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*Abraham believed God, and it was  
counted to him for righteousness.*

*Romans 4:3*

At the beginning of the year we met with our FM staff 'online' for 3 days of prayer and fellowship. This was such a powerful and special time together as we sought the Lord for the work of the Mission and for our own lives and families. The above verse I shared with the workers as I was struck again by the question: Do I [we] really believe God? Are we known as those who have "*the faith*" of Abraham? In this passage we were reminded again that Abraham (1) believed God, (2) believed against hope, (3) believed in spite of weakness and (4) believed and did not waiver. What a challenge this is to us as we face tomorrow with its problems 'great and small', we must believe God and have the faith to believe that He can do "*great and mighty things that you do not know*" (Jeremiah 33:3).

We are so thankful for what God has enabled us to do over the past months leading into 2022 and the open doors for ministry with Faith Mission. Our Sno' Camps were planned for late January and early February, but with current restrictions we had to

rethink our "game plan" and cancel our overnight camp. We were still pleased to be able to offer an alternative 'Family Winter Event' on the two Saturday's reaching around 50 kids and their families. What a wonderful opportunity to reach into the lives of children and youth with the life-changing message of the Gospel! We are now gearing up for our forthcoming Men's Retreats at the Camp and God-willing to recommencing our Youth Leadership Training (YLT) over March Break. We are glad to see groups using the facility again at Campbellville and the reports have been so encouraging of how many have met with the Lord here! Do reach out to us if your church or fellowship would like to have a retreat or gathering here in the future. We have been glad of the help one-day-a-week at the Camp from David & Noah (Germany) who have been staying at the Mission house and also working with YFC in Milton. They are working with Liebenzell Mission of Canada and are doing an internship with them for a year.



Thank you for praying for us in the need for an Office Administrator at Head Office. We are pleased to announce that Jen Welbourn (formerly Armitage) has agreed to return as our Interim Office Administrator. Jen is familiar with Faith Mission work having served with us in the past and is a wonderful asset at this time. Do pray for her in this role as she interacts with people and supports the work in this very practical way. You can reach out to her through the office email: [office@faithmissioncanada.org](mailto:office@faithmissioncanada.org)

The need for Camp Managers at our Campbellville Centre is still very much a matter of prayer and seeking a suitable couple to fill this necessary position. If you know of a 'Holy, Hospitable and Handy' couple that are feeling led in this way, then please reach out to us for a Job Description and further details: [director@faithmissioncanada.org](mailto:director@faithmissioncanada.org). Heading into the Spring, we look to God for signs of 'new life' in the ministry God is calling us to. We trust that this will not only be a time of sowing but also reaping for the Kingdom. Would you commit to praying with us to this end? Thank you in advance for standing with us as we "hold forth the word of life" across Canada!



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*Serving Meals at  
Christmas in the Country*

## FUTURE EVENTS AT CAMPBELLVILLE

**Youth Leadership Training:** March 13-17

**Hymn Sing & Lunch:** April 13

**Work Bee @ Camp:** May 14

**Ladies Spring Retreats:** May 27-29 or June 3-5

**Thirsting for God (TBC):** June 24-26

**Summer Camps x3:** July 11-29

*Contact the Office or go to 'Ontario Events' on our website for details.*







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*Only fear the Lord and serve him faithfully  
with all your heart. For consider what great  
things he has done for you*  
1 Samuel 12:24

April is just finishing a study on the book of Esther that has been a wonderful reminder of how God takes situations that seem hopeless and works them for His good and His glory. Even amid the various challenges faced through the government shutdowns, we continue to see the hand of the Lord and are so thankful that all he is asking of us is to take the next step with him!

Thursday night youth group and Wednesday night kids club continued to go well throughout the Fall and will now resume after a break for Christmas. April also continues to work with Living Faith church in recording and editing their children's program videos; a project that our family has enjoyed sharing in! Although Mark's preaching schedule had begun to slow a bit throughout the Fall, it is again picking up, and over the next few months he has several bookings to preach both in person and over zoom. Our Ladies' Bible study will continue to meet over zoom for the foreseeable future as shift work and childcare make in-person meetings a challenge. We will be starting

a study on 1st and 2nd Peter in February and would value prayer that God would continue to speak to the hearts of the ladies who attend. We have also begun to plan for summer work and are very hopeful that we will be able to schedule a number of in-person VBS programs. Thank you again for your many prayers for our work here and our family!



*Recording a Children's Ministry Video*



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*The heart of man plans his way,  
but the LORD establishes his steps.  
Proverbs 16:9*

Although these continue to be strange times, we rest in the fact that nothing takes God by surprise and that He is sovereign over all the earth. We had made plans for the beginning of this New Year to re-start the Bible Explorers' program which stopped abruptly back in March 2020 when Covid came onto the scene. However, 2022 started out with added restrictions yet again which did not allow the ministry to take place. Québec seems to have the tightest restrictions in Canada, which are really impacting the church at this present time.

Since January churches have been closed and we are not sure when they will legally be permitted to open. When they do open, churches have been told that by law only those with a vaccine passport will legally be able to attend. Many churches are refusing to open only for those with a vaccine passport and choose to remain closed. Until everyone is permitted to come. Others have said that they will open and not hinder anyone from coming. At the moment though, churches are

just closed, although some people are choosing to meet in homes. These are challenging times as people in the church are divided as to what they feel is right. Please pray for those in leadership, that they would know the heart and mind of Christ in these days and would have wisdom for every difficult choice they face. Pray that the congregations would be supportive of their leaders and loving towards one another, though they may have different convictions. We sense that churches are being divided but we know that God is able to do an even greater work in the midst of these unprecedented times. Pray that we would be a light and encouragement as many are discouraged with all that is taking place.

Despite restrictions Rob still has some opportunities to preach and he is also working on a course at the moment which will finish this Spring. He is looking forward to heading to the Campbellville for the men's retreat in February. Debra continues to mentor and counsel and appreciates the one-on-one personal ministry. We have little scheduled ministry but just keep looking to God to open doors and use as where He wants us.



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We have entered a new year since we last updated you, so Happy 2022! 2021 was a fruitful year of ministry and we thank you for your faithful prayers and support. We ended the year with a community outreach by singing Christmas Carols door-to-door (see picture). It was a great blessing to many and it put our hearts in the right place as we sang of the true reason for the season. As we look at the 2022 ministry calendar, we are thankful for lots of opportunities to glorify God:

**Faith Mission Prayer Unions**  
in Simcoe & Beamsville (Once a month)

**Family Snow Day** at Campbellville  
Nicholette and the kids enjoyed serving hot chocolate, helping with the campfire, and sledging with the group that came out on the 29th.

**Men's Retreat** Campbellville  
(February 18-19 & 25-26)

**Faith Mission Ministry Update**  
@ Trinity Baptist Church, Burlington (April 24)

**Weekly Prayer Meeting for Key Bible Club**  
in Caledonia

Sam continues to get preaching requests. He started the year with a sermon on *Loving Christ, and, Being A People of Truth*. He is working on some sermons on Hosea for our home church and the *Parables of Jesus* for a church in Hagersville. As more requests to minister are coming in, he asks that you pray for his growth in preaching, for his heart to be full of love, and that he would be faithful. As you know, Sam and a group of people were doing door-to-door evangelism in 2020 and have almost completed Caledonia. He hopes to resume this initiative and complete it this year. He prayerfully anticipates engaging in street evangelism again, and Lord willing, open-air preaching in the summer.

Nicholette continues to connect with neighbours. She regularly ministers to a lady in need. They have also been utilizing meaningful opportunities through a local homeschool group. In preparation for Valentines Day, they have begun making cards that express the love of God to seniors in the Hamilton-Niagara area. They also plan to visit 'River's Edge Haven of Hope' to learn how this farm ministry serves young people who need the love of God. We also recently visited the local church in Mount Hope and were happy to learn of their monthly prayer walks in the community, which we plan to join.

As for our ministry with Key Bible Clubs, we continue to focus weekly on prayer as the schools remain closed to us. However, we have one answer to prayer - a couple of families are open to having their children come to the church for club! We hope this is the start of something new. With all the above, we look to the Lord for His presence and transforming power to accomplish His work, and that with your prayers. Thank you in advance for continuing to stand with us as we minister in Southern Ontario.

*Top Right: Serving at FM Camp During Their Sno Day  
Bottom Right: Christmas Carol Outreach*



## LIVING IN THE LIGHT OF THE NEW CREATION: A REFLECTION ON 2 CORINTHIANS 5:17

*By Pastor Joe Barnard*

The New Testament often uses the image of being awakened to describe the lived experience of faith. To be unconverted is not just to sit in darkness; it is to be asleep. The unbelieving man is spiritually detached from reality. He is living in delusion, unaware of truths that ought to have a greater impact on his life than the ground beneath his feet, the sun in the sky, and the air that he breathes.

Now, it is a strange experience to be awakened from a deep sleep, especially if one has radically changed locations. I'll never forget traveling to Egypt to study as a young man. I arrived late at night after a full day of flying. A family picked me up that I had never met before. I was taken to their apartment and brought to a bedroom where I would be staying for the next couple of weeks. Jet lagged and delirious, I stumbled into bed.

The next day I woke up in the early afternoon. I didn't know what time it was, where I was staying, or anything about the world around me. I remember looking through the window and seeing sandy lawns and palm trees. I felt as if I was standing at the intersection of two worlds, one old and familiar and one new and unknown.

The situation of Christians is similar to this. After coming to faith, our bodies continue to inhabit the same physical world that we have known from birth. And yet after hearing the gos-

pel something is startlingly new. A light has shone on our hearts that makes truths evident that previously we could not perceive, imagine, or understand. Like newborn infants, we are thrown into dimensions of existence that are as new and unfamiliar as they are exciting and unexpected.

In light of this dramatic change, one of the primary responsibilities of every Christian is to reorient himself using the fixed truths of the gospel. This is what Paul means when he makes statements such as 'So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus' (Romans 6:11) and 'Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come' (2 Corinthians 5:17). For Paul, the gospel is not a set of religious ideas suspended from reality like clouds in the sky. The gospel is a statement of historical facts. This means that, for Paul, learning about the gospel is a lot like reading a topographical map. The gospel orients us. It tells us where we've come from, where we are going, where we are located right now, and in which direction we need to get moving.

Now for Christian discipleship nothing is more important than getting an accurate read on where we are situated before God. One of Satan's favorite tactics is to convince us that we are walking on the boggy ground of condemnation and guilt when in fact we are



standing on the solid rock of grace and forgiveness. Satan constantly sends out mixed signals to try to confuse us about our status in Christ. The best defense for this is to pull out our map of the gospel and to remind ourselves of our location. We need to look back and remember that, when Christ died, we died. This means there is no more condemnation for us. Equally, we need to look ahead and see that, if Christ was raised, then we, too, will be raised. This means that there is no more despair for us. Thus, being reminded of our position before God, we can journey on in confidence having shed the dead weight of confusion, doubt, shame, and guilt.

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*Campbellville Sno Day Fun*





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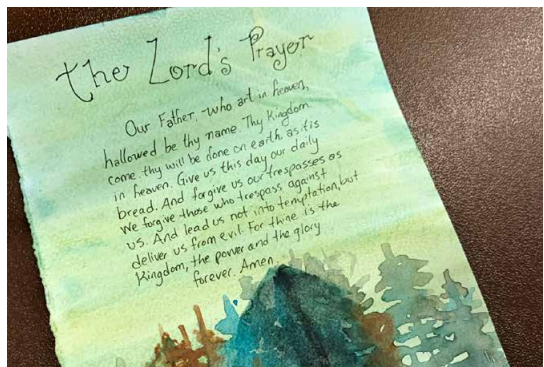
*And I will give them a heart to know me,  
that I am the Lord: and they shall be my  
people, and I will be their God: for they shall  
return unto me with their whole heart.*  
Jeremiah 24:7

This is a prayer that we have been praying, and that others are praying in the prayer groups that we are involved in each week. That God would open people's eyes to who He is, and open their hearts to surrender to Him and trust in Him. We have specifically been praying for people in our communities that in those times when they are in bed and trying to fall asleep or when they are just waking up and everything is quiet, that God will speak to their hearts. That He would convict them and draw them to Himself. That He will bless them and show mercy because of His unfailing love and according to His great compassion. Just like He has done for us. He truly is the treasure!

We are thankful for how He is answering prayer as we continue to hear people sharing about how much they have been thinking of God lately, or that they are feeling the need to go to church and to take their family to church. Many stories of people wanting to start reading and studying the

Bible. Others saying, they feel that "something is missing" in their lives and wondering if it's God. Please continue to pray for revival and for the manifest presence of God to be made known in these days- our nation needs saving from something far greater than COVID and Jesus is the answer. Pray that we will be faithful as we have opportunities to share and that people will turn to God with all of their hearts and trust in Christ for salvation. We are trusting in His work, His way. And we thank Him every day that we get to spend our lives pointing others to the Saviour, thank you for partnering with us in prayer! If you want to know more about the work in Alberta, do reach out to us.





Bible Art Journaling Event







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There have been a lot of changes since the last time we wrote this update! Beau Arndt was born late November and has been such a joy to us all. We are thankful that the other three kids have adjusted well and all show him much love. We took a break from Kids Clubs and Youth Groups for Christmas and ever since we have been back, we have been battling against the sickness of leaders and students, but we feel that we are nearing the end of it and we will be able to continue as normal very soon. We are thankful that all of our weekly programs are going well and that the Gospel is being heard and seeds are being planted. We continue to hold monthly gatherings in Falkland and have been so encouraged by the outcome and that God is being worshiped in our town! We are thankful to be preparing for Summer Camps and excited to see the registrations and applications flooding in. We are praying that God would cause many to fall on their knees before Him this summer! Thank you for your continued prayers for what God is doing here in the Okanagan!

*Top Right: Beau Arndt*  
*Middle Right: Helping Out*  
*Bottom Right: Christmas Youth Outreach*







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*For as the waters fill the sea, the earth will be  
filled with an awareness of the glory of God.  
Habakkuk 2:14*

Thank you all for your dedicated prayers! I had the privilege recently of sharing with children at Church the need for missions in Canada. It was a shock to some of them to learn that there are children (honestly adults too) right in their communities who have never heard of Jesus, apart from a swear word. Children who have never heard God loves them or know the story of David and Goliath. We really do live in a post Christian society! The need for the spread of the Gospel in our “own back yards” as it were, has never been greater! Pastor Dave and I are planning on re-starting Verona Youth the first week of February depending on to Covid restrictions. We are going to attempt to have Junior Youth for grades 5-6 and Youth Group for grades 7-10. We have some community interest in the older group, but time will tell. Please pray for this endeavour as in the past we have had many community teens with no church background attend.

Over these last few years, I have been attending a Zoom Prayer meeting at Parkway Church. It is a

new church plant in Bath, Ontario. In the beginning of this Church plant, I was involved in providing Children's ministry for their Church plant meetings. They have had several people come to know Christ and many people who have not attended Church in years have started attending. It has been wonderful to partner with them in prayer for the community and spread of the Gospel. Mid-February I am joining the prayer team on the day of their online Prayer and Worship event.



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*And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.*  
*Philippians 1:9-11*

Summer is coming!!! And we are so excited about a full calendar of camps, retreats, and family reunions. Registrations and camp staff applications started pouring in back in January!! God is blessing us with amazing staff once again. We are also thrilled with the new volunteers who have given of their time and talents over the winter months, cleaning, baking, painting, and renovating. Much has been accomplished. The Staff Lodge received the biggest transformation, replacing old bath tubs, soundproofing the rooms, and adding a kitchenette to the suite. Speakers and volunteers will enjoy a comfortable private spot. The freezers have been filled with cookie balls ready to bake, prepped meats, desserts, and more. Storage spaces have been better organized. The pantry has been well stocked. Camp program resources have been prepared.

## WE'RE BEGINNING TO GET READY FOR CAMPERS!!

We have been so excited and hopeful for a more regular summer of camp, hopefully, without covid and without fires!! This is our 11th summer serving as Camp Managers. We give God all the glory and praise for the lives He has touched throughout the years. Ministry in Falkland has also been encouraging. The growing interest in Kids Klub, Youth, and regular church services is very exciting. It's so wonderful to feel more of a family with our Falkland friends. Thank you for your prayers.



## **FUTURE EVENTS AT FALKLAND**

**Spring Banquets at the Camp:** April 6, 7, 8

**Family/Marriage Retreat:** May 13-15

**Staff Training:** June 29-July 3

**Teen Camp:** July 3-8

**Junior 1:** July 17-22

**Family Camp:** July 22-24

**Junior 2:** July 24-29

**Squirt Camp:** August 8

**Extreme Camp (ages 14-17):** August 10-13

**Young Adults Retreat:** August 19-21





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