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the Kingdom...



PARTNERS IN PRAYER



~ 'Adorned' Ladies Group - Napanee, Ontario ~



Falkland
Centre BC
~ Open House ~



**2017 - Celebrating 90 years of God's
Faithfulness in Canada**



John & Isabel Bennett



As I have read the reports from the various districts I have been struck by the heart cry for a mighty move of God underlying each report. There is much spiritual darkness and whole areas where no one is going with the Gospel. While we rejoice in all that God is doing and the encouragements we are seeing in the work, we mourn over the millions who are lost and have no one knocking on their door to share Christ with them. We pray that God will lay the burden for evangelism in Canada on the hearts of His people. The Faith Mission is only a very little cog in a big wheel. If every church and every believer were to catch fire and take the Gospel to the homes across the nation what a harvest could be reaped. We are praying that God will “send forth more labourers into the harvest field.” We need more evangelists in The Faith Mission in Canada.

Recent encouragements have been hearing of a couple who we did not know of who were saved at meetings Roy Dreanning and I had many years ago in Auburn, also hearing a young man share that the best week of his life was in March this year when he got saved at the Youth Leadership training at Campbellville. God encouraged us when finance in the general account was down to just a couple of hundred dollars with some large bills coming due, in answer to prayer two large donations came in along with some smaller ones which enabled every financial obligation to be met. Praise His name!!

Victor Maxwell has been busy writing a book tracing the hand of God in bringing The Faith Mission into being and documenting some of the great things God has done during these past 90 years of ministry in Canada. It is hoped to launch the book at the 90th anniversary weekend in Calvary Church in Toronto September 30 – October 1. Charles Price will be the guest speaker. An extract from the book is included in this issue of Partners in Prayer.

We will appreciate prayer for the two ladies retreats coming up at Campbellville, much work has still to be done on the building to have it ready in time. Volunteer help is always appreciated. We are grateful to all who have helped so far. Myron Hoover has done a mammoth job. May 28 – 30, David my brother, who works with the mission in the UK, and I share in a Thirsting for God conference on Manitoulin Island. Victor Maxwell is the guest speaker at the Thirsting for God conference at the Campbellville centre June 23 – 25. We will appreciate you encouraging Pastors and Christian leaders and their spouses to attend the lunch on

the 23rd and everyone is welcome on the 24th and 25th. Please pray for a busy schedule of camps, Vacation Bible Schools and pulpit supply during the summer months. A team of Bible School and High School students will join the team during July and August to assist with VBS and Camps. Your prayers are appreciated.

Jesus said *"Without Me you can do nothing."*

~ Summer Dates ~

**July 10 - 14 Brussels VBS,
Brayden and Liam Salmon**

~ Campbellville ~

**Senior July 17 - 21
Tweens July 24 - 28
Discovery July 31 - August 4**



Jennifer Armitage



"And let us not grow weary, while doing good for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart." Galatians 6:9

While putting together monthly prayer calendars, and visiting prayer meetings. I find that this is a verse that has come to mind lately. Would you pray with me for all of our staff to be continually filled with the Spirit of God, and to keep pressing on, and to not grow weary, and to not lose heart. Please also remember the ladies retreats coming up. May 24 – 28 and June 2 – 4, Marjorie Bennett is the speaker, I'm sure they will be great weekends. Pray for the encouragement of the ladies, and for those who are not yet believers for their hearts to be softened to the truth. Also looking ahead I think of the summer work quickly approaching. I think of all those who will help with VBS and Camp this year. Please pray for them that they would grow in their faith and see much accomplished for the kingdom of God. See page 7 for my summer schedule.

Myron & Janet Hoover

*"....and your Heavenly Father knows....."
Matthew 6:32b*



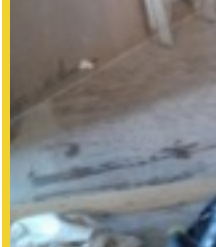
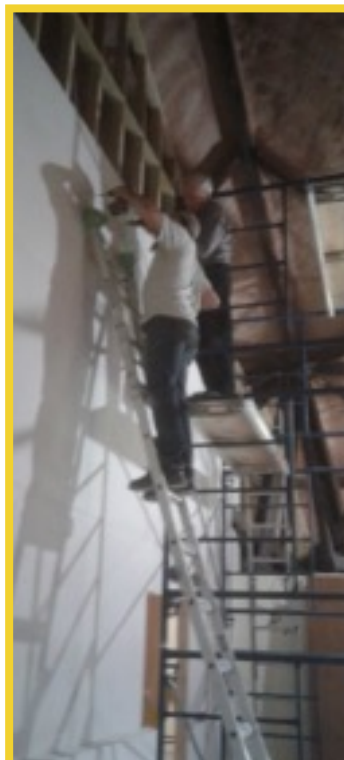
The winter has once again ended and spring is in full bloom. The birds make nests and eat at our bird feeders. We are blessed by the beautiful surroundings at the Campbellville camp Centre.

The next time you come to the Centre you will notice some drastic changes. Renovations have been ongoing since the beginning of April on the main meeting room. This is a very large undertaking and has required resources that are not within us but God is providing for the needs of each day. These months have been a journey of trust in many areas and we covet your prayers. The spring/summer busy schedule is about to start with Ladies Retreats, rental groups, Thirsting for God conference and camps. Please pray for God to meet with people and move in hearts as you also pray that He will provide strength for each day.

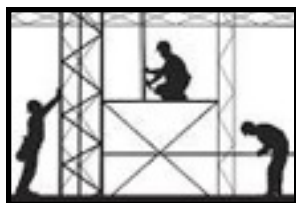
We are thankful to live in the knowledge that our Heavenly Father knows our needs, that He is the God who sees and that He cares. "

**~ Campbellville ~
Renovations Central!**





Thanks to all of
our Volunteers!





Laura- Anne Drake



Margaret Roberts

Galatians 6:9 "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."

Thank you for your continued prayer support as we minister in Eastern Ontario. Last Partners in Prayer we mentioned that we had started Christianity Explored at the Morningstar Mission in Napanee and, we have been encouraged with not only the continued turnout but also with some of the questions and responses of the people. There are a few who appear to be seeking who Jesus is and others who are sorting out what they truly believe. While we are finishing the program at the end of May, please continue to keep this group in your prayers, that the seeds planted would grow. Please also pray for discernment as we consider the possibility of running another Bible course in the fall. We have also been encouraged with our youth group, as several teens appear to be sensitive to the Gospel and are 'counting the cost' of following Jesus. Please keep them in prayer, that they will continue to seek God even after youth group is finished for the summer. We've been refreshed to see young adults truly seek God in prayer with our monthly prayer meetings: Refresh. Revision. Refocus. has given us the opportunity to grow together in our walk with God and build relationships with a group of people who are really hungering to see God work in their lives and in the community. We praise God for His many blessings! Please pray for us as we prepare for summer ministry. We have a number of new opportunities this summer with various day camps. Please pray for strength and wisdom for the months ahead. **Schedules on next page.**





Jennifer Armitage

July:

10 – 14 Dundalk Wesleyan VBS

17 – 21 Senior Camp

24 – 28 Tween Camp

July 31 – August 4 Discovery camp

August:

14 – 18 Albion Hills VBS

28 – Sept 1 City Centre Toronto VBS



Laura-Anne Drake:

July:

3-7 Lanark Day Camp

9-14 Silver Lake Day camp

17-21: St.Mary's Anglican Church VBS (Napanee)

24-28: Tween Camp (Campbellville)

August:

July 31-Aug.4: Discovery Camp (Campbellville)

7-11: Napanee Baptist Church VBS

14-18: Summer Quest Day Camp (Muskoka)

Margaret Roberts:

July: 10-14 Napanee Standard Wesleyan Church VBS

Wilton Standard Wesleyan Church VBS

17-21: Teen Camp (Campbellville)

24-28: Marl Bank Community Church VBS

August:

July 31-Aug. 4 Discovery Camp

7-11 St. Matthews Luthern Church VBS (Cornwall)

21-25: Summer Quest Day Camp (Muskoka)

Extracts from the 90th anniversary book



From BC - Will MacFarlane

“One day in Vancouver, a letter, bearing the cancellation stamp of ‘Armstrong,’ arrived. It contained a donation for the work, and in the accompanying letter, we read, ‘I wonder you don’t send your workers up this way. There is always a barn for you to sleep in.

So, Mr. MacFarlane and two auxiliary lads found their way to that part of the upper country, to the home of Jabez Kneller. One slept in the barn, as promised, and the other two slept in a recently acquired car. Meetings were started in the country schoolhouse, where a young mother, rejoicing in her firstborn, made a bright decision for the Lord.

How could the three pilgrims, doing it the hard way, have envisaged the stream of blessing that was to come when the Schweb family let God have His way? Those who were brought to Christ in the potato barn will know in some small measure - and all began when a farmer sent a small donation to the Mission.”



From Nova Scotia – Ken and Nellie Buchanan

“One feature that remains in clear remembrance was our first campaign at Kingston, Nova Scotia. It was a dual effort with meetings each day for the Academy students and each night in the church, which was one of a number of Independent Baptist Churches in the Annapolis Valley. It was to be a three-week mission.

Preceding this campaign I had been constrained to spend three days in prayer and fasting, taking only an evening meal. As I reached Kingston, it was soon evident that God was in the midst. After a week of preaching, the first invitation was given, and twenty-eight people moved forward to the front of the church to seek the Lord for various needs. At least one young man who sought the Lord that night was observed to be trembling greatly under the convicting power of the Divine Spirit. From that point onwards there were daily conversions in the Academy as well as in the church. A number of the Lord’s people also trusted Him for full salvation. It was one of those very precious visitations, which are recalled with much thanksgiving to God.

In more recent times ...

“When travelling to speak at a Canadian Bible School Chapel in the 1990s a Faith Mission worker felt such a burden that he had to pull over to the side of the road many times to pray before he got to the school. At the chapel service, he shared what was on his heart but did not feel anything extraordinary. When the Chapel leader stood up to close the service and dismiss the students, a staff member suddenly stood up and brokenly confessed her sin and asked for forgiveness.

For the next number of hours, students were confessing sin and asking forgiveness from God and other people. Lunchtime passed, and the meeting continued. Only in the afternoon were the students dismissed. Later, some of them confessed that they had experienced a moment of revival in their hearts.

Duncan Campbell said that having been in revival, spoiled him for anything less. The heart cry of every Faith Mission worker is for revival in Canada. They are convinced that nothing less than a God-sent revival will stem the downward tide that is sweeping this nation.

2 Chronicles 7:14 grips our hearts and stirs our souls; *“If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.”*



Please join us for
THE THIRSTING FOR GOD
Bible Conference with Victor Maxwell!

Campbellville Camp Centre,
June 23-25, 2017



Graham & Melodie Ghent



*"Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good!
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!"*

Our hearts remain stirred to have our communities around us to catch a glimpse of God, see themselves before Him, and cry out for Christ to save. And like the leper, and the woman with a discharge of blood, and the daughter of Jairus, they will discover the touch of Christ will save and heal completely!!

June kicks off with an outreach event in Napanee hosted by Laura-Anne and Margaret. We get to bring our paint board up and proclaim the gospel. Canada Day will also give us an opportunity to share the gospel as my family has been asked to come and juggle at a community event and also bring along our paint board. Pray for opportunities with this new church plant in a brand new subdivision.

July 3-7 we return to Sherbrooke Baptist to help run their DVBS. The following week we go to York and help a joint effort VBS there. That brings us to Teen and Tween camp up at the camp centre. We have some new staff coming this year which we are excited about and also excited to see previous staff come back. We trust the Lord will do great things!!

The following week for us is still open and we hope to fill it with some evangelism. August 13-19 we head up to Wildwood Family Camp where Graham preaches all week and Melodie is doing the kids program. We've heard that there are frequently unbelieving families that attend so that is exciting. We continue to work with churches to pray for a burden for the lost in their communities and seek the Lord for effective and uncompromised ways to communicate the gospel. Please pray for open doors (Col 4:3).

“Remind them of these things, and charge them before God not to quarrel about words, which does no good, but only ruins the hearers. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.”

2 Timothy 2:14-15



Mark & April Hardwick

During this past season of ministry we have seen the devastating effects in the life of a church and minister when they wander away from the firm foundation of Scripture. It is a sobering reminder, that all we have to offer the world is the living, inerrant Word of God. Please continue to pray for the advancement of the kingdom of God here in Northern Ontario, and for strength for those who continue to proclaim the clear unwavering truth of the gospel, when so many around us are failing to do so. Pray for a spirit of boldness for us, the churches, and ministers here, that we would continue to follow the Lord's leading and rely on his power and strength.

We have seen the power of God to transform hearts and lives through the hearing of his word. An encouraging example of this continues to be Wednesday night ladies Bible study. These ladies continue to desire to know God in a deeper way. We long to see each of them grow in their walk with the Lord and truly give their whole life to Him. We value your prayers as we continue to walk through the entire Bible with them. They don't shy away from difficult questions and many of them have been very surprised to learn what the Bible actually says about their lives.

As we look forward to the summer we are excited to partner with two new churches for VBS. We will be heading to Powassan with our whole family (almost 3.5 hours South of us) and would love if you would pray for a smooth week for the kids. We will be staying with a church family there who were wonderful to open their house to all eight of us.

Summer VBS Schedule

July 3-7 Good Shepherd Church, Englehart

July 24-28 Living Faith Assembly, Kirkland Lake

July 31-Aug. 4 Powassan Wesleyan Church, Powassan

Thank you so much for your prayers and to those of you who have encouraged us in the journey!



Jeff & Jani Goudy

*" .that ye stand fast in one spirit,
with one mind striving together for
the faith of the gospel." Phil. 1:27 b*



This verse describes what God is doing in His church in our area. God is knitting the hearts of many pastors together as they meet weekly to be accountable to one another and to pray for an outpouring of God's Spirit in central Alberta. There are now 22 pastors meeting weekly in Red Deer and surrounding areas and we are praying for more. Here is what one pastor from Sylvan Lake wrote about these meetings... "And then we prayed together...The only way that I can describe it was- heaven opened! God's presence filled that room and we were held in awe. I was struck by an overwhelming sense of inadequacy, but at the same time an intense desire for God to use me. I could feel God's incredible love for Sylvan Lake and had a greater understanding for why He sent us here... It is truly a forum of love, trust and accountability. I can honestly say that we desire God's best for each other's church as much as our own. We lately have testified to many miracles in our churches... We are tenacious about our integrity and monitoring ourselves from any attitudes that could creep in and hinder the wonderful things that God is doing... We laugh together, we cry together, we share our hopes, burdens, disappointments and victories. We are very thankful to God for what He is doing and we look forward to all the great things He has in store for us. We can say with full assurance, the best is yet to come." There is unity, love, and transparency in these meetings but the best part is the presence of the Holy Spirit and the effect that He is having in our personal lives and in the churches and communities that we serve. It has been great to see many churches joining together for outreach events and this summer believers will come together for Church in the Park which is a non-denominational, open air service being held once a month in Red Deer starting Saturday, May 27th. Several Christian men and pastors have also been helping Jeff with a soccer outreach for immigrant men. It is well attended and many friendships are being formed through this fellowship. The gospel is shared each week through testimonies and the love of God is touching hearts. The men are all very thankful. Your prayers for us and for our family mean so much and we love when people take the time to phone, e-mail or visit. We are happy to share more stories of what God is doing here in Central Alberta. Our weeks fill up quickly with prayer groups, discipleship, evangelism, study and family responsibilities. This summer we will continue with our regular schedule apart from the weeks that we plan to spend serving at The Faith Mission Camp in Falkland.

"Your love has given me great joy and encouragement, because you, brother, have refreshed the hearts of the Lord's people". Philemon 1:7



Robin and Debra Perron

Our hearts are encouraged and refreshed when we think of the many people who partner with us in prayer. Thank you for your continued support and prayer - we know as people pray that God moves! With that in mind we just want to take a minute to share with you how the Youth Leadership Training that we had went. It was only our second year hosting this event in Quebec and we had 11 young people. We were encouraged as we saw them being encouraged and challenged in their faith. Currently, we are continuing with our youth groups till June and we are already getting ready for what will be a busy summer ahead. We know this summer will be a new learning curve as our son Caleb will be 1 and on the go, but we look forward to seeing how God will guide us in this new adventure. Thank you in advance for your prayers on our behalf! We are praying that God would enable us as we stand to speak for Him and are praying that many children, youth and adults will meet with God as they hear His Word!

July:

3-7 Onward VBS, Verdun

31-August 4 Church of the Nazarene VBS, Franklin A.M.
Georgetown Presbyterian, Howick P.M.

August:

7-11 - Westmount Baptist VBS, Westmount

14-18 - Calvary Baptist VBS, Chateaugay

21-25 - Presbyterian Church of Ile Perrot VBS A.M
St. Timothy's Anglican VBS P.M.





Over the past few months, we have been privileged to lead a kids club at our home church in Vernon. Each week about forty to sixty children attend. The majority of the kids that attend, walk over from the local public school at the end of the school day. The church building flips from being a very quiet place to a place that is bubbling with excitement and activity as the kids arrive. Many of these kids come from difficult backgrounds and find sitting still tricky.

The Thursday before Easter, we shared the Easter story - and the kids sat very still, listening attentively. The following week a little boy asked us, *"Can you tell me more about this Jesus guy?"* It was encouraging to hear of his interest in learning more about Christ. The club ended with a barbecue for the parents. There were a number of parents who came and we pray that the truth of God's word would speak into the lives of these families.

We look forward to the summer months of teaching kids about Christ at camp. Please pray for the summer camps. We want children and youth to be changed by the gospel. We pray that the summer staff's walk with Christ will be deepened.

Melissa has also had the opportunity to lead a ladies bible study this past year. These ladies, from various backgrounds, had a hunger for God's word and a desire to learn. Thank you for praying for us!

Summer Dates for BC

Staff training: June 28- July 1
Teen camp: July 2 - 7
Discovery Camp 1: July 16-21
Discovery Camp 2: July 23-28
Day camp: August 8-11
Squirt Camp: August 14-16
Extreme camp: August 16-19



Ladies Retreats Falkland BC:

**October 16-18,
October 20-22.
Guest Speaker:
Janice Evans**

Kevin & Janice Evans

"And I am certain that God, who began the good work in you, will continue His work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns".

Philippians 1:6



We have been reminded of this verse lately as God continues to work on our rough edges, and teach us to trust and rely on Him completely. Whether it be through trusting Him to provide finances during a dry and desperate time, or learning to adjust to Kevin's cancer diagnosis, we are fully aware that God has much to teach us. Our faith is growing, our wake up call reminds us that this is not our home, and we have a renewed urgency to share Christ with those around us who so desperately need Him. On a side note, Kevin is doing well, and does not need treatment yet, but is being monitored with regular blood work. He just needs rest and low stress. We praise God for answered prayer. This year marks our 34th wedding anniversary, and we are reminded of the rough and growing times of our first 10 years together. When we finally attended a Marriage Retreat where God began a transforming work in us, we slowly learned to communicate, resolve conflict, and practice biblical principles that honor God. Out of our experiences, God has called us to lead Marriage Enrichment Retreats to share what we have been learning with others. It is so encouraging to hear what God is doing in other couples. One couple who attended our retreat a few years ago, not sure if they even loved each other anymore, began praying together every morning and evening, and God transformed their lives and marriage. She says they fell in love all over again, with a spiritual depth to their marriage. A young Christian couple with 2 children, who had a great marriage, say their marriage is better than they ever expected, since the husband began to be a more intentional spiritual leader as a result of the Marriage Retreat. Please pray for those attending our next Marriage Enrichment Retreat in November. It is wonderful to see the growth in ourselves, and in others. A couple of young girls who have been saved through camp, and help Janice in the kitchen, are growing in their walk with God through youth group, and discipleship. Please continue to pray for these young lives who face so many worldly temptations, that they with stand strong for Him. As we celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the Falkland Camp Centre, it is a wonderful time to reflect of what God has done in so many lives. To God be the glory!!



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