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Motions made by credential holding members in the Mantle in advance of our National Convention will be voted on during our business meeting. Check out prayer points of page 27.

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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.

WARNING AGAINST SELF-DECEPTION

Matthew 7:21-23

Text: "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven" (Matt. 7:21).

INTRODUCTION

This text contains one of the most solemn warnings in God's Word. It warns that active church members, even preachers—even those whose ministries appear successful—may not be saved. The solemn warning must have been needed; else our Lord would not have spoken of it.

We cannot always know the facts about wolves in sheep's clothing; but we can know the facts about our own relationship with the Saviour. A person who is self-deceived is without excuse.



As I write, the world is facing Omicron, a variant of the COVID-19 virus. In addition to the pandemic, natural disasters continue to hit many areas of the world. Volcanoes continue to erupt in Europe and the Pacific. Here in Canada, fires, rains and floods brought devastation to British Columbia and the Maritimes like never before. And then there is military, political, social upheaval on almost every continent. People rally to protest a number of social issues - pro and anti-vaccine mandates (Canadian truckers - Freedom Convoy), shortage or loss of jobs, lack or insufficient government assistance, rising living expenses ... the list goes on.

On the one hand, people who don't know how to cope with these uncertain times tend to take drastic steps. Some turn to forms of addiction to avoid reality for a brief moment. Others even go further and opt for more dangerous solutions. In my community the Chatham-Kent Police report that they have attended three overdose deaths in the past 48 hours. It is suspected that the overdoses were caused by fentanyl use.

The present situation has led many to seek spiritual answers to their questions. I.A.O.G.I. (Canada) churches/ministries have responded to more telephone calls, e-mails, text messages and other requests in the last two years than in any other time that we can recall.

Habakkuk 3:17-19

“Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation. The LORD God is my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds' feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places. To the chief singer on my stringed instruments.”

I. NOT EVERYONE PROFESSING FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST AS LORD WILL BE SAVED.

“Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven” (Matthew 7:21).

There are no magic words we can say to assure us of salvation. “Lord, Lord,” spoken in sincerity would be a good confession. Paul affirmed, “Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost” (1 Cor. 12:3). One may *profess* either truth or falsehood. One *confesses* only the truth. The Greek word translated *confess* means “to say the same thing” as God says. Paul is not denying that some profess the Lord in falsehood. He is affirming that one cannot confess the Lord apart from the help of the Holy Spirit. Jesus asked, “Why call ye me Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?” (Luke 6:46). Words are not enough. There is no magic in the words. Only pagans such as the seven sons of Sceva (see Acts 19:13 - 16) would think that there is power in the mere calling of the name of Jesus.



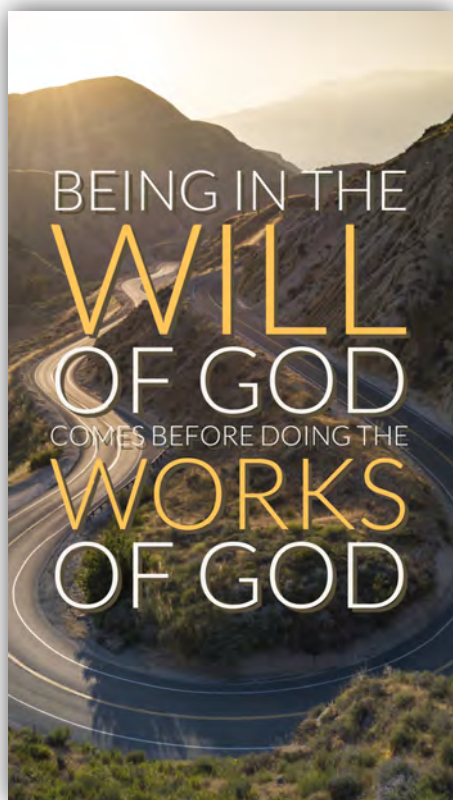
There are no deeds that we can do to assure our salvation. Matthew 7:22 - 23 indicates that many persons who had prophesied in Jesus' name, who had cast out demons, and had done many mighty works in the name of Jesus, would in the day of judgment hear Jesus say, “I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity” (Matt. 7:23).

Salvation does not depend on words or works but on “**doing the will of my Father who is in heaven.**” There are appropriate words to speak and works to do once we accept Jesus, but apart from the acceptance of God's will, no words and no deeds can avail to make us right with God.

Isn't this what Paul was affirming in 1 Corinthians 13? “Charity” or “love” is a translation of the Greek

word *agape*, which means a right heart attitude accompanied by the right deeds. The right heart attitude is goodwill, which is to be equated with God's will. "Love" in 1 Corinthians 13 is the same as "doing the will of my Father which is in heaven." In this light, how much more meaningful Paul's words become. Speech, learning, miracle working, faith, and martyrdom are nothing unless a person has a heart yielded to God's will. Jesus in our Scripture reading and Paul in 1 Corinthians 13 are using different words to state the same truth.

Judas was an example of the person described in our text. He preached and worked miracles in the name of Jesus as did the other apostles. If there had been any distinction, surely the fact would have been recorded; yet apparently this man was never saved, for Jesus said of him, "Woe to that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! Good were it for that man if he had never been born." (Mark 14:21).



II. THE JUDGE'S SENTENCE

"I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity" (Matt. 7: 23). The knowledge of which Jesus the righteous Judge speaks is a knowledge that implies approval and acceptance. "For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish" (Ps. 1:6). "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand" (John 10:27 - 28). Note that the Judge did not say, "I once knew you but now I do not know you." He said, "I never knew you." They had been doing the works of God without being citizens of the kingdom of God. People judge by words and deeds, but God judges by the heart.

Being in the will of God comes before doing the works of God. These who are commanded to depart are described as "ye who work iniquity." The New American Standard Bible correctly translates, "Depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness" (Matt. 7:23). God's law for any person or thing is God's will for that person

or thing. Anything contrary to or other than God's will is sin, "for sin is the transgression of the law" (1 John 3:4). Earnest, sincere Christians have nothing to fear at the judgment. The pseudo-Christian, however, no matter how successful he or she may appear to be, who is not doing the will of the Father in heaven, should beware and repent.

III. THE ONE DOING THE WILL OF THE FATHER IN HEAVEN IS KNOWN OF JESUS AND WILL ENTER THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN.

The phrase "in that day" (Matt. 7:22) indicates that Jesus was speaking of the day of judgment at the end of the gospel age, when eternal states will be finalized and the righteous judgments of God will be manifest to all. It is the day of which Jesus said, "When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: and before him shall be gathered

all nations; and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats” (Matt. 25: 31 - 32). [Read on through the entire chapter.]

One who does “the will of the Father in heaven” will be acknowledged by Jesus as his own. Jesus said, “I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep” (John 10: 14). “Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world” (Matt. 25: 34). To the faithful servant he will say, “Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of the Lord” (Matt. 25:21).

When Jesus desired to inform the disciples about the eternal joys that awaited them in the blessed fellowship of heaven, he used the illustration of a home. The nearest thing to heaven on earth is a home in which love abides. It was a compliment to his mother, Mary, and to his stepfather, Joseph, that he used this illustration. “You must not let yourselves be distressed—you must hold on to your faith in God and to your faith in me. There are many rooms in my Father’s house. If there were not, should I have told you that I am going away to prepare a place for you? It is true that I am going away to prepare a place for you, but it is just as true that I am coming again to welcome you into my own home, so that you may be where I am” (John 14: 1 - 3 Phillips).

One who does the will of God is blessed.

One day a woman piously cried out, “Blessed is the mother who gave you birth and nursed you.” [Jesus] replied, “Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and obey it.” (Luke 11: 27 - 28 NIV).



On another occasion, “there came . . . his brethren and his mother, and, standing without, sent unto him, calling him. And the multitude sat about him, and they said unto him, ‘Behold, thy mother and thy brethren without seek for thee.’ And he answered them, saying, ‘Who is my mother, or my brethren?’ And he looked round about on them which sat about him, and said, ‘Behold my mother and my brethren! For whosoever shall do the will of God, the same is my brother, and my sister, and mother.’” (Mark 3: 31 - 35).

CONCLUSION

“The world passeth away, and the lust thereof; but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever.” (1 John 2: 17). If our hearts are yielded to God’s will, then we are children of God through the new birth, and the heavenly Father will forgive and discipline us but will never forsake us. If our hearts are not right, nothing we say or do will make us right with God. Are you in God’s will? If yes, rejoice! If no, repent while the door to repentance is open.

Please let me thank the churches/ministries and the individuals that continue to send in their offerings and donations to I. A. O. G. I. (Canada). Please know that your prayers and support are very much appreciated and needed.

Virginia and I are looking forward to seeing you at the 2022 I.A.O.G.I. (Canada)

*NATIONAL CONVENTION - May 2 - 5, 2022 in Burlington, ON.
The Convention Theme: The Last Days - Luke 21: 25 - 27
The Convention Speaker: Rev. Marie Miller*

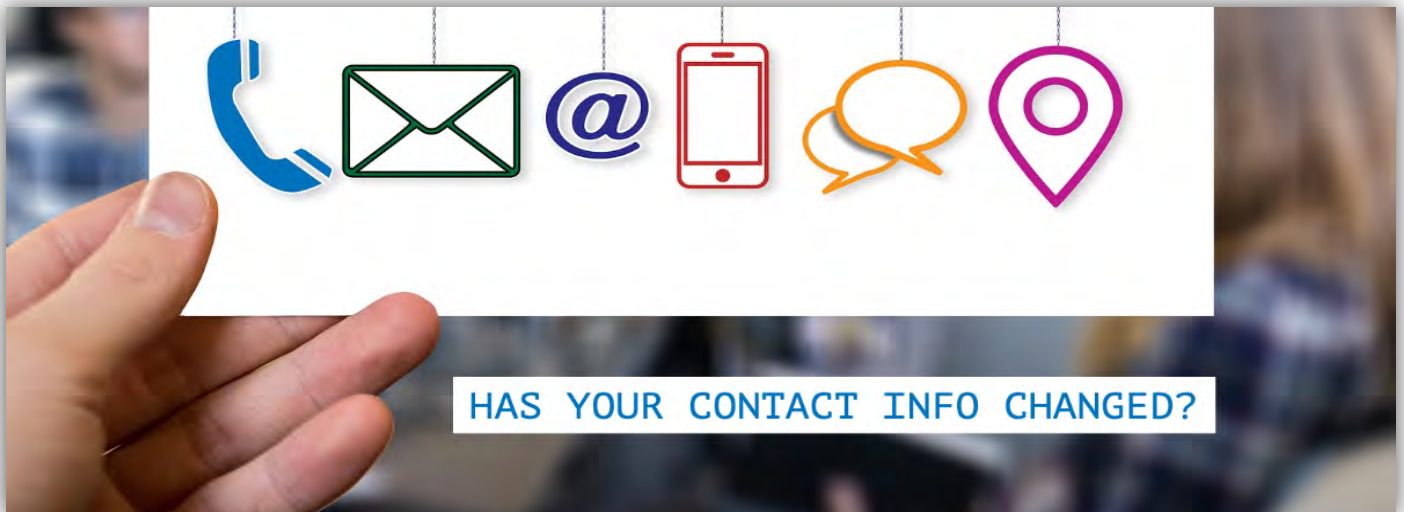
Please see enclosed the Convention Brochure or visit our website www.iaogcan.com

Your servant in Christ,



NOTICE OF MOTION:

Pending the outcome of the election for the new General Secretary the office of the Independent Assemblies Of God International Canada will be moved from Chatham-Kent, Ontario.



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 IN THE BEAUTIFUL NAME OF JESUS,

I write these lines asking the Holy Spirit to inspire me with some words of encouragement for each one of us, co-workers in the work of the Kingdom of God, chosen and anointed for this hour! And what comes to my mind is this passage from the apostle Paul who tells us this:

"...striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace." Ephesians 4 :3

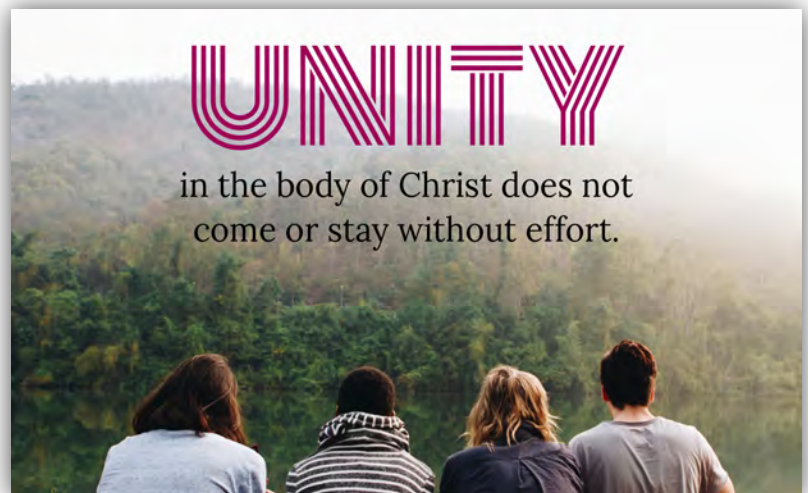
This passage is very revealing about the fact that unity in the body of Christ does not come or stay without effort. In fact, it is quite different; it is a work of every moment. No doubt, like you, I have seen and heard things in the last few months that I never imagined I would hear in the church and among the Lord's ministers.

Families and churches torn apart, divided by differences of opinion, creating situations and discussions where, on both sides, love and charity were completely absent, causing wounds in some and disappointment in others.

Don't get me wrong, I am not judging or condemning anyone; but this provokes in me a question that I take the liberty today to ask you - "Do I stand by my point of view or my position regardless of the consequences toward others and even the cost of the unit?"

Often under the pretext of conviction, we forget what is most important, love for our neighbor. Jesus told us that it is by the love we will have for one another that we will be recognized as His disciples; elsewhere Paul teaches us that if we do not have love, we have nothing. Is it love to push you to say what I say, or is it simply to respect your position even if it is different from mine? Do I love you less because I do not speak like you? Or do you have less love if you don't think like me on some subject?

I believe that more than ever, we must strive to preserve unity, but this comes at a cost! I must renounce myself for the sake of others. I am not talking about compromising on basic doctrines or walking in ways



that are contrary to the Word; but simply not judging those who do not say as I do, to stay away from quarrels or vain discussions that only play into the hands of the enemy causing disputes or other similar consequences.

My brothers and sisters, I believe that we are at the crossroads; there was a “before” COVID-19 and there will be an “after”. Between the two there is the test, the test of faith, the test of love and unity. I believe that there are great things for the body of Christ in the months to come and the enemy tries to sow discord and distraction. Let us not forget that he is there and that he steals, slaughters, and destroys.

Let us not lose the focus of our mission: to be the salt of the earth and to announce the good news of the Kingdom of God. The harvest is great and we need each other to fulfill this urgent mission.



Let us be the model that the world seeks and needs. Let us be the light in the darkness, we who are the bearers of hope filled and invested with the ministry of reconciliation reconciling the world to God and bearing witness to that love which has saved us.

Thank you for being who you are, dedicated servants in the service of Christ. May the blessing, grace, favour and especially the love of our Lord Jesus be with you.

With a humble heart,

Your servant in Jesus Christ

Rev. Yvon Stabili

MINISTRY UPDATES

GRACE LIFE MINISTRIES

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Again God has given us our best year ever. He is faithful through the great storms of life!

Our leaders have been very busy. There seems to be continual building of churches and centres. Our main village is now fully finished; all the modifications are done for the community centre and the new regional church. The believers see God's hand and provision in all this. Their faith level is very high, in all the villages no one is sick. There is gathering for prayer almost every night and



God is protecting and blessing all. God's favour rests on the people and many respond to the gospel. We have had many baptisms and in the last few weeks another 4 will be baptised.

Our leader just returned from a field visit. His report is that God is doing miracles. His brother who is the senior leader in the villages is keeping very busy overseeing the churches and training young men in ministry.

I am pleased to also announce that we are looking after the destitute widows in the villages. We choose those who have no family, and we make sure all their needs are met. We are very happy that the believers are very excited to do this ministry of love.



Our recent church plant has completed their new church building. Only the finishing remains. We need to continue building churches as the government does not allow the church to meet in homes. Even during Covid the believers have been able to meet in their church buildings so that is a great blessing!

We are also very happy to see produce being grown in the fields where we have provided irrigation and fencing. This is breaking poverty. With sun and water, they can easily grow their rice crop plus two vegetable crops a year. Markets are nearby so they can also sell produce.

We have taken two young ladies from the villages and one from the Vizag slums to be trained in nursing. This is a great opportunity for these young women.



This April we will have five young men finish their university training, four in engineering and one degree program in law enforcement. These young people are committed to work in the ministry as well. Please pray as we will select a new batch of students this year, that God would direct us to special young people.



We continue our work with children in the slums, providing protection, nourishment and spiritual ministry. We also continue with our home children program. Our commitment is to see these have a chance for careers after their post-secondary education.

Please keep the ministry in prayer. Persecution has increased. Recently a young pastor was doused with acid by radicals because he would not stop preaching. He died a martyr 6 weeks after this incident. In addition, the central government has mercilessly shut down Western funds to very famous older ministries like Sisters of Charity from Kolkata. They do compassion ministry to thousands of the destitute.

One of the last churches Jesus speaks to is the church of Philadelphia. He says you have a little faith (mustard seed faith) and you have obeyed My teaching, My Word, and have not been

afraid to speak My name, to proclaim Christ. Jesus tells us He will open a door of ministry, is that not for the gospel and bringing practical love to the world! No one will be able to shut that door. Furthermore, He promises to protect from the time of trouble coming on this world. We see this in Revelation 3:7-10 and then He finishes in verse 11, "Continue strong in your Faith!"

I know great ministries in India living in that reality. Jesus is saying don't give up on Canada or for us, don't give up on India. Even if you have a little faith keep going! Jesus is saying, "I am Faithful!"

May we know His love! May we know His power! Ephesians 3:20 "...with God's power working in us, God can do much, much more than anything we can ask or imagine."

May you be greatly blessed this year!!

Kell & Lorri



CROSS OF MERCY MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL

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Dear brothers and sisters,

The times we are in are unpredictable but, in all things, we thank the Lord for bringing us this far. For we know it is crucial that we put our trust in God.

Our condolences to all the families of all those who have gone to be with our Lord. Then I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, "Write: 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.'" "Yes," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, and their works follow them." Revelation 14:13.

These are the times to really focus and put our eyes on Jesus. As, every morning we wake up to new surprises and therefore we need to pray for those who have lost businesses, loved ones, etc. There is darkness everywhere, just as Isaiah 60 said, in fact every country is suffering in different ways.

In third world countries the pain is unimaginable. In Africa, a country called Uganda, schools have been closed for over two years and over 5000 girls around the age of 13 have either gotten pregnant or given birth. Not to mention, the government has decided to send them to school with them being pregnant or with their babies. As the government is persuading the pregnant girls to go back to school, some churches spoke in regard to this concern, that the pregnant girls should stay home and deal with the pregnancy and later return to finish their studies.

In all this, we should come together and pray for Uganda as the morals are at stake. We need change or there could be consequences in behaviors and their mental health. Children so young carrying babies of their own, the support is needed for these young ones, this is the generation of tomorrow.

Thank you for your faithful support in prayer and financially. Your donations will help to uplift children in Uganda; to give education and a future. Therefore, please pray for this nation and other countries such as Canada where people are also dealing with mental health issues, homelessness and so much more.

Also, in Canada we are shocked to hear about bill C4 passing, leaving many of us to wonder where the church is heading. Are we going to be able to fulfill the command that our Lord gave us, to go preach the Word to all the Nations?

May you be compassionate and financially give. Thank you!

Sarah



MISSION THANDO

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As we begin this new year, we just want to give God praise for all He has done!! He has been so faithful!!

There were many challenges, but the team continues to push through. In September they started a bakery and have learned to make several products in the wood stove that was donated. This is an excellent way for the team in Quarry Heights to create some employment and, hopefully over time, some extra income.

In December, we gave out food parcels to dozens of families in need. The Christmas parcels went to families in the community who were really struggling, and we know it helped make a huge difference for them.



In 2017 we began a Feeding Program in a nearby Village of Khabazela. A young man, Dumile, from the community came to us with a vision to help feed the kids. We got behind him and eventually set up a shipping container in the community and they began feeding kids three days a week. They also began an after-school program for the kids and have been going strong ever since. Dumile has continued to work hard for his community and has also stepped up to be a board member for the Mission Thando NPO in South Africa.

At the beginning of this year, Dumile approached us with a vision for expansion this year. Part of his vision has come as a result of the change in beneficiaries at the feeding Center. In the past they were mainly feeding children and grannies but recently it had grown to as many as 80 adults. He told us he doesn't want to be feeding adults and wants to start a training center on the site so they can offer skills development to the adults. He already has a few organizations ready to assist with teaching new skills.





In order to see the vision realized, Dumile needs a shipping container for a classroom. He has priced out containers and they cost about \$5000.00 Canadian.

There is also a need for new fencing for security around the shipping containers. The old fence will be reused for their garden, which they have done really well with! We would appreciate prayers as we try to

raise the funds for him. If anyone is interested in donating towards the shipping container, please feel free to contact us!!
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Thank-you for all your prayers and support.

In Christ,

Pastors David and Krista Meisner



NOTICE OF MOTION:

Currently in the IAOGI Constitution the following is stated:

Article 2C) The majority of the members present shall represent a quorum. Each member present at the meeting shall have the right to exercise one (1) vote.

I would like to make a motion that the wording be changed to as follows:

Article 2C) The majority of the members present, in-person and online, shall represent a quorum. Each member present, in-person and online, shall have the right to exercise one (1) vote.

There are various reasons why members cannot attend in person, but now with the option of holding the Annual meeting and Conventions online, it seems appropriate to include members who cannot travel. This would allow missionaries, those with health conditions, financial and logistical hindrances to be included.

Thank-you for your consideration,
Reverend David Meisner

PRAIRIES UPDATE

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We held our Regional Convention for the ministers from Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba on November 4th and 5th. This is the second consecutive year for us to convene by coming together on Zoom. Our evening services ran Thursday and Friday from 7:00 to approximately 8:30.

Our speakers were Brothers Paul McPhail, Colin Wellard, John Lucas III and Sister Leona Papineau. An added feature was Brother David Ellyatt joining us to give an update on the Fellowship, encouraging prayer for the Annual National Convention and Business Meeting in May, and especially for the election of a new General Secretary and Treasurer. The Zoom attendance was approximately 35 to 40.

Some members in areas with sporadic internet connection were not able to get on but we appreciate all who made the effort. For Zoom, I found that the 20 to 30 minute-messages were excellent! They were inspired, to the point, and easy to remember. I hope to use Zoom more often for fellowship to bridge the gap when there are so many miles between us.

The Lord bless each of you!

Pastor Karl Kienle



CHRIST THE ANSWER INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES

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Our yearly KOINONIA conference started 16 years ago and was specifically designed to serve and connect Northern ministries with ministers and pastors across Western Canada. Here are some stats:

- 70% of ministers/pastors do not have someone they consider to be a close friend.
- 27% of ministers/pastors report not having anyone to turn to, for help in a crisis situation.
- 84% of ministers/pastors desire to have close fellowship with someone they can trust and confide with.
- 38% of pastors want to quit in November 2021 compared with 29 % in January 2021(a rise of 9% in 10 months alone).



No minister or leader should feel isolated or alone as they serve the body in their communities. Our desire is for ministers to be refreshed, uplifted, strengthened and know that they are valued and prayed for.



This year, February 3-5, 2022, our theme was FAN EMBERS INTO FLAME from 2 Timothy 1:6.

Our special speakers were: Jonathan Bounds, who pastors both in Lloydminster Word Church and Loon Lake, Saskatchewan, and Pastor Roma Fisher who pastors Faith City Church, Thunder Bay, Ontario

Pastor Jonathan spoke prophetically about how the enemy has tried to bring sorrow and spiritual fatigue in these crucial days which we live. He rallied the registrants to press in and let the fire and

fervency of the Holy Spirit ignite our inner beings and to continue to run the race with endurance and fire. He urged us not to minimize the powerful gift that operates in our lives when we first were called into the ministry. Not to shrink back but be bold and let “God flex His muscles through us!”

Pastor Roma grew up as an Ojibwe First Nation young man in Ontario. He shared his testimony of the life-altering gospel of Jesus that brought him out of addictions and hopelessness into a place with a vision and a hope for the future where he received the calling to minister throughout remote areas of the North, pastor a thriving church and start a nation-wide T.V. broadcast to those who are outside the church called "Spirit Alive". Pastor Roma talked about the spiritual gifts we've been given and to renew our hunger for the things of God. The Spirit of the Lord so desires to move in our churches, and we must not wait for something to happen, but be flames of fire everywhere we are sent.



Each of the hosts brought forth powerful messages as well, and it is always amazing how the Holy Spirit weaves a divine challenge and encouragement through each one. While these are only high-level highlights, I hope you will be encouraged to continue to be connected to one another in the ministry and allow God to work through you afresh. We are looking forward to next year!

Shelley M. Christian

Minister & Educator
Author/Inspirational Speaker

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

REVIVAL IS IN THE WIND

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This last year, our Lord Jesus has been bringing stronger to me the word He said, "...Mankind shall not live by bread alone but by every word of God." How do we do that? I believe this is to know God's word and speak it out, believing for it to become the rhema word by blessed Holy Spirit! Amen!

Now I reason to do that one needs to know the Word. 1 Thessalonians says God's Word works if we believe it! Even so, I find as I move forth to believe, often there is a challenge of time between when I speak out the word and choose to believe and oft when it is manifest as the Living powerful word! Our Lord Jesus said in John 6:63, "My word is Life and Spirit..." There is Life in God's Word! God Almighty Life! His Word endures forever, so when we as ministers speak forth God's Word, I believe it does a mighty work during our services and beyond as the folks go forth! Hallelujah!

Jeremiah 1:12 says, "God is alert and active to bring HIS word to pass, even hasten to perform it!" I cannot share how much God's Word means to me! I have even kissed the Bible on national telecast while doing a program. Truly God's Word is life and spirit and sent to heal us! (Psalms 107:20)

Going forward into 2022, let us stand strong, believing God's word, preaching it, speaking it, praying the Word in our lives, situations and trusting God to do miracles. As it is written in Hebrews 2:4, God Almighty bears witness by signs and wonders, various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit. According to Hebrews 8:6 our Lord Jesus is the Mediator to make real the better covenant and better promises! Yes indeed, promises so we can ALWAYS be partakers of His divine nature (2 Peter 1:4). Our destiny is Christ formed in us! Hallelujah, Galatians 4:9 and 2 Corinthians 3:17-18 fulfilled. HALLELUJAH! To God be the Glory in His revival and our part in it, amen!



Shalom blessings. Be of good courage! Revival is in the wind and it is “All hands on deck” God needs us ministers, each and every one, to move with, in, and through us to further His kingdom.

Shalom blessings,

Rev. Audrey Mabley

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PRAYING TO STAND

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“Watch you therefore, and pray always, that you may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man.” (Luke 21:36)

EXAMPLES OF PRAYER IN THE LIFE OF OUR LORD

The Lord Prayed All Night Before He Chose His Disciples: *“And it came to pass in those days, that he went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God. And when it was day, he called unto him his disciples: and of them he chose twelve, whom also he named apostles;” (Luke 6:12)* These disciples would carry on the ministry that He was planting on the earth. Would these disciples stand in the tests and trials that they would face?

The Lord Was Praying for the Disciples Before the Storm: *“Jesus constrained his disciples to get into a ship, and to go before him unto the other side, while he sent the multitudes away. And when he had sent the multitudes away, he went up into a mountain apart to pray: and when the evening was come, he was there alone. But the ship was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves: for the wind was contrary.” (Matthew 14:22-24)* If we were never allowed to face the tests of adversity, we would not have the confidence that we will need

The Lord Prayed for Peter that His Faith Would Not Fail: At the Last Supper, the Lord confronts Peter with this intriguing revelation. *“And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan has desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: But I have prayed for you, that your faith fail not: and when you are converted, strengthen your brethren.” (Luke 22:31-32)*

Jesus Prayed for Us! *“I pray not that you should take them out of the world, but that you should keep them from the evil. ... Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word. That they all may be one; as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that you have sent me. And the glory which you gave me I have given them; that you may be one, even as we are one;” (John 17:15,20-22)*

The Holy Spirit Is Our Intercessor: *“Likewise the Spirit also helps our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. And he that searches the hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because he makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God. And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.” (Romans 8:26-28)*

THE MOST MOMENTOUS PRAYER MEETING IN HISTORY:

“And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, ... and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.” (Acts 2:1-4) One hundred and twenty disciples of the Lord gathered together in the Upper Room. Every Christian church denomination since then traces its beginnings back to the Day of Pentecost.

Prayer and the Ministry of the Word Go Together: *“Then the twelve summoned the multitude of the disciples and said, It is not desirable that we should leave the word of God ... But we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word.” (Acts 6:1-7)* If our churches today are going to have more power, our church leaders are going to prioritize their ministry with more time to anoint their ministry with prayer.

When the Church Prays There is Deliverance!

“Peter was therefore kept in prison, but constant prayer was offered to God for him by the church.” (Acts 12:5-19) Today, “we gripe that prayer has been taken out of the schools, but the true tragedy is that prayer has been taken out of our churches!” - p. 41, Jim Cymbala, City of Prayer

When Paul and Silas Prayed: *“But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was a great earthquake, ... And the keeper of the prison ... said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? So they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household.” (Acts 16:25-34)*



PRAYERS OF THE SAINTS

King David Was a Man of Prayer: *“One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple. (Psalm 27:4)*

Daniel’s Prayers Were Heard from the Very First Day: *“Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that you did set your heart to understand, and to chasten yourself before your God, your words were heard, and I am come for your words.” (Daniel 10:12)*

INTERCESSION

Abraham Interceded that the Righteous Would Not Be Destroyed: *“And Abraham drew near and said, Will you also destroy the righteous with the wicked? ... Peradventure ten shall be found there. And he said, I will not destroy it for ten’s sake.” (Genesis 18:20-33)*

Moses Was an Intercessor: *“Yet now, if you will forgive their sin-; and if not, blot me, I pray you, out of your book which you have written..” (Exodus 32:32)*

Daniel Prayed and Fasted for Revelation: *“And I set my face unto the LORD God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes.” (Daniel 9:3)*

Paul Was Willing to be Accursed for the Jews: *“For I could wish myself were accursed from Christ for my*

brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh.” (Romans 9:3)

God Is Looking for Intercessors: *“And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it; but I found none.” (Ezekiel 22:30)*

EARNEST PRAYER NECESSARY TO GROW TO MATURITY

“And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the first-fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves, groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.” (Romans 8:23)

Let Us Seek the Lord with All of Our Hearts:

“And you shall seek me, and find me, when you shall search for me with all your heart.” (Jeremiah 29:13)



God Has Set Us As Watchmen

“I have set watchmen on the walls, O Jerusalem; they shall never hold their peace day or night. You who make mention of the Lord, do not keep silent. And give Him no rest till He establishes, And until He makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth.” (Isaiah 62:6-7)

You are invited to meet with the Lord every day in your quiet place. Please support your church as they meet in prayer. How about forming a prayer group at your house with your friends with whom you can pray confidentially? Prayer is not optional: it is mandatory.

May God help us to seek His face everyday for a least an hour each day. May the Lord bless us all.

Yours together in His harvest,
Rev. Charles Willner

LIFTING UP OUR TEACHERS

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For as long as I can remember, I had wanted to be a teacher. The gift that God placed on the inside of me sings when I am teaching. It was a blessing knowing what I wanted to do and the path that I would take to get “there”. I don’t know how anyone can walk through their time on this earth without the Holy Spirit as a guide. The scripture I have clung close to my whole life is Jeremiah 29:11. I love all the versions. Each is a facet of the great plan that God has for each of us with that good, expected end. It was a joy to walk across the stage at the Chandos Pattison Auditorium and claim my degree. I wasn’t the best of students but with God’s help, I was on to my teaching degree.

As many of you know, a degree is really only *part* of stepping out into the “real world.” My step was rather large. I moved all the way across the country and took a job in The Bronx, a borough of New York City. As I stood at the curbside while my cabby loaded my belongings into the taxi, I couldn’t help but think that I could just go back home. My parents would understand. My friends would understand. The one thing that was strong in my heart was I couldn’t let my school down, my students. Some of you may

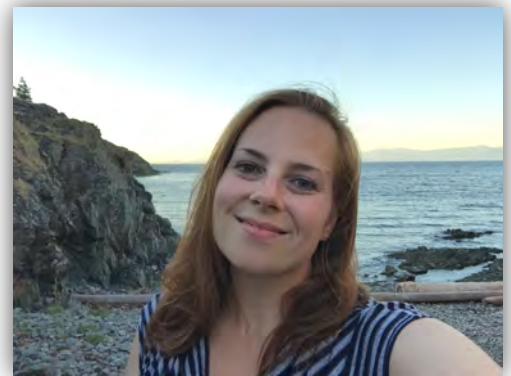
know a teacher. You may be a teacher yourself and then you'd understand a teacher's heart. It's for their students. I hadn't even met mine yet.

As I began my first days as a new teacher, a strange thing happened. I was in my class, being who I was called to be when there was a lot of commotion in the hall. My vice principal looked panicked. That's odd, I thought, but continued to teach. Later I heard that planes had crashed into some buildings, and they had fallen down. I thought that people must be exaggerating. It wasn't until the evening that I learned the true magnitude of what happened. I remember thinking that my teacher training could never have prepared me for such an event. But, with the Holy Spirit as my comfort and guide, I am able to rise above EVERY circumstance, no matter how big.

Yet again I am in a situation that I could have NEVER imagined would happen. I still cannot believe the things that I have done the past couple of years. Yes, we have the mask mandate and I have followed the rules and encouraged and supported my students in this mandate. Did I forget to mention that for most of my teaching career and currently, I teach kindergarten? I really thank God for the Holy Spirit. I am constantly reminding five-year-olds: no masks on the floor, no masks on your head, no masks on the table, your mask should cover your nose, replace your wet mask, clean your hands after you touch your mask... Did you know that masks are not a deterrent to picking one's nose? Not when you're five.

Please pray for teachers. We need your prayers. Pray for your brothers and sisters who teach. Pray that they would continue to flourish in the fruit of the spirit (especially patience). Pray that they would have the right support. I have taught with the right support and not having the right support. It makes a world of difference. Pray for favour and Godly influence in their lives and in the lives of their students. Pray for peace and protection. Pray for open doors of opportunity to share God's love with others. Pray for wisdom and understanding. Pray that they would have Godly relationships within their schools. Pray for the unsaved teachers that they would be saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. Teaching, really our whole life, is better with Him.

Pastor Anne Ukkonnen



NEW YEAR: AS I WALK WITH GOD

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In the New Season, WALK WITH GOD!

At the start of this year, I felt the Lord telling me I have grown comfortable. I think it could apply to the church too, but I know it was for me. I looked at the meaning: cozy, snug, providing a position of contentment OR complacency as well as physical ease. Oh, Oh!

I also was thinking of Joshua. He wasn't comfortable. He led in times of change. A man who in acted

out the plans of God in a new place, in a new setting, in a new country, under new leadership. It was a season of change. A time of shifting eye sights from the past to a new land. From what was familiar, to the unknown. God promised a better life, but they needed to move out in faith to obtain it.

As we walk with God there will be battles, opposition and yet glorious opportunities! In Deuteronomy 29-31 Israel is about to walk into new territory, yet they have a great promise from the Lord. **Deut. 31:3 'The Lord your God himself will cross over ahead of you.'** What great news and comfort to them and I share it with you, as we enter this new year and this odd time. The Lord YOUR GOD himself goes with you before you and He is IN YOU!

I have a sense that 'the church' is about to walk into a new place (with God). I perceive an opportunity **THIS YEAR** for a shift that can affect, a person, a family, a church and possibly even greater beyond that scope.

In Deuteronomy 29, Moses is saying what God said to him, "...keep this word of this covenant with God.' 'That you may prosper in all that you do.' God's blessing always followed an obedient servant to the Word of God.

In Deuteronomy 30, hope abounds. If you have wandered away from God, He will have compassion, and restore you. God will bring you into that land. He will prosper your activities and touch your heart. **God will go before you.**

Then in Deuteronomy 31:3-7 God will give them to you. **BE ENCOURAGED TODAY!** God is with us. God is there before we are. God gives us victory. God defeats our enemies.

Our landscape looks bleak. But I remind you, that as churches in China are being torn down, revival is in their land. As pastors are imprisoned in other nations their churches grow. Their prayer times are passionate, and life changing. They are not comfortable. They are like the persistent widow, who kept asking until she got her breakthrough. Let your prayer times be LIFE CHANGING. Let us pound on Heaven's gates for change. Ask God for His church to awaken and let healings, miracles, and salvations come forth.



Shake off the state of BEING COMFORTABLE. The last two years have been a time of being put on hold and restrained. Like Moses we've been wandering in a wilderness. But a change is coming. His Word says I WILL POUR OUT MY SPIRIT!

Let us in this new season go with a passion to take this land. For God is with you! **Deuteronomy 31:3 'The Lord your God, 'himself' will cross over ahead of you.'** Amen

Pastor Dave Kelsey

Regional Secretary, South-Western Ontario



REV. JOHN (JACK) WILKINSON

(DOB March 20, 1937) was promoted to Glory - October 15, 2021.

Rev. Wilkinson joined the I. A. O. G. I. (Canada) May 22, 1995. He is survived by his loving wife Rev. Marlene Wilkinson, son Gene, daughter Julie and grandchildren.

Jack was co-pastor with his wife of His Way Ministries, Regina, SK. In their ministry he and his wife travelled to Africa and India.

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Rev. Jack Wilkinson was a member of the Ministry of Compassion.



REV. ALEJANDRO F. DELA CRUZ

(DOB January 3, 1940) was promoted to Glory - November 22, 2021.

Rev. Alejandro Dela Cruz joined the I. A. O. G. I. (Canada) October 10, 2007.

He pastored the CALGARY CHRISTIAN LIFE FELLOWSHIP. In Calgary, AB. until his retirement. He ministered in the Philippines for 26 years before moving to Canada in 2000. Rev. Dela Cruz was a pastor and a missionary.

He is survived by six children, and a number of grandchildren. If you wish to express condolences the contact information is:

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Rev. Alejandro Dela Cruz was a member of the Ministry of Compassion.



REV. WAYNE GOFORTH

(DOB September 17, 1949) was promoted to Glory - November 17, 2021.
Rev. Goforth joined the I. A. O. G. I. (Canada) November 22, 1988.

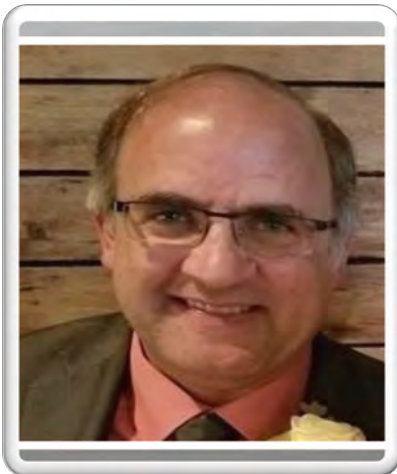
He pastored the New Jerusalem Saints Church Inc. in Regina, SK. He received Jesus Christ as his Saviour in 1975. His life was changed. He lost half of his vocabulary. He stopped swearing and cursing. His life and ministry was a testimony to his community.

He is survived by: his loving wife of 50 years Alice; his sister Keitha Leah Goforth (Clarence); and his children, Stephen (Lisa), Michael (Leanne), Kevin (Tammy) and Michelle. He is also survived by many grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins.

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Rev. Wayne Goforth was a member of the Ministry of Compassion.



MR. ROBERT BEREZOWSKI

(DOB December 19, 1963) was promoted to Glory - January 19, 2022.

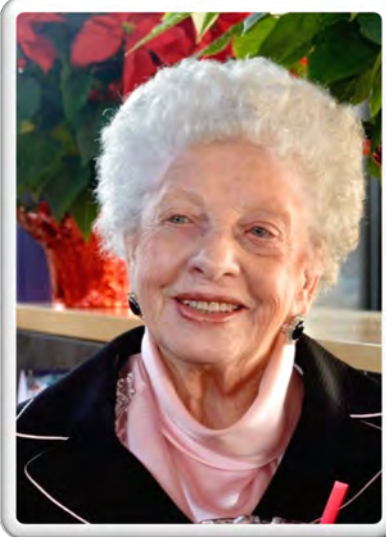
Mr. Robert Berezowski joined the I. A. O. G. I. (Canada) May 28, 2018.
He is survived by his loving wife Rev. Marrion Berezowski.

With his wife, Robert was co-pastor of the FAITH WORSHIP CENTRE
APOSTOLIC CHURCH, REGINA, SK.

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Mr. Robert Berezowski was a member of the Ministry of Compassion.



REV. GLADI WARBURTON

(DOB April 22, 1922) was promoted to Glory - January 24, 2022.

Rev. Gladi Warburton joined the I. A. O. G. I. (Canada) in 1973. Her ministry was called Life In Christ Ministries Of Canada. Throughout the decades Gladi travelled around the United States and Canada as an ordained minister, ministering and praying for people in need.

At one point the family lived on a mission boat (Gospel Light) that travelled up and down the B.C. coast. The ministerial travel continued in India, Haiti and Mexico. Gladi was the founder of Life in Christ Ministries in the 1960s, a not for profit organization which carries her work forward today. She is survived by two daughters, and number of grandchildren.

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Rev. Gladi Warburton was a member of the Ministry of Compassion.



MRS. LYNDA CYR

Rev. Mario Cyr's wife Lynda (DOB May 9, 1957) was promoted to Glory - January 28, 2022 at 1:30 AM.

Lynda was never an I. A. O. G. I. (Canada) credential holder. She travelled across Canada with her husband Mario. Many will remember her loving hugs and smile. She is survived by her loving husband Mario, two children and three grandchildren.

Rev. Mario Cyr served as the Assistant General Secretary and Southeast Quebec Regional Secretary for a number of years.

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OCTOBER 9, 2021 - Dedication tour, Mission Aviation Fellowship Canada made a stop with its new Cessna Grand Caravan at the Chatham-Kent Airport. The aircraft, financed through donations, will replace the current one in Angola. It will be used for medical evacuation, supplies for internally displaced people, vaccine distribution, Bible translation work, national church worker training, and disaster response work.

(L - R Gordon Mallot, Aaron McPhail, Murray Bell)



OCTOBER 21 - 23, 2021 - Quebec Provincial Convention - Assistant General Secretary, Rev. Yvon Stabili, Southwest Quebec Regional Secretary, Rev. Pauline Corriveau and Eastern Quebec Regional Secretary, Rev. Kabyizako (Tity) Dinkota



TOP LEFT: (L - R: Rev. Pauline Corriveau, Rev. Paul McPhail, Rev. Yvon Stabili and Rev. Kabayizako (Tity) Dinkota) On the plaque: "To Rev. Paul McPhail, In Gratitude for your faithfulness and love towards our Lord and his church. From all the pastors of Quebec. Thank you"

TOP RIGHT: Honouring a Quebec Pentecostal pioneer. (L-R: Rev. Yvon Stabili, 91 year old Rev. Bertrand Bouchard)

OCTOBER 28- 29, 2021 - The Evangelical Fellowship of Canada - Zoom

NOVEMBER 2-3, 2021 - Clearwater Bible School, Caroline, AB.- Gene Enns, President

NOVEMBER 4-5, 2021 - Prairie Regional Convention - Rev. Karl Kienle - Prairies Regional Secretary.

NOVEMBER 27, 2021 - Rev. Daniel & Rosa Tamburo's wedding - Leamington, ON.

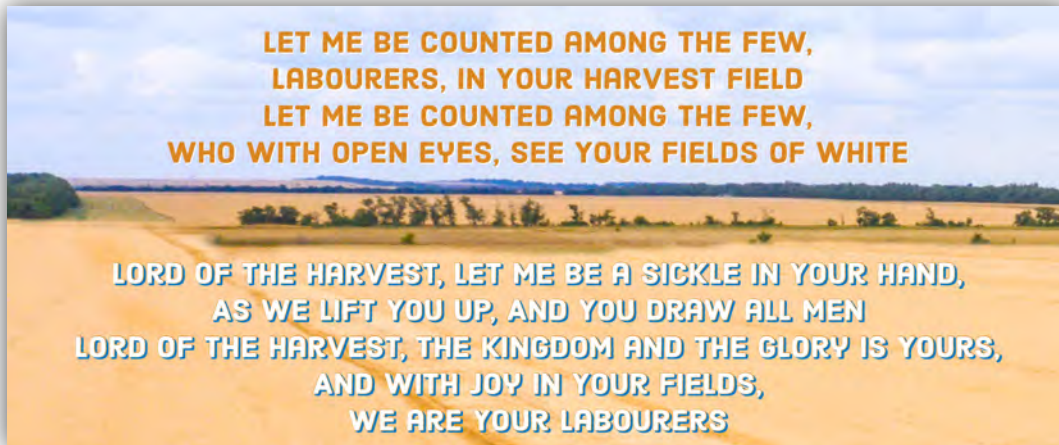
DECEMBER 5, 2021 - Rev. Alejandro Dela Cruz' Memorial Service - Calgary, ON.

JANUARY 18, 2022 - The Evangelical Fellowship Of Canada - Zoom



FROM THE EDITOR

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If we have met, you may have noticed I am not exactly a quiet or shy person. The last national convention I was able to attend in person, in 2019, I brought my own celebratory “Wahoo!” flag when Rev. Paul McPhail was re-elected for General Secretary.

So, it may come to your surprise to hear that I get nervous when people start talking about evangelism. We all have our list of, seemingly logical, reasons of why that my happen, or why that might even occur with us individually.

I’ll ask you: who was the last person, one on one, you told and spoke to about Jesus, who was not born again? Maybe it was yesterday, or maybe it’s been a little longer. Over the last year, I have been challenged and convicted to ASK for opportunity to share my testimony of Jesus and to pray afresh for salvations and souls to be saved. Seems simple and obvious enough, right?

I have worked at the local credit union for the last eleven years. And in the past year God has been happy to answer my prayer. I have had more opportunity to share my faith with my co-workers than ever before. Often it has started with them asking me a question of some kind and I have begun the habit of starting my response with, “Jesus, has changed my life...” And that simple statement has led into the most normal conversation about who He is and what He’s done for me personally.

No one can argue your personal experience with Christ. Some of these conversations were 45 seconds, some were 45 minutes - but the seed of the gospel sown. The lyrics you read above are from a song I wrote during a prayer meeting this past year as the weight of God’s heart for the lost was so tangible. It has become my prayer and I hope it becomes yours as well. I challenge you to ASK again, not just for souls to be saved, but for more divine opportunity to be the vessel that SHARES! The fields are white for harvest!



Shalane MacKay

REGARDING OUR NATIONAL CONVENTION & BUSINESS MEETING

I hope you are making every effort and plan to join us in Ontario for our National Convention. We are believing God for things to continue to lift and change throughout our nation that as many as possible will be able to gather. Please note: Ontario, currently does not have vaccination requirements for faith gatherings.

While our convention meetings will be streamed online, our BUSINESS MEETING will be in person only.

PLEASE NOTE:

To vote on the motions presented in this mantle, to nominate or be nominated for General Secretary or Treasurer and to vote in their selection:
YOU MUST BE PRESENT IN PERSON, as per our constitution.

Rev. Paul McPhail and Rev. David Ellyatt have already advised that, after their many years of service, they will not be allowing their name to stand for nomination. Let us pray together:

- For God's will to be made clear to us.
- That we would walk in His Spirit of Wisdom in our nominations and our voting.
- That our hearts would be open and committed to unity and to whomever our new leaders will be, regardless their age, gender, background, and regardless of our own preferences.
- For our new leaders to be filled with fresh vision, a spirit of unity, a heart of prayer, and be filled with compassion. That's God's anointing would rest on them in a mighty way as they lead us forward.
- For a transition filled with peace and ease.
- For Rev. Paul McPhail and Rev. David Ellyatt to be blessed as this season changes and they continue in their various Kingdom assignments.

Please be sure to register online: www.iaogcan.com. Thank you for making every effort to be in person at our National Convention and business meeting. Please review the attached brochure for more details. I look forward to seeing you there and celebrating this next chapter of the IAOGI together!

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