


**Seek first
the Kingdom...**

**Spring
2021**



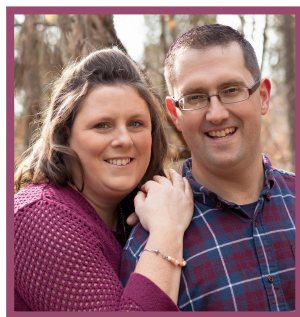
PARTNERS IN PRAYER



**Experiencing God's
Faithfulness in Canada** 

Timothy & Emma Condry

“So teach us to number our days that we may get [cultivate and bring to You] a heart of wisdom” Psalm 90:12



Reflecting on this verse over recent days as we began a New Year, it was a challenging reminder to us of what we really need...WISDOM! So many are grappling these days to understand all that is going on in the world and how they might ‘fix it’. There are so many unknowns and uncertainties, yet what do we really need to ‘gain’ in all of this? A Heart of Wisdom! As James reminds his readers: *“If any man lack wisdom, let him ask of God...”*. And personally and as a Mission, we desperately need His wisdom in these days. This is certainly one prayer request we hope you will join with us in praying!

Looking back we are thankful for the wisdom and opportunities God has given us to reach out to those in need and share the HOPE of the Gospel. Having to cancel our Christmas Banquets was disappointing, but we were thankful for the 75 meals Janet and Emma prepared which we could deliver to shut-ins and families in need. This was a great way to connect with others and pray with folks even on their door-steps! As a family we were able to social-distance-visit our neighbours prior to Christmas and sing some Carols to them. All were non-Christians and have no Church connection, but were overjoyed to hear these Carols proclaiming the truth of Jesus. Pray on for Gospel-opportunities with those around us and for salvation to come to their homes!

As a Mission we continue to appreciate and covet your prayers for us and all the workers now into another year. Even in spite of lockdowns etc. there have been some heart-warming stories of God at work and how He is giving them wisdom in reaching out and serving in these challenging days. Over these next month’s we are unsure what things will open up for us in terms of retreats, camps etc. so please pray with us for clear direction and how we can best move forward.



Our regular program of Sno' Camps, Youth Leadership Training etc. have had to be cancelled but we trust by the Spring and Summer we will be able to recommence some more in-person ministries. We continue each week with the Friday Fellowship LIVE on Facebook and YouTube which has been a tremendous blessing to many and reaching people we would never have reached before. (Do remember to check it out!) We continue to ask you to stand with Myron Hoover, Janet and their family as they walk through this difficult time with Myron's health. So many have been lifting him up in prayer and we continue to place him in the good hands of a faithful God. With the Hoover's announcement last year regarding their decision to step down as Camp Centre Managers, the Board value your prayers as we seek suitable replacements to be in place by September 2021. Again we need much wisdom and discernment from the Lord. Thank you again for continuing to support and stand with us as a Mission as we "hold forth the word of life".

Proposed Dates (check website for updates):

March 21 - Zoom Prayer Rally (7:30 pm ET)



May 22 / 29 - Ladies Spring Day Retreat

June 11-13 - Thirsting for God

Summer Day Camps: July 12-16; 19-23; 26-30



Tim and Emma made a welcomed visit and
Christmas dinner delivery to Bob Herd

Bob says 'Thank you ... and compliments to the chefs!'

Sam & Nicholette Beaulieu



If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city ~ Heb 11:15-16

If 2020 taught us anything, it is that this present world is not our home. This was a needed reminder as it has become obvious for us Western Christians that our hearts have become engrossed with it. This world and all humanity dwelling on it are broken and its beauty is fading. As creation groans, so do we. Scripture says we Christians groan for what is imperishable. Until then we are stranger and exiles seeking, desiring, a better country - that is a heavenly one - prepared by God for us. Our days are desperate for Christians, for a church, that is desiring, looking, and living for a heavenly country.

Door-to-Door Evangelism in Caledonia: After the Christmas holidays we reconvened in the New Year. Upon entering into Caledonia, we have ministered from Thistlemoor Dr to Forfar St W and from Forfar St W to the community of Tartan Dr. Since the state of emergency and lockdowns we carry out Saturday prayer walks until lifted. We trust the Lord is watering the seeds sown and paving the way forward through these prayers. The Lord has encouraged us by revealing that there was a group of men who met and prayed weekly for God to send good gospel laborers into Caledonia, we were the answer to their prayers and they were ours! God also gave Sam an opportunity to pray behind the Six Nations barricade.

Preaching: In the Fall, Sam had the opportunity to preach in Villa Nova (Townsend) and in the New Year he had a new opening to preach in Caledonia Congregational. He has also prepared messages for Simpson Chinese Alliance in Scarborough and Connect Community Church, Hamilton. From March-May he will be preparing and presenting a 10-week Sunday School study on the Doctrine of the Scripture. He had planned a Thirsting for God Conference for February, but this has now been rescheduled for March 13 at Faith Presbyterian Church, Tillsonburg. It will be in-person and online viewing. (Contact Sam for more details).

Prayer Meetings: We have been blessed to be a part of many weekly prayer meetings, including those for revival and awakening. Since December some have cooled off due to Christmas break and the lockdowns. The one in Tillsonburg continues but now only on Friday evenings. The Faith Mission supporter's prayer groups in Simcoe, Beamsville, and Port Dover, will transition to Zoom until in-person gathering is reconvened.

Caledonia Key Bible Club: Our involvement in the Key Bible club continues. We connect every Thursday morning and pray for the work and over each child in the program by name. Child Evangelism Fellowship has shipped out over a thousand bible studies and 117 of those to kids in Caledonia.

Personal: We are doing well as a family. Nicholette and the children continue to grow and enjoy homeschooling, which we have done for years now but enjoying the fruit. Along with their studies, the children enjoy morning gymnastic exercise. Nicholette continues to maintain our relationships with our neighbors and park friends and makes our home a warm hub of hospitality. She really is the glue to all the above! Thank you so much for your faithful prayers and continued support.



Proverbs 3:5-6

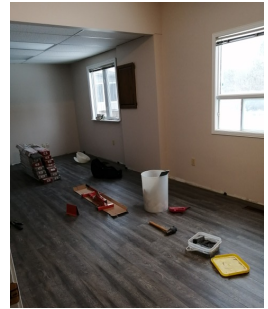
We have come to recognize God's faithfulness to us in the ministry that He has allowed us to serve in. We watch as He continually grows the ministries that we are facilitating and grows His Kingdom through them!

We continue to see kids desiring to know God more and to learn about this love that He has for them! In January we were excited to begin Youth Groups and Kids Club again after a month and a half of being shut down due to COVID-19. We were so full of joy to be able to share God's love to these kids again! Unfortunately, at the end of the month were shut down yet again. The devotional on the last night of Jr. Youth was about the wise and foolish builders. They can not put their trust or foundation in the programs that we run, but in God – we need to do the same! We are planning to run full normal overnight camp this summer in faith that God will lead us even in blindness! While we wait for things to open again, we continue to make little connections in Falkland. We plan to run Sr. Youth Group and our staff Bible study at the camp where we have more space. We are thankful that Interior Health has approved these two events! We ask that you join with us in prayer for the town of Falkland and for those involved with camp ministry here! We ask also that you would pray for direction and leading from the Holy Spirit as we go from day to day! Thank you all so much. God is faithful!"

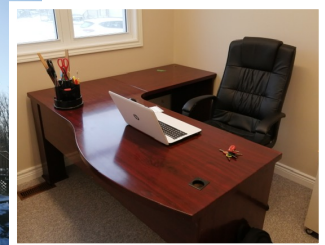
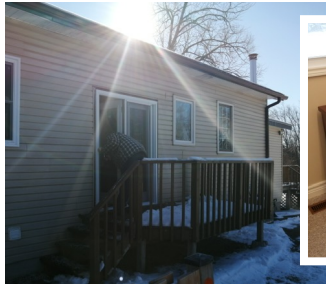
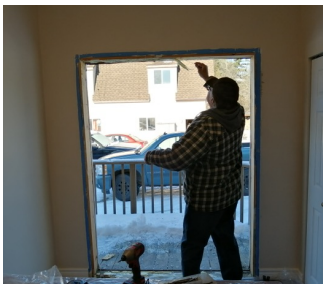


Myron & Janet Hoover

Thank you to each one who prays for us as we continue to walk through these challenging days. Myron has completed 3 rounds of Chemo with a 4th by the end of February. We don't know what the schedule for March will be yet. This fight against cancer has had many physical and emotional challenges yet we are so thankful to feel the peace that only trust in God can give in the midst of it all. We are trusting that whatever the future holds, that God's ways are best. We will appreciate continued prayer for the days and challenges yet to come. There are also many transitions in the coming months - both for us personally, as well as for the Centre, and we appreciate your prayer for those things as well. Change is never easy yet we are thankful that it reminds us to run into the arms of our loving Heavenly Father.



Old office - now Multi-Purpose Room



New entrance to General Office and Directors Office.

Mark & April Hardwick

***"But let all who take refuge in you rejoice;
let them ever sing for joy, and spread your
protection over them, that those who love
your name may exult in you." Psalm 5:11***



What a blessing it has been to have a much milder winter than normal here in Northern Ontario. With everything being locked down, it has meant that we are able to be outside more than we normally would have been this time of year and we truly praise God for these opportunities! We are thankful that Pastor Pete Naylor was able to resume preaching at Riverside. Mark will continue to fill in there now and then and he has been asked to preach for a few other places over the next few months. He is still leading Thursday night prayer meeting and has also just begun a Wednesday Bible study that will go live every week on Facebook, on the purpose of suffering. April continues to enjoy taking the Friday Fellowship Live broadcasts some weeks. We hope that people feel a sense of connection through joining in every week and are reminded that we as a mission are here to support them through prayer or counsel during this time. It has been so good to see people tuning in to things who maybe wouldn't or aren't able to attend church. It is our prayer that beyond these lockdowns the church would not forget that there are so many souls who can be reached by things like this. Mental health is certainly on so many people's minds during the isolation of lockdowns. May it remind us that there are people who live in this reality, due to various circumstances, even when the rest of us are able to enjoy more freedom again. We have learned to be creative in reaching out and we can continue this creativity alongside church opening! The ladies who get together on Monday evenings to study James have moved to zoom because of lockdown but it has been such an encouragement to see the desire to grow in their knowledge and love of God. The Sunday night group decided to take a small break but are hoping to get started again soon as well. As we look ahead to the summer months, it's hard to know what the Lord has in store for us! We are just praying that the Lord would continue to show us the best way to serve Him and reach the area with the truth of His love. Perhaps like last summer, this will involve more opportunities in our own yard, or smaller-scale programs with a few of the local churches. We certainly value your prayers and support as we navigate all of the rules and regulations, while still attempting to engage people with the gospel!



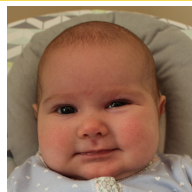


Robin & Debra Perron

Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days. Psalm 90:14

In our last update we were waiting on the arrival of our third child. For those who don't already know, we had a little girl on November 24th and we named her Anna Sophia Perron. While the delivery itself went smoothly there were complications afterwards which required Debra to have surgery and a blood transfusion. We had a sincere peace from God through it all and His promises were a constant encouragement to us.

There was a time of healing following all this, but we experienced God's healing hand on Debra as she regained her energy and strength much quicker than anticipated.



Anna Sophia

With three children, much of Debra's ministry these days is inside the home. While most ministry is not permitted in person, God has been allowing us to serve in different ways. One example is that we are discipling two of our former youths that have now become young adults. We have been encouraged to see their unfailing devotion to their Saviour with the decisions they have had to make in their lives. The young woman that Debra is mentoring went to school for youth ministry and we are excited that she has accepted the opportunity to lead both the Sunday school and the youth group at a church where we once served on the West Island. It is great to see God working in her life as she steps out in faith and places her trust in Him.

Rob has continued to serve in more practical ways and to preach occasionally in French. He has received much support and encouragement from the churches that have given him the opportunity to take the pulpit. On a different note, Rob has spent a considerable amount of time registering the Faith Mission (in Canada) as a charity here in Québec which has allowed us to get a Québec licence plate for the vehicle. This may seem like a silly thing, but it helps us to integrate more with the people we are seeking to reach with the saving gospel of Christ.

We continue to seek direction for the future and for what God has in store for us ministry-wise so that we will be ready when the restrictions are lifted. In the meantime, we take what opportunities God provides. There are several people we have been in contact with and there have been many opportunities to be an encouragement to them as they face various challenges. We see many potential ministry opportunities and we look forward to having the freedom to explore them further.

The Man Talk ~ By Pastor Eric Ludy

This article, along with others, can be found on ericludy.com/blog and has been used by sole permission of the author. We are also thankful that Pastor Ludy has taken the time to share with us this year at our Online Men's Retreat which can be viewed online on our Facebook or YouTube channel.



At the start of every new training at Ellerslie (the ministry I lead in Colorado) I gather all the men from the upcoming semester onto the chapel stage. It's time for the "Man Talk" with Eric.

All the men are dressed up in suits and ties. Shoes are polished, hearts stirred with anticipation, and the occasional bead of sweat can be spied dripping down the forehead of one of the men. The atmosphere in the chapel is sparkling, even regal – bursting with expectancy.

"Men," I say in a serious tone. "You have entered an environment that demands you behave as men. This is not a place for boys. This is not a place for perverts, egotists, fools, and rebels. This is a place that celebrates the dignity and nobility of manhood."

I can visibly see the discomfort in many of the men's eyes. I'm only starting my fourth sentence of the semester, but I can perceive that some of these men are wondering if they are supposed to be here.

"If you are planning on spending five weeks here, then you will spend those five weeks behaving as men. Men of honor. Men of purity. Men of Truth. Men of holiness. Men of humility. Men of courage. Men of God!"

Paul had a Man Talk, of sorts, with the church in the ancient city of Corinth. I must admit, that his particular Man Talk was a bit shorter than mine. In fact, he packaged his Man Talk into one pithy word. "*Andrizomai!*" If someone said "*andrizomai*" to you, you might shrug your shoulders and say, "Gesundheit!" But the church in Corinth knew the commission that Paul was issuing to it with that one word. Paul was pressing the ancient words of Moses into their soul – "Be a man! Do your job manfully! Behave with the courage of a real, honest-to-goodness man of God!" These were the same words, now translated into Koine Greek, that were originally passed on to Joshua, then passed on to David, then passed on to Solomon, and passed along through Jewish history 1,000 years until they reached Jesus Himself, who passed them on to His disciples. And what amazes me is that after two thousand years to the present day, that same powerful word of ancient Israel is being passed along to you and me.

God's men have the thunder clap of "*andrizomai*" booming within their souls. They are purposely strong, purposely courageous, and purposely brave. They don't accidentally do what they do. They do what they do because it's the "manful" thing to do. Or, as the Christian would understand, they do it because it is the "Jesus" thing to do. It's the way that *The Man* would do it.

The Man, Jesus, showed us manful living. He lived with the gusto of love and faced death with the grandeur of courage. He boldly took the lowest seat and humbly served those around Him. He suffered every indignity that others may receive deliverance. He sacrificed His very life to ensure life for others. He was the epitome of that which makes a man manful.

Imagine that you are on the Ellerslie chapel stage with fifty other men. But instead of Eric Ludy walking onto the stage it is Jesus Christ Himself that strolls up and stands before the awestruck men.

Imagine that His voice is serious and grave. And out of all the fifty men standing beside you, he singles you out. "You, come forward!" As you position yourself in front of the risen King, He tenderly looks you in the eye and says, "Dear one, it's time for you to become a man!" Now imagine you were to say, "Yes, Lord, I agree wholeheartedly!"

You were called to live manfully, just as The Man, Jesus, did while He was here on this earth. You were called to live with the thunder of Andrizomai in your heart.

Imagine that this isn't your imagination, but it is very real. And God is saying this to you right now. He's beckoning you to take a step forward in being made into a real honest-to-goodness man of God.

If you are game, I know for certain He is.

Lamentations 3:22-23 "The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness."



Laura-Anne Drake



Thank you all for your continued prayers. Things here in the east have and will continue to morph as the government gives direction. With the schools being back in session I have been allowed to resume teaching Chapel at the Christian school in Napanee. This past Wednesday I finished sharing about the life of Cameron Townsend who founded Wycliffe Bible Translators. One of the students asked if they could learn about my missionary story next. Please pray for me as I share my story on March 10th.

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For valentine's day I have put together presents for both Verona Youth and Wilton Youth groups. Please pray for the youth would feel connected and the scripture on the cards would speak to them. For Verona youth we have decided to do a monthly present until such time as we can meet in person again. Super Kids Club is continuing to run each week via zoom. The children who attend seem to be excited to be there each week. Please pray for me as I navigate theses times and adapt to ministry in this current climate.



Jeff & Jani Goudy



"When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none and their tongue faileth for thirst, I the Lord will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them. I will open rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys: I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water... That they may see, and know, and consider, and understand together, that the hand of the Lord hath done this, and the Holy One of Israel hath created it." Is. 41:17, 18 & 20.

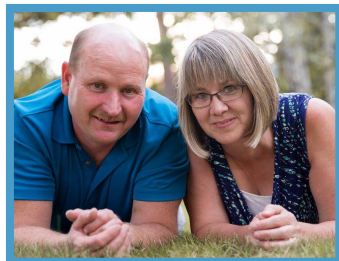
Each new year we pray and ask God for a passage of Scripture, we are so thankful for this beautiful promise that He has given to us for 2021. 2020 was such a difficult year for many people and churches and we have had opportunity to minister to and journey with those who have been struggling and hurting. We have seen God's faithfulness and how in the midst of all the trials He has been drawing hearts back to Himself and strengthening people in their faith. We have seen an increased hunger and thirst in His people for His presence, His Word and for prayer.

It's been encouraging to see new prayer meetings starting up with a focus on revival. There is a longing to see an outpouring of His Holy Spirit across our nation- our hope is in God alone. *"Revival is not some emotion or worked-up excitement; it is rather an invasion from heaven which brings to man an conscious awareness of God."* S. Olford. In each of the prayer meetings that we are involved with we are seeing Christians broken before God, confessing sin, and humbly crying out to God for revival. We have seen beautiful community and oneness forming as these groups pray with and for one another. The prayer meetings are growing and we praise God for what He is doing. God is also saving souls and we are thankful for this.

It is such a joy to come along side people as God works in their hearts, to have the opportunity to point them to Christ through His Word. We are involved in weekly biblical discipleship and get to see the power of God's Word setting people free as they humbly submit to Him and the truth of His Word. "Sanctify them in the truth [set them apart for Your purposes, make them holy]; Your word is truth." John 17:17. As we have entered into this new year it is with hearts full of joy and anticipation for what God will do in the months ahead. We continue to see Him at work all around us and we love being able to join Him in what He is doing. We have exciting plans for community outreach and will also be continuing on with our weekly schedule of prayer meetings, Bible Studies, discipleship, teaching/preaching and evangelism as God leads and enables us to serve Him. We hope to be able to have more day camps this summer too as last year was really good. Our weeks are full and we are grateful for God's keeping power and for every opportunity that we have to serve Him and His church. Thank you for reading our update, and for praying. Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to encourage us by phoning or sending a note/e-mail/message throughout the year. Your partnership with us in these ways means so much. *"But blessed are those who trust in the LORD and have made the LORD their hope and confidence."* Jer. 17:7

Kevin & Janice Evans

When your words came, I ate them; they were my joy and my heart's delight. Jeremiah 15:16



Gods Word... my heart's Delight!! One definite blessing of these COVID-19 days, is extra time to read and study

God's Word. As we spend extended time in The Word, God brings joy, peace, direction, and a confidence in Him. Time in God's Word deepens our love for our Saviour. So, as we encourage others, it's always with a reminder to guard our time in the Word.

As we seek to minister to people of all ages who need the LORD, amid COVID-19 restrictions, God has opened a number of doors. Falkland Kids Klub has been a blessing, to share the Truths of God's Word with children who had no idea what the Bible is!! Their eagerness to learn, and inquisitive hearts affirm the need to teach children. We pray that God will impact entire families and communities for eternity.

In BC it's been a few months since we've been allowed to gather for church, but as soon as things open up again, there is a good-sized group of people in Falkland ready for a church to start. We are so grateful for hope of worshiping together with many in our community. For now, children's activities are encouraged.

By faith, we are planning for church family camps and children's camps this summer, prepared to scale back to day camps if necessary. Staff and volunteers are eager to serve, and kids can't wait for camp to be back to normal. Please pray with us that the scheduled bookings won't need to be cancelled.

With so many people living in anxiety and fear, it truly is a joy to know and share the One Who controls it all.

"The more any man loves Christ, the more he delights to be with Christ alone." **Thomas Brooks** (17 century preacher)





Dawna Weber

*Trust in Him at all times, you people; pour out your heart before Him; God is a refuge for us.
Psalm 62:8*



What a blessing to know the God we Trust in! That when we pour out our hearts to Him, He hears, and that He is our refuge and safe haven! Over the past few weeks, I have been going through a study called “Preaching the Gospel to Yourself” and it has been such a good reminder for me! It’s easy to look around and not understand everything that is going on, but it continues to build my faith as I study the one who is the Good News and to reflect on how the gospel effects the past, present and future!

Over the past months I have been learning more about the Faith Mission and meeting all the workers officially over Zoom. Also, I have been enjoying learning more of my administrative duties! It has been exciting to help with the Men’s Online retreat! If you missed joining the event online you can still access the content on our Facebook and YouTube pages. It was a joy to hear from Eric Ludy founder and President of Ellerslie Mission Society, the ministry that I volunteered for in Colorado, previous to The Faith Mission.

I am officially moved out of the old office and into the new one! It has been a joy to organize and become familiar with my new space! I am so thankful for the beautiful patio door that lets in so much sunlight! It has been such a blessing to see so many people help out with the office project! Thank you all so much! It is very appreciated!

In the beginning of January, I was very blessed to be able to travel to Colorado for a wedding and to enjoy catching up with friends there! It was such an encouragement to be able to gather with the body of Christ there for church! I was so thankful for safe travel home and to be home before restrictions became tighter the Lords timing is perfect!

Thank you for your prayers, support and warm welcome into the Mission! I look forward to meeting more of you through phone and email! Please continue to pray for wisdom and timing for me as I desire to start a teen girl Bible study!

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