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# PARTNERS IN PRAYER



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## Timothy & Emma Condry



It has been a real privilege over these past 3 months to travel to various parts of Canada to meet with some of our workers and to see first-hand what God is doing in the various districts of our work. In early March I was able to visit with the Perron's in Quebec for some days and to view potential homes for their re-location. We believe that God has guided and directed our steps and we are pleased to report that we have secured a new home for them in Saint-Sophie. (See their report) This will undoubtedly bring change for them and their young family, but we are confident that God will prepare the way, provide for them as a family, and give them new opportunities for ministry in Central Quebec. Then in early April I spent a week in the West visiting with our workers in Alberta and BC. What a joy to spend time visiting and praying with various groups whom Jeff & Jani Goudy seek to work with on a regular basis. It was also so encouraging to share at a Prayer Rally in Red Deer, AB with over 50 pastors and lay people who have a deep hunger for Revival and long to see God work in Central Alberta and Canada. It certainly challenged me and reminded me of the tremendous need in our land for a genuine, definite move of God's Spirit in our own hearts and in the church. Pray for their upcoming 'Thirsting for God' conference with Charles Price at the end of May, that God would work powerfully for His glory. Then as a family we travelled to Northern Ontario (early May) to share in meetings there with the Hardwick's. A highlight was seeing Christian's coming together in true fellowship and prepared to serve together for the sake of the Gospel. In all, it has served to remind me, and the Mission as a whole, of the urgency of the task before us and the need for others to *"hear the call of the Kingdom, to reach out to the lost, with the Father's compassion, in the wonder of the Cross"*. (cf. Getty Music)

Timothy & Emma con't.

Please continue to uphold all of the FM workers in prayer and the ministries God has called them to. Pray for the Southern Ontario District that God would raise up workers to fill this area and other areas that we would love to place workers in the future. One of our workers, Jennifer Armitage, who has served with us for over 13 years, recently got engaged to Mr Carl Welborne from Hamilton. We are delighted for them both and want to wish them God's rich blessing for their marriage and future together. Even though we are delighted with this news, it is tinged with sadness, as Jen feels led to leave the Mission after her marriage to Carl at the end of August. We know they are being obedient to the Lord's command. So even though we will sincerely miss Jen's ministry and fellowship in Faith Mission, we know God is leading them on and will provide for them and for us as a Mission. Do remember Laura-Anne as this will inevitably bring re-adjustment to her ministry and work in Eastern Ontario.

As we go to print we have just received news that two of our long-standing retired workers Ken Clipsham and Cathie Macaulay have gone to be with the Lord. Both lived in the Surrey area (BC) and passed away within 24 hours of each other. We will say more in a future edition of the Partners in Prayer, but we pray for those left behind and rejoice in their faithful service for the Lord over many years, having now received the "well done" of God.

Thank you again for your faithful support and fellowship in the Gospel. We could not do what we are doing if it were not for God's people like you standing with us in the battle! Emma and the ladies will value prayer for the Spring Ladies Retreats at Campbellville and for Heather Holdsworth who will be speaking. Her husband Adrian will be joining her and sharing in some meetings in Ontario. If you are in the Hamilton/Niagara Area, there will be a Bible Rally on Sunday, May 26 (6:30 pm) at Connect Community Church Hamilton which Adrian will be speaking at. Please join us if you can!

Timothy & Emma con't.

See below the Upcoming Events, especially the 'Thirsting for God' conference at the Campbellville Centre, with Pastor Jacques Nadeau speaking. Full details online. Also remember the **Summer Camps** and VBS programs in July/August and for the various teams as they ministry to young people this summer. Pray that God would send us the needed help/staff for each of these programs and that many lives would be impacted with the life-changing Gospel of Christ.

Summer Schedule:

- June 21-23, Thirsting for God Conference, Campbellville
- July 1-5, Sherbrooke Baptist Lowbanks VBS (Tim & Emma)
- July 15-19, Teen Camp, Campbellville
- July 22-26, Tween Camp, Campbellville
- July 29-Aug.2, Discovery Camp, Campbellville
- Aug.12-16, Dundalk Wesleyan VBS (Susan Bearinger + team)
- Aug.13-17, Thamesford Family Camp (Nathan Hoffman + team)



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**Mark & April Hardwick's Summer Schedule**

- July 8-12 ~ VBS Church of the Good Shepherd Englehart
- July 15-19 ~ Teen Camp Campbellville (Mark Teaching)
- July 29 - Aug 2 ~ Discovery Camp, Campbellville (April Teaching)
- Aug 25th - Aug 30 ~ Christian Horizons Family Camp, Elim Lodge

## **Mark & April Hardwick**

*“And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people.” (Ephesians 6:18)*



We have been really blessed this quarter to connect with a local couple whom the Lord is leading back to Himself. The woman herself attended the youth group led by Andrew Porter a number of years ago, so it is wonderful to see how God is working in her life now. He was able to attend the 20s and 30s retreat with us last month and she will be coming with April to Ladies Retreat. Please be in prayer as they continue to grow in their faith and connect with other believers in the area.

As we plan our curriculum for the summer we are eagerly looking forward to seeing how God is going to use His word to impact lives. We will be spending a little more time at Campbelleville this year which is an exciting change for us. It is always good for our own souls to be able to work alongside our Faith Mission family. April has been asked to speak at the CBOQ ladies retreat the first weekend of September and would value prayer as she prepares. God has really been speaking to her heart about His desire to be enough in the life of a woman. We see so many women looking for validation and self-worth in the things of this world and we know that Jesus longs to be the stream of living water in their life. We are praising the Lord that He has called a couple to Pastor the BIC church here in Kirkland Lake. They will be making the move North this summer. Continued prayer for the other churches who are still looking is needed. It is becoming increasingly difficult to find sound Biblical leaders, and even more so someone who is willing to come to Northern Ontario!

On a personal note - we are making plans for Jack to return to boys discipleship camp in Northern New York, and for Danya and April to head back to Christian Horizons family camp at the end of the summer as short term missionaries. We saw immense personal growth in the lives of our kids as a result of these experiences last summer and are praying for the Lord to continue His good work. Thank you for praying! (See our Summer Schedule page 4).



**Laura-Anne Drake**

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**Jennifer Armitage**

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Thank you for your prayer support for eastern Ontario. Last month we wrote about how our numbers have grown at the Kids club in Wilton. With that came the need for more help. We have seen God provide in the form of three different people over the last several months. There have been many times when children have been asking good questions and seem to be very dialed in during story time. One family is moving away, and he always brought his friend. Please pray that they would have other opportunities to hear the gospel. One of the youths have expressed how they are “getting more into Christianity” please pray with us that this turns into a life-long commitment. Things have been going well at the youth in Verona. We have had several new teens come along recently. It is difficult to get them to settle down for Bible time, but it has also been encouraging to see some of them expressing what they have been learning from week to week and asking good questions. The beginning of this April marked our second annual **20s & 30s Retreat** with 21 attendees. It was a great time of fellowship and encouragement. Pastor Dan Sedore of Little Britain Baptist Church brought us a great challenge from God’s Word around the theme of ‘God’s Peace’; how we can experience it, walk in it and guard ourselves against the enemy who is constantly trying to steal it. Here are a few things people had to say about the weekend:

*“Spiritually refreshing for me something I needed”...“Lots of thinking about intentionally seeking the will of God”...“It has made my spiritual walk stronger”...“Sparked a new fire”...“Challenged me to be more on guard and run the race strong”...“If started the flame in me again since it was dying and needed help”...“Really has me thinking about how I am spending my life”...“Take an honest look at how armed I am against the enemy.”*

Laura-Anne Drake and Jennifer Armitage con't.



Wilton Kids Club



20s/30s Retreat,  
Photo Credit: S. Walsh

Please continue to pray with us as we gear up for summer work. There is still a need for adequate summer help.

**Laura-Anne's Summer Schedule**

- July 2-5, Lanark day camp
- July 8-12, Napanee Standard VBS
- July 15-19, Faith Mission Teen Camp
- July 22-26, St. Mary Magdalen Anglican, Napanee VBS
- July 29-Aug 2, FM Discovery Camp, Directing
- August 5-9, Delta Baptist Church VBS
- August 12-16, Cornwall VBS
- August 19-22, Marlbank VBS



**Jennifer Armitage Summer Schedule**

- July 2-5, Brussels VBS
- July 8-12, Kipling Ave Baptist Toronto VBS
- July 15-19, FM Teen Camp
- July 22-26, FM Tween Camp, Teaching



**Jen writes:** As some of you may know I will be getting married at the end of August., Because of this life change I have felt it necessary to resign from the Faith Mission.

I have loved working with this Mission, and I will miss it and all my co-workers who have been a constant support and blessing through all these years. I would like to thank all the Mission supporters who have diligently prayed for me, that is appreciated more than you will ever know. After August I will be moving to New Brunswick. My fiancé is currently studying at New Brunswick Bible Institute and he is going back to finish his third year. If you think of us, please pray that we will know God's leading for the future. Thank you again for all your continued support.



He was quite an unusual character, our old companion Fred of the Sands – innocent as a child, yet of high wisdom and true to the core. In early days he had been an ocean pilot, and now could tell rare stories of the sea, and particularly of how he ran the blockade in British ships during the American Civil War. In his old age he had settled down as a boat-hirer in one of our summer resorts; and it was the coming of Faith Mission Pilgrims (workers) to the place that brought to him “the life that is life indeed”. Ever after they were dear to his heart, every member of their band. He was most regular and prompt at the prayer meeting and would often be the first to lead. In his prayer he never forgot to mention the Pilgrims and their work, and the termination would be: “And, when their labours on earth are ended, You do open the doors and the windows of heaven and take them in”. The mental picture of them hauled in precariously over the window-frames could hardly fail to provoke a smile!

The doors, of course, are for access; but the windows are for the distribution of the Divine bounty. “Look, if the LORD would make windows in heaven, could this thing be?” asked the doubtful advisor when the prophet predicted that Samaria’s sore famine would give place to plenty (1 Kings 7). The psalmist, again, poetically described God’s provision in the wilderness in these terms: “Yet He had commanded the clouds above, And opened the doors of heaven, Had rained down manna on them to eat, And given them of the bread of heaven” (Ps.78:23-24). And the prophet, Malachi, in his oft-quoted passage, represents Yahweh as offering to open the windows of heaven and pour out on Israel a blessing beyond their capacity to receive. (3:10). (Con’t page 9)

But, owing to the people's waywardness, under the Old Covenant heaven is generally a shut heaven, a closed Paradise jealously guarded and withheld. Sometimes it is represented as clothed with blackness, hard and cold as brass, utterly unresponsive to the people's prayers. God is remote behind a veil, unheeding, and perhaps even unfeeling. Then arises the desperate cry: "Oh, that You would rend the heavens! That You would come down!" (Isa.64:1) A vigorous Divine intervention is called for. Why is it, one may ask, that we have no such cry in the New Testament – unless, perhaps, in the Apocalypse? The reason is that, while the Old Covenant shows us a veiled holy place and a shut heaven, the New brings us to opened heavens and the way into the holiest now made manifest. There is no need to pray 'God, rend the heavens' - the doors stand wide open!

When the Forerunner (John the Baptist) asked for the Lord how he was to identify the Messiah, he received the answer: "Upon whom you see the Spirit descending, and remaining on Him, this is He who baptizes with the Holy Spirit" (John 1:33). That was to be the Messiah's special and unique function, and this was how He was to be known. As Jesus stepped from the Jordan, praying, the heavens were opened and the Spirit was seen descending upon Him, and the Divine Voice bore testimony to Him. And the heavens were, from then on, rent heavens – open, accessible, generous beyond our highest need.

When the first little nucleus of disciples was beginning to gather round Him, Jesus said to one of them: "...*hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.*" (John 1:51) That is to say, He represented Himself to be the anti-type of Jacob's ladder. It was in Him that communication between man and God was reopened and maintained. True, the disciples did not witness such ministry of angels in outward form; but constantly, in His ministry, they beheld open commerce between earth and heaven in manifold and wondrous ways. He was constantly speaking of His immediate relation to the Father, and ascribing to Him all His perfect virtues, His wise and holy words, and His marvellous deeds; and He affirmed that no man could come to the Father except through Him. But the door of access was open: He welcomed all prodigals back to the Father's home through His grace; and He insisted that the storehouses of the Divine wealth were available to all who were willing to apply. The heavens that were flung open when the Spirit came upon Him and equipped Him for His ministry remained open throughout it – *and are still open!*

**(Part 2 of 2 will be continued in next Edition of Partners in Prayer)**

## Myron & Janet Hoover

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This past quarter was a little slower in rentals than it has been over the past few years however it was not difficult to fill in the time with both new and necessary projects that needed to be down here around the Camp Centre. We were able to complete the bedroom renovations in the basement and Myron has been working on outstanding projects on his list (For those who know him he always has a list). We had great Snow Camps, another fulfilling YLT, and 20's and 30's retreat. Myron has also started the beginning phase on the new deck that will be on the front of the Centre.

Like every spring, it begins a busy season for us around here. May 11<sup>th</sup>, we have our annual work bee. We have our two Spring Ladies Retreats May 24-26 and May 31 – June 2. Thirsting for God begins Friday June 21<sup>st</sup> with the Pastor's and church leaders luncheon and then Saturday with the family BBQ and Sunday afternoon. If you are planning to attend either the luncheon on Friday or the BBQ on Saturday afternoon, please contact the office or register online. Please pray for us as we prepare for the summer and the camps coming up in July. Camps fill up quickly so please register early! We also have various rental groups who will also be using the Camp when we are not as a Mission.

You can pray for us and the camp in many ways. Strength for the day to day work. Renewal in our spirit as we serve. For the ladies and speaker who will be attending the spring retreats. Thirsting for God that He would move in the hearts of those who will attend. And of course for the children and summers camps that we would also see God move in a mighty way. Thank you for praying for us!



**Recent pictures of outdoor work at Campbellville Centre**

## Jeff & Jani Goudy

*...Alleluia; for the Lord God  
omnipotent reigneth."  
(Rev. 19:6b.)*

It is so wonderful to know that we are praying to the Almighty God. "The King of kings and the Lord of lords." He is "Our Father which art in heaven." And our Father has given us this beautiful promise, "if ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children; how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?" We are so thankful for how God is uniting His church to ask and seek and knock for God to pour out His Spirit on Central Alberta. We are seeing many people experiencing personal revival and an increased burden in prayer. We had a prayer rally in April where 50 people came out to pray for revival. There were pastors, leaders and lay people from many different evangelical churches and God truly touched hearts. We are thankful for each person who came out and to see so many soft hearts earnestly seeking the Lord together. One man



shared that he used to hope for revival but God has now given him great expectancy for revival. An answer to prayer has been an increased desire for God's glory, His kingdom, and His will. We know that this is a work of His Spirit. Please continue to pray for the Thirsting for God Conference with Charles Price happening on May 31-June 2. We love Pastor Price and are so thankful that God has led him to come to Red Deer but we are looking to God for Him to humble us and to pour out His Spirit for His glory and honor! This spring and summer we will continue with our regular weekly schedule of prayer meetings, discipleship, counselling and evangelism. We always look forward to spending 2 weeks helping out during Discovery Camp at The Faith Mission Camp and Retreat Center near Falkland, B.C. Thank-you for praying!

## Conan & Julana Arndt



*"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek." (Romans 1:16)*

We are very thankful to be a part of camp ministry and we are getting ready for another busy and exciting camp season! We have more campers signed up than other years at this time, our work crew was full two months earlier the normal, and we have 30 staff this year compared to the 23 that we had last year. We are so thankful that God is growing our camp ministry! Though numbers are not the focus, we are certainly grateful for the hearts that God is preparing to hear the gospel this summer. We will be starting a more intentional Jr. Cabin Leader training this summer where they won't always be in a cabin with kids, but will spend their days in practical training.

Conan has had the privilege of being a part of the Youth Ministerial in Vernon this year and it has been great to connect with these pastors. We are going to be doing some intentional youth leadership training starting in the Fall, where these youth pastors will bring their Sr. High youth that are striving in their relationships with God, and we will all come together at the camp to do some theological, character building, and practical evangelism training. Conan has been doing some preaching in some of the community churches in the area and has been truly blessed by the partnership that we can have with them. We are also excited about the opportunities opening up in places like Falkland to run some programming for youth and children.



## **Robin & Debra Perron**



*I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you. ~ Psalm 32:8*

Time is flying by and spring has already arrived. God has been directing us in a way we never quite imagined – and to an area we had never even considered. The Faith Mission has purchased a home about an hour north of Montreal as the headquarters for the work in Québec. We take possession of the home as of June 28<sup>th</sup>. We praise God for this provision and we move ahead with many uncertainties but we are certain of God's leading and that He will continue to guide our family. The home is located in Sainte-Sophie, in the Laurentians. It is a very French area, which will come with certain challenges but we trust that as God as called He will also equip us for the task. We don't know what ministry will look like and we know that it will take time for us to become familiar with the area, the needs, the churches and just the practicality of figuring out how to get around in a new area. We move ahead with some nervousness but mostly excitement, believing that God has led us to this place for such a time as this. As of the end of June our new address will be: [322 Rue Fournier, Sainte-Sophie, QC, J5J 2A3](#)

In the mean-time ministry continues right where we are. Debra is home ministering to the children which is a most amazing and demanding ministry all at the same time. She seeks to help wherever she can and will prepare the program for summer. Rob continues with the youth ministry, helping on the board of a Christian camp, preaching from time to time and finishing up some final details of his schooling. Youth ministry continues to go well and we are encouraged by what God is doing in the lives of the youth. For the youth group in Verdun, we are praying that God would provide someone else to take leadership of this ministry. The youth ministry will finish around the end of May, giving us a month to prepare for summer – both moving and Vacation Bible Camps. We are thankful for a slower July as it will give us some time to settle into the new house. August is filled with ministry and we are looking ahead to the possibility of what God can do. Thank you for your continued prayers on our behalf!

July 29-Aug 2 Franklin Center Church of the Nazarene (a.m)  
Georgetown Presbyterian church, Howick, QC (p.m.)  
August 5-9 Westmount Baptist Church, Westmount, QC  
August 12-16 Calvary Baptist Church, Chateauguay, QC  
August 19-23 Presbyterian Church of Ile Perrot

## **Kevin & Janice Evans**



*“Therefore encourage one another and build one another up.”*

(1 Thessalonians 5:11)

In March, we had the pleasure of spending 2 weeks in Las Cruces, New Mexico (45 minutes from El Paso, Texas), on our own little Missions Trip. What a joy and encouragement it was serving missionaries (and cousins), Darryl & Joan Evans with Bible Studies By Mail. We were able to do a number of practical home repairs and painting, meet with a few couples who have seen God’s hand of grace and mercy in their lives, and share & pray together. Though we went tired, and we worked hard, it was such a refreshing time for us. The time we spent together praying and encouraging each other was priceless. It was thrilling to hear stories of how God is using Bible Studies By Mail to reach and disciple so many people of all ages around the world. We left a part of our hearts in Las Cruces, and continue to pray for the wonderful people we met there. Returning home, God has given us a renewed enthusiasm for reaching the lost here in BC. It’s so good to get out of your own backyard for a bit and see what God is doing elsewhere. The bigger picture helps us to focus on Him and what He is doing around the world. We are including part of Darryl’s testimony. God has done a tremendous, transforming work.

We praise God for another wonderful Marriage Enrichment Retreat in April. It’s encouraging to see how He speaks to couples in practical ways to put Him first. One couple said they often read their Bible together at the end of the day, half falling asleep. They resolved to begin giving God a better part of their day, reading together when they are more awake and alert. Each decision like this is so important and can have lasting effects on marriages and families. Often, we don’t even know how God is speaking to couples at these retreats, but we’ve heard from a couple of pastors, how couples in their churches have been impacted through this ministry. Thank you for your prayers. We have a very full season of camps and rental groups. We are excited about our excellent summer staff, but once again, we do not have government grants to help pay them, so please pray with us for God’s faithful provision.

## Summer Schedule for Falkland, BC:

June 5-7, 55 Plus Retreat  
July 3-7, Staff Training  
July 7-12, Teen Camp  
July 13, Family Day

July 21-26, Junior Camp  
July 28-Aug 2, Junior Camp  
Aug 11-13, Squirt Camp  
Aug 14-17, Extreme Camp



### Darryl Evans' Testimony

At 12, I started rebelling against God and against everything my parents had taught me. Together with my cousin, we made a conscious decision to forget about God, and do everything to enjoy life. Well, the rhythm of that non-christian life led me to abuse illegal drugs and alcohol, to steal, to lie, and to do unspeakable things. By age 18, I was renting a house with my cousin, doing whatever we wanted whenever we wanted. I was living 100% to the rhythm of the world, the flesh, and the devil. Despite having everything I wanted, I felt a tremendous emptiness in my inner being. I began to think a lot about suicide. Living my life my way wasn't satisfying at all.

One evening in March 1973, a friend and fellow partier shared with me that Jesus had changed his life. I didn't understand it, but I was intrigued by the joy and transformation in his life. Days later, he invited me to special meetings where an evangelist shared the gospel. I couldn't sleep until I had agreed to go. When the evangelist shared God's message, I felt like I was the only person in the room though there were hundreds of people there. Yes, I had heard the gospel before, thanks to my parents, but that night, my hearing and my understanding crisscrossed, by God's grace. I knew I had to make a decision that night. The evangelist read John 10:10 "The thief (satan) does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I (Jesus) have come that they might have life, and that they may have it more abundantly."

That night I realized I had been dancing to the devil's rhythm and that he was stealing my life from me, killing and destroying me. Later that night, all by myself, I knelt beside my bed and cried out for Jesus to forgive my sins and give me the abundant life He was offering in John 10:10.

I begged Jesus to help me stop using drugs, breaking the law, and doing many other unmentionable things. God hears a sinner's heartfelt cry and Jesus saves the lost. Since then, I have discovered this truth: when I am totally surrendered to Him, I am truly living life more abundantly.



**Darryl & Joan Evans** have served as missionaries in Chile and Bolivia many years before serving with Bible Studies by Mail in Las Cruces, New Mexico. Darryl is very quick to talk to everyone about Jesus, who transformed his life.

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