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*Restore our fortunes, O LORD, as
streams [torrents] in the south
Psalm 126:4*

When writing this update, I was drawn again to a passage in Psalm 126 which I preached on recently to a congregation. I was struck again by the opening three words: "When the Lord..." this makes all the difference! The people of God had been in Exile, torn out of their nation because of sin; but 'When the Lord' stepped in they were Restored, they Rejoiced and they were Revived. Maybe we feel that over these past 18 months we have 'lost' so much and we want to get back to 'normal'! But as the Lord reminded me again through this Psalm, we do not need to go back to 'business as usual' – we need (I need!) a fresh and real visitation from the Lord to Restore us again to Himself and Revive His church with life and power!

We are coming with 'rejoicing' in all that God has enabled us to do this summer and for your vital part in standing with us in prayer as we have endeavoured to go forth with the Gospel. Both our camp centres in Ontario and BC were able to run Residential and Day Camps this summer

with many kids and youth impacted through this outreach. We had children coming for the first time and some never been to a Christian camp before! So many encouraging emails and comments from parents who were so thankful for what was taking place and kids reluctant to come to camp, went away 'rejoicing' and many deeply impacted by the Word. One young girl at the Campbellville Camp, who did not come from a Christian home, went back and shared with her Mom all the 'Wordless Book' lesson and how she needed to hear this!! What an impact even a child can have in a family! Pray on for the precious seed that was sown in young hearts and for lasting fruit to remain as a result. We are also thankful for our own FM staff and summer staff who served so faithfully during the 3 weeks of camp and were greatly used of God.

The Campbellville Centre is now open for overnight Residential use and we are glad to now welcome back groups for retreats and conferences etc. This has been a long time coming but we are trusting God for greater days ahead for the Centre and for the work of the Mission right across Canada. This will be the last update that the Hoover's will be featured in as they now prepare to move at the end of September. We want to express our deepest thanks and gratitude to both Myron &

Janet for their faithful service these past 8 years and for their fellowship in the work of the Mission. They will be missed and we want to uphold them in prayer as they now move to this next step, not knowing all that lies ahead, but knowing who goes before them. As a Mission we ask for your prayers for a suitable couple to fill this vacancy of Camp Managers and that very soon they may be in place to take on this vital ministry here at Campbellville. You will see from the Falkland news that our Camp there had to be evacuated in early August due to the forest fires in BC. They have since returned but as of going to print, they are uncertain what these next days will hold and when they can have groups return to the camp. Please make this a matter of definite prayer!

As a Mission and Board, we will value your continued prayers and support as we go into this Fall and Winter season and what the Lord would have for us. We look forward to our Ontario and Quebec staff being together Sept. 19-21 for staff meetings. May the days that lie ahead be greater than what are behind us!

During July, two of our workers [Janice Evans & Jeff Goudy] lost their fathers quite suddenly, and we continue to uphold them in prayer. Also, some of you will remember Hester Rendall (nee

Dougan) who served for over 35 years with FM in Canada. Just before going to print, we received the news that Hester went to be with the Lord whom she served and loved. She left a tremendous legacy of faithfulness which we will be eternally grateful for.

FUTURE EVENTS AT CAMPBELLVILLE

Outdoor Service: Sept 19 at 6:00 pm

Ladies Retreat: Oct 22-24 (TBC)

Christmas in the Country:
Nov. 19, 20, 23-24, 26-27





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*The plans of the LORD stand firm forever, the purposes of His heart through all generations.
Psalm 33:11*

When we first started looking at summer ministry for 2021 we honestly anticipated that most of our work would be online. Wow, did God have other plans!

Although as a family we really enjoyed preparing the skits for this year's virtual VBS our summer also quickly filled up with many in-person bookings!

We kicked off our summer with a fantastic week working alongside Greenwood Baptist Church in North Bay. We had a great group of kids and would value prayer for 3 in particular who came from a completely non churching background. At the beginning of the week, they thought they would only want to come for the first day, but they showed up every day and one of them, in particular, was eager to answer questions and participate in the Bible stories. We connected with the oldest a little more on the last day and she really opened up to our daughter Elie. We are praying that their neighbour, who attends Greenwood, would continue to sow the seeds of the gospel in their lives! Upon returning

home from Greenwood, April got a call from Conan at the BC camp center with a request to come to teach for the week due to a death in the Evan's family. She was thankful to be able to go and spend a week alongside the staff at the camp and get a feel for what the ministry in BC looks like. As we write this, we are continuing to plan for one more VBS here in Larder Lake. We will be attempting a completely outdoor program and we are excited to see what the Lord does!

As churches began to open up, the calls for Mark to preach began to come in again. We continue to travel to each church as a family, and it has been exciting for all of us to see some familiar faces, and also meet some new people who we haven't connected with before. In particular, we have reconnected with Northern Lights Baptist Church in Iroquois Falls who are without a pastor. Please keep this small church in your prayers as they search. As we look towards the fall it is encouraging to hear talk of a number of churches desiring to work together in different children's ministries. We would value prayer for the planning stages of these programs and for direction for us as to where we are to serve. We thank you for your prayers for the families that we are discipling here, it is so encouraging to watch the Lord work in their lives and direct their decisions.



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*But the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him,
on those whose hope is in his unfailing love.*

Psalms 33:18

It is hard to believe that summer has come and is almost over! In our last update we shared that we had the opportunity to teach at 2 weeks of English day camp at Camp des Iles. Camp was really the start of our summer and we were so excited to have the opportunity to teach in person again. Our first week started off with the realization that at least half of the kids that were attending camp didn't speak any English at all. And while some of the kids were bilingual there were a number who really didn't speak any French so in order that the gospel might go forth we had to teach in both English and French. But God is so faithful and even though we hadn't prepared to teach in French God was with us and we knew His help. The children were attentive and listened well and the second week we were able to teach only in English as the French only kids were not there the second week. At the end of the week the camp director shared that there were a number of kids who were from unchurched homes who had started to pray during the week and were really showing in interest in what they were being

taught. One girl even prayed with her leader to ask Jesus to come into her life. We praise God for this and pray that God would give more opportunities for these kids to learn more about Jesus.

This leads us to a prayer request. A good number of the kids that attend camp also attend the English elementary school in Lachute, including the little girl that prayed with her leader. With this in mind, our hearts have once again been thinking about the Bible Explorers program that had to end early in March 2020 because of Covid and wasn't able to restart this past year as the school wasn't allowing any extracurricular activities. We would really like to see this program back up this fall offering kids a chance to hear God's Word on a regular basis. Please pray with us that God would open the door to minister once again with the children of Lachute and that He would provide the help necessary to run the program. Many of the helpers from previous years all have babies but we trust that God will provide all that is needed for His work. Please pray that God would also give us clear direction for how we can better serve Him and His church this fall, especially as some restrictions are beginning to lift.



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*That which we have seen and heard we proclaim
also to you, so that you too may have fellowship
with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the
Father and with his Son Jesus Christ.*

1 John 1:3

The gospel brings hope in the darkness! This was an amazing summer. Our camp staff did a wonderful job and we could not be more proud! They demonstrated servanthood and love for Jesus beautifully as they worked hard to make sure the camp ran smoothly and that the gospel was presented and shown to all who came through the gate! We were so sad and disappointed when we were evacuated due to wildfires. Cancelling our last two camps was very hard, yet the gospel brings hope! We trust that God had a better plan than these camps even though we may not see it just yet. We now look ahead to a year of ministry that is once again full of unknowns to us, but is completely known and thought through with purpose by our gracious loving God! We plan to continue with Jr & Sr Youth Groups in Falkland as well as Kids Club. We plan to continue to do Bible Study with our camp staff throughout the year as well! Please pray with us for these things that kids and families would come

to know Jesus! Pray also for the church plant in Falkland that will hopefully be starting sometime this year. We are praying that God would continue to lead by His Spirit and that we would listen! We look ahead also to the Ladies Retreats and other possibilities at the camp now that COVID has settled down. God has brought us such hope through Jesus Christ that even when the unexpected and hard things come, we can have joy knowing that God is good!



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It is with genuine love and appreciation that we write this final “THANK YOU” to each and every person who has so faithfully prayed for us, encouraged us and blessed us over the past 8 years. We will be moving at the end of September and our service with Faith Mission will come to a close. Not that we plan to be strangers! We trust that we have completed the job that God brought us to do and now look for what His plans will be for the future. We know that He will never leave us or forsake us and that His ways, although often unknown, are always best and for our good.

At the beginning of 2021 God impressed this little poem on my heart 3 times in 3 different ways, and it has been the foundational thought for the year and so now, I leave it with all of you...

And I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year:

“Give me light that I may tread safely into the unknown.”

And he replied:

“Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the Hand of God.

that shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way.”

So I went forth, and finding the Hand of God, trod gladly into the night.

And He led me towards the hills and the breaking of day in the lone East.

So heart be still:

What need our little life
Our human life to know,
If God hath comprehension?
In all the dizzy strife
Of things both high and low,
God hideth His intention.

God knows, His will
Is best, The stretch of years
Which wind ahead, so dim
To our imperfect vision,
Are clear to God. Our fears
Are premature; In Him,
All time hath full provision.

Then rest: until
God moves to lift the veil
From our impatient eyes,
When, as the sweeter features
Of Life's stern face we hail,
Fair beyond all surmise
God's thought around His creatures
Our mind shall fill.

“God Knows” by Minnie Louise Haskins

ADDRESS ON REVIVAL

by Rev. Duncan Campbell

**WILL YOU NOT REVIVE us again:
that Your people may rejoice in You?**
(Psalm 85.6)

These words of the Psalmist express the heart-cry of many of God's children today. There is a growing conviction everywhere, and especially among thoughtful people, that unless revival comes, other forces will take the field. With that conviction there is also a deepening hunger for a fresh manifestation of God. The prayer of many can be seen in the Prophet's words: "*Oh that You would render the heavens and come down*". Yet today, we have a Christianity made easy as an accommodation to an age that is unwilling to face the implication of Calvary, and the gospel of 'easy believism' has produced a harvest of professions which have done untold harm to the cause of Christ. We use all the modern means and facilities for the propagation of the gospel, but as we look back over much activity in church work and witness, what do we see? Not flags of victory but gravestones of defeat! So we are today faced with the need – pressing and urgent – for God to manifest His power: the need of a God-sent Holy Ghost revival.

THE ORIGIN OF REVIVAL

"Will You not...?" We do well to remember that in the whole field of Christian experience, the first step is with God: thought, feeling, and endeavor must find their basis and inspiration in the sover-

eign mercy of God. To me, one of the most disturbing features of present-day evangelism is the over-emphasis on what man can do, and I believe this to be the reason why we so often fail to get men and women to make the contact with Christ that is vital. The Apostle Paul puts it in clear light in his letter to the Galatians, when he writes: "it pleased God to reveal His Son in me." The fact of ultimate reality, surely, is this, that salvation is of God. He is the God of revival, and we must look to Him and to Him alone. I have already referred to the cry of the prophet Isaiah -- his convictions were that the mountains would flow, and nations would tremble only when God came down. In other words, he is just saying that nothing will happen unless there is a mighty demonstration of God. It is my own deep conviction that the average man is not going to be impressed by our publicity, our posters or our programs, but let there be a demonstration of the supernatural in the realm of religion, and at once man is arrested. I have seen this happen over and over again during the recent movement in the Western Isles. Suddenly an awareness of God would take hold of a community, and, under the pressure of this divine presence, men and women would fall prostrate on the ground, while their cry of distress was made the means in God's hand, to awaken the indifferent who had sat unmoved for years under the preaching of the gospel.

THE AGENCY OF REVIVAL

"Will You not revive us again that Your people...?" God is the God of revival. But we must not believe in any conception of God's sovereignty that nullifies man's responsibility. We are the human agents through whom revival is possible. To say, as so many do, "We can do nothing," may be a very accommodating doctrine to

"them that are at ease in Zion", but it will not stand in the light of Divine revelation. Samuel Chadwick, in his book 'Humanity and God', writes: "The operation of Divine sovereignty and the freedom of human will are not irreconcilable to the wisdom of God. Our responsibility is not in the explanation of mystery, but in obedience to obligation and privilege."

I wonder if we are really alive to our responsibility and privilege. I have read that Robert Murray McCheyne had the picture of the setting sun painted on the dial of his watch, and underneath written, *"The night cometh"*. Every time he looked at his watch, he was reminded of his responsibility as a minister of the gospel. If we study the life of the early disciples, we see how their whole being was animated and actuated by one great purpose -- to be at their best for God.

I am disturbed by the attitude of the Church in general toward evangelism or revival. By evangelism I do not mean just an effort to get people back into the Church; this effort, while commendable, does not get us very far. What I mean is something much more: it is the getting of men and women into vital, saving and covenant relationship with Jesus Christ, and so supernaturally altered that holiness will characterize their whole being. It seems to me that the time has come when we must, with open mind and true heart, face ourselves with unqualified honesty and ask the question: "Am I alive to my responsibility as a labourer in God's vineyard?" How easy it is to live more or less in the enjoyment of God's free grace, and yet not realize that we are called to fulfil a divinely appointed purpose. So what, then, is the essential to re-

covery and revival? Surely a whole-hearted desire to be right with God, to stand before Him in an adjusted relationship and to say with Hezekiah of old: *"Now it is in mine heart to make a covenant with the Lord God of Israel."*

THE OUTCOME OF REVIVAL

"Revival," said Professor James S. Stewart, *"is a new discovery of Jesus":* God becoming real in the midst of men. I have known the Spirit of God laying hold of a community in such a way that you would hardly meet a person that was not seeking after God. Is it not of the reality of God's presence in revival power that Paul is writing -- *"For God who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, has shone in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ"*? Brethren, is this light visible in us? Are our lives, are our churches, lights that mark the road that leads men to the Lamb?

"Perishing, Perishing! Thou wast not willing; Master, forgive, and inspire us anew; Banish our worldliness, help us ever to live with eternity's values in view."

May God help us to make this our prayer!

This message was first published by The Faith Mission in 1964 and was originally an address given by Rev. Duncan Campbell to a group of Ministers in England.



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This summer has been a great time of ministry. Sam completed his 13 lesson Sunday School series on “the Doctrine of Scripture” in May. He had begun a new series in June on, “The Church and the gifts of grace,” with the aim to stir up the churches’ heart for Christ and the glorious blessing that is experienced when local churches gather to the glory of God and the good of each member. In July, Sam served the Crossroads Congregational Church in Scotland Ontario by preaching two messages from the Song of Solomon. These were placed on his heart as their pastor had retired, and eventually will be looking for a new pastor. He encouraged them with, “Christ’s love for the Church and the Church’s love for Christ,” and “Pleasing the Lord, An Aroma of Christ.” The messages and their aim were well received. In June, Nicholette and the children served the neighbourhood by having a crafts table in our front yard. Each day they did different crafts and played. This was a blessing as most children didn’t have a summer camp to go to. For the first time since we joined the Faith Mission (In Canada) we experienced the Faith Mission Bible Camp as a family. From July 19th-23rd we served the “Discovery” kids camp. Nicholette did the crafts table with Emma and Sam assisted Tim. We all had a blast. Our love and appreciation for the Faith Mission family, in general, and the Bible camp, specifically, has grown as a result. For the

last week of July, Sam served our local church VBS as a leader (with Juliette and Aaliyah). We have taken the month of August off for some much needed rest, but also to pray and think about the new season of ministry coming in September. Sam already has two Sundays of preaching a month until December, and Nicholette is home-schooling, but we are praying for what God wants to do for the rest of 2021 and 2022, and very much need your prayers to that end. Thank you for your faithful prayers and support!





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*And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due
season we shall reap, if we faint not.
Gal. 6:9*

We are thankful for this wonderful promise from God! In the last couple of months we have seen three people who we have prayed for and shared the gospel with come to the Lord and find freedom in Christ. We praise Him for His faithfulness! The summer VBS/day camps are going even better than we imagined. Thank you to everyone who has been praying! We are grateful for each of the boys and girls who have been coming and for the opportunity to get to know them and their families more. We have five "Faith in Action" sports training camps and two "Wonderfully Made" Bible Art Journalling camps. The kids have been working hard, having fun and listening well! We have loved the discussion times about the Bible with the kids and studying Psalm 139 and the Gospel. They love the missionary stories and all seem to have soft hearts towards the things of God. We had a special guest speaker at the third sports camp- Rebecca Smith (2021 Olympic silver medalist in swimming from Red Deer) She came and shared about her life and faith and it was such a bless-

ing. It's been really wonderful to be able to work with Annah for the Bible Art Journalling camps and Caleb took time to come and help us with a week of the sports camps. They were a great help and encouragement. We are also very thankful for some amazing young men (Sam and Matt) who have also been coming to help out when they are able. God is faithful! This fall we will continue with our regular schedule of prayer meetings, discipleship, Bible Studies, evangelism and speaking/preaching. In closing, we just want to thank everyone who prayed for our family and for those who sent cards and encouragement during the difficult and sudden passing of Jeff's dad on July 9. He was such an amazing man of God and he is greatly missed. Gal. 6:9 is a verse that we think of when we think of His life and testimony- strong, steadfast and persevering. We thank God for a father and grandfather who took prayer seriously, trusted God and was unashamed of the Gospel.



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Thank you all for your faithful prayers! This has been an exciting summer as things have begun to open and returning to a deeper feeling of normal. That being said we decided to put together another Virtual VBS so that churches could run a virtual program if they wanted or use the videos at a in person gathering. If you are looking for something fun and educational to watch with your Children, Grand Children, nieces or Nephews, you can find the Video content on our YouTube page. Faith Mission Canada under the VBS playlist tab. This year we used the Go Fish resources package Victory and looked at the Victory we can have in Christ! It was really great to join the other Faith Mission staff at Campbelleville for both teen and tween Day camp. It was a great privilege to be able to share the Good news of Jesus with young people in a camp setting again! It was great to see God working in the lives of young people. I Also, joined Roblin Wesleyan Church for their Teen Day camp as the Tuesday morning mentor (Bible teacher) and a team leader. It was encouraging to see how God moved in the lives of a few teens and I had the privilege of praying with some of them on the Wednesday morning.

This fall I will be assisting Verona Free Methodist with youth again please pray for us as we seek direction on what that could look like. At Wilton Church we have decided to discontinue youth

and focus on bringing back the Kids club. There has been a dwindling interest from the community for a youth group, but the pastor and I feel a kids club would be what is needed/wanted in the community. It's always good to be asking ourselves what is the best way to reach our community with the Gospel? I am also taking on the interim Children's Ministry Director role at Bay Park Baptist Church until the permanent Director starts in October. Last year I taught at the kids club hosted by Westdale Park Free Methodist Church. We are praying about how we can better meet the needs of the community. to share the Gospel with them. Please be in prayer as we seek God's leading and pray for me as I continue to work with churches in this area





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*The LORD is good, a stronghold in the day of
trouble; He knows those who take refuge in Him.
Nahum 1:7*

Nahum 1:7 is one of the Bible verses we taught campers this past summer, and it has been a constant reminder of God's goodness, protection, and provision. We were absolutely thrilled when Covid restrictions lifted enough in June for us to run a few Family Camps. People were so ready to gather again!! One group in particular was an incredible outreach, and we anticipate what God will continue to do. Our staff have been amazing at serving in so many different ways, from cleaning to food prep to program details, and of course, serving kids and adults with love and enthusiasm. We are so grateful for each one. We praise God that most restrictions lifted July 1 allowing us to run overnight camps, pretty well back to normal, and this summer, we had the largest camps yet. How exciting to hear from a local pastor that one of his youth returned from camp desiring baptism! When Janice's dad, 90, took seriously ill in July, and passed away the next day, we left quickly for Saskatchewan, and wonderful volunteers stepped up to fill the gap at camp. What a precious time with family celebrating a life lived for Jesus, serving others. Janice was able to stay with her mom for a week in Assisted Living.

We're learning a lot about grieving. The agony, mixed with rejoicing that dad is now in heaven, is difficult to comprehend or control. We rest in our Savior, the great Comforter to give peace. The day after returning from dad's funeral, we were evacuated due to fire threats in the area. Unfortunately, Squirt Camp and Extreme Camp were cancelled as a result. Though very disappointing, we trust that God had His plans and reasons. The fires were close, in an L shape around Falkland, and the smoke was very thick at times, but we praise God for His protection over the camp, and our generous, kind, provision while evacuated. This Fall, we anticipate a number of rental groups, as well as 4 One-Day Ladies Retreats Sept. 24, 25, Oct 1, 2, and a Marriage Enrichment Retreat Oct 15-17. Christmas in the Valley banquets are scheduled for Nov. 24-27. Thank you for your prayers and support. Please continue to pray for ministries in Falkland area this Fall.



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*Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without
wavering, for he who promised is faithful.
Hebrews 10:23*

I am thankful that we can trust in a Faithful God! That He gives us hope today on earth and also has promised our salvation and the return of his Son, Jesus Christ! It seems that the summer flew by very quickly! After much preparation for summer camp, it was wonderful to finally get to the day when the campers came! It was my first summer at a Faith Mission camp and I enjoyed getting to know the kids as I helped with registration, serving lunch and Tuck time!

The last week of camp I was a group leader for teen camp, and it was definitely stretching! It was a lesson to me again that I needed to be dependant on the Lord for wisdom during small group time and pray for strength during the heat! It was a blessing to see the Lord working in hearts and in friendships throughout the week. Please continue to pray that the seeds planted during these weeks will continue to grow and flourish! It was also wonderful to be able to get to know Faith Mission staff better as we worked together

at camp, as well as the great camp staff that served over the three weeks. I was encouraged and blessed by our morning camp staff devotional and prayers times. It was such a joy to be able to fellowship with other believers after a year of limited gatherings.

I would appreciate your prayers as I catch up on some office duties that were put aside during camp. There are several time sensitive projects that are needing to be completed in the next couple of weeks and September will be the end of our fiscal year.

I am also planning on taking a week off at the end of September to spend some time in nature. I would appreciate your prayers that this time will be refreshing and restful as I seek to spend time with the Lord! Thank you for your prayers and support!





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