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*He brought me to His banqueting [table] and His
banner over me is love
Song of Solomon 2:4*

Over recent days I have been contemplating on the 'welcome' that God has extended to His children. He has called us to Himself and brought us to this banqueting table to feast by faith on His delights. What a privilege! But as we serve and witness, we too are called to 'implore people to be reconciled to God' and to come to Christ's table which is bountiful and full of Forgiveness, Grace and Truth. What a great reminder of Christ's love for us and those we seek to minister to!

We had a very encouraging trip to BC back in April when I was joined by Glenn & Robin Deane (FM Board) and Matt Macfarlane (Campbellville). We met with the Alberta and BC staff for 4 days of prayer, fellowship, vision planning and seeing what God has been doing in the West. The camp at Falkland is a wonderful blessing to so many people in the Okanagan and to hear stories of souls being saved and lives transformed by the Gospel is tremendous! It was also good to be there for the church service at Falkland and to see so many from the community coming out to hear

the Word each Sunday. Continue to pray for strength and perseverance for our staff there as they labour for Christ!

By the time you read this news Emma will be in the throes of our Spring Ladies Retreats at Campbellville with both weekends completely full. Pray for Gail Curry who will be speaking to the Ladies on 'Being a women of God'. We then look forward to our annual Thirsting for God Conference at the Big Tent @ Campbellville (June 26-28) when we have Dr Harold Vaughan from Christ Life Ministries as our keynote speaker. You will not want to miss this powerful weekend of Bible teaching, inspiring worship and rich fellowship – for all the family! Contact our Head Office to register or for more details.

We value your prayers for a busy summer ministry ahead of us with camp ministry, preaching and outreach. Emma will be teaching at Discovery Camp and assisting during the other weeks. From Mid-June until mid-August, we will have a Summer Worker assisting at the camp and in VBS programs – Jack Hardwick. Pray for Jack as he will be serving alongside the team for the summer and that God would use him in a mighty way. Pray for all our FM

teams, as you will see from their news, will be busy at camps and VBS programs this summer. May the Lord be pleased to work in young hearts and that many will meet the Saviour. We appreciate you standing with us in the work of Faith Mission and for your support both financially and in prayer – we very much depend on that in these days!

FUTURE EVENTS

Pastors & Leaders Lunch Seminar: Jun 11

Thirsting for God Conference: Jun 26-28

Tween Camp: Jul 6-10

Discovery Camp: Jul 13-17

Teen Camp: Jul 20-24

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Tim with the Western Staff in April



Deanes, Goudys, Matt & Tim outside the Falkland Community Church



YLT Practical Service @ Friendship House



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The Spring Hymn Sing went really well. There were lots of people and it's always a joyful time with a taste of new life in the spring air. We were able to escape the kitchen and go sit in for some singing which was a blessing. We are planning a Work Bee for early May. We hope to do some outdoor cleanup and maintenance weather permitting. We are always thankful for the willing volunteers who join us in serving the Lord here.

We are looking forward to serving at our Spring Ladies Retreats at the end of May. It's encouraging to see the anticipation in the ladies for these events. In June we have our Thirsting for God conference, which is also preceded by a Pastors Luncheon a few weeks prior. Our summer staff meetings also happen then, sandwiching the conference dates. There is always lots of activity, fellowship, and service together as we kick off the summer ministry season.

Our main focus for July is preparing the centre and cooking for our 3 weeks of kid's camps. We pray that it would be a time of growth, encouragement, and challenge, for the campers, counselors, and staff alike. There are quite a few self-catered groups sprinkled between our own Faith Mission events, and a concentrated month of them in August as we rest from the intense summer camp

season. We also are expecting a new arrival to our family in early September. There are always adjustments to be made, but thankfully we serve a faithful God who knows our every need and can satisfy the deepest desires.

A recent senior's group from Crestwicke Baptist Guelph who visited the Centre





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*Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name,
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
Ps.29:2*

We just want to thank the Lord and give Him the glory for what He is doing in Central Alberta. Over the last few months, it has been wonderful to see and to hear of the lives that God is touching. It seems that every week in the prayer meetings there are testimonies of people being saved and transformed by God. Stories of God's continued faithfulness. Also, we love to hear and see how many people are being baptized. Each week, as we gather with various groups, we are encouraged to hear pastors and others sharing testimonies of people being baptized. In the last few months there have been well over one hundred baptisms. God is so good! At the end of March, we had the privilege and opportunity to host a Thirsting for God Conference here in Red Deer where many from the weekly prayer groups came together, along with others and it was such a blessing. We were so honoured to have John Bennett come and preach and God did a wonderful work in hearts and lives during those four days. After each service we had a prayer meeting and it was so wonderful to hear the concert of prayer as small groups cried out to God together. There were many tears and soft hearts and God knit our hearts together in one accord. We are still hearing how lives were touched and revived through the

messages that God led John to share. And we are grateful to everyone who was praying for the meetings, to those who shared testimonies, led music, helped with tech and promotions, made food and to each church who so graciously hosted- Red Deer First Baptist Church, Crossroads Church (Red Deer), Withrow Gospel Mission and Lacombe First Baptist Church. We were so blessed by you all. These next few months, Jeff will be preaching most Sundays and at two family camps in B.C. And we have our regular commitments. Please continue to pray for the weekly revival prayer meetings, there seems to be an increased burden for prayer and some new people joining various groups.

John Bennett speaking at the Alberta Thirsting for God Conference in March





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I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise will always be on my lips. I will boast in the Lord; the humble will hear and be glad. Proclaim the Lord's greatness with me; let us exalt his name together.
Psalms 34:1-3

Although we are constantly aware of the goodness of the Lord, it is true that praise comes more easily in certain seasons. This spring has been one of rejoicing and resting in His sovereignty. We continue to be delighted by how He works through many different circumstances and shows us His kindness and love, even when we don't deserve it.

We have had the privilege of getting to know a few more of our neighbours here in Clinton, and continue to pray that we would be able to shine His light as those relationships grow. We are thankful to know you partner with us in prayer for our community, and we want you to know that He is working! Please pray that He would give us wisdom in our conversations and soften their hearts towards Him.

In our last update, we shared that Mark was completing his paperwork to join April as a volunteer at the Youth for Christ centre in Wingham. The Lord's timing is always perfect, and we certainly

saw evidence of that. Just as everything was finished and he was able to join the team, the local High School experienced a terrible tragedy, resulting in the school being shut down for several days. We were both able to volunteer at the centre over the lunch hour to provide a place for the students to come together while they were doing their remote learning at home. We know that at least one of our young people was directly affected by what happened. We suspect there will be others who open up over the coming weeks and months. Please keep the centre and town of Wingham in your prayers, as this is something these kids will be processing for a very long time.

Tuesday night kids club has seen real growth over the spring, with numbers almost doubling and many boys now attending. Our daughter Elie often joins April to help manage the larger group and lead the games. Although the kids all listen well and are excited to be there, they have a lot of energy, so her presence has been a huge blessing. Praise the Lord that Mark's schedule for pulpit supply continues to fill up quickly. He is blessed to be able to share with many congregations in our district, some of whom have been without a pastor for quite a while. As we begin summer ministry, we are excited that camps are filling up quickly. Our schedule for the summer is fully booked, and we are busy getting all the details in place to have a wonderful camp and VBS

season! We value your prayers for our many hours on the road and for provision for each program. On a personal family note, we are very excited to share that our daughter Libby got engaged, so in the midst of summer ministry, we are also working on wedding planning!

SUMMER SCHEDULE

FM Tween Camp: Jul 5-10

FM Discovery Camp: Jul 12-17

FM Teen Camp: Jul 19-24

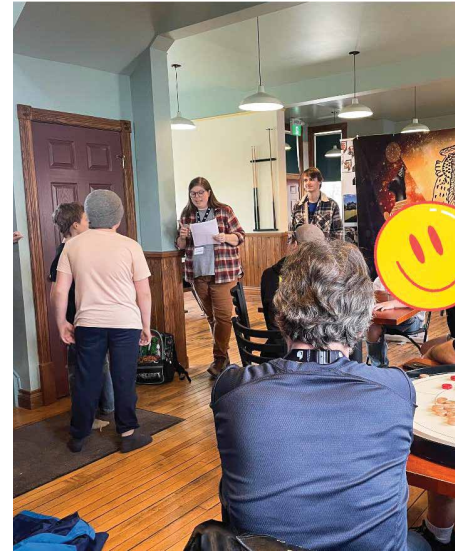
Hutton Heights Day Camp: Aug 4-7

Exeter Bible Fellowship VBS: Aug 10-14

YFC Camp: Aug 23-27



Libby & Ezra



Youth Center in Wingham

THE PLAN FOR REVIVAL

By Harold Vaughan

"It is easier to speak about revival than to set about it." - Horatius Bonar

It is true that we cannot work up a revival, but we can prepare the way of the Lord. In 1672 Solomon Stoddard, grandfather of Jonathan Edwards, became the pastor of the Congregational Church of Northampton. He was a highly effective and influential minister in his time. Some people referred to him as the dominant civil and religious figure in Western Massachusetts. Stoddard prepared, prayed, and preached for revival.

Under his leadership his congregation saw five "harvests" between 1679 and 1719. These harvests were –periods of reviving when many, especially young people, were converted. While others were theorizing about theology, Stoddard actively pursued God's reviving presence. Neighboring pastors did not believe that God could visit their churches, and they experienced no times of refreshing during their entire ministries. But Stoddard avoided the trap of fatalism, and his church experienced revival repeatedly!

We Can PRAY for Revival

James Stewart said, "If it took extraordinary prayer and fasting to cast one demon out of one person in Jesus' day, can we expect it will take less to cast the devil out of the church in our day?" We now have the worst of sins in the best of churches. It will take something other than human effort and ingenuity to rectify the situation.

"Need" is the key to fervent prayer in any dispensation. Someone put

it this way, "Adversity has slain its thousands, but prosperity has slain its tens of thousands." The only people who really pray are the people who need God, know they need God, and cannot make it without God. Many words are spoken in the name of prayer, but it is heartfelt petition that gets the attention of heaven. Wesley said, "Storm the throne of mercy and persevere therein, and heaven will come down."

There are some things that simply will not happen unless somebody touches God in the place of prayer. When the disciples asked why they were powerless to deliver a demon-possessed child, Jesus responded, "...This kind can come forth by nothing, but by prayer and fasting" (Mark 9:29). Heaven takes note when you hunger more for God's will than for food. We can plead with God for an outpouring of His Spirit.

We Can REPENT for Revival

Before the days of electricity, flour for baking was ground in mills situated beside a stream of water. Large waterwheels harnessed the energy of the moving water and converted it into power. As water flowed into the –pockets, the wheel would turn, which through a series of gears caused the grindstones to rotate. These stones then crushed the grain. If the water stopped flowing, the miller would not call his workers and attempt to turn the waterwheel by hand. Rather, he would go upstream to see what was blocking the flow of water. He would utilize his energy in removing the garbage and trash from the channel so the stream could flow unhindered into the pockets on the water wheel. In turn, the grindstones would be set in motion again and production would continue.

In the Christian life there are times when the "rivers of living water" stop flowing. When this occurs the answer is not "self-effort"

– trying to do what God sent His Spirit to accomplish. When a child of God loses his way he must repent. The word “repent” means to change one’s mind. This turning of the mind leads to a change of heart which results in a change of life. When the Holy Spirit has been grieved, God’s child must remove the garbage (sin) that hinders these life-giving waters.

...Jesus said, “...If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink. He that believeth on Me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water” (John 7:37-38). Here we learn that personal revival is not prayed down, it springs up! When the hindrances are removed, the Holy Spirit flows from within our innermost being.

We Can BELIEVE for Revival

Jesus responded to Martha, “Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldst see the glory of God?” (John 11:40). Natural men must see before they can believe, but revival-minded saints understand they must believe in order to see. Faith looks beyond what is to what can be. Faith is the only doorway for God to enter the human heart. This is the only means by which men can relate to God. We cannot relate to God through our physical senses, so God has placed at our disposal a sixth sense – faith.

Faith is believing what is not so that it might be so! As Jesus entered Capernaum He was met by a centurion who begged Him to come and heal his servant. Jesus consented to accompany him, but the centurion said, “Speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed.” Jesus marveled and said, “I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel” (Matt. 8:8-10). Here was a man of great faith who moved beyond the theoretical into active faith and received a miracle.

We Can OBEY for Revival

God did a mighty work through Count Zinzendorf and the Moravians, and a tremendous missionary movement sprang out of this revival. This group was in deadly earnest concerning prayer and obedience. If the minister did not think the congregation had properly acted on the preceding message, he would preach the same message again the following service. If after two times he did not feel the group had sufficiently applied the message, he would preach it a third time!

The reasoning was that there was no use to move on to more truth until they had obeyed what they had already received. The Moravians were not interested in becoming educated beyond their obedience. They were “doers of the Word.” No wonder God poured out His Spirit on the Moravians.

The same could be said about the Welsh Revival. Four prominent features characterized this revival: confession of sin, prevailing prayer, a burden for souls, and obedience to the Holy Spirit. Evan Roberts would often exhort congregations, “Obey the Spirit! Obey the Spirit!” The fire of God fell in place after place as Christians followed the leadership of the Holy Spirit.

The plan for revival is not complicated. It is as simple as these scriptural admonitions: (1) pray, (2) repent, (3) believe, and (4) obey. This is a strategy that will bring renewal to your heart and all who will implement it.

This article was taken from ‘Revival in Our Time: Outside the Box – Inside the Book’ written by Harold Vaughan. Harold is the founder and president of Christ Life Ministries and will be the Keynote Speaker this year at our Thirsting for God Conference (June 26-28)



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King Solomon said in Ecclesiastes, "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens..."
Ecclesiastes 3:1, NIV

This year has been a season of loss for us. Sam's estranged father was rushed to the hospital in September and diagnosed with stage 4 cancer shortly after. As the sibling closest to the hospital, he was the one who responded. This was not how he prayed their reunion would happen. For the next six months, Sam cared for his father until his final breath, late February 14th. During those six months, Sam often shared the gospel with his dad and demonstrated the love of Jesus to him. Sadly, his dad rejected Jesus with his last bit of strength. Sam read the scriptures and prayed and wept as his dad lay, silent and unresponsive, before slipping away into eternity. Since then, Sam has struggled with bouts of sickness and mourning, and a range of other emotions, memories, and reflections, all the while tirelessly working with his eldest brother on discharging their father's estate. In January, our family enjoyed serving kids at Winter Camp. Nicholette did the crafts and Sam helped with games and general duties. During March break, we served the youth

at the camp centre for Youth Leadership Training. Our theme was, "Don't follow your heart, follow Christ." Sam expounded Psalm 1 through that lens. With the assistance of our eldest daughter, Juliette, Nicholette taught the memory verse, which also served as a live demonstration of how to teach memory verses at Bible camps. We have also assisted at other events at Campbellville and Nicholette looks forward to the Ladies Retreats where she is responsible for the craft times and in other ways. Juliette will also be serving this year. As Sam wraps up his father's estate, he is grateful to devote himself again to prayer and the word of God, to reaching out to the lost, and to serving needy churches in Southern Ontario. Your partnership in this is vital and we thank you. We look forward to seeing you in June at the Thirsting for God conference, and will also be assisting at this year's Tween Camp. If your church or someone you know needs help, please send them our way



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Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the Lord's work, because you know that your labour in the Lord is not in vain
1 Corinthians 15:58

It was great to be a part of Kingston Youth Networks Junior High man hunt event this past month. We are encouraged to see a new church not only attend but host the event. Five different churches attended the event and worked as a team. Debbie enjoyed being on the worship team made up of individuals from 5 different churches/organizations.

It has been wonderful to see some of the kids from Wilton kids club remembering story details and asking thought provoking questions. Debbie has enjoyed getting to know her 2 cubbies at Awana. She has been encouraged to see her girls develop enthusiasm for the lessons they are learning and excitement for the crafts and activities that reinforce the lesson. It was great to hear one of the girls from Laura-Anne's group at Awana talking about praying for her loved one to know Christ. She is a new believer and has now had confirmation from the loved one that they are going to a Bible-Believing Church. Praise God!

Debbie would appreciate prayer as she embarks

on a new journey of Mentorship. After youth Leadership training one of the teens asked Debbie to be her mentor. Please pray for wisdom for Debbie as she seeks to point her to Christ and they both seek to grow in their faith. We value prayer for a busy summer schedule for us both.

LAURA ANNE'S & DEBBIE'S SUMMER SCHEDULE

FM Tween Camp: Jul 6-10

FM Discovery Camp: Jul 13-17

FM Teen Camp: Jul 20-24

**VBS St. Mary Magdalene Anglican Church,
Napanee:** Jul 27-31

Bethel Church VBS, Marlbank ON: Aug 10-14

Debbie on the Worship Team





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Spring is in full swing and we are looking forward to participating and serving at some of the upcoming events at our Faith Mission headquarters. As summer approaches, Debra will be taking a break from the young ladies Bible study, but most of our regular ministry will continue. Rob has recently started meeting weekly one on one with a young prisoner who is hungry and has many questions about the Bible and we want to see this continue as our schedule allows.

We are also hoping to continue going into some of the smaller communities to pray. While we continue with the current ministry, we are also starting to prepare for a busy summer. We have 6 VBS's planned for this summer and are praying that God would guide as we plan the theme and teaching, and that He would go ahead of us to prepare hearts. We know that all we can do is be faithful in our preparations and teaching, but without the Spirit of God working in the midst it will all be in vain. But we hold fast to His promise in Isaiah 55:10-11, which says: *"As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it."*

Please pray also that God would keep us near to Himself that we might be refreshed as we serve. We do not want to go out and serve in our own strength, but desire to go in the power and love of Christ, not only as we teach the children but also as we have opportunity to share with church leaders and individuals that are serving alongside us. Thank you for partnering with us in prayer!!

SUMMER SCHEDULE

English Kids Camp, Camp des Îles, St-André d'Argenteuil: Jul 13-17

French VBS, St. Jérôme: Jul 20-24

Onward Gospel Church Sunday VBS #1, Verdun: Aug 9

Calvary Baptist Church VBS, Châteauguay: Aug 10-14 A.M.

Village Church VBS, Ormstown: Aug 10-14 P.M.

Onward Gospel Church Sunday VBS #2, Verdun: Aug 16

People Church VBS, Deux-Montagne: Aug 17-21

Onward Gospel Church Sunday VBS #3, Verdun: Aug 23



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*O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name
in all the earth
Psalm 8:1*

God is good (loving, compassionate, gracious, merciful) and God is great (powerful, eternal, all-knowing, all-present). We are thankful that we serve a God who is both good and great! We have had an eventful early Spring as we adapt to a few life changes. The camp continues to grow year after year and we are thrilled to watch the registrations pour in! We are adapting by creating more space for more campers and creating new programs to accommodate the abundance of staff applications that came in. We have a great leadership team in place for the summer and we are excited for them to arrive in just one short week at the time of this writing! The Emmanuel Falkland Church continues to thrive as we walk alongside one another and serve one another. We praise God for the goodness of the gospel. We have begun doing school at home since the end of Spring Break, which has been an adjustment, but we are adapting. We ask that you pray with us for the gospel to reach the hearts of the people we are ministering to. We ask that you pray with us as we adapt to the good gospel growth, we have the pleasure

of witnessing. We ask that you would pray for our family as our kids continue to grow and we desire to love, train and serve them well.

Weekly service at the Emmanuel Falkland Church





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*Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die."
John 11:25-26*

Life and death.... Since Janice's mom has passed away, as well as neighbors and friends recently, our focus is even more on heaven and eternal things. We rejoice when a fellow believer goes home to receive their welcome into heaven. And we grieve deeply when one refuses to surrender to the Gentle Shepherd. We've had increasing opportunities lately to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with some neighbours we've prayed for years. Please pray with us that the Holy Spirit would open blinded eyes and soften hard hearts to receive their free gift of forgiveness of sins and the promise of eternity with Jesus.

We are so excited for very full camps, excellent staff & volunteers, and a busy summer of ministry, sharing the Hope of the Gospel with kids of all ages. With that comes growing pains.... We've been limping along for a couple of years by creating kids cabins in our deteriorating modular

outer buildings. Our hope and prayer are that God will provide funds to completely replace one of those modulares with a multi-room facility with washrooms, that will allow us to take our maximum number of campers, better facilitate family camps, and provide year-round access for Marriage Retreats, Pastor Retreats, etc.

We have removed many trees lately, after a few near misses with minimal damage from high winds that knocked down a few trees. We praise God for His protection, and we're doing what we can to protect buildings in the future. We're thankful for volunteers who have planted many trees as future replacements. Thank you for your prayers for provision, protection, health, and a fruitful season of ministry.

FUTURE FALKLAND EVENTS

Staff Training: Jun 30-Jul 5

Teen Camp: Jul 5-10

Junior 1: Jul 12-17

Junior 2: Jul 19-24

Jr High Camp: Jul 26-31

Squirt Camp: Aug 10

Extreme: Aug 12-15

Ladies Retreat: Sept 25-27



*Left: Falkland Camp Pictures
Above: Tree that did minimal damage after big wind.*



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