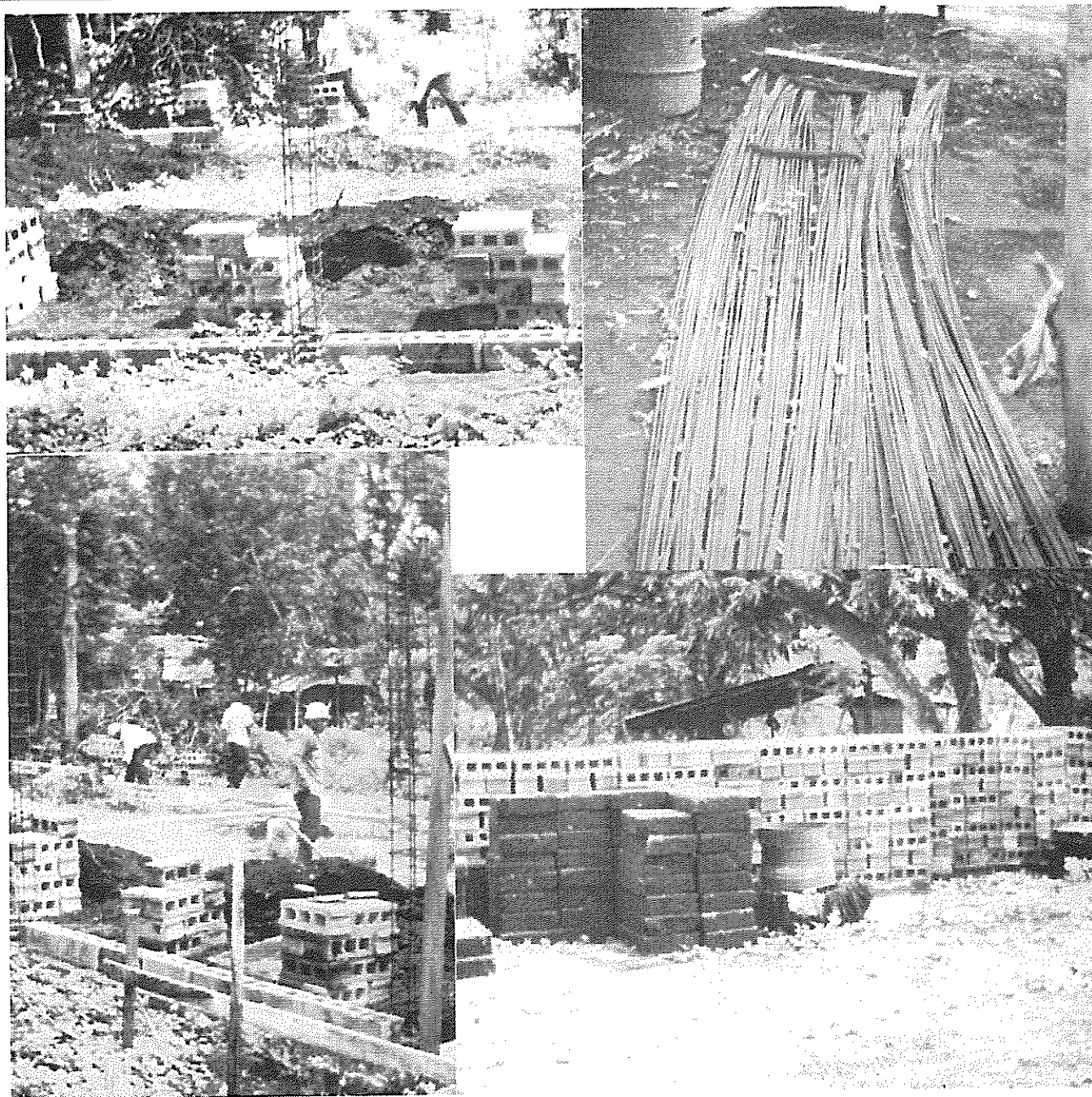
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Construction on the new meeting house in Piedra Menuda, Nicaragua, has begun. See story on page 17.

15 Tips For Running A Successful Correspondence Course Program

Steve Rudd, Hamilton, Ontario

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13. Use manual record keeping

With the advent of computers, some have used it to keep records. There are some advantages to this but unless you are a computer buff, manual record keeping is far superior. I have used a computer for 10 years to generate personalized form letters which I include with their graded lesson. Here the computer shines. But for record keeping, it is much more time consuming. Remember that you will be doing phone follow-up. If all your records are on computer, you must have a phone beside the computer. Whereas if your records are in a book, you can take it with you and phone from anywhere. (A book can't crash and lose all your data like a hard drive! And computer records become obsolete with each new upgrade making all the work useless 5 years down the road.) The next person looking after the course will appreciate a "paper trail".

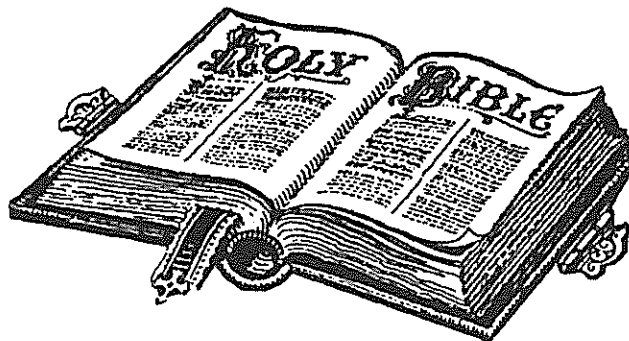
14. Keep good records

Correspondence courses are often run out of box or a drawer. The records tend to be a pile of paper and letters. There are three basic components to efficient record keeping: First, you need to have an enrollment coupon, either the very one they mailed in, or a small slip 4x6 inches upon which you write down all the initial information you know about them at the point of enrollment. You have one slip for each enrollee. When you send them the first lesson, place the slip in a "revolving monthly time file". You simply glue 31 file folders together or use a recipe box with 31 partitions, one for each day of the month. You place the slip in today, then one month later, if they haven't returned the first lesson, you will take it out of the 31 day file and phone them for follow-up. Each day you check the file for those placed in last month. Phone them!

Second component: The Master List. Once they return the first lesson you simply pull it out of the time file and record them on a master list. It is a single sheet of paper ruled to hold about 25-50 students. Each student is

assigned a number. Record the following information: Student #, Date of enrollment, Name, contact method, whether they ever studied one-on-one.

Third component: Detailed record sheet. Take a binder and place 50 pages in it and number each page to correspond with the master list. One page will be solely dedicated for one student. Each page is legal sized paper with the bottom folded to form a pouch. The final page size after folding



is letter size. The pouch will be used to hold the letters they include in the lessons they return to you for grading. Three hole punch this paper and place in a binder. At the front of the binder place the master list sheet. After adding

them to the master list sheet, glue the enrollment coupon you took from the time file to the back of their detailed record sheet. Now you have everything on that student on one main page in one book! Simple and effective.

The detailed record sheet keeps track of their enrollment date, and the date they returned each subsequent lesson. It also records each lesson's grade as well as any questions they asked you on that lesson. When you go back and review months later, you get an instant picture of the student as well as important data regarding advertising results.

15. Phone all students every year

After several years of operating the correspondence course with good record keeping methods you will be able to look back and glean maybe 15 or so out every 100 enrollments who seemed interested but nothing ever resulted. Phone these once a year to keep in touch. I did just this with students whom I hadn't called for 2 years. They all remembered me because of the personal contact by phone. Better still, one lady said she was now ready to study. She was baptized 5 weeks later! So phone them all again!

15 TIPS FOR A CORRESPONDENCE COURSE PROGRAM	
Standard practice	May I suggest...
Purpose to Convert & Baptize	Purpose to Salt & Cultivate
Doctrinal & Controversial Topics	Create Desire For Further Study
Length 5 or More Lessons	Length 3-4 Lessons
Mass Distribution of Lesson #1	Distribute Enrollment Opportunity
Personal Contact only Completers	Personal Contact Every Enrollee
We Pay Return Postage	They Pay Return Postage
Name and address only at enrollment	Get phone # on enrollment coupon
Mail Follow-up, (Reminder letters)	Personal Phone Follow-up
Members involved in running course	Preacher Runs Course
Preacher Conducts Resultant Studies	Members Do Resultant Studies
Use Box Number	Use Address of Church Building
Offer Second Course	Offer Personal Bible Study
Computer Record Keeping	Manual Record Keeping
Sloppy Or No Record Keeping	Methodical Record Keeping
No long term follow-up	Phone them every year

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Whose Church is it Anyway?

Brian Cox

My wife is a great hostess. I think that one of the things that immediately attracted me to her was her hospitality. When we married, Bonnie Lee was only 18, but she would invite family and friends over and prepare a great meal for everybody. She has never been intimidated by having a big group into our home. When Bonnie Lee is inviting people into our home, she will try to discover their likes and dislikes. She wants to serve food that they like and thus enjoy. When having a large group in she will serve a wide variety of food so that there is something for everybody. She doesn't want anybody to be left out when we eat. Bonnie Lee is a good hostess because she works at it and prepares well, usually making a list of all she wishes to serve and what she needs to do; she sets the table long before our guests arrive. People enjoy coming to our home. I constantly receive compliments about what a wonderful wife I have.

I believe that there are some lessons that this can teach us for the church. We often refer to our worship assemblies as a time of spiritual feasting, the items of worship being spiritual food. When my wife invites people into our home, she doesn't invite them into *her* home, she invites them into *our* home, the entire family having ownership. Some of what I have been hearing about worship style preferences gives me the impression that some are viewing the church as their church and thus all should be done in a way that pleases them. The church is not *your* church. It is *our* church. In actual fact, it is *Christ's* church. The first considerations in how we worship must be, "Does it please God?" "Is it glorifying God?" "Does it obey the Holy Spirit inspired Word?" The first step is to go back to the Bible and restudy what our worship is to be and how it is to be done. You may be surprised to find that we have no passage of scripture to tell us how many songs to sing and which ones to stand for and which ones to sit for. There is no passage that outlines what

order our worship should take, but we are taught that it should be orderly. We are not told that we must sing only from certain approved hymn books, but neither are we told that all the songs must be of the new variety that seem to appeal more to young people.

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The second consideration might be who you have as part of your congregation and what their preferences are. God's preferences must surely come first, but as one discovers when restudying what God says about worship that pleases Him, God has allowed us quite a bit of latitude in how we worship him. A lot of how we worship has more to do with personal preference, taste or tradition. That is not necessarily wrong. However, when a significant portion of the congregation asks for some changes and others say no, are not the personal preferences, tastes and traditions of some taking precedence over the personal preferences and tastes of others? I have little patience for those who threaten to leave the church unless the changes that they ask for are immediately adopted. When I have encountered such ultimatums, I have encouraged those giving them to grow up. I have even less patience for those with 40, 50, 60 plus years in the church who say that things must be done as they always have been, because they wish it to be done that way; it suits their tastes, preferences, and after all, it is the way we have always done it. Could not the tastes, preferences and traditions of all be combined into a worship that would glorify God and encourage His children? There are many meals at which I do not like everything that is served, but I try

(because my mother told me to) to have a little of everything that is offered. I was told when I was young that if I continued to try things, even the things that I did not like, I would develop a taste for them and later in life I would enjoy them and be glad that my parents made me try them. I must admit to being a doubtful participant in this program, but in all honesty must admit that it has worked more times than it has failed. (Don't you just hate it when your parents are right?) I believe that this can also work with worship styles. We should perhaps at least try things before we say that we don't like them. In our congregations there are going to be a variety of age groups and backgrounds that will produce a variety of tastes, preferences and traditions. With some creativity, understanding, cooperation and hard work we can, like a good host/hostess/ have something that speaks to the heart of everyone present.

Stop trying to change each other's tastes and preferences and start honoring one another. A few years ago in a rural area where I was serving, the care home hired a nutritionist (they used to call them head cooks). She determined that she was going to make sure that the residents ate much healthier than they had in the past. She began to serve more rice and pasta and less meat and potatoes. Most of the residents were of farm background and had been eating meat and potatoes for 90 plus years and firmly believed that it had done them no harm. They still saw rice and macaroni as what the government gave to poor people. The nursing home residents were in revolt. Insurrections in a nursing home are about as messy as insurrections in the church. There are no winners, but there are a lot of losers. I hear the young in the church telling those who are older that they must get with the times and enjoy the same worship styles as they do. I hear those who are older telling the young that they must learn to like the way things have always been. They are both right! Those who are older do need to try to develop a taste for at least some of what the young people are suggesting. Those who are younger must try again with a

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"Fifty Percent Plus One Vote"

Wayne Turner



The Quebec referendum is over. By little more than a simple majority, the voters of Quebec have decided to remain in Confederation. Canada still extends, unbroken, from the Atlantic to the Pacific Oceans, at least for now. However, the issues of separatism and sovereignty for Quebec are still simmering.

Have you considered what would have happened had the referendum results been reversed, if "fifty percent plus one vote" had chosen separation? Messieurs Parizeau and Bouchard and their associates would have considered this a mandate to form a new and independent nation. Think about the implications of this. Almost half the people of the province would have been forced, against their will, to either accept and participate in the separation or to move elsewhere. The "democratic decision" of the referendum would have proved particularly interesting in view of the fact that over ninety percent of the aboriginal peoples of Northern Quebec indicated in a prior vote their desire to remain with Canada should Quebec separate.

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The Separatist agenda has been clearly indicated over the past 30 years. They will not quit until Quebec is an independent and sovereign nation. This is not the first referendum that they have lost. And, according to statements made during the campaign and after their defeat, this will not be the last referendum. The Separatists have already decided that Quebec must leave to preserve its own identity. They have indicated that there is nothing Canadians can say or do to prevent this from ultimately happening, that expressions of unity and concern are not enough. No matter how strong the sentiment for unity is across the rest of the country, if the Separatists achieved their agenda, Canada would divide. What a difficult and unfortunate situation when the future of the nation can be determined and imposed by the will of a few.

How much more unfortunate is it when this secular process is mirrored in a congregation or the brotherhood? Throughout the history of the Restoration Movement, how many divisions have resulted from the imposition of the personal agendas of a few? How

many times have members been forced to either accept something which was questionable to their consciences or to leave? How often have individuals or small groups sought to control the church by exercising unscriptural power and control?

Power struggles have been occurring ever since the days of the apostles. Paul warned the elders of Ephesus that even from among their number there would be those who would seek to draw members away to follow them (Acts 20:28-31). He warned the Romans to keep away from those who caused division (Romans 16:17, 18) and told Titus of the danger of a divisive person (Titus 3:10, 11). John spoke of Diotrephes (3 John 9, 10). If the problem existed then, we should not be surprised to find it recurring throughout history and even now.

When Jesus prayed for the unity of His believers, He paralleled that unity with His relationship with the Father (John 17:20-23). Sectarians have long sought to rewrite this to allow for the countless divisions of denominationalism. But Paul's injunction remains, "...that you all agree with one another so that there may be no divisions among you and that you may be perfectly united in mind and thought" (1 Cor. 1:10).

May we learn the lesson of separatism. And may we truly pursue and attain "the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace" through our common faith in Christ and His word, and commitment to oneness in Him.

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FAMILY TIES

This page is dedicated to helping readers to have strong Christian families. The new editor is David Cornfield of Owen Sound, Ontario.

Open Our Eyes

David Cornfield

I found myself laughing as I sat at the front of the church building waiting for the service to begin. It seems that as I scanned the audience each set of eyes that I met served as a reminder of a cherished memory. In one corner of the Meaford church of Christ auditorium sat Clarence McNally, the man who would attempt to teach me to be a carpenter. In reality, he would spend a large part of his day repairing my mistakes. In another pew sat the Fords, and I could not help but smile as I thought about the numerous times that they had poked a little fun at me. Each row and each face brought a new story to mind, and as I sat there I wondered how these people had become such an important part of my life.

Interestingly enough, not all of the stories that I remembered while sitting at the front that morning were positive. As I sat waiting to get up to speak, I remembered the time that I fell asleep during communion service; what you need to know is that I was presiding. There were memories of windows and heating rads that I had broken, along with doors and chalkboards that were never the same once I had passed by. I remembered the mistakes, and I wondered what had allowed the people to see the good in me.

After years of wondering, I do believe that I found my answer in 2 Kings 6:8-17. This is a beautiful account of events in that it reminds us of God's great presence. It shows us that those words that the enemy speaks in private are not hidden from the ears of our God, and it is made clear that God has the ability to thwart the plans of the enemy. But the part of the story that I related to involves the servant in the city of

Dothan. It seemed that in the night this city of Dothan where Elisha was dwelling was surrounded with the army of the enemy. The servant, upon looking to the hills, saw what you and I would see. The servant saw the enemy army that the people within the city's walls could not defeat. Elisha, however, saw two armies in the hills that day. He saw the army of the Lord. Elisha then did not ridicule the servant; instead he prayed for the eyes of the servant to be opened so that he could see what truly was present in the hills.

I have been surrounded by people who, when they looked at me in my youth, saw a force working on me that I could not see. What was apparent in my youth was that Satan was certainly alive and active. Strangely enough, my parents always seemed to portray a belief that somehow I would become what God wanted me to be despite the fact that I acted in a manner that God so clearly opposed. Even more difficult to comprehend is that I believed that somehow my parents were right. As long as my parents saw a place for me in God's kingdom, I knew somehow that I would be there.

Parents are parents, and it is their job to see things in their children that others cannot see. But what about siblings? Certainly there were days when my brothers and sisters would have rather hidden under the covers than be seen walking with me. What did they do? They walked with me to the school bus and to the classroom. There was no verbal put-downs or ridicule only the words of my sisters when they said "we're praying for you".

Family is family, but church is different. No, not in my case, nor should it

be in the case of any young person whose presence graces our halls since the church is family. It is easy to see the forces of the enemy that are working in the lives of the children in our fellowship; and so we need to pray that their eyes be opened so that they can witness the greatness of the Lord's army that goes with them. Before we pray for them, however, we pray for our own eyes to be opened first.

God bless.

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fresh outlook the things of the past. How else can we worship together? If we move completely one way or the other, we will alienate a large portion of our brothers and sisters in the Lord. When we have something for everybody, we have worship with which all can identify, and we might just learn to appreciate other approaches.

Worship, like a good meal, takes a lot of preparation. I have seen my wife take a relatively cheap cut of meat and cook it slowly with her secret mixture of spices and produce a meal fit for a king. Good worship takes careful preparation! When I see song leaders choosing their hymns during the Bible class or as they rush in the church house door, already a few minutes late, I wonder. When I see the one to read at the Lord's Table frantically searching his Bible for something to say after the worship has begun, I wonder. When I hear our readers stumble through their reading because they never even looked it over ahead of time, I wonder. When those who lead in prayer, with little thought, simply repeat the timeworn cliches they have heard others say, I wonder. I wonder if we are pleasing God with our worship. I wonder if we are building one another up with worship like that. Good worship assemblies do not just happen. They are planned and prepared for, and no one is left out.

--Newmarket, Ontario

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Sex

Brian Cox

(Editor's Note: This and next month's article by Brian Cox, evangelist at Newmarket, Ontario, are worthy of your careful consideration. We thank him for sharing these thoughts. MC)

A title like the one above is bound to get your attention. Yet even in our sex-saturated society it is also bound to make you at least a little uncomfortable. The subject of sex is outside the comfort zone of most. Yet there is obviously a real need for good solid Bible teaching on the subject. The statistics I have seen show that the majority of our youth, even in churches of Christ, become sexually active in their teenage years, long before they are married. The solution is not to be found in watering down the commands of God. Ignoring the problem will not make it go away, neither will railing away at it from our pulpits prove successful. We cannot, as some suggest, turn the clock back to a kinder more gentle time when this was not so much of a problem. We live today, and solutions must be found for our day. Let's look at what the Bible says.

In Genesis 2:18-25 God is looking over his creation. He found that everything was good except for one thing. It was not good for man to be alone. God knew this long before he created the world and man, but he wanted man to know it. God brought all the animals to Adam so that Adam could name them, but among the animals no suitable companion was found for Adam. Again, God knew this, but he wanted Adam to know it, too. God caused Adam to fall into a deep sleep, removed a rib from Adam, and created Eve from that rib. Adam, with God's help, had been searching for a companion, and when he found his companion, he responded enthusiastically. "This is now bone of

my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called woman, because she was taken out of man" (Genesis 2:23). Then we find the marriage relationship defined for us: We leave our father and mother to set up a separate family unit. The husband and wife are united spiritually, mentally and emotionally. The two becoming one flesh is also the physical sexual relationship. From the very beginning God has reserved the sexual relationship for marriage, the commitment of one man to one woman for life. Sex outside of the committed lifelong marriage relationship is wrong.

In Acts 15:20 the church in Jerusalem in writing to the Gentile churches encourages them to abstain from sexual immorality. In Galatians 5 we see that sexual immorality is an act of the sinful nature. In Ephesians 5:3 we are told that there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality among us. In 1 Corinthians 5 a man is condemned for having a sexual relationship with his father's wife. In 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8 Paul teaches us: to live a life that pleases God, to be sanctified, to be holy, to avoid sexual immorality, to learn to control our bodies, and not take advantage of another. He then goes on to warn of the consequences of rejecting God's instructions.

Sexual relationships outside of the marriage of one man to one woman for life are wrong, because they are a sin against God. The Bible passages we have just looked at tell us that.

Sexual relationships outside of the marriage of one man to one woman for life are wrong, because they are a sin against your own body. In Romans 6 Paul tells us that when we are baptized we are united with Christ's death and then rise to live a new life.

We now count ourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus. We must no longer use our bodies as instruments of sin but as instruments of righteousness. In 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 Paul tells us that when we sin sexually, we sin against the temple of the Holy Spirit, our bodies.

Sexual relationships outside of the marriage of one man to one woman for life are wrong, because they are a sin against your personality. Honor, self-respect and reputation are no small items. When we sin sexually, we could lose them.

We can control our bodies by first controlling our minds. Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said, 'Do not commit adultery.' But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart" (Matthew 5:27-28). Lust is not admiring a woman's good looks; it is desiring a sexual relationship with her. James has this to say about desires, "Each one is tempted when, by his own evil desires, he is dragged away and enticed. Then after desire has conceived it gives birth to sin; and sin when it is full grown gives birth to death" (James 6:14-15). We control our bodies by first controlling our minds.

A pure mind will not come to us simply because we have allowed no evil influence in our lives, but that may be a good place to start. It is difficult to be free of evil influence when even the best television shows, movies and books include some sexual immorality. Go on the offensive; make sure that you have a large number of positive influences in your life, influences like daily prayer and Bible study, spending time with your family, attending worship assemblies, Bible classes and fellowship times with your church family.

While sexual relationships before you are married may bring momentary pleasure, there is a lot to lose! You take the chance of getting a sexually transmitted disease, some of which give lifelong pain, others bring death. You could get pregnant and be faced with some difficult decisions. Do I abort/murder the result of my sin? Do I try to raise the child on my own? Do I get married

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Dealing With Smokers

Tim Johnson

As an evangelist, I would guess that at least half of all the people I've tried to study with were smokers. Some study sessions have taken place peering through a thick cloud coming my way; others in homes that smelled bad enough that I've had to wash my clothes later. Thankfully, most people who smoke have been considerate of me, a nonsmoker.

Perhaps we should be grateful that smoking has become such an issue in Canada. We no longer have to endure someone else's smoke on a plane or in most hospitals and public buildings, and the nonsmoking sections of many restaurants are finally becoming larger than the smoking sections! Yet, cigarette smoke is something we must deal with regularly. As Christians, how should we deal with those who smoke? Should we ignore the issue or become aggressive and demand that cigarettes be banished from our presence? What about the delicate matters that arise when Christians are smokers and have a hard time trying to quit?

Smoking is Clearly Wrong

In view of all the scientific and medical evidence alone, we should be convinced that it is wrong. God clearly views the human body as a "temple", and we are commanded to "glorify God in your body" (1 Corinthians 6:15-20). While these verses have the problem of immorality in mind, the principle of caring for your physical body and making it holy is obvious. Our "spiritual service of worship" is described as presenting "your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God" (Romans 12:1). Smoking is an attack on that which is "fearfully and wonderfully made" (Psalm 139:14). The direct links to heart disease, lung and throat cancer, respiratory problems and blood circulation are well documented. The Canadian Cancer Society and the Lung Association can fill your mailbox with such information if you ask for it.

But there are other issues. The power of the addiction is amazing. Research has shown that nicotine dependency is

quite similar to heroin addiction. Health and Welfare Canada has stated that therapies used to help other drug dependencies can help people wanting to quit smoking. The same government department said that "85% of smokers who have tried to quit have been unsuccessful", but most finally succeed after repeated attempts (*Maclean's Magazine*, June 1987, "Kicking a Habit"). Can one justify such addictive powers of nicotine in view of scriptures like 1 Corinthians 6:12? "All things are lawful for me, but I will not be mastered by anything."

The hardships families sometimes suffer are notable. Second hand smoke has been shown to be a health risk to children and nonsmoking family members. The financial burden can be cruel. I have seen families reduced to near poverty because so much money was diverted to this habit and expenses connected with it.

One study reported that a person who smokes two packs a day will spend three to four hours fussing with cigarettes! The habit eats up a lot of time. It eats up other things, too: a third of all fires in Canada are caused by cigarette users. How much loss of human life, property, and destruction have been caused by careless smoking?

Smokers in the Church

New people being saved by Christ have all sorts of things in their lives that need to change, and smoking is often one of them. Sometimes nicotine's grasp is deep, and it may take years for a person to quit. We need to be patient and accept them as they struggle to rid themselves of the habit (remember, most people fail in their attempts to quit several times before succeeding). The Lord tells us to "put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another" (Colossians 3:12-13).

More damaging is the older Christian who continues to smoke. One who has been in the faith for a long time discourages people when he is seen lighting up. I have often had to deal with

shocked new Christians who find it hard to see someone older in the faith smoke freely, offering trite excuses for his habit. Their bad example affects others, especially young people who are often struggling with temptation from friends who smoke. The habit can actually be divisive on many occasions. I have noticed that smokers often band together as if they are a separate group from the rest of the body of Christ. Most of the time practical matters cause this because smoke is just plain offensive to the majority. Nobody wants to see a small group regularly remove themselves from everyone else, but that is what has to be done in order to smoke.

While we must be patient with people who smoke, we shouldn't ignore the problem either. The New Testament urges that all Christians "consider the members of your earthly body as dead to immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire and greed. . . ." and that we must "put on the new self who is being renewed to a true knowledge according to the image of the One who created him" (Colossians 3:5-11). Christians who smoke need to be encouraged to find a way to stop. There are many helpful programs and treatments that have proven useful. A congregation that has several members struggling with the habit could find a "Quitter's Club" helpful (a group that meets regularly to discuss the problem, pray together for strength, encourage each other, etc.).

Dealing With Others Who Smoke

With the current movement in society to ban smoking from so many public areas and in the workplace, smokers face blunt restrictions. This has produced a rebellious reaction from many who smoke. As a people concerned about the lost, we don't help things by refusing to be around smokers (unless you have severe allergies or other physical reactions). Christ associated with people whom others felt were "unclean" and "sinners". I can imagine that if smoking cigarettes was possible in His time, some of Matthew's tax-gatherer friends would have filled the room with smoke when they came over to eat with the newly converted disciple of Christ (Matthew 9:9-11). I can't imagine our

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Points by Perry



Accountability

We have responsibilities in the "one another" relationships in the body of Christ; in our roles as lights in the world and in the various relationships we enjoy and/or endure in life. Husband-wife, parent-child, teacher-student, employer-employee, official-citizen all have reciprocal expectations. Above all we are each one accountable to God (Matthew 5:19; 2 Corinthians 5:9, 10; Romans 14:12).

When money was collected from the Gentile churches for the poor saints in Judaea, every effort was made to provide proof of accountability. A brother "whose praise in the gospel is spread through all the churches" was "appointed by the churches to travel with us in the matter of this grace," . . . "avoiding this, that any man should blame us in the matter of this bounty which is ministered by us: for we take thought for things honorable, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of man" (2 Corinthians 8:18-21).

Back in 1991 a group of us including Philip Morphy, Jeff Taylor, Lawrence and Lily Whitfield, Doran and Linda Hammett and Eugene and Evelyn Perry undertook to collect funds, relief supplies and Christian literature for our needy brethren in Zambia. Brethren responded very well, and after much hard work by Evelyn Perry and her helpers in packing the boxes in the old Tintern church building, a 20-foot container was loaded and sent on its way in December. After an unexplained delay and some damages, the shipment reached its destination and was distributed to very appreciative brethren there.

Brother Morphy had been acting as accountant for the fund but due to the long delay turned it over to the church at Tintern where Sadie Tallman kept the records. These records show that contributions from various sources totalled \$10,368.38 and costs were \$7,398.53 leaving a balance of \$2,969.85.

The needs are ongoing; so, the Perrys, Taylors and Whitfields decided that, with that much balance, we should begin collecting for a second shipment. Once more brethren brought clothing, etc. in freely, this time to Great Lakes Christian College. Packing was again done by Evelyn Perry with help from students and others. Meanwhile, brother Lewis Mutuma of Windsor encouraged us to economize by combining with his shipment being collected for neighboring Zimbabwe. After we agreed to do this, changes in his plans resulted in a two-year delay. This explains the lateness of this report.

A 40-foot container was loaded in Toronto in June of this year and, delayed by a strike, reached brother Mutuma in Zimbabwe in early August. The contents for Zambia went on to their destination in late August. We have since received letters of gratitude from some recipients.

Additional contributions had brought our balance from \$2,969.85 to \$5,723.57. An earlier investment in a container which we did not use plus helping brother Mutuma make up his shortage at shipping time entailed an expenditure of \$8,499.78 resulting in a deficit of \$2,776.21. Of this brother Mutuma has agreed to repay \$1,827.82 (\$802 US and \$714 Cdn.) when able. When this is done, we will be left with a shortage of \$948.39 for our part of the costs in this cooperative effort.

Donations to help us make up this deficit will be welcomed and may be sent to the Tintern Church of Christ or to the Gospel Herald Foundation marked "Zambia Fund". Receipts will be provided by either. We encourage you to respond generously so that we can also help with the Zimbabwean shortage. Thanks to all who help.

Sex

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and begin the marriage under less than the best of circumstances? Sexual immorality is a sin against your body, a sin against your personality (who you are) and a sin against God. You separate yourself from God through unrepentant sin.

Sexual immorality (any sexual rela-

tionship outside the marriage of one man and one woman for life) is not the unforgivable sin. There is forgiveness and a way to come home to God. Forgiveness and the way home will be our subject next month. We look forward to being with you again.

--Newmarket, Ontario

Dealing With Smokers

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Lord leaving. We must be careful to accept people and not to appear "holier-than-thou" by acting unreasonable toward those who smoke. Most smokers know that it is not a good habit and act apologetic, or even a bit guilty, when they must have a cigarette in the presence of a Christian. Let's be careful to love and accept the person but not necessarily the bad habit they practice.

The problems and issues that surround smoking are not easy to solve. But we can treat people with love and concern, especially our own brethren who are burdened with this habit. Let's be convinced ourselves that smoking is wrong and make a good effort to "put it out" if you haven't already.

--Moncton, New Brunswick

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God Hates Divorce

Roy Davison

In Malachi, chapter two, God's people are accused of two forms of treachery, infidelity to God's covenant and infidelity to the marriage covenant.

The priests are condemned for not teaching and warning the people. "And now, O priests, this commandment is for you. If you will not hear, and if you will not take it to heart, to give glory to My name," said the Lord of hosts, "I will send a curse upon you, and I will curse your blessings. Yes, I have cursed them already, because you do not take it to heart" (Malachi 2:1, 2).

The priests had corrupted God's covenant with them. "For the lips of a priest should keep knowledge, and people should seek the law from his youth; for he is the messenger of the Lord of hosts. But you have departed from the way; you have caused many to stumble at the law (Malachi 2:7, 8).

Those appointed by God to teach the

law were causing people to reject the law.

God told them He would dishonour them for this, "because you have not kept My ways but have shown partiality in the law" (Malachi 2:9).

These unfaithful priests were tolerating infidelity to God. In Scripture, God's relationship with His people is often portrayed as a marriage, "Judah has dealt treacherously, and an abomination has been committed in Israel and in Jerusalem, for Judah has profaned the Lord's institution which He loves: he has married the daughter of a foreign god" (Malachi 2:11).

God no longer heeded their prayers. He no longer accepted their offerings. Why? "Because the Lord has been witness between you and the wife of your youth, with whom you have dealt treacherously; yet she is your companion and your wife by covenant" (Malachi 2:14).

These unfaithful priests were tolerating marital infidelity and divorce.

Oneness in Spirit is required to produce godly offspring. "But did He not make them one, having a remnant of the Spirit? And why one? He seeks godly offspring. Therefore take heed to your spirit, and let none deal treacherously with the wife of his youth" (Malachi 2:15).

God hates divorce because of the damage it does. "For the Lord God of Israel says that He hates divorce, 'for it covers one's garment with violence,' says the Lord of hosts. 'Therefore take heed to your spirit, that you do not deal treacherously'" (Malachi 2:16).

And what was the response of the unfaithful priests to all this infidelity? They said that "everyone who does evil is good in the sight of the Lord, and He delights in them" (Malachi 2:17).

God still hates divorce because of the damage it does. He still charges His messengers to teach the truth without partiality. He is still displeased when that which is evil is called good.

--Alken, Belgium

Growth

Geoff Ellis

Churches grow for a variety of reasons.

(1) Churches grow because God gives the increase. Paul, who speaks to this point, says, "...only God... makes things grow" (1 Corinthians 3:7). And he referred to the church at Corinth when he said, "...but God made it grow" (v. 6). The church is, first, a spiritual entity. Only God, the giver of spiritual life, can supply and sustain the church's growth.

(2) Churches grow because the Christians who comprise their fellowship are intentional and active in their desire for growth. Christians "sow the seed", i.e. preach the gospel and "water the seed", i.e. support the planted seed through a stream of good works (John 7:38; 1 Corinthians 3:6). Vigorous evangelism by Christians is essential if genuine spiritual growth is to be realized.

(3) Churches grow because congregations

structure their relationships in such a way as to encourage growth. Such congregations will be careful to "speak the truth in love" and to focus their unity in the person of Christ in whom they "will grow up [that is] into... the Head" and to participate in body building so that "joined and held together by every supporting ligament" the congregation "grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does it work" (Ephesians 4:15-16).

(4) Churches grow because there is present a strong interest in the condition and well-being of people outside the immediate congregational circle. This interest responds to Christ's command, "Go into all the world" (Mark 16:15). This interest captures the willingness "to become all things to all men so that by all possible means" the church might be able "to save some" (1 Corinthians 9:22). This interest balances "one another" affections with

"others" concerns.

Growth is enjoyed by earthly groups, associations and organizations when such are timely in purpose, attractive in relationships, effective in organization, useful in effort, vigorous in recruitment. Churches, which are also earthly associations or groups associated for specific purposes, similarly will enjoy growth when these qualities are present. Yet churches are more than earthly associations. They, as heavenly fellowships, will grow explosively when their service pleases God and he responds and gives the increase.

--Waterloo, Ontario

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FOR WOMEN BY WOMEN

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A Model for Dealing with Anxiety

Elizabeth Lock

Stress breeds anxiety. Due to our fast-paced life, there are constant stressors ranging from trivial to earth-shattering events. There are stresses in our families, the work place, the church, our community and the world at large.

Anxiety, due to stress, is inevitable. However, our ability to handle it is another matter. We hear cliches like: "let go and let God", "just ignore it", "it will get better", etc.

There are scriptures urging us not to worry, to cast our cares on the Lord, and to take our burdens to Jesus. Some of the people I deal with have difficulty integrating these principles into their lives.

Fortunately, Paul provides a model for dealing with anxiety. Philippians 4:6 is a model I have been using. "Do not be anxious about anything but in everything by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."

Paul begins with the command (do not be anxious) but does not leave us without a method or model for dealing with the problem. I am grateful for the following instruction.

Prayer. We are told to pray, to take our problem that is causing us to be anxious to the Father. What a blessing to have a heavenly Father who cares and understands.

Petition. A petition can be a passionate plea for help. It can indicate that I am in deep trouble and cannot make it on my own. I surrender to His will. He is Sovereign in my life.

Thanksgiving. By nature, we do not seem to be thankful. Our requests and petitions are numerous and then we add, "Oh yes, thanks for our food and

home". Until we learn the art of being thankful, we will continue to be anxious people. Thankful people have their eyes riveted on God while anxious ones are turned inward on themselves.

Present your requests. The plural here is significant. We are invited to take our requests or pleas to God. He wants to hear all of them--the insignificant and the overwhelming ones. He has big shoulders, so to speak, and can handle our problems.

Peace of God. Philippians 4:7 says, "The peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your heart and your minds in Christ Jesus". Verse 6 provides a model for dealing with anxiety and verse 7 gives a promise.

In a world full of anxiety, it is comforting to know that God's peace will guard our hearts and minds. This text does not promise to eradicate our problems necessarily, but it does guarantee that He guards our hearts and minds. Often during times of anxiety our minds are confused, and our thoughts may be irrational, but this text promises that He will guard our hearts and minds. When we are overcome with anxiety, what a joy to know He cares for us and hears, understands, and responds to our requests.

--Port Colborne, Ontario

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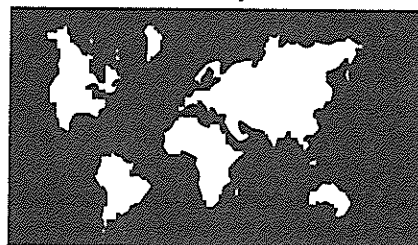
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NEWS

— EAST —



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(Editor's Note: We are happy that our brethren in Quebec are still in Canada. GLCC Lectures were very well done this year. W.R.S.)

ONTARIO

Ajax: Joanne Ebanks, wife of Keith Ebanks, was immersed on Sunday evening, November 12. Keith rededicated his life to Christ. He had become a Christian in Jamaica. Thanksgiving Dinner was held after morning worship on October 8. Dorothy and Bob Brown celebrated their 25th anniversary on October 15 with an open house at their home. Lenard and Hilda Northe moved to Pickering where Hilda is nursing. They were meeting in Bayview. Eric and Casandra Charles moved to Pickering from Zambia with their children, Christopher and Alexandra.

Barrie: Jeanette Geertsma was baptized on June 7 and Hank Kavanaugh on August 27. On September 10 we bid Pat and Rachel MacRiner best wishes upon their move to Beamsville. We welcome Elisabeth van der Meulen of Barrie, baptized at Newmarket; Judy Fountain from the church in Charlottetown; Karl, Debbie and Ryan Klemm, who have moved to Barrie from Belleville. Wesley Jones spoke to the Sunday a.m. adult class on September 17.

On October 1 there was a service of blessing for children recently born among us: Laura Cox (11/94), Sawyer Ellis (3/95) and Eric Lirette (6/95). The building committee (R. Cober, D. Johnson, C. King, W. MacRiner, S. Perry and M. Stevenson) has met some 30 times over the last year or so, as plans finalize for major renovation and expansion of our church facilities. On October 28 the teenagers organized a Halloween party for 17 of our younger children. The junior church program, directed by Joyce Turpin and Eunice Johnston, has been extended to include

children to age 10. Sunday evening gatherings are held on a rotating basis in Angus, Orillia and Alcona Beach/Stroud/Churchill for families who live in these places outside Barrie. Sunday a.m. worship averages 65-70.

--Claude Cox

Beamsville: Ruth Zimmerman is trying to return to Papua New Guinea. Craig Ford, Joel Lock and Jared McMillan are planning to go to New Guinea for a year after they graduate next spring. All three have firsthand knowledge of this country as their families served there.

Bramalea: The Youth Group Walk, "Taking Steps to End World Hunger", raised \$3,100. There were 52 participants. Thirteen were from our sister congregation in Guelph. New to the area are Warren and Jackie Gay and their three children from St. Catharines. Grades one and up have scheduled their annual "Camp In" on November 14-15. The GLCC chorus plans to make a presentation on December 1. Guest speakers were John Smith of Yorkton, Saskatchewan and Chris Nichol, intern at Trenton. Chris is in his final year of study with the Edmonton congregation.

Brantford: Rick Gamble spoke in Welland on November 23 as part of a six-day gospel meeting. The seminar "Change and the Church" was presented November 3 and 4 by Dave Knutson, Geoff Ellis and Max Craddock. Leslie Holyome was welcomed back into fellowship after a six-year absence and is attending with her eight-year-old son, Ryan, and her mother, Loretta.

Fenwick: Louise Boyd, who worshipped at Fenwick for several years, passed away in Sunset Haven, Welland at the age of 98 in early October. Friends day on October 14 saw an attendance of 91, and the November 3 hymn sing 56. Shrubs and trees have been planted in front of the building.

Guelph: Speakers in October/November were Darren Douglas, Joseph Godbout, Walter Hart, Wayne Page and Brian Boden. A potluck and fellowship with Walter and Elaine Hart was held on November 12.

Hamilton (West Hamilton): A group of young people from Strathmore made a presentation to us on Sunday evening, September 10. A wiener roast and hayride was held on October 4 at the Circle Square Ranch. Joe and

Marcia Godbout visited with us on September 17. Joe presented the lesson.

Ice Lake: Edna Wright, daughter of Stan and Susie Runnalls, mother of Kevin Robbins, was baptized on Sunday, near the end of October.

Meaford: The 60th wedding anniversary of Clarence and Martha Whitfield was celebrated on November 18. Guest speaker was Peter Dale of Collingwood. Shuffleboard is enjoyed by the Seniors at the building each Thursday evening. The appointment of additional elders is being considered.

Newmarket: Curtis Merritt was baptized on September 17, Ryan Mashinter on October 7, and Kevin Carabott on October 8.

Port Colborne: The chorus from GLCC sang on November 5.

Sarnia: Glen, Tracy and Cassie Fournier have moved here from Sudbury. Sara (Hammond) Chapados has moved here from Windsor since her marriage to Drew. Geoff Ellis was a guest speaker on September 24 a.m. and also taught the adult class. In the evening he gave a slide presentation of his work in Russia. Some of our number attended the Downriver Enrichment Seminar at Trenton, Michigan on October 20-22 featuring F. Lagard Smith. We have recently started a university-aged class on Saturday nights. The topic we are studying is "Why we do the things we do".

Sault Ste. Marie (Pinehill): The congregation is searching for a minister.

St. Catharines (Ontario Street): Ladies class is studying Joe Beam's "Spiritual Warfare". Lawrence Moribito has just had a bone marrow transplant. The congregation has formed a search committee to locate a new minister.

Stratford: Geoff Ellis was guest speaker on October 8 and 22. We held a hayride and campfire devotional on October 15 at the home of the McCallums. The Hoovers visited in Plymouth on October 1 and then attended the Sunset World Evangelism Forum in Lubbock, Texas. Our speaker for the Ladies Day held November 4 was Kathryn Haddad.

Thessalon: *Correction:* Luke Vine was baptized on August 6 in this con-

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NEWS

— PRAIRIES —

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Estevan, SK: On Wednesday, October 4, Kendra and Sharon Engbrecht made their decision for Christ. They are the daughters of Ken and Lorie Engbrecht. Our second opportunity to witness a new birth came on Saturday, October 7 when Jamie Klatt was baptized. Jamie is a student at Western Christian College. His parents, Warren and Pam, live in the Estevan area. Please be praying for the strength and growth of these precious souls.

We were saddened with the passing of Leila Drader on October 15. Leila made a great impact on this community with her strength and faith and that was evident by the large number of people who attended her funeral service. Please remember the Drader family in your prayers as well.

Excitement is mounting for a "Coping with Stress" seminar that Walter Hart will be conducting on November 25. Through extensive advertising and the work of our members, we are hoping to help some new people in this community and open doors for communicating the message of the gospel. There is great potential for growth in Estevan, and we pray for God's strength and courage to take advantage of our opportunities.

Yorkton, SK: Our evangelist, John Smith, is teaching the Junior High class and is trying to encourage these students in the right direction. As often as possible he takes them to youth rallies, etc. in other places. Last June the congregation had a gathering in which we gave recognition of the accomplishments and good deeds that are done by each of these young people. There was quite an impressive list.

August 14 through 16 were the dates of our V.B.S. conducted by Walter and Elaine Hart and the team of students from Western Christian College. The total attendance was 57, and the closing exercises were well attended.

John Smith was away from October

24 through November 13 visiting the supporting congregation. The last Lord's Day of each month we have "Encouragement-Praise-Thanksgiving". Instead of John's sermons, several men and boys give a reading, lead a hymn, and/or give a short talk.

News East

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gregation.

Thunder Bay: Sara Hunter returned to Bramalea to do her practice teaching.

Toronto (Bayview): The ladies enjoyed a luncheon together to start off the 95-96 women's program. Christine Koehler and Bruno Taillefer flew to Hawaii for their marriage in early October. Darrell Buchanan taught a five-day block class on the book of James at Western Christian College in Dauphin, Manitoba. He also preached both morning and evening on October 22 at the Dauphin Church of Christ. Our visiting preacher for that Sunday was Dennis Stephens, son of Marg Snowball. Dennis grew up at Bayview and now lives in Nashville, Tennessee.

Toronto (Harding Avenue): Decilla Williams, a young single lady, was baptized on October 29.

Toronto (Strathmore): Guy Stopard has been preaching while Max Craddock has been holding meetings or visiting his wife, Cledith, in Ohio, where she is caring for her ailing mother. Guy spoke at Fennell Avenue in Hamilton on October 15, and Marvin Johnson spoke there on October 22. Santiago Molina spent the last week of October in Winnipeg with the Spanish work. Santiago is flying to California on November 20 to the "Encounter of Workers and Preachers from Latin America". This is the 11th Encounter. In the year 2000, it will be held in Canada. The men meet for breakfast the last Saturday morning each month.

Waterloo: Derek and Sandy Howie reaffirmed their wedding vows in a service held at the building October 15.

Jeanette Bacic was baptized on October 22. Jeanette is a student at Waterloo University.

Rick Gamble, a member of the Brantford church and news reporter for CKCO-TV will be guest speaker on December 17 (Bring a Friend Sunday).

His lesson will be "Communicating Christ in the Real World".

Duane and Chris Howie, along with their children and Janeen, have been welcomed back into the fellowship.

This congregation hosted their Annual Skating Part at The Rink In The Park on December 1.

Welland: The theme for their gospel meeting was "Life's Great Questions". Speakers were Geoff Ellis, Don Smith, John Hains, Rick Gamble and Ron Pauls.

"The roof replacement on our building is now under way and should be completed by the time this issue of the Gospel Herald is received. A total of around \$8,000 has been contributed to help on this project, \$2,100 of which was given by our own members. Thanks to all who have so generously participated."

QUEBEC

Lasalle: Leonard Amanatey visited in the States trying to raise funds for the next three years as he would like to continue working here if possible.

NEW BRUNSWICK

Moncton: To reach the thousands of families in the school area, I have written a simple pamphlet which we plan to mail out. It describes who we are, what we are trying to do, and invites the community to come. Our sister congregation in Kentville, Nova Scotia, has volunteered to print the 4,200 pamphlets that we need.

On October 13 Diana drove three of our ladies to a camp near Halifax, Nova Scotia for a ladies' retreat.

We had the opportunity to meet the new Halifax preacher, Keith Bramley, and his family. The small church there has been without a preacher for a long time.

The school where we meet has been working out well. We have had some community people attending.

NOVA SCOTIA

Mill Village: The congregation was able to send money to Ray McMillan and Bob Parker and party of eight for their trip to India. They had permission and did visit Shillong, Manipur and Mizoram and other places.

NEW YORK

North Buffalo: The chorus from GLCC sang for us on November 5.

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ALBERTA

Edmonton: We rejoice with our two newest members. Marc Laplante and Michael Stroesser put on their Lord in baptism in October.

Our outreach to Whitecourt has begun. A group of families drives to Whitecourt each weekend and worships together on Sunday morning. As the fall university semester progresses, so does the work on the campus. We have had 10 new visitors come out to the Bible study as a result of the outreach done during orientation week through our information tables. Randy Schilling is continuing to lead the work through a weekly Friday night small group study and activity. The college and career group members also get together for a monthly devotional to encourage and spur them on in their work on campus.

On October 7, the Newly Married group held its monthly devotional. Fifteen people attended at the home of our newest newlyweds, Glenn and Brenda Irvine. We discussed God's expectations for husbands and wives and how to work positively together as a couple.

On October 21, we held a progressive dinner for our teens. We began at 3 p.m. and ended at 9 p.m., travelling to five different homes. These monthly activities, along with the Wednesday and Sunday teen classes, are helping the group to develop close relationships and a positive group identity.

Our small group studies continue to be at the center of our evangelistic efforts in Edmonton and the surrounding communities. We are being blessed with many visitors.

The Soup and Sandwich Program continues to be very effective. It allows new Christians to be introduced to five families in the body plus learn lessons dealing with the new relationships they now have with God and the body. We also are offering a special Wednesday

night class called Christian Foundations. This class is taught by the elders and has the goal of rooting people in the fundamental doctrines of Christ's church that are the foundation of solid Biblical growth.

Fort McMurray: We have enjoyed the presence of several visitors recently. Randy Schilling and family came from Edmonton on October 28. Randy brought us a lesson from the scriptures. Also from Edmonton were Verna Hotchkiss and Gary, Crystal and Jacob Kushneryk. Gary is working here for several days. A hayride was held for the teens on November 4. The ladies have a number of plans for the upcoming months. We have been quite ambitious with our goals, and we pray that we will have the faith to carry them all out.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Nanaimo: We rejoice in two recent baptisms. Ryan Hannan was baptized on September 24 and Matthew Jaszczyszyn on October 21. Our prayers are with these two new young brothers in their walk with Christ.

Members of the congregation took part in a 20 km "Steps to End World Hunger" walk on Saturday, October 21. This was a great success and special thanks to all walkers, organizers, helpers and sponsors.

Salmon Arm: In July a successful church camp was held at Clearwater, B.C. which included Bible lessons, singing, skits, campfire and a day trip to Well's Gray Park. One baptism resulted: Schaana Greenlaw of Kamloops, granddaughter of Pat and Sandy Greenlaw of Salmon Arm.

On August 4, B.C. Day, the annual Beef-a-lo B.B.Q., hosted by Charles Brockman, was held at the Falkland Hall. Congregations from the Okanagan Valley met for an afternoon of singing before the meal and fellowship.

Two of our members, J.C. Murray and Wendell Bailey, went to Kelowna to help package up the books from the library of the Okanagan Bible College and transported them as far as Calgary on their way to W.C.C. On September 17, John McMillan spoke to us on his fund drive for the library.

September 23-24: Dr. John Bailey from Bedford, Texas presented some encouraging lessons on "Restoring Spiritual Integrity".

The Shuswap Christian School had to vacate the property they were rent-

ing from the school district. We were fortunate in buying a building in the centre of town on the corner of the fair grounds and have leased a piece of land from the city for five years with option of renewing. This building was remodelled, with partitions, into four classrooms and office and library under the direction of Maurice Taylor and J.C. Murray. Many volunteer hours were put in by various members. To help pay off the balance, donations of \$20 per square foot are gratefully accepted. Teachers are Rhonda Hodges, Alan Rich, Karen Quinton and Linda Kendig. Aide: Janice Derkach. Administrator: Doug Kendig.

We have welcomed the following new members: Alan and Janice Rich with daughters, Alicia and Mikaela from Red Deer; Keven and Rhonda Hodges from Manitoba; and Dean and Mitsy Faulks and their children, Andrew, Daniel, Rachel and Zack from Vernon.

Victoria (Shelbourne Street): On the weekend of October 8, several from our church were blessed in being able to attend a "Church That Connects" seminar sponsored by the Preston Road Church of Christ in Dallas, Texas. The emphasis of the program was on worshipping in a way which is both biblical and meaningful in contemporary society.

The elders have begun a time of focussed prayer and study concerning what the role of Christian women should be within the church. This issue, so pertinent to our culture, is one on which opinions vary widely. Our goal is to be true to what God desires for His church according to scripture while allowing the church's witness to Christ to speak powerfully to people living in 1995.

MONTANA

(Editor's Note: We welcome this addition to our News Far West. Brother Scott Laird will be sending these reports twice yearly. V.H.)

Great Falls: Rejoice with us! Seven souls have been added to the Lord's church since May. Please continue to pray that the Lord will bless us with both workers and open doors.

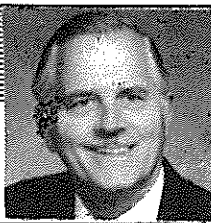
On September 30 and October 1 we hosted a seminar for Bible School Teachers with a number of timely topics. Les Gleaves from Tulsa, Oklahoma was guest speaker. The seminar was well

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BOOK REVIEWS

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All As One, by J. Stark Davis, Star Bible Publications, Inc., 1995, paperback, 286 pages. \$10 (US). Reviewed by S.F. Timmerman.

The urgent need for unity among Christians, based on the word of God, is the theme of this book, especially as a means to evangelizing the world more effectively. The author develops this thought, taking as his promise the prayer of Jesus in John 17 that "they be brought into complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved them as you have loved me".

He does a fine job of pointing out in the early chapters the attitudes that are requisite to the search for unity, particularly such qualities as service, sacrifice, obedience to God and mercy. There is also an emphasis on the need for finding common ground with those who differ from us.

In seeking a solution to such differences, the author lists steps that should be followed (i.e. communication to know exactly what the other person really believes and examination of the scriptures with an unbiased mind). These steps are applied to such questions as conversion, the use of instrumental music in worship, the activity of the Holy Spirit, and congregational structure.

The book is laced with interesting illustrations, but the reader may find the approach a bit too simplistic.

Romans and Relevance, by E. Dan Wieb. Monograph Series, Gospel Herald Foundation, Beamsville, Ontario, 66 pages., pb. \$9.95.

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He has been an associate editor and

family page editor of the Gospel Herald. Dan and his wife, Dorothy, have served the church, Christian education and Christian journalism for 50 years.

Geoffrey Ellis has said of this book, "It is a timely look at Paul's profound and practical treatise on faith. He has thought it, taught it and expounded it. He is convinced that this great work of the apostle Paul on Christian faith, which fueled the Reformation, must be at the heart of Restoration thinking. This work encourages 'thinking through' Romans again and is successful in taking aim at relevant faith for our day. Wieb will help you make friends with Romans. He will challenge you to live the faith."

Every Family Needs A C.E.O. (Chief Executive Officer): What Mothers and Fathers Can Do About Our Deteriorating Families and Values, by Reuben Bar-Levar, M.D., Fathering Inc. Press, 290 pages, \$19.95 US, \$26.00 Cdn. Reviewed by Eugene C. Perry.

Written by a psychiatrist and widely published author, this book deals with the concept of fathering which he developed and teaches here and overseas. He begins by explaining that fathering includes protection and providing, au-

thority, rules and enforcement, reality and modelling. It is noted that mothering and fathering are different functions and that it is very difficult for one person to do both.

The introduction states, "Here, finally, is a book that not only describes the widely recognized need of character education and the teaching of values, but which also shows specifically how to do it." Because of the widespread prevalence of permissiveness and the shortage of good fathering, youngsters "are often unruly, rebellious and irresponsible". This situation bodes ill for the future of our society since "democracies cannot survive for long unless the majority of their citizens know right from wrong".

There are three sections. The first introduces the concept of fathering and "what happens to individuals and to societies without enough of it"; the second gives us "touching examples and stories that follow"; and the third is the "Manual, a treasure of practical ideas about good fathering and how to do it".

Thus, we are not only shown the need for proper fathering but also given a manual full of practical solutions. This section emphasizes the importance of mutual respect in effective relationships. Fathers are told how to teach children to accept responsibility for all of their actions. Practical ways of inculcating self-sufficiency, self-restraint, self-control, self-discipline and self-esteem are included. There are suggestions as to ways of teaching children to think for themselves, to accept limitations and to aspire to excellence.

This timely and urgently needed book is clearly written and easy to read and understand. We recommend it highly.

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Leila Fern Drader

1920-1995

Leila Fern (Davies) Drader was born March 27, 1920 near Bromhead, Saskatchewan. She grew up on the farm with her parents, Lew and Etta Davies, and her brother, Glen and sister, Dorothy. Being the youngest of the three, it became her lot to remain at home after her school years to help her parents with the farm work. In the early 1940's she went to work in the city of Regina where she was employed by the T. Eaton Department Store for several years before moving to Vancouver, B.C. After her father's death in 1948, she returned to the prairies, making her home in Estevan, where she worked at Perry's Hardware.

On July 23, 1951 she married Welland Drader, also of Estevan. Welland and Leila continued to make their home here, and in the years following, two boys and three girls were born to them. They lived for a time in Carnduff, Saskatchewan but then returned to Estevan where they lived until the time of her passing. Leila Drader went to be with the Lord on Sunday, October 15, 1995.

Leila was predeceased by her loving husband, Welland, on September 7, 1993, just two years, one month and one week before her call came; by her father, Lew Davies in 1948; and by her mother, Etta Gavel on September 2, 1995, one and a half months ago.

She leaves to mourn her passing two sons: Larry (Gaylene) of Calgary; Daryl (Joan) of Rochester, NY; three daughters: Shelly of Toronto; Gloria of Saskatoon; and Barb (Dave) Patterson of Saskatoon; eight grandchildren; one brother: Glen (Mabel) of North Battleford; along with a host of relatives and friends everywhere.

Leila will be remembered by her loved ones and her many friends as a truly Christian lady. She became a Christian in her teen years and has lived faithfully to her commitment to the day of her death. So, we feel confident in saying that hers is now the crown of life which is promised to all who so live (Revelation 2:10).

Leila was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She was an excellent

homemaker with her family's needs always first on her agenda. Everyone who ever visited in her home can remember her as a marvelous cook and hostess. She and Welland loved to have people in their home. Hospitality seemed to come naturally to her as it had been the pattern in her mother's home. Everyone could feel welcome at the Drader's.

Leila was an avid sports fan. Even as Grandma Leila she could recite detailed statistics of each grandchild's activity record at any given opportunity. She was indeed a fun-loving person. She had a keen mind and a very quick wit which she demonstrated even during the last few weeks from her hospital bed. No one ever had a more loyal friend than she was in good times and in not so good times.

Although slight of stature, she was a strong person. She enjoyed generally good health throughout her life it seems. But then her uncanny tolerance for pain or hardship can only lead us to wonder how much of that pain her ever-present smile and pleasant disposition was able to hide.

Leila was a faithful member of the Estevan Church of Christ where her husband served as an elder for many years. She died as she had lived--always interested and concerned about others --always expressing her appreciation and gratitude for even the smallest services and kindnesses shown to her. She leaves indeed a rich heritage to her family and to all of us who knew her.

We shall miss her. But we shall not forget her. We sorrow not as those who have no hope. But we rejoice in her victory and in the blessed assurance that we shall meet again when the Lord calls us home.

Services were conducted by Allen Close and Ernest Andreas.

--Ernest W. Andreas

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attended.

In 1996, we have planned a seminar called "Systematic Training for Effective Parenting", and the guest speaker will be Frank Montague, an elder of the Bellview Church of Christ in Bellview, Nebraska. Also planned, May 16-18, is a men's retreat just outside of Augusta.

The Lord's work is progressing here. We are conducting three separate evangelistic small group Bible studies on a weekly basis. In October, we started

seven fellowship 'small group' studies which meet once a month. They are designed to help us develop closer relationships with brothers and sisters in the church.

Our MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) program has gotten off to a great start. The mothers meet twice a month for a time of study, discussion and crafts. We have 7 moms from our congregation participating and 21 moms from the community. The congregation is supporting the work with about 20 volunteers at each meeting. The program is meeting the needs of moms in today's society. It provides an excellent opportunity to introduce Biblical views toward parenting and gives us contact with people who might want to know more about the Lord.

Gordon Naylor travels to Havre and Chinook to preach on Sundays while Harold Martin travels to Shelby to preach there. Keep these churches in your prayers as they become more active and evangelistic in their communities.

Our average attendance for 1995 has been 199, and with the increasing crowd sizes, we are looking at going to two services in the new year.

May the Lord bless you all with a great end to 1995 and a tremendous new year to the glory of God.

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FORT MCMURRAY: Beauregard Edu. Community Centre, Abasand; Sun. 10-12; Thurs. Bible Talk 7:30 in homes. Mon. ladies class 1:30-3:00 in homes (phone (403) 790-0109); Terry Mullins, Treas., 399 Thicket Dr., T9H 4H7; (403) 790-3537.

LETHBRIDGE: 2720 21st Ave. S., T1K 1H8; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:00; Mike Gray, ev. 328-0855.

MEDICINE HAT: Crescent Heights Church of Christ, 402 12th St. N.E., T1A 5V2; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7; Ernest W. Andreas, ev., 528-3026 (res.); 527-7311 (off.).

RED DEER: 4519 53rd St., T4N 2E4; Sun. 11:15, 10, (evening-call for information); Wed. 7; Gerry Bibard, ev., 347-3986.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

ABBOTSFORD: Michael Collins Studio (behind B.C. Tourist offices on McCallum Rd.); Sun. 10, 11; Tues. 7:30 in homes; Central Valley Church of Christ, Rob Robinson, Sec.-Treas., 45215 Blue Jay Ave., Sardis, B.C. V2R 2V3; (604) 824-0322; church-Ray Fillion, 850-8670.

BURNABY (Greater Vancouver): 7485 Salisbury Ave., V5E 3A5; Sun. 10:05, 9 & 11; Midweek (groups meet in homes. Call for times & locations); Jeff Floyd, ev. 526-3895; Kirk Ruch, ev., 596-8453; (604) 522-7721 (off.).

CAMPBELL RIVER: 226 Hilchey Road, V9W 1P4; (604) 923-5233.

CHILLIWACK: Senior Citizens Bldg. Br24, corner of Cook and Victoria St.; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7 at 9687 Windsor St; Mail P.O. Box 327, V2P 6V4, 24 hr. phone 792-4940; George Sillman, ev., Al McCutcheon, sec. 792-0046.

COQUITLAM: 2665 Runnel Dr., V3E 1S3; Sun. 9:45, 11, 6; Wed. 7:30; Phone 464-2836; Hugh Minor, ev.

COWICHAN VALLEY (CROFTON): 1288 Smith St.; Sun 11; Wed. 7; Box 45, V0R 1R0; Jack Ellis, 246-4189.

CRESTON: Corner of 5th Ave. and Cook St.; Sun. 10, 11; Box 2329, V0B 1G0; 428-7411 (off.).

DELTA: Ladner Community Centre; Sun. 9:50; Wed. in homes 8:00; 205-1318 - 56th St. V4L 2H4 (off); 56th St., V4L 2A4; Jay Don Rogers, ev., (604) 946-7280 (res.), 943-0515 (off.).

KAMLOOPS: 629 Battle St. V2C 2M4; Sun. 11:15, 10; Mid-week studies in homes; (604) 374-3512 (off); Contact Rob Harper, 554-2421.

KELOWNA: 1317 Ethel St.; Sun. 10:45; Bible study 9:30 (except July & Aug.); Tues. 7; Box 2697, St. R. V1X 6A7; Charles McKnight, ev. (604) 765-8739; Wayne Muirhead (604) 861-4008; Ted Windmill, 763-8445.

KELOWNA (Rutland): #209-120 McIntosh Rd., V1X 7E8; Sun. 11. Call for directions/other services, Bill Forman, ev. (604) 765-3643.

LANGLEY: Meeting in homes; Sun. 10:30; Phone for location 534-0485; c/o I. Eastwood, 20420-54 Avenue, Apt. 103, V3A 6N6.

NANAIMO: 1720 Meredith Rd., V9S 2M4; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7:00; Grant Hannan, ev. 758-9412 (off.); Les Beamish, sec. 758-6929.

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

PENTICTON: Pentiction Retirement Centre, 439 Winnipeg St.; Sun. 9, 10; Tues. 7:30; Box 24082, V2A 8L9; 496-4043.

PRINCE GEORGE: 933 Patricia Blvd., V2L 3V6; Sun. 10:30, 11; (604) 562-0502.

PRINCE RUPERT: 977 Prince Rupert Blvd; Sun. 4, 3; Thurs. 7; Dick Brant, Bob Turner, evs.; (604) 624-4449 (res.), 624-5834 (off.).

RICHMOND: Boy Scout Hall, No. 1 Road & Francis Road; Sun 10:30, 11; 3431 Bentinck Pl., V7C 4H3; Gary L. Marns, ev. (604) 271-6197.

SALMON ARM: Community Center, 2550 TransCanada Hwy. N.E., Rm 1; Sun. 9:45, 10:45; Thurs. night in homes. Call 832-3828 or 2470 for info.; P.O. Box 51, V1E 4N2; Wendell Bailey, ev. (604) 832-2470; Office, Piccadilly Place Mall, 1151 10th St. SW, 832-3828; Cheryl Pimentel, sec., 832-0422; Shuswap Christian School, Bx 789, V1E 4N9, 832-7994; Doug Kendig, adm. 835-8529 (res.)

SURREY (Greater Vancouver): 15042 92nd Ave., V3R 5V8; Sun. 10, 11; Tues. 7:30; Ron Beckett, ev., 594-1796; Ed Bryant, ev., (604) 585-8566.

VANCOUVER (Oakridge): 6970 Oak St., V6P 3Z6; English services: Sun. 10, 10:40, 5 (Spanish Bible Class 10 and Fri. 6:30); Wed. 7:30; Stephen C. Hasbrouck, ev. (604) 241-7544 (res); Spanish services: Sun. 5; Fri. 6:30; Milton Diaz, ev., 432-1749 (res.).

VERNON: 4107 Pleasant Valley Rd.; Sun. 10, 11; Box 541, V1T 6M5; 545-6892.

VICTORIA: 3460 Shelbourne St., V8P 4G5; Sun. 9:45, 10:45, 6; Wed. 6:30; Kelly Carter, ev. (604) 592-4914 (off), 727-0351 (res.).

PROVINCE OF MANITOBA

BRANDON: 943 7th St., R7A 3V1; Sun. 10, 11; (204) 728-0957; Charles Muller, sec. 726-4723.

CARMAN: Main Street S.; Sun. 10, 6; Wed. 7:30; c/o D.B. Laycock, Box 266, Miami, R0G 1H0; 435-2413; Don L. Killough, ev. 745-3786.

DAUPHIN: 220 Whitmore Ave. (Western Christian College); Sun. 7 p.m., 10 a.m.; Wed. 7; 378 River Ave. E., R7N 0H8; Hugh Gannon, ev. 638-8568 (res.), 638-6321 (off); W. Hart, elder, 638-5283.

MANSON: Bldg. at Manson Village; Sun. 10, 2 p.m.; Box 2, R0M 1J0; Gilbert Jacobs, sec., 722-2148 or Lloyd Jacobs, 722-2278.

NEEPAWA: Arden Community Centre, 352 Arden, R0J 0B0; Sun. 10, 11.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE: Contact Gerald McCutcheon, 239-1817.

WINNIPEG (Central): 217 Osborne St. S., R3L 1Z4; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7; M.C. Johnson, sec., 45 Jubinville Bay, 254-8501; Wayne Turner, ev. (204) 257-7926 (res); 475-6462 (off).

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK

MONCTON: 1 Trites Rd., Riverview, E1B 2V5; Sun. 10; alternate Weds. 7:30; Tim Johnson, ev., (506) 386-2628 (res) or 852-0919 (off.).

SAINT JOHN: Meeting in the home of FRED NELSON, 3 Charleston Court, Quispamsis, E2E 4W9; Sunday meetings flexible; Phone (506) 847-2802 or Tom Goud, 847-2199.

NEW YORK STATE

BUFFALO (Linwood): 481 Linwood Ave., 14209; Sun. 9:30, 10:45, 6; Training Class 5; Wed. 7; John Smiley, ev. (716) 882-5434.

NORTH BUFFALO: 350 Kenmore Ave.; Sun. 10, 11, 6:30; Wed. 7:30; Box 128, 14223; (716) 835-6010.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

YELLOWKNIFE: 516 Range Lake Rd., X1A 3A7; Sun. 10; Wed. 7:30; 873-3875. Elders: David Libbury, Barnard Straker, Steve McMillan, ev.

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA

HALIFAX: 48 Convoy Ave., B3N 2P8; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:30; (903) 443-9628 (off.); Keith Brumley, ev. (902) 445-4194 (res); Wayne Taylor, sec., (902) 876-7402.

KENTVILLE: Middle Dyke & Mee Rd.; Sun. 11, 10, 6; Wed. 7; c/o 895 Gracie Dr., B4N 4M2; Brian Gamett, ev. (902) 678-1168 (res.); 678-8881 (off.).

SHUBENACADIE: Mill Village Church, 2 miles w. of Shubenacadie; Sun. 10:15, 11; Wed. 7; R.R. 1, B0N 2H0; D. Hallett (902) 758-2133; J. Mackey, sec., (902) 758-2633; 758-3215 (off.).

SHUBENACADIE: Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; Shubenacadie & Area Church of Christ, R.R. 1, B0N 2H0; Raymond Wiseman, ev. 758-3404; Frank Weir, 758-2905.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

AJAX (Serving Oshawa, Whitby, Pickering): 1 Cedar St.; Sun. 9:45, 11, 7; Wed. 7:30; Box 162, L1S 3C3; Ph. 683-2477 or A. Langford, sec., 683-6735.

BARRIE: 345 Grove St. E. (at Cook), L4M 4T7; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:30; P.O. Box 460, L4M 4T7; 722-7155 (off.); Claude Cox, ev. (705) 737-2272.

BEAMSVILLE: 4900 John St., L0R 1B6; Sun. 9:15, 10:30, 6; Wed. 7:30; Don Smith, ev. (905) 563-7655 (off.).

BRACEBRIDGE: Orange Hall, Maple St. at Pine; Sun. 11; Box 2248, P1L 1W1; John D. Preston, sec.-treas. 645-5797.

BRAMALEA: 750 Clark Blvd. (south of Hwy. 7 on Finchgate Boulevard), L6T 3Y2; Sun. 9:45, 11, 6; Thurs. 7:30; Walter Straker, ev. (905) 455-3263 (res.); 792-2297 (off).

BRANTFORD: 267 North Park St., N3R 4L2; Sun. 10, 11, 6:30; Wed. 7; contact Rick Gamble (519) 753-5353; 759-6630 (off).

BURKS FALLS: Seniors Building above library on Young St.; Sun. 6-7:15 p.m.; c/o Hubert Lawrence, R.R. #2, P0A 1C0; (705) 382-2026.

COLLINGWOOD: 494 Tenth St.; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7; c/o Frank Kneeshaw, 317 Hume Street, L9Y 1W4, 445-3252; 444-0010 (office); Wayford Smith, ev. 444-2701.

CORNWALL: Tollgate Rd. E.; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; Box 42, K6H 5R9.

FENWICK: Welland Ave.; Sun. 9:45, 11, 7; Wed. 7:30; P.O. Box 416, L0S 1C0; Walt Cromwell, ev., (905) 892-4557; 892-5661 (off.).

GORE BAY: W. Manitoulin church; (Old Library); Sun. 10:30; Box 85, P0P 1H0; Contact John Robertson (705) 282-3499; Bill Baker (705) 282-2095.

GRIERSVILLE: RR 4, Meaford, 5 mi. south of Meaford on Grey County 7; Sun. 10; Keith Hewgill, Kimberley, ON N0C 1G0; Les Cramp, ev., Box 1642, Meaford, ON N0H 1Y0.

GRIMSBY: 63 Casablanca Blvd., south of Q.E. exit; Sun. SS 11:05; Worship 9:45, 6; Wed. 7; Box 181, L3M 4G3; (905) 945-3058; George Mansfield, ev. 945-1070.

GUELPH: Conestoga College, 460 Speedvale Ave. W.; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:30 (phone for location); c/o 428 Cole Rd., N1G 3J8; David Azzopardo, sec. (519) 821-9179.

HAILEYBURY/NEW LISKEARD: Meeting in homes. Times flexible. Mike Tinney, Box 702, Haileybury, P0J 1K0, 705-672-9241.

HAMILTON: 666A Fennell Ave. E. at 27th St.; L8V 1V2 (Mt. Hamilton); Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7:00; (905) 385-5775; John Dennis, sec., (905) 389-0717.

HAMILTON (Centre): 33 Highcliffe Ave., L9A 3L3; Sun. 10, 11; Steven Rudd, ev., (905) 575-8437.

HAMILTON (West): Mohawk College, Fennell Ave./West 5th St.; Sun. 10, 11, 6; midweek (call for times and locations); P.O. Box 78041 Westcliffe PO, L9C 7N5; Wayne Page (905) 648-5100; Peter Morphy, ev., 387-3699.

HEATHCOTE: Sun. 11; Larry Elford, R.R. 1, Kimberley, ON N0C 1G0.

HINTSVILLE: Chaffey community Hall, Muskoka Rd. 3, one km. N. of Hwy 60; Sun. 6:30 p.m.; Eugene Preston (705) 789-7630; David Preston, sec., R.R. #1, GR Box 174, P0A 1K0; 789-7697.

HINTSVILLE: Hilltop Dr. off Hwy. 11BN; Sun. 9:45, 11, 7; Wed. 8; GR Box 108, Rte 3, P0A 1K0; Contact John H. Preston, sec., (705) 767-3237.

ICE LAKE (Manitoulin Island): 1 1/4 mi. S. of Hwy. 540; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Mon. 7:30; Dean Hotchkiss, ev. (705) 282-2980; Peter Tallman, sec., R.R. #1, Mindemoya, P0P 1S0, 377-4555.

KENORA: 101 Norman Dr.; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; P.O. Box 2905, P9N 3X8; (807) 468-7523 (bldg);

Randy Fiske, ev., 468-2192; Earle Rattai, 548-2245.

KINGSTON: 446 College St., K7L 4M7; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; (613) 546-5409 (off.).

KITCHENER SOUTH: Kitchener City Hall, 200 King St. W.; Sun. 12, 11; John Spencer, sec., 396 Gatestone Blvd., N2T 2J0; (519) 746-2576.

LONDON: 1750 Huron St., N5V3A2; (519) 455-6730; Sun. 9:30, 11; Call for mid-week opportunities. Harold Byne, ev., 645-0575; FAX 645-6037.

MEAFORD: 113 Nelson St. W. N4L 1G3; Sun. 9:45, 11, 6; Wed. 7:30; Bill Swarz, ev., (519) 538-1750 (off.).

NEWMARKET: 230 Davis Dr.; Sun. 9:45, 11, 6:30; Wed. 7; Upper Canada P.O. Box 21581, L3Y 8J1; Brian Cox, ev., 165 Britannia Ave., Bradford, L3Z 1A4; (905) 788-0366 (res.), 895-6502 (off.); Keith Thompson, ev., 348 Dixon Blvd. L3Y 5C4; (905) 853-0892 (res.).

NIAGARA FALLS: 3901 Dorchester Rd. N. (turn E. on Thorold Stone Rd. from Q.E.); Sun. 10:30-12, 5:30; Wed. 7:30; Henry Boland, 5904 Atlas St., L2J 1S8; (905) 356-0107 or 356-3412; Henry Boland, ev.

NORTH BAY: 73 Gertrude St. E.; Sun. 10, 11, 6:30; Wed. 7; Box 745, P1B 8J8; (705) 472-7040 (off.); Gary Hotchkiss, sec., 497-1813.

OMAGH: 1412 Britannia Road W. at 4th line, Milton, L9T 2X8; Sun. 10, 11; Thurs. 7:30 in homes; c/o Harold Ellis, Sec., R.R. #3, Campbellville, LOP 1B0; (905) 878-7565; Steve May, ev. (905) 563-5043; *905) 875-2939 (off).

OTTAWA: 1515 Chomley Cres., K1G 0V9; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7; Robert MacRury, ev., 733-2580 (off.); 737-0701 (res.).

OWEN SOUND: 835 10th Ave. E., N4K 3H8; Sun. 9:45, 11, 6; Thurs. 7 in homes (phone for location); Felix Turner, ev. (519) 376-8259, 376-6702 (off.).

PETERBOROUGH: The Otonabee Inn (Lift Lock Rm), 84 Lansdowne E.; Lord's Supper/Classes, 10-11, Preaching 11-12; Box 2081, K9J 7H5; Peter McPherson, ev.(705) 742-5349; Shaun Parks (705) 876-7104.

PINE ORCHARD: Sun. 10, 11; Bruce Brandon, sec. 852-5026, RR 2, Uxbridge, L9P 1R2.

PORT COLBORNE: 700 Steele St., L3K 4Z2; Sun. 10, 11, 6:30; Bible studies, call for days and times; David Lock, ev., 465 Davis St., L3K 1Z7; (905) 834-0911 (res.); 834-5775 (off.). (Every 1st Sun. potluck followed by singing; communion at 6:30).

ST. CATHARINES: 439 Ontario St. N., L2N 4M9; Sun. 9:30, 10:30, 6; Wed. 7:30; Gordon Harris, ev., 937-8250 (res.), 935-9581 (off.).

ST. CATHARINES (Garden City): Ina Grafton Gage Home (Cedar Room), 413 Linwell Rd.; Sun. 9, 10, 11; Wed. 7; 46 Tara Cres., Thorold L2V 4M1; Roy Driestalkamp, ev. 227-8336.

ST. THOMAS: 60 S. Edgeware Rd. N5P 2H6; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7; Brian Thompson, ev., (519) 633-2210 (off.), 633-2646 (res.).

SARNIA: 796 Errol Rd. E., N7V 2G7; Sun. 9:30, 10:45, 6:30; Wed. 7; Len Dennis, 542-3260; Aubrey Hibbard, 336-7140; Drew Chapados, ev., 332-8359.

SAGLT STE. MARIE (Eastside): 99 Melville Rd., P6A 5J6; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7:30; (705) 946-1930.

SAGLT STE. MARIE (Pinehill): 132 Cunningham Rd., P6B 1N4; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7; Guy Stopard, ev., 942-7999 (res.), 949-4988 (off.); R. Whitfield, sec. 949-7612.

SELKIRK: ½ km. N. of village; Sun. 11, 10; Wed. 7:30; Box 13, N0A 1P0.

SMITHVILLE: 246 Station St.; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7; Art Gerner, Box 144, LOR 2A0; (905) 957-7745; John Hains, ev., 957-1123.

SOUTH RIVER: Jasper St. S.; off Ottawa St. W.; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7:30; Box 549, P0A 1X0; Jim Nicholson, ev. (705) 384-5215, 386-2628, church bldg. 386-2551.

STONEY CREEK: 105 King St. E., L8G 1L1; (905) 664-1130 (off.); Sun. 9:45, 11; Sun. & Tues. evenings call for time and place; Harold Parker, ev., 945-8803 (res.); Robert Priestnall, sec.

STRATFORD: 478 Brunswick St., N5A 3N6; Sun. 9:45, 11:00; Wed. 7:00; (519) 273-5280; Kelvin Hoover, ev. 273-5381; Larry Hoover, ev. 271-9545.

SCIDBURY: 2663 Bancroft Dr. P3B 1T7; Sun. 10, 11, 6; Wed. 7:00; Maurice Brown, ev., (705) 525-0996, 560-3964 (off.); Paul Valli, sec. 674-2352.

SUNDRIDGE: Hwy. 11 N.; Sun. 9:45, 11; Wed. 7; P.O. Box 927, P0A 1Z0; (705) 3884-5214.

THESSALON: 8 Albert St. off Hwy. 17; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7:30; Eric White, RR 2, P0R 1L0 (705) 842-6533; Murray Smith, ev., 842-2741.

THUNDER BAY: 501 Edward St. N. (at Redwood), P7C 4R1; (807) 577-2213; Sun. 9:45, 11 (10:30 summer); Wed. 7:00; JoAnne Toews, sec. (807) 577-4081 (res.).

TILLSONBURG: 1 mi. N. on Hwy. 19; Sun. 9:45, 11; Wed. 7:30; Box 331, N4G 4H8; 842-7118.

TIMMINS: W.E. Miller Public School, 200 Victoria Ave.; Sun. 9:30-12; Tues. 7-8; Box 1396, P4N 7N2; for more information call Larry Frost, sec./treas., (705) 268-4526.

TINTERN: Spring Creek Rd.; Sun. 11, 9:45, 6; Wed. 7:00; Oliver Tallman, Campden, L0R 1G0; 563-7822.

TORONTO (Bayview Ave.): 1708 Bayview Ave., M4G 3C4 (1 block S. of Eglinton); Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:15; Chris McCormick, 25 Cumberland Lane, Apt. 803, Ajax, L1S 7K1; Darrell Buchanan, ev. (416) 489-7405 (off.).

TORONTO (Harding Ave.): 47 Harding Ave., M6M 3A3; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 8; Dick Forsyth, ev., Beamsville, 563-7874; Rupert Comrie, sec., 656-9309.

TORONTO (Metro East): 7 Elinor Ave. (meets at Wexford Presbyterian bldg., Lawrence Ave. E. between Victoria Park and Warden); Sun. 5, 6; Thurs. in homes. Melanie Wright, treas., 1093 Kingston Rd. #611, Scarborough M1N 4E2, 699-4116; R. Knuse, sec., 20 Bernice Cresc. M6N 1W6, 762-5668.

TORONTO (Strathmore Blvd.): 346 Strathmore Blvd. M4C 1N3 (across from Coxwell subway station); Sun. 9:45, 11, 7; Wed. 7:30; Marvin Johnson (416) 752-0325, Stephen Gill 265-2496, elders; Max Craddock 461-7406, Santiago Molina (Spanish) (416) 751-6879, Guy Stopard (416) 421-6444, evs.; FAX (416) 424-1850.

TRENTON: 20 4th Ave. in gym of Trenton Christian School; Sun. 10, 10:30; p.m. in homes at 6; mid-week in homes 6:30; P.O. Box 22049, Trenton Center, Trenton, ON K8V 6S3; M. McDonnell (613) 969-0741 or Steve Watson, 392-3299.

VAUDELEUR: E. off Hwy #10 (2 km S. of Markdale) along Artemesia Township sideroad 10 7 km; Sun. 10, 11; Ian Boyce, sec., R.R. #6, Markdale, N0C 1H0; (519) 986-2143.

WATERLOO: 62 Hickory St. W. (at Hazel), N2L 3J4; Sun. 9:30, 10:30; Wed. 7:30; Bob Sandiford, sec., (519) 886-4162 (res.); Geoff Ellis, ev., 885-6330 (off.); 885-3702 (res.).

WELLAND: 72 Summit Ave., L3C 4G6; Sun. 11, 10; Wed. 6:30; S.F. Timmerman, ev., Box 193, Beamsville, L0R 1B0; 563-8765; Magnar Knutson, 65 Graystone Cresc., L3G 6G6; (416) 788-3248.

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; Al Meakes, ev., 2911 Forest Glade Dr., N8R 1L4; (519) 735-7436.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

MONTREAL (French): 2500 Charland, H1Z 1C5; Sun. 10:30 (Fr. worship), 11:30 (French, English, Italian, Spanish classes); Wed. 7 (Fr. class); Silvio Caddoe, ev., 387-6163 (off.); 337-9344 (res.).

MONTREAL (English/French): 760-44th Ave., Lachine, H8T 2K8; Sun. 9:30, 10:30, 6:30; Wed. 7; 637-3931 (off.).

MONTREAL (Verdun): (Fr.) 3947 Verdun Ave. H4G 1L1; Sun. 11, 10; Wed. 7; Roger Saumur, ev. 765-8919.

PLESSISVILLE: Centre Communautaire, Audré Côté; (819) 362-8386 or Jocelin Côté, 362-6623 (French speaking).

QUEBEC CITY: 2980 Verueil, Ste-Foy (corner Jean-Noël); Sun. 10:45, 9:30 (French); Wed. 19:30; C.P. 9041 Ste-Foy, G1V 4A8; (418) 651-3664; Jerrel Rowden, ev. (418) 658-0103 (res.), Jean Grenier, ev. 654-0526 (res.).

SHERBROOKE: 112 Wellington St., Ste 203 J1H 5C7; Luc Fortin, ev., (819) 820-7249 (off.).

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

BENGOUGH: E. side Hwy. 34; Sun. 10:30, 11:15; Norman Kemp, Box 134, S0C 0K0; (306) 268-4522.

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

GRAVELBORG: 300 2nd Ave. E.; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:30; Box 507, S0H 1X0; 648-3435; Bruce Tetreau, ev.

HORSE CREEK: Sun. 10:30 (May-Nov.); 11 (Dec.-Apr.); Lonnie Goodwin, Box 58, McCord, S0H 2T0; (306) 478-2516.

LLOYDMINSTER: 56 Ave. and 47 St., Box 88, S9V 0X9; Sun. 10, 11; (403) 875-4052 (off).

MOOSE JAW: 901 James St. S6H 3H5; Sun. 10, 11, 2; Wed. 7:30 (CST); Ron Hegdahl, ev. (306) 693-4064 (off.).

NORTH BATTLEFORD: 1462-110 St., S9A 2J2; Sun. 10-11; Wed. 7; Glen Davies, (306) 445-4231; Jelsing Bailey, 446-2630.

PERRYVILLE: 20 mi. s. Wynyard on Grid 640; Grid Rd., 7½ mi. W., 2 mi. S. of Wishart; 15 mi. NE of Punnichy; Sun. 11, 10; Box 158, Wishart, S0A 4R0; 835-2681.

PRINCE ALBERT: 264-23rd St. W., S6V 4L6; Sun. 10, 11; 763-3057 (off.); contact Bob Jenkins, 764-6187.

RADVILLE: 714 Beckwell Ave., Sun. 9:30 (Winter: 817 Beckwell Ave.); Mrs. Clarice Mooney, sec., Box 94, S0C 2G0; (306) 869-2558.

REGINA: 1825 Rothwell St. S4N 2C3; (306) 757-1825; FAX 757-5727; Sun. 10; Ray McMillan, ev., 949-0969; Bernard Krosgaard, 352-5621.

SASKATOON: 2240 Albert Ave., S7J 1K2; (306) 343-7922, FAX 1589; Sun. 10, 11, 5:30; Wed. 7; (Hours may vary; please phone to be certain); Robert Parker, 343-7884.

SWIFT CURRENT: 400 2nd Ave. S.E., S9H 3J6; Sun. 10, 11; Wed. 7:30; Susan Gusikoski, sec., 773-1185.

WAWOTA: Hwy. 48 W. of town; Sun. 9:30 a.m.; Mid-week call; Box 454, S0G 2S0; (306) 739-2103 (off); or contact G. Husband, 739-2915 or G. McMillan, 538-4654.

WEYBURN: 1115 First Ave. NE (Hwy. 13E), S4H 0N2; Sun. 10, 11, 7; Wed. 7; (306) 842-6424.

WHITEWOOD: Legion Hall, 738 Lalonde St.; Sun. 11; Midweek call; Box 82, Broadview, S0G 0K0; Contact Merle Nelson for more information; 735-2862.

YORKTON: 550 Parkview Rd., S3N 2L7; Sun. 10:15; mid-week call for time & location of meetings; John Smith, ev. 783-6877; Harry Meakes, sec. 783-6850.

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CALENDAR

December

17... Bring a Friend Day, Waterloo, Ontario.
Rick Gamble, "Communicating Christ
in the Real World"

January

28-31... Lectureship, Oklahoma Christian USA,
"Known by His Justice"

February

4-7... 40th Anniversary Meeting, Fennell
Avenue, Hamilton, Ontario

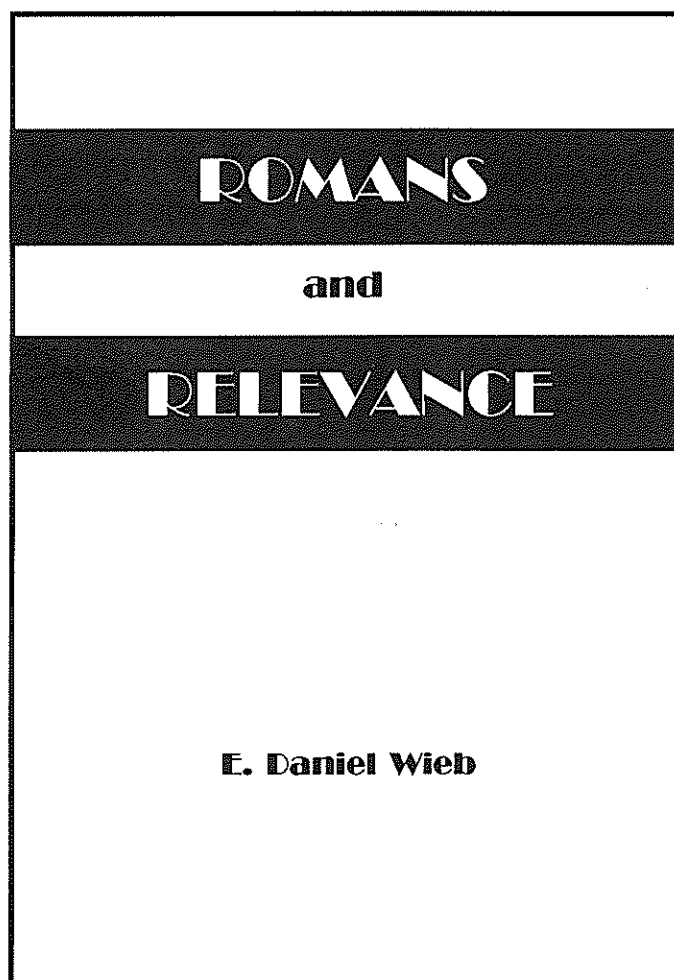
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