



Dear Servant of the Lord:

Greetings in the Precious Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ

2015 NECESSITIES

1 Corinthians 13

Text: 1 Corinthians 13: 13 "So faith, hope, love abide, these three: but the greatest of these is love." RSV

Michelangelo and Raphael were great Italian Renaissance painters. The story is told that Michelangelo, eight years older than Raphael, came into Raphael's studio and examined one of Raphael's early drawings. Picking up a piece of chalk, Michelangelo scrawled across the painting the latin word AMPLIUS, which means "greater" or "larger."

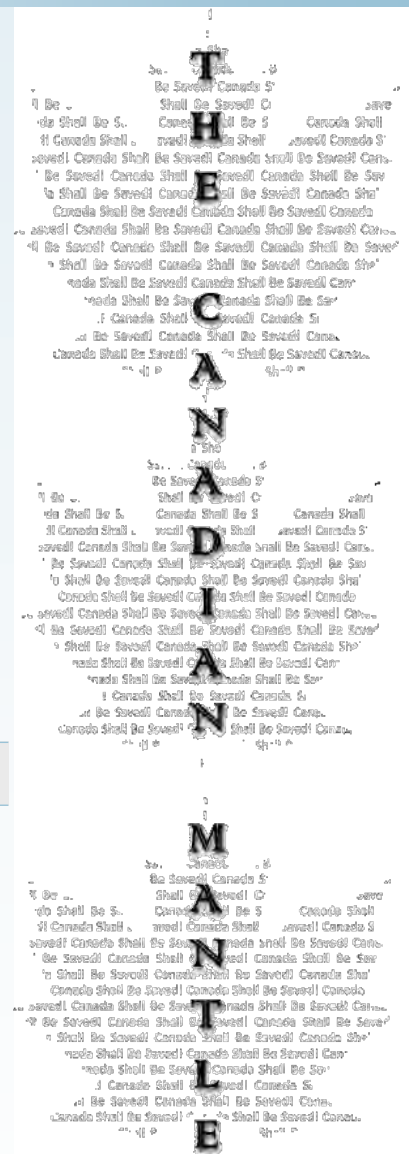
To the older master's trained eye, Raphael's painting demonstrated too little vision. Michelangelo insisted that Raphael think bigger and paint better. Surely this is what Almighty God thinks of most of our plans and efforts. The God who thinks big wants us to live greater, nobler lives.

If we are to live 2015 magnificently and gloriously, there are some things we can't do without. Paul lists three of them.

WE CAN'T DO WITHOUT FAITH.

In his book THE GIFT OF LOVE, R. L. Middleton tells about an experience that A. J. Cronin, a British physician turned author, had in the venerable city of Vienna shortly after World War 1.

Cronin had looked forward to revisiting the city he had known and loved. But when he finally reached Vienna, he was deeply distressed as he saw how the city had been destroyed by the Germans. Walking amid the ruins of the once beautiful city, he grew furious as he witnessed the ravages of



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From the Desk of the General Secretary



war.

As the cold night fell, he sought shelter in a small, dimly-lit church. Sitting down to wait out the winter rainstorm, he turned to see an old man coming into the sanctuary. Clad only in an old suit but painfully erect, the old man walked down the aisle carrying a little girl in his arms.

When the old man put down the cold, poorly dressed little girl, Cronin saw that she was paralyzed. But as the old man supported her, she knelt at the altar, clinging to the rail.

After a few minutes of prayer, the little girl placed a candle on the small stand adjacent to the altar. Then the old man picked her up and started up the aisle with his precious burden.

Cronin followed them out of the church and watched as the man gently placed the girl on a dilapidated wagon and pulled a potato sack over

her twisted limbs. Unable to hold his silence, Cronin asked the old man if the war had maimed the child. He answered that she was crippled by the same bomb that had killed her mother and father.

When Cronin asked if they came to the church often, the old man replied that they came daily to pray. Then he added, "We come to show the good God that we're not angry with him."

Doesn't that show you the necessity of faith better than I ever could? Faith is something we can't do without if we are to make 2015 rich and meaningful in the Kingdom of God.

Paul tells us that though faith is essential, there is a second attribute we must possess if 2015 is to mean all it ought to mean for us.

WE CAN'T DO WITHOUT HOPE.

The late Dr. G. Campbell Morgan tells about a man whose shop was among the buildings destroyed in the Chicago fire of 1871. The next morning, arriving at what had once been his place of business, the man set up a table in the midst of the charred debris. Above the table he placed a sign that read, "Everything lost except wife, children, and hope. Business will be resumed as usual tomorrow morning."

Hope is something we can't do without in 2015. Ministry/life will test us and try us. If we lose hope, we will never survive.

George Frederick Watts, a nineteenth-century British painter, has poignantly pictured hope in one of his works. The scene is of a woman sitting on a globe of the world playing her harp; every string, except one, broken. One could easily title the picture DESPAIR. But Watts titled the picture HOPE, because he knew that as long as one string remained, there was still hope of making music from it.

Christian hope is a two-pronged thing: not only does hope give us victory in ministry/life's current crises, but it also gives us assurance of rest and peace with God when this life is over. The hope written of in the

Bible is a confident expectation; hope is an assurance that is absolute. Paul writes in Romans 5: 2 "We rejoice in hope of the glory of God." We live in hope that tomorrow will be better, that life will be sweeter, that we shall become better. Hope is as natural to believers as the beating of our hearts. It is within us because God has put it there. It is something we can't do without in 2015.

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Finally, let's consider the last of Paul's essentials of life.

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WE CAN'T DO WITHOUT LOVE.

The largest art museum in the world is the Louvre in France. Among its five thousand paintings are two that are particularly relevant to the necessity of love. In the first painting, an indignant, angry father is ordering his son out of the house. The father's finger is raised in anger against the wicked son. The weeping mother, sisters and brothers cower in the background.

In the second picture, the same members of the family are shown, but the scene has changed drastically. The father lies lifeless on his bed. His family kneels by the side of his bed. The wife's face is buried in her hands.

The door to the little cottage is open. The rebellious son stands with his hand on the door latch and his foot on the doorstep. Grief is written across his face. He has come home, but it is too late – too late for the boy to confess to his father that he is sorry and wants forgiveness; too late for the father to speak words of forgiveness and reconciling love the boy longs to hear. For both it is too late. They have learned in an agonizing way that love is one thing we cannot do without.

Love's healing touch is desperately needed in our ministries, churches, homes, and the government. Therefore, we need to let God fill our hearts with His love. Then we need to share that love with others. Love is life's most precious gift; in 2015 we can't do without it.

2015, more than anything God wants to write AMPLIUS across I. A. O. G. I. (Canada), and our ministries. He wants to make them bigger and better. He who put the stars in the heavens and raised the rocky mountains above the flat plains can do it – will do it – if we will let Him.

Virginia and I are looking forward to seeing you at the 2015 National Convention.

*Yours in Christ,
Rev. Paul McPhail*

OTHER MATTERS

Please keep us in the loop with new telephone numbers, new addresses and new e-mail addresses.

Thank-you.

As your General Secretary, I have the responsibility to maintain an accurate membership, and the responsibility of reporting changes in contact information to the appropriate authorities.

Special request!!!

Many of you have had miracle testimonies of God's wonderful provision for buildings, Building renovations, ministry trips and so on.

We want to make sure to celebrate these tremendous victory testimonies. Would you please forward your testimony with a picture for our next Mantle to:

pastorgwen@celebrationlife.ca

Greetings to each of you,

I would like to wish you all a Happy New Year and a prosperous 2015 in all regards.

2014 was a year of blessing for many of us. I thank God for the ministry opportunities my wife and I had while traveling across Canada. Thank you to all who welcomed us into their homes. It was a wonderful time of fellowship and we are blessed to have such a beautiful country and to be able to share the gospel so freely.

I believe 2015 will be a year full of new challenges for us. But we must acknowledge that we serve a big God who is in control of each situation and of our needs. He knows what He is doing. So, I sincerely believe that we will experience wonderful things with Him.

A returning thought I have had since the beginning of the year, is that 2015 is 'the year of decisions'. I believe many will have important decisions to make this year and if we take the time to listen to the Holy Spirit, God will be glorified like never before in our lives. We are on the verge of seeing great things in Canada so let's be ready.

May we be reminded of Joshua 24: 14 & 15: Choose this day whom you will serve.

Will we serve our ministries, churches or possessions?

No, let us serve the Lord our God because with Him we can do great exploits. To Him be the glory, Amen.



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May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you!



How can I describe our sentiment! I have one word: Wow!

Even when you turn it around, again you get: Wow!

Last December our church moved in our new building. Well, when I say new, I mean it's our new place to worship God. As for the building itself, it is pretty old. We can testify that God really made a miracle for us to have it. Pastor Yvon, the head pastor, took almost a full year to close that deal.

Long story short, the building is worth 1.3 million dollars that we got for 555,000 thousand! This said, we are very excited. But we still have a lot of work to do. We write you these few words so that you can pray for us. First of all, there is a lot of renovation to do. I mean A LOT! To be fair, to lowest amount we have is around 200,000 thousands.



As I write these lines, we got thru the heating replacement, also a great miracle of God. We also had some helping hands work on the outside brick for free! We added not so long a Spanish pastor, Rodrigo Marques, who By His determination and is connexion, got us some great contact for work. But again, a lot has to be done. All the bathrooms has to be renovated. We have only one toilette for EVERYBODY!

We just launch our 500/1000 donation campaign. Meaning that we are looking for 5 hundred people or ministry that would donate \$1000. This would help us the clear out the mortgage and engage in more renovations.

Yes, you May read between the line as for if the Spirit is talking to you, let yourself go!

Before launching that campaign, we were between 10 to 12 donors of \$1000 which is amazing. But most of all, we need your support in prayer. Quebec government is looking into tighten the laws for those who preach radically the message of the bible, declaring that we are integrities like the Muslim people.

That could come to a point of taxing churches if we don't submit to their condition. These things are being discussed as we speak. It may not happen tomorrow, but! This is only the beginning of persecution for the modern church. But in all that spiritual warfare, we now own our building, we are doing our meetings in our building, and we expect more great things to happen in and thru our building!

We truly thank God for this miracle. Our expectation is high. But we serve a great and high God, who is above ALL THINGS!

Rev Stephane Martin



Rev Yvon Stabili - on the tractor preparing the soil!

Once again, the Tent of David held a gathering on December 31, 2014 to release what people are hearing for the coming year. This is a compilation of those words

5775: the Year of the Palindrome

CIVIC. The is a year for government and 2015 will see significant clashes between the kingdom of darkness and the kingdom of light. Governmental elections will be very important this year. Israel and Canada will be faced with their plumb lines this year.

It is a year to give those in darkness an opportunity to hear and see the true gospel spoken and demonstrated in power. It is a year of boldness, of stepping out into the promises of God without fear. It is a year that the prophets longed to see. There is a sense that the Hebrews 11 heroes of faith are cheering us on into our destiny.

The year of transition, keys and an open door:

One of the Tent members had a vision of us standing in the passageway between two doors: one was shut and the other ahead was open. The scripture given was Revelation 3: 7. *These are the words of Him who is holy and true, who holds the Key of David. What He opens, no one can shut, and what he shuts no one can open.*

Following this, we had several words about transition and keys. This year many people are going to see a season of transition in their ministry, locations, changes in employment and transitions into the new. It is the year of alignment and re-alignment. It's time to take a courageous step of alignment with the plans and purposes of God. There are keys that are going to be given to open up dreams that have been put on hold, hopes that were broken and visions still unfulfilled. Keys will unlock hidden things that were previously not known. There is a sense that the time of transition now is very short and the open door is immediately in front of us in 2015.

The word "Identity" will be heard in 2015

It is a time for many of God's children to honour their biological identity. This will include those who have First Nations DNA. There is a sound coming forth out of the land that will break down strongholds and many of those who have bloodlines of the First Na-

tions will hear the sound and release it over areas resulting in great power manifesting over regions. It is also a time to discover our true identity in Christ which is linked to a fresh manifestation of authority in believers who go **CLOSER** and **DEEPER** into Him in 2015. 2015 is a call to intimacy with the Father which will cause us to understand our position in Him and the authority that this carries. The body of believers will need to understand this identity if they are to withstand the "rush of waters" (Psalm 32:7) of false teaching and troubling times that are ahead.

It is a year of greater intimacy with God

God is calling us to this closer and deeper walk with him for the days that lie ahead. With intimacy will come authority. Without it, the church will lack power. Song of Songs 8:6 says Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm. A seal speaks of authority and the imprint of the guarantor. Seals are opened by those who have the authority to do so. (Revelation 5).

With this intimacy, God will put keys in people's hands to open doors for ministry. Ideas and opportunities will unfold resulting in creative ideas in the business arena and to build bridges with others. Hidden promises are coming forth this year. Surely His bride is being made ready.

This intimacy is not just desirable, it will be necessary in 2015.

It is a year when First Love will be restored in marriages, families and churches.

This is the year when families will be restored. There will be supernatural healing of wounds, and mind-sets shifted. Church families will see restoration where past judgments will be washed away in God's love.

God is rewiring our brains in 2015.

During worship, someone said that they had an incredible thing happen. They felt that God was rewiring circuits in their brain and suddenly creative ideas began to surface that had been dormant for a long time. Then, a couple of days later during Glory of Zion's webcast, Chuck Pierce began to declare that new circuits were being formed! He then said that the sound of worship was going into his brain and rewiring it. In this year, a new sound is about to be released that will re-circuit our brains releasing fresh ideas and promises left unfulfilled. Get ready to act on these things!

The number 15:

The number 15 brings with it many meanings. In Israel, it signifies a season of celebration and rest, since the feasts begin on the 15th of the month. It is a time of reversal and restoration. This is the Shemitah year, so beginning with 5775 we have entered into a season of rest. It will be marked with joy!

It was interesting because we began our worship time on New Years eve with a song we had not sung for years. You have turned my mourning into dancing. This is the year we are in! Divine reversal! We need to stand in the face of the enemy and refuse to leave our resting place! We will see him crumble in our sight!

It is the year of Shilo and Samuel:

This November, God gave me the opportunity to visit Bethel, Shilo and Shechem. When I was at Shilo (meaning "rest") I didn't want to leave. It was the place where Samuel lay beside the ark in the Tabernacle. The Lord impressed on me that this was the year of Samuel. It is the year of the cleansing of the priesthood and with that will come a pure prophetic word. None of Samuel's words fell to the ground. There is coming a word from God from pure vessels that will shake the earth.

It is also the year of Hannah. Many have been Hannah's who have been groaning for the promised word to come forth. You will see those promises

birthed in the coming season. Hannah's prayer in 1 Samuel 2 is a powerful spiritual warfare tool for us to begin to wield.

It is the year of an organic fresh wind of the Holy Spirit:

The number 5 in the Hebrew alphabet is the word for Ruach or breath of God. It is also the number for Grace. Once again God will sovereignly move through us with a supernatural knowledge of the Bridegroom. There is such a sense that the next move of God will be an Acts 2 wave of the Holy Spirit akin to the Jesus people movement in the 70's. It will be organic in that it will burst outside the walls of traditional church and move in relational and unusual ways amongst ordinary truth seeking people. Watch for it to spring up in untraditional places. Homes and coffee shops will become places of worship.

There is no more delay.

During our New Years Eve watch we were given two prophetic gifts: Beautiful tall candle holders and gorgeous travel bags. The candles represented the light going out into the harvest field this year and the travel bags shouted "It's time to GO!" The harvest is here! Move when He moves!

May God bless you this coming year, fill you with His joy and give you the tenacity to stay in His rest to see your promises fulfilled.

TESTIMONY OF HEALINGS!!



Joan Hunter, Jack Skafte & Kelley Murrell

Rev. Jack Skafte lead pastor of The Living Word Fellowship hosted Joan Hunter and her husband Kelley Murrell at a Miracle and Healing Service.

Jack's wife, Karen had one shoulder that was lower than the other. So much so that the pedant on her necklace would not hang straight. As Joan prayed for Karen, her shoulders came into alignment. She remarked that it felt odd because she had been out of alignment so long.

Rev. Wanda Grant (who was ordained last summer) was also at the service and shared her testimony. A few years ago she was in a motorcycle accident that shattered one leg. After many operations she was still in constant pain. She went to a meeting where Joan Hunter ministered to her and was completely healed. No more pain.

God is still in the healing business!

HOW I LEARNED TO LIVE IN FAITH

by Gary Penner

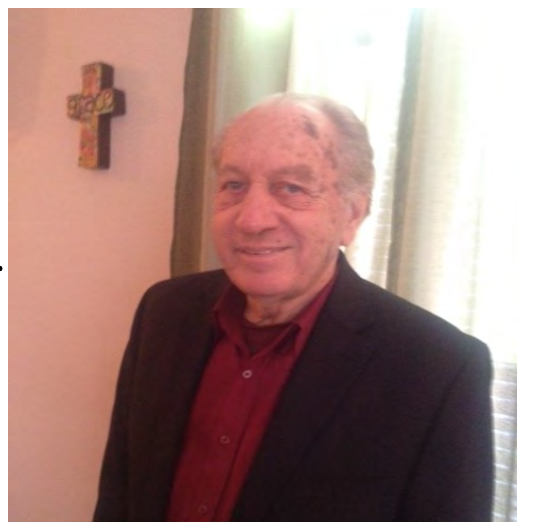
The simple concept of "living by faith" has met with challenges from agnostics to theologians. It has even stumped most of us from time to time in life's crises. Martin Luther's whole life was turned around, as he looked at Paul's words in Romans, when he quoted the prophet Habakkuk saying simply, "the just shall live by faith".

Shortly after locating to my first full-time pastoral charge in Lindsay, Ontario, I was visited by Rev G. S. McLean, who was then president of the Full Gospel Bible Institute, and coincidentally, president of the Saskatchewan Archaeological Society. He had presented many papers and talks on the subject of 'Creation'. His advice to me, "Gary, just believe the Bible." set a course for me in interpreting Scriptures, and discovering truth.

I realize that many teachers have resorted to re-explaining God's apparent dilemma in the background of evolutionary thought. They have defined the situation as "chaos" and other terms. Well, it is this so-called "chaos" that confronts many of us when we have prayed and can see "no answer". "By faith we understand" says the Hebrews writer. We move from intellectual calculation to 'seeing' through the window of faith. God is never moved by what He sees or doesn't see. His words "without form" and "void" are simply temporary conditions. Many strange doctrines have been produced by well-meaning leaders to explain these transient moments and "when God 'doesn't' 'answer' our prayers".

God simply continues speaking in 'God-faith', that which is invisible, but very real, and will soon become visible. In six days, a perfect universe is fully functioning and God sees it as "good". Colossians

"Gary,
just believe the
Bible."



I began to re-read the Bible with that in mind. It didn't take more than the first few verse of Genesis to discover the value of those words, and the power of 'simple faith'. I discovered a God, who believes His own Words. Verse one says "...God created the heaven and the earth". My knowledge of Scripture took me to Psalms 33:6 and Hebrews 11:3, as well as John 1:1-3, which all tell us that this creation took place by God 'through His Word'. However, in Genesis 1:2, the narrative continues by saying that "the earth was without form and void. It appears that nothing has happened.

says that we are "complete in Him" and James 1:3, 4, says that if we let our faith-patience have her perfect work, we will be perfect, complete, and lack nothing. This is how His beautiful plans, your calling, salvation, the cross of Christ, and all things we rest our hopes in were finished before the foundation of the world.

So let it be with your present walk of faith, as you would lead others in theirs. Whether you consider your testimony "chaos" or merely "incomplete", do not doubt in your heart, but believe that the things you say will come to pass and you shall have what you say. Just call it done. Say "Amen".

Fraternal greetings from the city of Tuxtepec, Oaxaca, Mexico.

The Grace and Peace of God are upon your lives. We are the "Comedor Social en Tuxtepec, AC", civil society, non-profit, whose mission is to help the people in need, giving them food, clothes moral, spiritual and medical care, as well as receiving the integral development of the Soul.

The Social Comedor is an EVANGELISTIC CENTRE, called "MINISTRY OF SALVATION OF LOST SOULS". We share the doctrine of Salvation on the cross given by our Lord Jesus Christ.

The fundamental basis of our ministry is

1 Corinthians 13: "All the good works, all the sacrifices, all the same spiritual gifts are nothing without LOVE." For the love of our Lord and Master, we are open to the PUBLIC daily to help the lost souls that God sends us every day, for love, we struggle daily to apply the greatest commandment that Jesus Christ has given us (Mt.22: 37-40).

We are open from April 2, 2012; open of 8:00 to 3:00 p.m. with meal service from 11 hr to 15 hr. At the time, we receive an 120 to 150 people per day, more than 27,000 people and 2,000 food expenditures. We were able to share the Word of God with all these people and through the Holy Spirit who dwells in the midst of Comedor, 1,200 people has given their lives to Christ and are born again, we prayed for the spiritual and material needs of people and we have seen the hand of God on their lives as shown on Facebook page.

Our aim is to fight the good fight as the apostle Paul did before us, we operate as the First Primitive Church (Acts 2: 42-47; 4: 32-35) Every day, we meet with people who attend the kitchen, sharing the physical and spiritual food, in common with all that we receive from our partners.

Our funding is achieved through the recollection of funds from businesses, merchants, professionals, Churches and Religious Organizations who wish to support us selflessly, financially or in kind. Any donation made the subject of an online publication in order to know the transparency and honesty in the use of funds received.

Since working on the model of Social Kitchen we had multiple interviews with the media of the city but mostly we received a positive response from the people of Tuxtepec and its surroundings. However, we address the card to ask for your sup-

port that can occur in two ways:



- The spread of this ministry to the Gentiles, through a special program of EXTREME evangelization, based on the Strategic Plan that was given to our Founder and Pastor, Reverend Joseph Raymond Michel Robitaille, by means of a prophecy received in 2010: PLAN GOD is the Ministry in particular.
- Through funding from this ministry with a monthly annuity or a one-time donation. Having received the approval of the Ministry of Finance of Mexico (SAT) and as a Civil Association, Comedor Social en Tuxtepec, AC is able to produce a valid receipts tax basis in Mexico, the USA and Canada in the \$ 108,000.00 MXN received by (+/- \$ 9100.00 CAD).

We also work with local churches in the city which we offer the following benefits for leaders in training:

1. Winning Souls for our Lord Jesus Christ.
2. Each soul will be sent following his residence in the closest to his home church.
3. As evangelization center opened on the street, churches can send one or two members of his congregation to learn how to share their faith, preached the gospel of the doctrine of Salvation every day for one hour.
4. Similarly, if members of the church want to learn what it represents and what it means to work Street, we provide training as well as theoretical but mostly PRACTICE.
5. An opportunity for Young Adults, Pastors, missionaries, leaders in other cells, to live the Gospel open on the street.

Thank you for the effort and attention that will bring to us, hoping for a positive response á our request. We will send you a cordial greeting in Christ Jesus. That our Lord Jesus Christ blesses you greatly in your ministry.

Yours,

Rev. Michel Joseph Raymond Robitaille
Director of Social Comedor in Tuxtepec, AC

National Convention NEWS!!!!

ANNOUNCING our Guest Speaker the
National Convention 2015...
Dr. Mike Brown

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and plan to attend.*



Dr. Mike Brown

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**THEME: "Fellowship" among each other and with the Father
1 John 1: 3**

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*******SPECIAL MOTION FROM 2014 CONVENTION*******

On behalf of I. A. O. G. I. (Canada), I wish to thank all the Churches/Ministries and Credential Holders that support I. A. O. G. I. (Canada) with their tithes and offerings. It is greatly appreciated and needed.

It was moved at our Annual General Meeting that all Churches/Ministries be encouraged to consider making donations to I. A. O. G. I. (Canada).

We ask that you prayerfully consider I. A. O. G. I. (Canada) as you plan your giving.
Thank-you very much.

JERUSALEM 2015

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Your life will never be the same.

This is your invitation to join Empowered21 Global Co-Chair Dr. George Wood, the Global Council and me for our Global Congress in Jerusalem, May 20-25, 2015.

Visit the Holy Land as you've always longed to do – in the company of other believers – in comfort and security – for a life-changing, Pentecost-centered experience of God's love and power.

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Dr. Billy Wilson
Empowered21 President and Global Co-Chair

Please Remember to pray for the leaders of Independent Assemblies of God — They are praying for YOU!

- 1 Timothy 2:1 I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men;***
- 2 For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.***
- 3 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour;***

Member Reports

Over the past three and half years Pastors Nichole & Ryan Anderson (daughter & son-in-law of the late Rev. Paul & Shirley Henderson, who pastored in



Smiths Falls, Ontario, with the IAOG) have been hard at work developing a new ministry that exists to restore the family, in all its forms in the home, the church and the community. To that end they have founded a charity called Crowns of Life (named in memory of two passages of scripture Pastor Paul often shared; Rev. 4:10-11 & Rev.2:10)

under that umbrella their flagship program is a 5 bed residential Maternity Home named the Susan Shirley Program (named in memory of Pastor Shirley & another local woman, Susan MacFarlane, who had a great impact on many youth in our area). This program was created to address the serious problem of teen pregnancy and the increasing number of parenting youth in their region.

The Susan Shirley Program is dedicated to supporting young at risk mothers or mothers-to-be through their pregnancy and in the first few months after their baby's birth. The program provides our participants with essential life skills, continuing educational supports & parent education. The Susan Shirley Program works in a number of ways to empower our program participants and the young mothers within our region to create strong, healthy families. Since opening in October 2011, this small but ever growing program has served 30 young mothers and their babies.

The program exists to impact the lives of these young families by creating a loving, non-judgemental environment where young women can learn to be good mothers, in the hopes that the next generation of children will live in more stabilized and healthier environments. Pastor Nichole Anderson sits as the current Executive Director of the program combining over 20 years of professional social work & ministry experience. "It's the perfect job for me" she states, "being able to combine my education, professional experience & all my parents taught me in ministry, has been a true blessing". Pastor Nichole continues by saying, "we make a real tangible differ-

ence everyday in the lives of these mothers and their children. They leave here different, impacted by the true love of God and equipped with real life skills they need to succeed."

In a continuing effort to benefit these young mothers, Crowns of Life opened a second stage home called Grace's Haven in August 2014, creating the opportunity for a supported independent living arrangement. Grace's Haven provides the graduates from the Susan Shirley Program with the opportunity to integrate back into the community in a safe and supported environment. It allows each young woman to have her own apartment for herself and her baby while continuing to have daily support from trained staff.

Furthermore, to provide these parenting youth with job training and to increase funding for Crowns of Life's growing outreaches on Nov 1, 2014, we opened a social enterprise called the Duchess Boutique. The Duchess Boutique is a gift shop located in



the heart of Smiths Falls, Ontario on 4 Main St. E. We sell a variety of gifts for all ages, styles and occasions. We bring in products from all around the world, along with a selection of home decor, women's accessories, wooden toys and refurbished furniture. Our store provides our young mother's with the opportunity to gain valuable job experience in a real world setting. Some of our moms use their time in the store towards co-op credits to help them finish high school and

others use it as a first "real" job opportunity, creating a valid employment reference.

To date we have not yet received any government money for base funding. We begin each year with whatever God has blessed us with and move forward trying to carefully follow the path he is setting out before us, but it is a challenge. We continue to exist on the donations of people who believe that reaching out to these mothers at this critical time can make all the difference not only for her but her baby.

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Rev. Paul McPhail had the privilege to minister :

October 23 – 25, 2014 - Ontario Convention Toronto, Ontario
October 24, 2014 - Baby dedication.
Rev. Beatriceanne Christy and Rev. Dr. Williams Moraes' daughter Anna.



Also at...

Christian Agape International Assembly Church – 7th Church Anniversary & Ordination Service – Montreal, Quebec – Rev. Monico Seraspe Jr. Pastor

November 27 & 28, 2014 –
The Evangelical Fellowship of Canada –Toronto, Ontario
Presidents Day and the 50th Anniversary Celebration for EFC.
Denominational Leader gathered.



And...

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House Of Grace For All Nations
HAMILTON, Ontario
-Ordination Service –

Rev. Tresor Kalambay,
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It's important to us that we get the word out to as many Pastors and other community leaders as we can so that they know we are here, that this service exists and that we are ready and willing to help. So if you know of anyone who can benefit from our program, don't hesitate to contact us. We are just about to start our spring tour to Churches and other interested community groups, so if you or your congregation is interested to hear about the ministry, please contact our Operations Coordinator - Sarah Gaensler - to arrange a date.

Submitted By:
Sarah Gaensler on behalf of Rev. Nichole & Ryan Anderson.

This is part one of a teaching by Lani Page

Did you ever play the game Battleship? The goal of that game is to make a "hit" on your opponents hidden game board grid and "sink" their battleship. Satan has a battleship ready to destroy your life. He has come to kill, steal and destroy, and he doesn't want you to move on to the next step that God has for you.

Let's take that battleship out and get you set free!

Hit 1. Shame

This world has dulled shame down into a very rare feeling. Everything is acceptable; nothing should make you feel bad. However, God does not agree with this ideology. Sin is shameful. If you don't recognize that, then what did Jesus save you from?

I sought the Lord, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears. They looked unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.

But Jesus came to take your shame away!

(Psalms 34:4, 5 KJV)

It is shameful not to have enough money to pay your bills. It is shameful to be relying on a substance in order to function in your life. It is shameful to have your younger sister throw a fit in the grocery store and wait while your mother deals with it. It is shameful to stand in line at the Food Bank, and hope no one you know sees you. It is shameful to have your car break down and have to stand on the side of the road and hope someone will help you. But Jesus came to take your shame away! Even when it isn't your fault. Isn't that awesome?

Hit 2. Spirits of Familiarity

A spirit of familiarity is an agreement, some common ground, a giving of a right for a person to speak into your life, an un-earned casualness.

In our world of growing social necessities, this is becoming more and more common. The places I've seen this happen most are smoking pits, charity events, and hospitals. This last one of hospitals is very difficult, as it often requires long hours of waiting, and a need to fill the time. Everyone has a story to share, and it can create a familiarity that isn't healthy.



This world tries very hard to have Christians relate to others. Even now we have pastors not wanting to be called "Pastor", doctors not wanting to be called "Doctor". It is no longer honourable to be called by a title, but rather it is more important to relate to someone on a first name basis.

It is said that an expert is someone who spends 20,000 hours on a particular subject. That expertise should gain respect. It should be honoured. How many people did do 20,000 hours like you did? It should be respected. Don't sell yourself short. If others don't appreciate it, that is not your problem. But you should appreciate what you have done.

You can never fully relate to someone else, nor them to you. Life is different experiences, even the disciples who walked beside Jesus gave different accounts. However, Jesus can relate to you. You have to leave disrespectful people behind. God will take care of them. You don't have to. You holding on to them is just as damaging for them as it is for you. It's like a clipping. It's normal to cut your nails. It's normal to cut people out of your life. Don't try and drag up a relationship. Trust God that His plan is good for you, and the Holy Spirit will help you.

Hit 3. Network

Everyone has a network because we are human. A network is like a web: you move in one area and it twinges the web, notifying others that something is happening. As much as the world tells you that you are the nucleus of your web, as a Christian, God is the nucleus of your web. Isn't that great? He knows many more people than you do.

A network can be good, and it can be negative. If you have ever watched a spider in its web, the first movement that a fly makes in the web doesn't always cause the spider to move, but it is aware. As you start to move, that spider reaches out to keep you in its web. This happens when you try and advance and people in your network don't want you to.

Networks can also be the patterns that you do. For example, you go to the same drive thru for the same coffee and see the same cashier and have the same conversation. "Oh, looks like rain." "Yep. Always rains." Now you have made a quality decision to make your mouth more active, using Scriptures and the Word of God, but this network that is so familiar is holding you back. It's time to change the network! Jesus had a family network for 30 years. He changed networks, and had 12 disciples. He had a destiny, and He needed a new network.

Most people find this very difficult. It's a big step. But the biggest effect you can have in this world is to accomplish your destiny. It doesn't mean you are mean to people, or that you don't love them, or that you don't talk to them. It means that you recognize that God is working in you, and you will do what He asks. It's how Jesus could praise Peter in one breath and rebuke him in the next. God will help you.



Hit 4. Fear

When I was a child, there was a broadcast on the radio announcing that an inmate had escaped from the local prison and was to be considered armed and dangerous. I was so scared I closed all the curtains and crawled under the windows when I was moving around the house. I was going to a kid's class at a neighborhood church that night, and my mom was sure I didn't want to go due to being so scared. Fear had entered my heart. But I did want to go. That night my teacher told us about this wonderful man, who was beaten, tortured, and crucified, and carried the sin of the world and God turned His back on Him, and he died. But He rose again, and I could be saved, and forgiven, and live a good life and go to heaven.

Such joy filled my heart. I was so happy! My mom came to get me and I skipped my way through the parking lot to the car. She called after me, "Aren't you scared?" "No!" I yelled back. "I have Jesus!" This happened when I was 3 years old.

That joy had changed my little life. A month later when my sister was born I wanted to call her Joy. It became her middle name, a living testimony of my conversion.

At 3 years old, fear entered in and immobilized me, intimidated me, and tormented me. This was a rational fear. It was possible; it wasn't imaginary. But I didn't have to live in fear, or under the spirit of fear. I believed God's love, which cast out that spirit of fear.

This article will conclude in the next Mantle!



2 Timothy 1:6 Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

7 For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

Member Article - Defeating Some Giants!

In my early years of growing up in the Salvation Army in Cape Town, South Africa, we attended Sunday School twice on a Sunday; morning and afternoon. My mother was over the Christian Education department and besides teaching Bible stories with a flannel graph board she taught lots of kid's songs. One of my favourite stories was that of David and Goliath. Mother even had a special action song to go along with it called "Only a boy named David" The principle of the story, of course, lies in the fact that people led, directed and full of God can overcome giants of any and every size.

That principle has not changed. The question arises for us: "How do we defeat the giants that keep us from being the person God wants us to be?" While David was confident in God, Saul and the rest of the army did not display that kind of courage. If we would be overcomers and defeat the giants of delay, discouragement, disapproval, doubt and other like causes, we need to be doing the things that David did.

Let's take a moment to examine 1 Samuel 17 and glean a few important principles that David did.



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He remembered how God helped him in the past – David says in 1 Samuel 17:37 "The Lord who rescued me from the claws of the lion and the bear will rescue me from this Philistine!" When we remember the ways God has helped us in the past, it gives us confidence for the future. The confession of 1 Samuel 7:12 needs to be ours: "Hitherto has the Lord helped us" This is the foundation of our confidence that God has already proved Himself to us. Therefore, the giants can be overcome.

He used the tools that God gave him in that moment – David used the tools God provided that utilized and showcased his strengths: "Then Saul gave David his own armor... 'I can't go in these,' he protested to Saul. 'I am not used to them.' So David took them off again. He picked up five smooth stones from a stream and put them into his shepherd's bag." (1 Samuel 17:38-40a) Don't wait for something you don't have; use the tools that God has already given you to face your giants.

He ignored the dream-busters – "Eliab's anger was aroused against David his brother, and he said, 'Why did you come down here? And with whom have you left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know your pride and the insolence of your hearth. For you have come down to see the battle!' And David said, 'What have I done now? Is there not a cause?'" (1 Samuel 17:28-29)

David had to encourage himself in the Lord and know who he was and what he could do with the Lord's help. Sometimes the enemy will use even family who, not understanding, will seek to derail you from God's purpose. Because dealing with family can be very emotional, sometimes it looms like a giant before us. He ignored Eliab. He also ignored Saul (1 Samuel 17:33). We have to let our confidence in God rise higher than the words of the dream-busters and nay-sayers!

He expected to God to help him for God's glory alone – David stormed the battlefield shouting, "You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the Lord Almighty....This day the Lord will deliver you into my hands...and **the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel!**" (1 Samuel 17:45-46). It wasn't that the world would know who David was but that the world would know who God was. It was for God's glory.

God will use anybody who will trust Him and expect to be used by Him – not because of who we are, but for His glory alone, He will help us overcome our giants!!!

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Leader-tip!

Proverbs 16:3 'Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established'

Leaders are doers and demonstrators!

What leaders do – the people will do. Leaders must be willing to do the things that they teach others to do. When I was growing up I used to hear people say this jokingly 'Do as I say, not as I do'. Laughter always followed. If you are a leader, someone is always following you. They will do as you do.

The responsibility of someone imitating you can be intimidating at times. It is important for us to realize the trust that people place in those who lead regardless of how frightening that is!

Leaders demonstrate principles of living - Whatever life principles you have decided to live by, they will evidence themselves in the 'doing' part. Quite simply, what you put in, comes out!

Character always appears when the pressure is on. Character takes time to grow and flourish. We must be patient with those who we are raising up as they grow in His grace and learn to live by His principles and presence. While those around us grow, let us be the living examples we would want them to rise to.

Patience may seem to be the joke of the day, but it is a fruit of the Spirit. Yielding to the will of God will always make a way for His characteristics to flow through us. God is so patient with us, it certainly is the least we can minister to others.

The decision to yield to the Holy Spirit in all we set our hands to, is the commitment of works to the Lord. There is such peace in our hearts as we continually yield to His grace and guidance. We also need to have peace in our minds. As we press towards the things of God daily, trust in Him increases. Greater trust in God, peaceful heart. Peaceful heart, calmed soul.

Suddenly the road to a stable mind, becomes clear as His ways are established in our hearts. God wants our souls and our hearts stable, peace filled and clear, so that we can continue to believe Him no matter what happens in this earth.

Trust is vital in these troubling days –

Flourishing in His peace so that we are not moved – don't go another moment without it!

Decide to commit even more today and let your thoughts be firmly established in Him!

Blessings to you all and see you in Ottawa!

Regional Secretary BCSW,
Rev Gwen Dreger

Note; please remember to keep your articles to 750 words or less and submit them in word document form...many thanks for all of your submissions!

Promoted to Glory!

Rev. Arnold S. Asselstine (DOB 1935/06/23) suddenly at home, October 20, 2014 was Promoted To Glory.

Rev. Asselstine joined the I. A. O. G. I. (Canada) January 1, 2000 and received his ordination October 8, 2002.

He is survived by his wife Rev. Lorraine Asselstine, five sons, two daughter-in-laws, many grandchildren, great grandchildren, many nieces and nephews.

If you wish to send expressions of sympathy the contact information is:

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Rev. Howard E. Minaker (DOB 1923/04/23) was Promoted To Glory, January 11, 2015. Brother Minaker was a long time member of the I. A. O. G. I. (Canada). He pastored Bethel Assembly Of God, STOUFFVILLE, Ontario.

He is survived by his son Ken (Andrea) and his daughter Marilyn (Brock), two grandsons and several nieces and nephews.

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