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CONVENTION KILLER

Conventions are a big production, but what do you do when you're rushed to the hospital only the week before? Check out Rev. Yvon Stabili's update!

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HOW'S YOUR TONGUE?

Rev. Burton Kewayosh challenges us to do inventory on the healing power of our tongue in his ministry update for Arctic Ministry Outreach.

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THAT'S A FIRST!

Do you remember your first National Convention? Check out Rev. Kim Lavigne's reflection on our recent National Convention; her very first one!

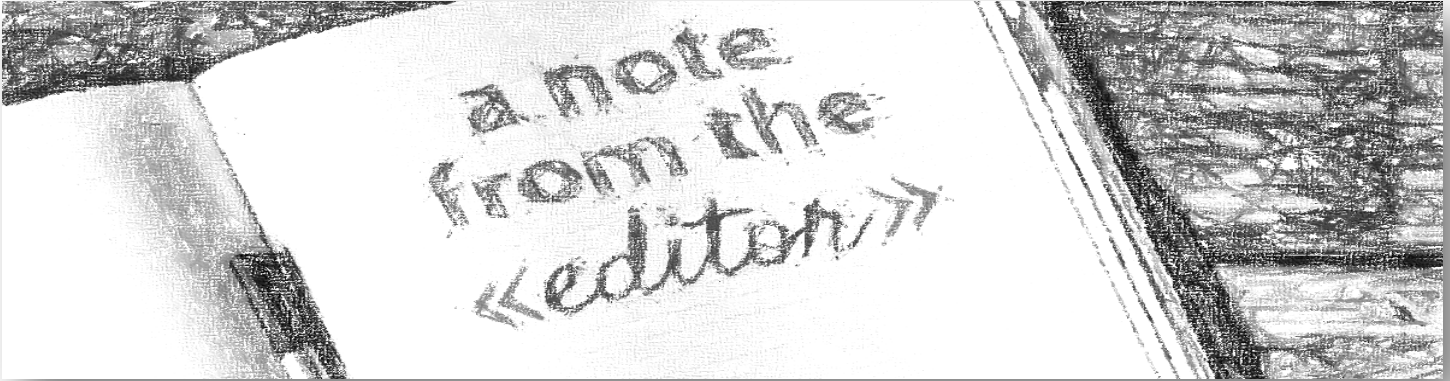
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“HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO TELL YOU?”

A common reprimand heard by many children from frustrated parents, who once again are repeating the instruction they’ve given a thousand times before - still to no effect. I will not confess how many times I personally exasperated my own mother and father by easily being distracted and forgetting or moving on to other things.

We are often quick to pick on the Israelites for how often they would forget what God said, and what God did. We see the whole story from beginning to end and can easily observe how quickly they slid into doubt and doing things their own way; often being the very source of their own pain and trouble.

Yet God, so very graciously, would repeat Himself and give another opportunity for turning and living in the victory of Him....again!

So many times, I find God repeating Himself for us. We see threads of themes and emphases throughout scripture. We sit in our private times with the Lord and hear His reassurance of things we’ve heard Him say before. We see the Holy Spirit speak the same message through various members of the body of Christ.

When we see these things happening it is imperative to take notice! God’s repeating Himself because we haven’t quite got it. We may know it in fact, we may know the chapter and the verse, we may have experienced a measure of it in our lives so far, but divine repetition is an indicator that there’s still more.

As soon as we start saying to ourselves things like:

“I know that...”

“ Yes... yes... yes... I’ve heard that before...”

“That article is correct, I agree with what they wrote....”

“I’ve preached that before, just like that, with that same scripture....”

While these may be true, these simple mindsets and statements can reflect familiarity. Our familiarity, and pride of knowledge and experience, subtly circumvents our being strengthened in our faith. Familiarity converts the soft soil of our heart to a pathway that’s well-worn and cannot receive the truth of the Word.

As the editor of *The Mantle*, I find it interesting to note the themes that come through these pages. Our contributors do not collaborate ahead of time. Occasionally, I'll reach out with a request for an article, but I do not plan themes for each edition. I love sitting back and watching how the Holy Spirit weaves His same heart and graciously repeats Himself, through His people, for us.

So as you read these ministry updates, the words of exhortation and encouragement, I challenge you to sit up, take note, and pay attention. The Holy Spirit has something to say here to us as a fellowship and individuals; and He's repeating Himself.



***REMEMBER: DIVINE REPETITION IS A GRACIOUS INDICATOR
THAT THERE IS STILL MORE, AND WE HAVEN'T QUITE GOT IT!***

Let's be the children of God that bring joy and honour to our Father in our hearing and remembering!

-Shalane

FROM THE DESK OF OUR GENERAL SECRETARY

Rev. Paul McPhail



DEAR SERVANT OF THE LORD,

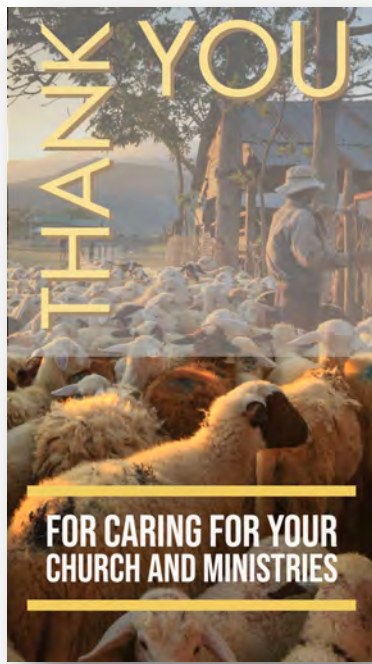
Greetings in the Precious Name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

I am humbled and honoured to pastor seven hundred credential holders.

Thankfully we can now look at the last 18 months in the rear-view mirror. To say that this past 18 months has been extremely challenging for all of us would be an understatement.

Understanding Covid-19, how it can spread, how it affects our most vulnerable populations, the impact on our churches/ministries, the lack of in-person fellowship/socialization and partial and full-scale lockdowns affected all of us.

There was no "play book" for churches/ministries to follow. We had to listen to the advice of medical doctors and those sitting at the Command Table. As time progressed and the Covid-19 numbers continued to rise, some very tough decisions were made. Sometimes the decisions were changed within minutes.



I want to say thank you for caring for your churches/ministries. Your heroic efforts have not gone unnoticed.

I am also thankful for supportive I. A. O. G. I. (Canada) members, and a wise prayerful Executive Team (Assistant General Secretary, Treasurer/Recording Secretary and Regional Secretaries). We are greatly blessed.

Hearing the wise counsel of medical experts, we reluctantly decided to cancel our in-person 2021 National Convention and go with a Virtual Convention. Many people put their shoulders to the wheel to make it work. Thank you Rev. Leonard Hutchinson, Rev. Gwen Dreger and Rev. Yvon Stabili for providing leadership. What amazing results. To God be the Glory.

Thank you I. A. O. G. I. (Canada) for acclaiming me as your General Secretary. My wife Virginia and I are honoured and deeply humbled by your ongoing prayers, love and support.

The Theme of the 2021 Convention was “The Lord Has Spoken” - Psalm 62:11

THE WORD OF A KING

*Text: “God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; that power **belongeth** unto God. “ - Psalm 62:11*

“Where the word of a king is, there is power.” – Ecclesiastes 8:4

Kings in Solomon’s day had a vast amount of power, for their word was absolute. They did according to their own will, and none could check them; for, as Solomon said, “the king’s wrath is as the roaring of a lion: whoso provoketh him to anger sinneth against his own soul.” When such a monarch happened to be wise and good, it was a great blessing to the people; for “a king that sitteth in the throne of judgment scattereth away all evil with his eyes.”

It is a great subject for joy that “the Lord reigneth, he is clothed with majesty. The Lord sitteth upon the floods; yea, the Lord sitteth King for ever and ever; let Israel rejoice, and let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.” “Say among the heathen that the Lord reigneth: the world also shall be established that it shall not be moved: he shall judge the people righteously. Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof.”

God is the absolute Monarch, His word hath power. May the Holy Spirit help us to think of **the power of God’s word**.



First, we would see the power of the word of the Lord in order **TO EXCITE OUR AWE OF HIM**.

“By the word of the Lord were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth.” What a word is that which created all things!

When the Lord created, He used no hand of cherubim or seraphim: all that we read in the sublimely simple record of Genesis is, “God said, let there be,” and there was. His word accomplished all, and when He wills to destroy either one man or a million His word is able to work His will. What a mighty word was that which, in one night, cut off the host of Sennacherib and slew the firstborn of Egypt! The word of the Lord commanded the water-floods, and they drowned a guilty world, and that same word rained fire from heaven upon Sodom and Gomorrah; even so in the last day, when the word shall go forth from Him, He shall shake not only the earth, but also heaven, and at His word of power both heaven and earth shall flee away.



Think how God’s word both makes alive and kills. He promised Abraham that he should have a seed in whom all the nations of the earth should be blessed. It seemed impossible that there should come from him a son that should be the founder of a race— his body was dead, and Sarah was old—yet God in due time made them to laugh, for Isaac was born into the house. “The Lord setteth the solitary in families.” “He maketh the barren woman to keep house, and to be a joyful mother of children.” It is the Lord who makes alive, and equally is it the Lord who kills. It only needs God to will it and the pestilence lays men low in heaps, like the grass of the meadow when the mower has passed over it. The Lord has but to call for pestilence or war, and myriads of men are laid low. If He wills to chasten by famine, He calls for devouring insects, and they invade the land; and this Joel attributes to the word of Jehovah, when he says, “And the Lord shall utter his voice before his army; for his camp is very great: for he is strong that executeth his word: for the day of the Lord is great and very terrible; and who can abide it?”

The gifts and calling of God are without repentance; He turns not from his covenant engagements and swerves not from the performance of His word. Those that have resisted Him have found his threatenings to be true also: let Pharaoh confess how the plagues followed fast upon the word of the Lord till even his stout heart was melted within him.

Secondly, we would think of the power of God’s word in order **TO ENSURE OUR OBEDIENCE TO IT**. Whenever God gives a word of command it comes to us clothed with authority, and its power over our minds should be immediate and unquestioned.

A loyal subject of the great King wants to know what the King would have him do; when he knows it, it is not for him to question, but to obey.

Thirdly, **TO INSPIRE OUR CONFIDENCE**, let us think that “where the word of a king is, there is power.” If there is a heart that is seeking mercy, if you can go before God with such a promise as this in your mouth, “Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return

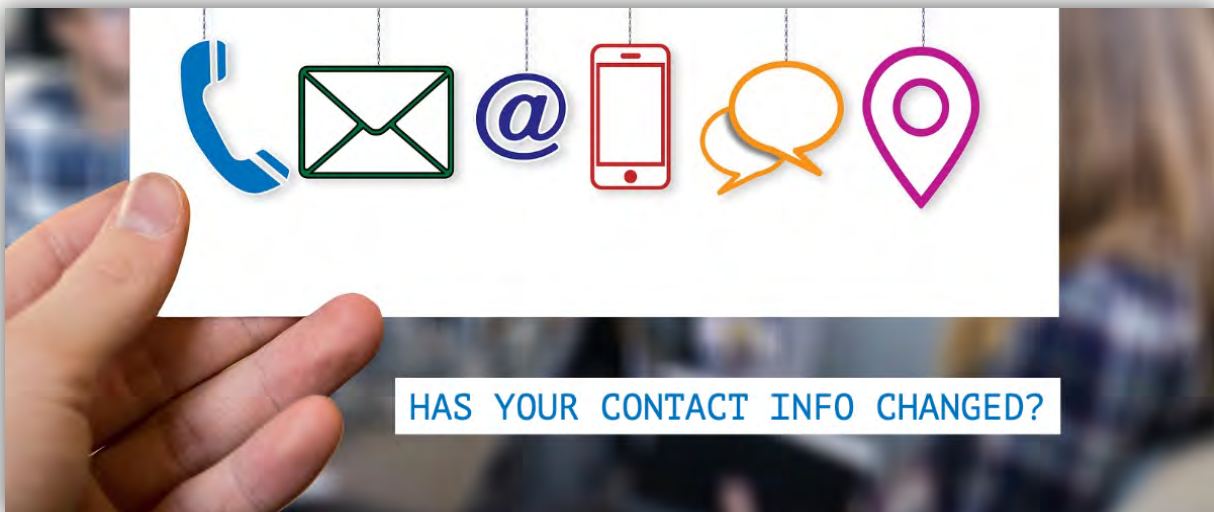
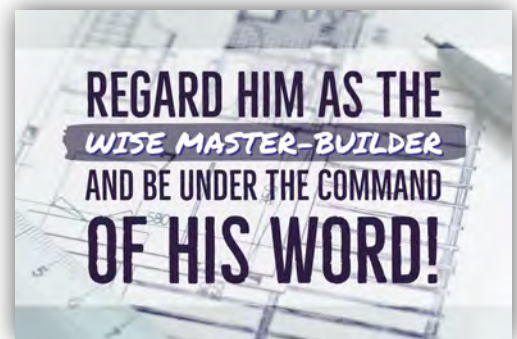
unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon,”— that word of His is not a mere sound, there is the power of truth in it.

Fourthly, my text is to be used **TO DIRECT YOUR EFFORTS**. You need power; not the power of money, or the power of the mind, or the power of influence, or the power of numbers; but “power from on high.” All other power may be desirable, but this power is indispensable. Spiritual work, our work/ministry can only be done by spiritual power. I counsel you in order to get spiritual power in all that you do to keep the King’s commandment, for “**where the word of a king is, there is power.**” Lay not a stone of your spiritual church without his overseeing; do all things according as He has ordained; regard Him as the wise Master-builder and be under the command of His word. The day cometh when much that has been built shall be destroyed, for the fire will try every man’s work of what sort it is.

In the King’s word there is power, and you will have power as long as you keep to it: but real power is nowhere else to be found. Let us take care that we do not look elsewhere for power.

Preach the King’s word, for it will give you power in private prayer, power in everything that you do; because you will live upon the King’s own word, and His word is meat to the soul. The prophet said, “Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart.” If you try this meat you will all find it is nourishing to you also.

Your servant in Christ,

The General Secretary has the responsibility to maintain an accurate membership list, and the responsibility of reporting changes in contact information to the appropriate authorities.

**PLEASE KEEP US IN THE LOOP WITH NEW TELEPHONE NUMBERS,
NEW ADDRESSES AND NEW E-MAIL ADDRESSES.**



FROM THE DESK OF OUR ASSISTANT GENERAL SECRETARY

Rev. Yvon Stabili

GREETINGS TO ALL IN THE BEAUTIFUL NAME OF JESUS,

First of all, thank you so much for those who participated in our first virtual national conference. It was a great success and a special thank you to the technical team who worked together from Vancouver to Montreal.

I also take this opportunity to thank you dear pastors for appointing me once again as assistant to the general secretary. Serving you is a privilege.

Maybe you don't know this, but about a week before our convention I was rushed to the hospital due to a buildup of blood in my stomach. I went into severe vagal shocks to the point where the doctors and nurses thought I was about to die; but during this experience the Spirit of God clearly told me that He was not finished with me yet. I instantly became calm and in peace regardless of what was going on around me. The doctor was very surprised to see me up so quickly and with no signs of stress or anxiety. This allowed me to witness about the glory of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. I share this with you to thank all those who prayed for me and to give glory to Jesus for His divine healing and for His faithfulness and love. The Word of God tells us this in Psalm 34 verse 19 **'The righteous person may have many troubles, but the Lord delivers him from them all.'**



No matter what trial or what strikes us, sometimes illness or betrayal or financial hardship or rejection or abandonment; one thing remains absolute and that is the faithfulness of God towards His children. We must cling to this with strength and determination. Let us be able to say, Lord even though I don't see it or feel it now, I know that Your helping hand sustains me and that I will be more than a conqueror. I can tell you that through this ordeal, I saw the hand of God helping me and the support of the prayers of the saints was palpable as the doctors were so

confused by my situation. One doctor asked me what I did for work and I told him I was a pastor and he replied 'Ha! You are a man of faith!' I told him that I was a man of faith and that I knew that my God

was protecting me in all circumstances. I thanked him for his care but also told him that my hope was in God. This allowed me to witness about the glorious name of Jesus.

Today I am in great shape and I have changed some of my habits in order to be in better shape to serve the Lord; but I know that in his infinite grace, God has put His hand upon me and I can only say thank you Lord Jesus and give glory to our heavenly Father for His powerful hand that guards us and I also want to thank the Holy Spirit for speaking to us when required and reassures us in times of trouble.

Be blessed and keep your eyes on Jesus and cling to His Word in all circumstances.

Your servant in Jesus Christ,

Rev. Yvon Stabili

MINISTRY UPDATES

A BRIEF WORD ON MISSIONS

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As you all know the pandemic has forced many churches to do things differently and we have not escaped these changes at EVC (Église Vivante de Christ). On the other hand, this has become an opportunity to position oneself on the web by broadcasting our meetings live. This has opened unexpected doors for us.

We started a work in Benin, QC while continuing to support our mission in Cuba as well as the orphanage in Haiti and a church in the Philippines as well as in India. Please pray for these missions and please join us in asking God to open His heavenly provision for finances; the needs are so great and the souls so numerous! We need God's grace in all things. We are training many pastors, men and women, through the different missions and we are grateful to the Lord for this grace. I have included some pictures and ask you to pray for all these people. Thank you and bless you.



CROSS OF MERCY MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL

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We thank God for He has brought us this far. It has been a long, but He has been with us. Many of us have gone to be with our Lord, but we have hope to see them. Again, thank God for the Hope that He given us.

Many of our children in Africa and our children have been out of school. Many schools have been closed, it was so hard for our children Can you believe that most of our children as young as 13 in this lockdown got pregnant and abused; it is so hard on these very young girls.

In Africa, there is no support like counselors; they are on their own. Africa has been hit morally and spiritually. Thank God for those Pastors that have helped. Please your prayers are needed nd your financial support is welcome.

This June the schools will fully be opened; praise be to God. Here we are beginning again.

I was in Uganda this year, during Covid-19 and it was by the grace of God. Every part of the world will be different. I was not able to see everyone, however, I was able to visit many Churches.

I tell you; Uganda is on fire for God! For more information or to find out how you can partner with us, please email us!



MISSION THANDO

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There has been a lot going on in South Africa these last few months. The team there has faced many challenges. In February, Philani, our main leader, suffered a stroke. He was in hospital for a couple weeks and has since been going through physiotherapy and trying to regain the use of his right hand and leg. As well, he is trying to regain speech and memory. The team has really stepped up to help him recover but also to help fill his role. Just before it had happened, Philani had been training up a couple

of young men to do some of his jobs, so that has been extremely helpful. They have kept things running smoothly. Philani is slowly doing better but we are praying for a healing touch from God!!



The ministry has managed to put in cement at the center which has been great to have. They also recently ran electricity to the site. Water is next on their list.

Our kitchen in Khabazela recently had a break-in and all their food was stolen. We have since been able to replace the food for them.

The church continues to meet, and they are reaching out to those in the community that are struggling. Last month a fire in the area destroyed 8 shacks. The team was able to help them out with food and clothing and even some building supplies. God continues to do great things there.

Back in Canada, our church plant in Kisbey, continues to grow. God has really blessed us with an amazing group of people. We held an online evangelistic outreach which was a success and really allowed us to reach out into the community. We partnered with our friend, Evangelist Tyrelle Smith whose idea it was. It was a new concept to all of us. Tyrelle put together 4 nights of evangelistic messages that were then livestreamed through our facebook page. We promoted the event online as well as through flyers placed in over 800 mailboxes in the surrounding communities. We gathered prizes and donations that were given away throughout the event. We had a team that was commenting and taking prayer requests online throughout. After the event we hand delivered prizes and made connections with many people through this. We had one rededication and it really stirred up a passion for the lost.



We held a baptismal service in March and had five baptisms. We bought a horse trough and filled it with water and held the baptism in the rec center. Over the past few months there have been some rededications and some new salvations, praise God!! The focus of our ministry has been on discipleship. Our daughter Kaitlyn has started a youth Alpha series over the summer while she's home from college and that is also going well.

Thank you for all the prayers and support! We continue to see God do amazing things.

GRACE LIFE MINISTRIES - MIRACLE UPON MIRACLE

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We continue to have positive reports from our ministry in Odisha. In 2008 the enemy caused persecutions like never before in India. In the area we minister, all the believers' homes were destroyed, all churches broken down, and all Christian ministry centres were torn down; it affected 100,000. Some of our main leaders were in refugee camps for 2 years. Fear reigned but the church around the world prayed and God has answered.

All has been rebuilt and we are seeing a great harvest of new believers coming to Christ. Bold leaders being raised up not afraid to face danger and persecution! God is honouring these humble believers' advance. We are seeing many spectacular miracles and the greatest miracles of whole families coming

to Christ and taking baptism on a weekly basis. We are now sending materials so new churches can be built.

Every day, in our main centre, the villagers gather for prayer. This is also one of the poorest districts in India, so we are sending practical help to bring clean water for drinking and irrigation so that poverty is broken. Our main village, Kasin Padar, is now self-sufficient. Many sicknesses are gone because they have now clean drinking water from the bore well we installed. This is our prototype village. Our vision is to reach all 2400 villages in this area. Through God, and His church helping, we will definitely see this happen.

God's answer to humanity is the new creation in Christ. He takes over rulership in our lives and the nations. God's mandate, by His power, is to take all nations, through the anointing the Holy Spirit. (Acts 1:8). At one time there was not one Christian in our main village. Our main leader was the first to come to Christ. He and his family were heavily persecuted. Now he is the most honoured, and most of the villagers have become believers. It is a place now of safety, love and peace. We also continue our work in the slums in Visakhapatnam. We have wonderful open doors because of the practical love we have shown by providing food during lockdowns.



I also wish to report all 400 families are fine: no one is sick! We are so happy to see our youth, many of whom are now young adults, doing really well. We are very proud of them. Many are in their final years of various areas of education. They will make fine leaders in His church in India! Our vision is to submit to God's vision by His unlimited power. Like the apostle Paul, God has released His grace to walk in our calling and fulfill the ministry He has called us to. (Ephesians 3:7). My photo is with one of our young men, Chandu. He is a fearless witness in his village and the only believer, a wonderful young man. Please pray for us as we plan new ministry and bring strategy for fulfilling our mission to train up harvesters to take 2400 villages.

We are excited to see what God will do!

ARCTIC MISSION OUTREACH TRUST FUND

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Arctic Mission Outreach Trust Fund (AMOTF) is a Full Gospel Charitable Christian Fellowship that works with the Full Gospel Churches of Nunavut and Nunavik. The ministry began its work with the First Nations in northern Ontario and continues working with First Nations. AMOTF is an organization that was founded by Rev. John Spillenaar, eighty four years ago, and continues to fulfill its mandate to

advance the Kingdom of God by planting, building, and governing His Church. Rev. David Ellyatt is the President of the Board of Directors and Rev. Burton Kewayosh, is the Director.

Covid-19 health protocols have prohibited me from any travel; however, interaction with the church leaders is maintained through teleconference calls or zoom meetings. Continued prayer is needed for the local churches and communities.



The Virtual IAOGI National Convention, May 4-6, 2021, was very helpful to me and I was blessed by the worship and all that the ministers shared. I will focus my remarks on the keynote speaker, Rev. Marie Miller, who brought a fresh atmosphere to our mandate to build His Kingdom. She challenged us to get a Word to run with. "God has spoken (by His Word)," His power and mercy will reward our work, Psalm 62:11-12.

This challenge has opened me to check my motives and trust the Holy Spirit to show me the way that Jesus has laid out for me. Proverbs 15:4-"A wholesome (healing) tongue is a tree of life, but perverseness in it breaks the spirit."



I am triggered and grieved by the 215 bodies of children that were found at the residential school site in Kamloops, B.C. This is the perverseness that breaks the spirit and it has been birthed by the colonization of Indigenous peoples around the world.

Dan Pine, Anishinaabe Elder, always said that "...we must know where we came from to understand where we are going." He likened this concept to observing tracks in the snow. "Look back at your trail, learn from that path, and then step forward with good intent." The families of the 215 children's' bodies get some closure once they are identified. How great is the need for a healing tongue with words that flow from the Tree of Life!

I believe that we need to remind ourselves, "To seek first the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness", Matt. 6:33.

Your ongoing prayers and financial support are much appreciated.

PLANT BY WATERS MINISTRIES

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After I pulled into the mud driveway in Eskasoni First Nation to pick up the "last minute" member for our tiny bubble service around the fire in my backyard, I felt the Holy Spirit led me to call the only person who had a phone at the fire. I had left them all in charge to lead worship songs together. I wanted to support them to keep going until I returned. I was the only one with a vehicle and driver's license that evening. What I heard at the other end of the phone overwhelmed me and I melted.

The audio description is humorous, but far greater was that it was music to the Lord, listening from heaven, and to my heart. It was the sweetest song to this missionary pastor's heart. My favourite; right up there with listening to my little 3-year-old son in the next room singing *"I worship you.... the reason I live it to worship you..."* years ago. I was undone and can still hear it.

On the phone, the worse it sounded the sweeter it became, and I wept. Melvin's beginner guitar chords were all wrong and in fact they were all singing the song they had chosen which was Robin Mark's *"No Not by might..."* in different keys and timing than the guitar- like 'K-minor' I thought. But their fervor was deep; that made it perfect! Not only is it good for your relationship with God, but science proves that the resonance in your voice positively affects your brain and your mental and physical health in times of stress or confinement.

This must be how God our Father feels when we raise our voice to honour Him; no matter the rough sound during trials, lockdowns, great losses, pain, failure, rat-tat -tat over the phone or social media, you name it!

When Takisha (our young adult who was recently promoted to glory) got into my car that moment, she saw me weep and began to pray in repentance as she also listened. She died four days following that November outdoor service. She was ready. We are all called, from the faltering to the minister, **to be God's favourite song**. Minister of Christ's glorious gospel, sing like the Mi'kmaq that night and don't stop singing His anthem!

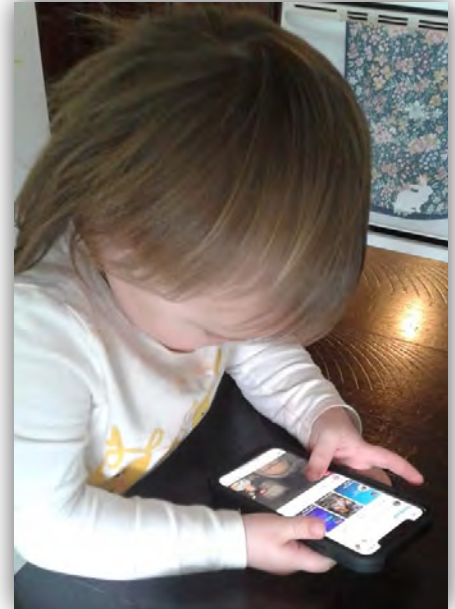


PHOTO: THREE-YEAR-OLD AMAYA FROM ONE OF OUR MI'KMAQ CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY FAMILIES IN ESKASONI FIRST NATION SAYING "AMEN, AMEN, AMEN!" DURING OUR LIVE SUNDAY FACEBOOK SERVICE.

We find any excuse say, "Jesus is Lord!" everywhere, to sing, pray or laugh in person and do life together when possible. In response to the 215 Indigenous buried children that found recently, we are helping with the initiation and content of "God's Heart for Indigenous Canada" on social media. We produced a video teaching and wrote *"A First Nations and Metis Prayer Based on the Lord's Prayer"* which the Aboriginal Bible Academy has asked permission to use nationally for the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada. We produce a live, interactive Sunday Facebook service weekly....to obey Christ's charge:

"Go Ye into all the world and make disciples of every nation..." Matthew 28:19

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REFLECTING ON OUR NATIONAL CONVENTION



Get a word to run with!

What a privilege it was to attend my first conference with IAOGI this year! How wonderful it was to gather with my fellow pastors, and leaders. I was so blessed to get to know some of you, and I find this to be the most beautiful part; building relationships and growing together in Him!

My spirit was so moved by what Rev. Marie Miller shared on the Wednesday night. Father spoke through her mightily. She shared how important it was for us to *“get a word to run with!”*.

She shared the word about the uncalled and called runner in 2 Samuel 18:19-31, where David was ostracized due to his young son, Absalom, and had to retreat.

I found it so powerful; a revelation that sometimes as leaders we might need to retreat, but this in no way diminishes our calling. There are often obstacles, and difficult times, but we need to remember who called us! Having overcome homelessness, addictions, and a background of abuse, has in no way diminished the call that our Father had on my life, using it for His glory! God's word is always Yes, and Amen.

In the “un-called runner”, Ahimaaz begged Joab to bring the news to David because he wanted fame. When Joab finally agreed, after Ahimaaz demanded to go, he took off running, but had no direct message, also taking the less demanding route, running the way of the plain. He only wanted glory.

Joab then sent a Cushite to tell the king what he had seen (1 Sam. 18:21). He was the “called runner”, a humble, persevering person, who was from Jethro's lineage, who were all desert travellers, guides in the wilderness, who knew that to outwit the enemy you don't go in the plains. While Ahimaaz ran in the plain, the Cushite ran in the difficult places to strengthen his legs. When Ahimaaz reached the King, he had nothing to report.

When the Cushite got to David, he only had one thing to declare; I'm here to tell you what I have seen!!! VICTORY IS OURS! THE ENEMY HAS BEEN DEFEATED!! I came running because I've seen what God has done, I've got something to share! DELIVERANCE IS HERE!

There have been many times where I have found myself taking the way of the plain, discovering that at the end I had no report to share, no testimony, because I had not strengthened my legs through the trial. We all have a tendency to take the easier road, hoping to press that easy button to expedite us to the other side more quickly. Have you ever found yourself doing this? I'm encouraged that in this season that we are all living, we have had a time of "retreat".

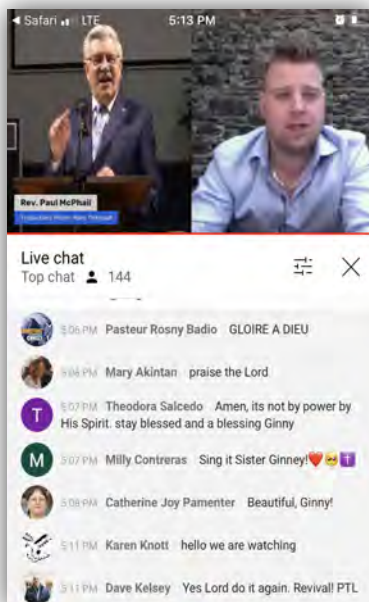


It's now time for us to rise up, to run to the people with a word, with love and the GOOD NEWS, and with the experiences and testimonies of what God has done!

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In the recently concluded IAOGI convention, we learned a lot of amazing things through our speakers and the entire leadership of the Independent Assemblies. Although Corona changed the normal ways of conducting meetings, God provided a solution for the meeting to take place (streamlined live) and there was no ticket to fly somewhere in order to attend. Thank you, Jesus!

To reiterate some of the points our general secretary, Rev. Paul McPhail, tackled in one of his sermons during the convention, he delved into the areas as to why Jesus assumed us to pray always as ministers of God. Thus, Rev. McPhail said:



- Prayer is a hunger for fellowship - dialogue with our heavenly Father
- We should pray because the ministry brings many troubles to the enemy
- We should pray because life has many troubles
- We should pray because prayer brings strength, etc.

Jesus has shown us the way forward. Let's reflect on the amazing work that He has done for us. In this poem, that we created (See page....), God was reminding us of the power of His Word to create. When He spoke into Darkness, and light became. Thus, in the same manner, whatsoever circumstances we may be faced with (health, finances, family, pandemic, loneliness, crises, etc.),

He is still able to create WITH us the outcome we desire in conformity to His Word (Mark 11:24). Indeed, we often forget how powerful our God is,

yet He reassures us He is the same Great I AM who is ready to help in our time of difficulties and uncertainty when we cooperate with His Word.

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This year’s national convention astounded me in several ways. Since I became a young mother five years ago, travelling for my itinerant ministry has changed significantly, including attending the wonderful 4-day conventions. However, this year, with the IAOGI Convention being offered virtually, I could freely worship from my living room as my toddler and 5-year-old slept or did other activities.

Attending the live prayer times were also vital in preparing my heart for worship as the presence of God filled every nook and cranny of our small apartment. Being free from having to run in and out of the sanctuary for my children’s sake, made it possible for me to receive fully what the Spirit of God purposed for me those days. Saving financially on travel and accommodations also blessed me. Being released from the anxiety of how to budget a 4-day convention with two children, allowed me the blessed opportunity to sow into my general giving of the convention offerings.

My experience during the online general meeting was also incredibly positive. Being a homeschool educator, I could easily switch to invisible and muted while assigning and helping my daughter with her academic tasks. When my toddler would interrupt with a cry, a need to change his diaper, or to prepare his lunch, I could keep the audible portion of the meeting on without losing track of the General Meeting’s conversation.



Finally, having a black, spirit-filled, female Pastor as our national convention’s speaker resonated with me. Being a visible minority myself, who is called to a preaching ministry within North America, I have struggled feeling welcomed into churches that are of Caucasian leadership. So, when I heard that someone from my church circles was going to preach, I was eager to hear what God wanted to speak to me through another woman in ministry. I was encouraged by Marie’s messages as to how we are to be creative in these times to continue to get the Gospel out. I am grateful for her boldness to be

filled by the Spirit of God, not fear praying in tongues when there were technical interruptions during her fired-up preaching, and for her asking the audience to pray in their heavenly language!

Since the convention, I have connected with Marie as a mentor. The growth in my spiritual and ministry development that is occurring now could not have happened if it were not for the leading of the Holy Spirit in our General Secretary to ask Marie to preach! Thank you, Paul McPhail and your team, for loving us young ministers and inviting more diverse preachers to your pulpit!



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THINK ON THESE THINGS

From time to time the Lord speaks to His servants words from His heart to His people. IAOGI fully encourages the gifts of the Holy Spirit. These words are submitted humbly and prayerfully. Please take some time to carefully examine how they may strengthen and encourage you.

1 CORINTHIANS 14:29-31

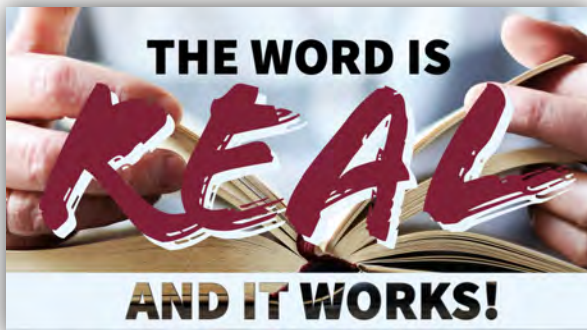
LET THE PROPHETS SPEAK TWO OR THREE, AND LET THE OTHER JUDGE. IF ANY THING BE REVEALED TO ANOTHER THAT SITTETH BY, LET THE FIRST HOLD HIS PEACE. FOR YE MAY ALL PROPHECY ONE BY ONE, THAT ALL MAY LEARN, AND ALL MAY BE COMFORTED

PEOPLE OF THE WORD

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The LORD gave this to me a while back...

“There are a vast majority of believers who really don’t know why they are believing for things... they don’t have a Covenant scripture basis and so continue to be talked out of the promise I already said yes too. The vast majority don’t think it can change when I said MY WORD has power to transform... they say they are in agreement with ME but talk differently... it is a reality that has to change for ME to manifest through MY Church the way I want to... they think they are waiting on ME, while all the time I have been waiting on them!!!”



Are we really a people of the WORD? Are we taking the time to receive the revelation of the WORD that changes our hearts, the way we speak, and brings hope and help to supernaturally change the situations and circumstances of ones we minister to? Do we agree with the WORD in our hearts, minds and actions? Would those

outside our cliques be aware of it? What the world wants to know is: do you have the goods? I had one lady recently say to me, “I want reality in my life.” She was a saying whatever I do go after, it must be real!!! Is it possible that we have become slow or dull of hearing what the LORD wants to do? Do we check out when the opportunity comes to share at the store, restaurant, on the bus, in the park?

This WORD is real, and it works!

JESUS manifested the HOLY SPIRIT, so did all the disciples! People are desperate for truth. We did an outreach in another city a few years ago in a park. There hardly seemed to be very many people around so the Chariots of Light team just started finding them all over the park; 102 people



in two days came to Christ. Let's stop looking for excuses as to why we can't and see how the Spirit of GOD would say YES you can! There is a harvest in the restaurant, in the park, in the hotel! The world around us today wants to know what we really have to give, what we have to offer. I believe Isaiah 60:1 is our verse: (AMP) ARISE [from the depression and prostration in which circumstances have kept you—rise to a new life]!

Shine (be radiant with the glory of the Lord), for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you! [Zec 8:23]

Peter and John, filled with the Holy Spirit after Pentecost, weren't looking at an optional, possible; maybe HE will, maybe HE won't approach to the man at the gate Beautiful. (Acts 3) Peter knew what was inside him. Peter knew he could give it out. By FAITH! All the man did who was crippled was look up and receive! We have too many who say they are leaders, who are not followers of the leadership of the Holy Spirit. We must! Because the world must see a Supernatural GOD who gives HIS Best for each one! I believe GOD wants to show up, and show off HIS grace and glory!

I can imagine how offended some in church would be, if Peter showed up and said, "Hey what I have, I can give! Anybody want some???" Peter knew his Covenant, he knew what he had, and he knew he could give it out!!!

Peter did not wait for some "loosy goosy" "feeling"...

He wasn't trying to figure out what to do...

Peter did make religious excuses as to why it should not work...

Peter did not "sense" they are not ready, too many issues for "GOD" to deal with...

Peter did not ignore what was right there in front of him...

He saw a GOD opportunity!!!



How many times have we walked away from a "God opportunity" because we thought it depended on us, rather than the SPIRIT of GOD within us? I know I have, and repented for it; especially when you see how it really is JESUS in us, by HIS WORD! What you know you have, by faith, you know you can give out!!! And if there was ever a time to give it out, it is now!!!

In the summer, I have had the opportunity to ride with a motorcycle ministry called Chariots of Light. Their motto: "Passion for GOD, Passion for people, Passion for riding" is simple and it's powerful because the guys and girls that ride commit to just that. Love GOD, love people, like to ride. So we ride with purpose to win others to Christ. You can even have a Toyota Corolla and still come with us. Listen, anyone can ride a bike down to the local coffee shop, or across the country. It takes another breed to go with a purpose and be accountable to the purpose. We hold each other to do it too.

In the past 5 years we, on average, have led over 1,000 people to Christ a summer, with untold healings/deliverances/miracles, even those get filled with the Holy



Spirit! JESUS said fields are white unto harvest. Do we agree with HIM? Or are we busy making excuses? Could it be that we need to ask for eyesight to the opportunities in front of us?

GOD give us fresh insight to Your Covenant, to Who is in us, and the reasons we are here on this earth!
In JESUS CHRIST Name, AMEN!

A SONG IN THE VALLEY

Rev. Dr. Peter & Mary Towongo

When You say, *Let there be light!*
Light is.

When You say, *Peace be still!*
The storm is calmed.

When You silence the enemy,
he is muted in Your presence.

When You say,
Let there be a way in the wilderness!
There is a way.

So, how can I doubt,
That you won't do the same in me?

Regardless of how high the mountain
Before me lays,
Even the sea before the children of Israel
Gave way at Your command.

This storm too, shall give way
At Your command.

When You say, *Be healed!*
Wholeness is restored.

When You say, *Rise up and walk!*
The lame did walk,
The blind did see,
The dumb did speak,
And the dead did rise.

You are still the I AM
The Alpha and The Omega
The Great I AM
And You are mine

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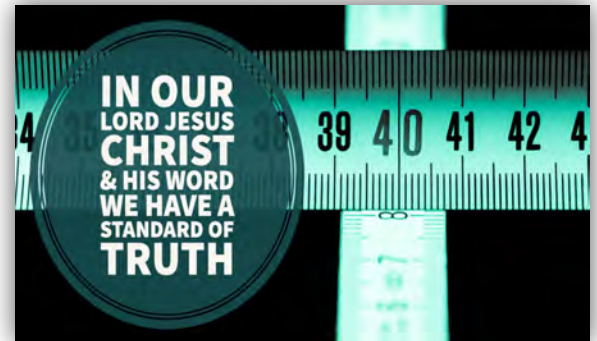
John 18:33 Then Pilate entered the Praetorium again, called Jesus, and said to Him, "Are You the King of the Jews?"

In John 18, Jesus is questioned by Pilate. At the end of this dialogue, Pilate asks Jesus, "What is truth?", then leaves to go back to the Jewish accusers without waiting to hear an answer. It would have been great to hear Jesus' response. Why did Pilate ask the question and then leave with it unanswered? It could have been a rhetorical question that in Pilate's mind had no answer or maybe he wasn't that interested because, as a Roman ruler, perhaps real, honest truth didn't matter. What may have really mattered to him was his position, his personal power, and his own political agenda. If he had been truly sincere in knowing the truth, Pilate would have given Jesus an opportunity to address this query.



You see truth or justice becomes whatever works for those in power. Although Pilate found no fault in Jesus, he wasn't able to convince the crowd. He knew the priests were envious of Jesus, but he lacked moral backbone to take a stand for what was right. Someone has rightly said, "When there is no standard or the acknowledging of truth, there is no basis for moral right and wrong. Justice becomes whatever works or helps those in power." That is so true, and we have seen it in our day.

In our Lord Jesus Christ and His Word, we have a standard of truth and a standard for our moral behaviour. In John 14:6, Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life." Also, in John 17:17, "Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth." Thank God we know the source for truth - Jesus Christ and the Word of God found in the scriptures.



Truth, when applied, is powerful and can make us free. John 8:32 "And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." Notice in this verse it says, "you"- meaning each one of us is responsible for ourselves. Then the word, "know" - shows we are responsible to study the Word for ourselves, to know the doctrines and the principles. The promise then is the truth will "make" you free. "Make" means it will work a change, a transformation, bring freedom or set into freedom.

What is truth, Pilate? It is the One who was standing in front of you speaking the Word of God: THE TRUTH! What is truth for you and me? It's not from the CBC, CTV, the government, politicians, medical authority, etc. It is Jesus Christ and the Word of Almighty God. Let's stay with that and be safe!



MR. RICHARD BRANSFORD ALLICOCK

(DOB Dec. 29, 1957) was promoted to Glory at Scarborough General Hospital, Ontario Canada, on Saturday January 30, 2021.

Mr. Richard Allcock joined the I. A. O. G. I. (Canada) August 12, 2014. Today while some would say the mourning of a loss, we his family considers it a time of celebrating the life of Richard; husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather, and a great leader of his tribe.



Mr. Richard Allicock (Papa Richy) was born in Linden Guyana. He met his wife Estelle Bernadette Allicock at a young age, who captured his heart and enjoyed 43 years of wedded bliss until he passed away. Brother Richard enjoyed praising his Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ in every way he could. Whether it be preaching, praying for others or having fellowship with the believers at his home church, New Life Ministries Int. He tried his best to be a blessing to those around him. Funeral was held in Scarborough, Ontario Canada. If you wish to express condolences the contact information is:

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Mr. Richard Allicock was NOT a member of the Ministry of Compassion

REV. JEAN-PIERRE GOULET

(DOB May. 21, 1940) was promoted to Glory - May 16, 2021. He died of stage 4 lung cancer. He was diagnosed April 9, 2021.

Rev. Jean-Pierre Goulet joined the I. A. O. G. I. (Canada) January 29, 1988. He was an Evangelist.

He is survived by his loving wife Micheline Guidi Goulet, two daughters, one son, and eight grandchildren. The funeral will be held with the family and by invitation only. If you wish to express condolences the contact information is:

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REV. JACQUES BOURBEAU

(DOB Dec. 23, 1942) was promoted to Glory - May 13, 2021 at 3 AM. He was suffering from different illnesses.

Rev. Jacques Bourbeau joined the I. A. O. G. I. (Canada) September 18, 1985. He was an Evangelist.

He is survived by his loving wife Madame Jeannine Jeanson, two children, six grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

The funeral will be held with the family and by invitation only at the JN Donais Complex, Funeral Cooperative, 2625, Boul. Lemire, Drummondville, QC. May 19, 2021 at 11 AM. If you wish to express condolences the contact information is:

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JAN. 13/21 - Evangelical Fellowship of Canada - prayer with 27 Faith Leaders

JAN. 28 - 30/21 - Empowered 21 - Next Generation - 20,000 from 151 nations

FEB. 4/21 - Cyber Gospel Hour - Bishop Paul Riley

FEB. 6/21 - Rev. Neville Edwards' funeral. Central Ontario Ministers' Fellowship call.

MAR. 3 - 5/21 - Pentecostal Charismatic Churches of North America. The Theme "Now Is The Time".

MAR. 29/21 - Evangelical Fellowship of Canada - 23 Denominational Leaders

MAR. 31/21 - Empowered 21 - 15 Denominational Leaders

APR. 8/21 - Religious Alliance Against Pornography - 10 Faith Leaders on the call

APR. 17/21 - Central Ontario Ministers' Fellowship Zoom call

MAY 4 - 6/21 - I. A. O. G. I. (Canada) National Convention

MAY 11/21 - Ministers Network Canada - Greetings from I. A. O. G. I. (Canada). Two organizations: Open Bible Faith Fellowship and the Canadian Fellowship of Churches and Ministers joined together.

MAY 16/21 - Empowered 21 - Prelude To Pentecost; a national prayer meeting.

MAY 23/21 - Spirit Now Pentecostal World Fellowship Calgary 2019 and Empowered 21 27,000 viewers from 161 nations, Empowered21 leaders from 6 continents shared about their personal encounters with the Holy Spirit.

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