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O taste and see that the LORD is good Ps. 43:8

Since our last update, we continue to rejoice in God's provision of Camp Managers (Macfarlanes) at our Campbellville Centre and how well they have been fitting in and adjusting to the work. It is also good to see the centre fully booked now into 2023 with our own events and churches using the facility for retreats etc. Both our Campbellville and Falkland centres continue to be places of renewal and refreshment for many people, young and old, and many testify of meeting with God in this place. Back in late June we were glad to be back with our Thirsting for God conference on the grounds of the Camp Centre and to see so many people join us, especially young adults, as we met to be refreshed and revived in our walk with God. It certainly was a powerful time in God's presence.

***Remember, you can listen online to our past conferences and retreats: go to: www.faimissioncanada.org/resources/sermons*

Thank you for praying for our Camp Ministry this past summer at Campbellville. Even though we were thankful during 2020 and 2021 to be able to run Day Camps, we were glad to be back for Overnight Camps this summer and to see both old and

new faces! Quite a number of the children had not been to a Christian camp before and this was all new to them, but they entered in well to the program, activities and chapel times. They listened intently as the Gospel was presented and we were thrilled at one of the camps when 2 sisters trusted the Lord for Salvation! Many others testified of God working in their lives and the impact that camp had upon them. Even though camp ministry is exhausting and tiring, it is very rewarding and powerful as we see what God has done in young lives and what He is continuing to do even after it is over! As you will read the reports from the other FM workers and their summer ministry, we pray you will be encouraged and blessed in what God has been doing. And continue to pray that the seeds sown will as yet bear fruit and bring forth a harvest of souls to God's glory.

As we enter into the Fall season and ministries starting up across the work, we are thankful for the open doors God is continuing to give to us in FM Canada and the opportunities to serve in areas where there is little or no Gospel work. But as we look across our great nation, we see the fields are still "white and ready for harvest, but the labourers are few". Will you pray with us that God will raise up more workers for His harvest field and thrust them out into needy areas of our land where God's Word needs to be heard! Also pray for God's provision for the

work knowing that 'God's work done in God's way will not lack God's supply'. He is able! We hope that during this Fall and Winter season we will see some of you at our upcoming Events but most of all, that we will sense your prayerful support as we move out in faith, seeking first God's Kingdom.

FUTURE EVENTS

Hymn Sing & Lunch: Oct 5

Fall Ladies Retreat (*Tatiana Nadeau*): Oct 21-23

Fergus Men's Conference (*Ken Davis*): Nov 5

Christmas in the Country:

Nov 18-19, 22-23, 25-26

For all events RSVP to the head office or online under 'Ontario Events'.



Emma teaching the Chapel at Discovery Camp



Around the Campfire

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These last couple months have been a wonderful experience. We moved to the Faith Mission in June, and got our toes wet with mowing the lawn and cleaning the centre. Very quickly we arrived at our Thirsting for God Conference and staff meetings. We felt very welcomed into the Faith Mission family and have been blessed with more help than we knew what to do with.

We had a lot of learning ahead of us as camp preparations began. The three weeks of summer camp went really well. It was hard at first not being as deeply involved with the campers, but we were really blessed in the kitchen. It is a unique aspect of camp ministry that allows us to pour into the kids' lives as they approach us. They have no tie to us because we aren't their assigned counselors but they come when they want a little chat. We count it an honour to be a link in the chain of the next generation's experiences with Christ. We also really appreciated getting to know our fellow workers during the different weeks at camp. To see their desire to discipline believers and reaching lost souls was very stirring. We are excited to continue serving alongside them for the glory of Christ.

Looking ahead, we have a few more church retreats booked for the final weekends this sum-

mer and some sprinkled through the fall. God has been working in many lives this summer, but He hasn't finished yet! We have Ladies Retreats coming up in October, with Christmas in the Country banquets in November. Thank you so much for remembering us in your prayers as we balance work and family time.



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Thirsting for God Conference, June 2022





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Jesus looked at them and said, "With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God."

Mark 10:27

We are so thankful for all of your prayers for our family over the spring and summer months. As many of you know, April was in a car accident at the end of May. Although it did slow her down for a few weeks, we praise God that she recovered quickly and was able to move on with summer ministry as planned. Our VBS programs went quite well overall, with only a few bumps in the road along the way. In the end, over 90 children were reached with the gospel between Englehart, North Bay and Kirkland Lake. A large percentage of those were kids from unchurched homes. We are confident that His Word does not return void, and the Lord will be using the memory verses and songs that were learned to reach families for His glory. Please pray for the churches to be able to maintain contact with these families and reach out to them all throughout the year. We are thrilled to have been asked to partner with Good Shepherd Church in Englehart to start a kid's club there in September. We have done VBS with them for many years, and there were many enthusiastic kids this summer who are looking forward to a weekly club where they can learn more. We are

still working out some details with them but aim to be up and running by mid-September. Our daughter Elie broke her foot during the first week of camp in Campbellville, Mark was able to join her there for the next two weeks and be a help around the camp centre as well as attend her follow-up appointment in Milton. It was a minor fracture with ligament damage that is expected to heal well, so we are able to continue to follow up in the North now.

We look forward to the Fall and the continuation of our partnership with Living Faith Assembly in the youth group there. We know many of the teens are eager to get back. We definitely covet your prayers for more volunteers for this ministry in particular, as there are more kids who will be of age to attend, and we already had a large group for the number of leaders. Please also keep the teens in your prayers. Many come from very broken homes, and we know the summer months with no school and more home time will have been difficult. Mark's preaching schedule for the Fall is also filling up quickly. We appreciate prayer on Sundays as we travel for him to do pulpit supply. Some Sundays, we drive up to an hour and a half one way. Please pray for the churches who are continuing to try and find a Pastor after long vacancies, it can get discouraging.



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How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ.

Romans 10:14, 17

We thank God for the opportunities He has brought our way to share the gospel and pour into the lives of believers over the course of this summer. As we write this, we have only completed half of our summer ministry and while things have been a little hectic, we have been so blessed! So far, we have had the opportunity to teach at a kid's camp in Québec and the Teen Camp at our FM Centre in Campbellville. The children's camp went well as the kids listened well during the chapel times. Several kids were unchurched, but we trust many seeds were planted and the truths they heard will be retained. The Teen Camp also went well, and the youth were attentive. We heard several good reports from those who had been encouraged throughout the week and we praise God for this blessing! We have three Vacation Bible Camps coming up in the next three weeks. We had previously asked for prayer for a French Vacation Bible Camp in our area that the Lord had laid on our hearts to organize and this is

now planned for August 15 – 19. We still have much preparation to do for this, but we're excited to be able to serve our local churches and our community in this way. There will be helpers from three different churches, and it will be such a huge blessing seeing God's people working together for the sake of the gospel! We heard from one lady that this Vacation Bible Camp is an answer to her prayers, and this has brought us so much encouragement! We look forward to sharing with you how things go, and the amazing ways God will work.

As we head into this Fall, we would appreciate prayers for wisdom and direction. We currently have a fairly open schedule, and we are praying God would make it clear to us how we can best serve now that it appears churches will be able to do ministry as usual. We are praying about various opportunities and are looking to God to unfold His good, pleasing, and perfect plan for us in the area He has called us to serve in. Thank you so much for your precious prayers!



EVANGELISM - THE HAND OF ELEAZAR

By Pastor Harold Peasley

In 2 Samuel 23 we read an account of David's mighty men. Of special interest is one called Eleazar. Verses 9 & 10 speak of Eleazar, "The son of Dodo", and how he defeated the Philistines after the men of Israel had retreated. Verse 10 says, "He arose and attacked the Philistines until his hand was weary and his hand stuck to the sword". What a picture of determination and commitment! This teaches some important truths:

1. THE SPIRIT IT REVEALED

A willingness to fight:

The battle is on against the forces of darkness and the winning of the lost. Listen to the heart of William Booth of the Salvation Army who said:

- While children go without food, I'll fight
- While homes are being wrecked by booze, I'll fight
- While drunkards carry on like animals, I'll fight
- While prisons are full of people, I'll fight.

An ability to follow:

Eleazar followed his leader King David. He learnt from him and was not prepared to give up. Unfortunately many like John Mark, who travelled with Paul, gave up, but not Eleazar!!

The need to use what you have:

He showed faith in the weapon that was in his hand and used it in a miraculous manner. What is the weapon in our hands? Our weapon is the Gospel, let's use it unashamedly.

An example to follow:

It was said of John Wesley -

- He gave away £ 40 000 in his lifetime which was a large sum in those days. He died with £48 in his pocket.
- He preached 47000 sermons in his lifetime. He travelled over 50000miles on horseback, worked with different language groups, distributed 600 different types of literature
- At the age of 86 he was angry with his physician for restricting him to preaching only 14 times a week! In his journal he wrote "Laziness is creeping in, there is an increasing tendency to stay in bed after 5:30 am".
- It was Churchill who conceded that the revolution that took place in France could easily have taken England if it was not for that man John Wesley.

2. THE PRICE IT COST

Of course this brought about a certain amount of suffering with Eleazar's hand stuck to the sword. Remember, this was done after the men of Israel retreated and he was alone. Notice there was singleness of mind in his determination to push back the Philistines. Like Paul who said "This one thing I do". This is seen very graphically

in 2 Cor 11: 23 - 28 and reveals Paul's deep commitment to the spread of the Gospel. Here he describes his physical, mental and spiritual suffering.

3. THE EXAMPLE IT INSPIRED

It is interesting to notice that the Lord honoured the commitment of Eleazar as we read in vs 10 " And the Lord wrought a great victory". The Lord will always honour those who honour and serve Him. Then we read "And the people returned after him only to plunder" vs 10. They were inspired by this heroic act. Later on in vs 15 & 16 we learn how they responded to get a drink of water for David from the well of Bethlehem as they broke through the garrison of the Philistines. Our greatest example of course is the Lord Jesus as His hands were stuck, not to a sword, but with nails to a cross, as He conquered the enemy of our souls.

4. THE MESSAGE IT CONVEYS

- We have an enemy to engage
- We have a weapon to use i.e. The Gospel
- We have a Master to honour
- We have a challenge to pursue

I am reminded of what happened in WW11, in the blackest hour of Germany's insane bombing of England. Night after night, large landscapes of Britain were broken and blown away by heavy bombing. This was the time when the morale of Britain was at a low point, so

many of her boys were being lost. It was then that the late Sir Winston Churchill stepped to the microphone and addressed the British nation. He promised blood, sweat and tears, and with his passionate voice throbbing with love for what seemed a dying cause, he called for a renewed sacrifice and a tightening of the belts, against the overwhelming fury of the enemy. He appealed for a fervent bulldog grip of the people upon themselves first and then upon their duty. He declared that when the shouting and tumult had died down, and the Enemy had departed, future historians would say of this tiny island of England and of its suffering people "THIS WAS ITS FINEST HOUR"

In this day when the enemy is coming in like a flood there comes a call from the battle ground of the Cross to the church of Jesus Christ to rise with the Gospel and make this "OUR FINEST HOUR".





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We have had a great summer of ministry. In June we put on a Father's Day outreach in our neighbourhood. It consisted of card making, games, and a BBQ. We created posters and our children, along with their neighbourhood friends, distributed them to families in the community. On the Saturday we had 16 people show up! Nicholette shared that fathers are a gift from God and we are to be thankful for them, and how we have a perfect heavenly Father who loves us and will never fail us. Many expressed how much they appreciated the positive influence in the community and the opportunity to come together. Through this event God brought an estranged neighbour back into relationship with us. I (Sam) was hesitant take some lunch to him but after the encouragement of my wife and eldest daughter, I went. I was taken back by his response, "Hey, what has taken you so long!" He was really happy and thanked us for the good work. I was reminded how much our own fears keep us from doing what the Lord wants and from impacting lives. Also in June we appreciated being involved in the Thirsting for God conference and staff meetings that followed. The sessions were scripturally rich as we saw in a fresh way Jesus' upper room discourse, and how much God wants us to be at home in Him and He in us. In July, we served at the Campbellville Dis-

covery Camp, ages 9-11. With an action packed week, the first day alone left us saying, "Lord give us strength!" But by Wednesday we were energized and glad to keep going. Sam assisted the Director, Tim, and the kitchen cleanup crew. Nicholette taught the memory verses and arts-and-crafts. Unlike her siblings who were still incorporated into the life of the camp, this was Juliette's first year as an official camper with all the privileges such as sharing a room with three girls - she loved it! The best part of camp was having two girls place their trust in Jesus. On Thursday night around the camp fire it was a joy to sing and hear some of the young leaders share how they came to faith and what their learning on the journey.

Throughout the summer, Sam also had the opportunity to preach a number of sermons: Formosan Grace Christian Church in Toronto, on Family Worship, Grassie Gospel Church, and he spoke on Galatians 6:9-10, "Don't grow weary in doing good." And at our home church, Westminster Chapel, he preached on 1 Peter 4:12-19, "Suffering as a Christian." In the Fall, we will be back in the schools (God-willing) with Key Bible Clubs. Thank you to all of you who remember us in prayer.



Above: Nicholette Teaching
Memory Verses at Camp
Right: Father's Day Outreach





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*Keep your heart with all vigilance,
for from it flow the springs of life.
Proverbs 4:23*

We ended off the school year with some really good opportunities in Falkland. We are thankful to have been able to participate in their Fun Day and the Grade 7-8 graduation sleepover. We had many kids register for camp because of these events and are expecting some to come to kid's club and youth group this Fall! At the time of writing, we have just finished our first 3 summer camps and have 3 more to go! Praise God that we have had about 10 kids surrender their hearts to the Lord so far! We are grateful for an incredible staff team who blew us away with their maturity and passion for the Lord. It has been amazing to watch them grow!

We are looking forward to the Fall and starting to get excited about the possibilities. We are praying that the church plant in Falkland will be able to meet weekly towards the end of September. It is amazing to finally be at this point after the past few years and it is incredible to look back and see God's hand in it all! We anticipate resuming with Playgroup, Kids Club and Youth Group. Please pray as we get back into the ministries that God has for us this Fall. We trust Him!



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*For the word of God is
quick (living) and powerful...
Hebrews 4:12a*

We are so thankful for how God uses His Word week by week as we hear testimonies of how the Lord is working in hearts. We are grateful for the many opportunities that we have had and continue to have to study, learn and teach/preach God's Word. His Word truly is living and powerful. Each week we spend many hours meeting with people individually and in groups to go deeper in the Word and to pray, seeking God's face. Experiencing the joy of His presence and encouraging one another in Him. There have been many hearts revived in the past several months and there continues to be a growing prayer movement in our area as well as a renewed love for Jesus and for telling others about Him. We continue to be encouraged by the response after the Thirsting for God conference in May and those who were touched through the ministry. (**You can listen to Pastor Peasley's messages at the conference on our FM website under 'Sermons')

In the weeks and months ahead, we will continue to let the Holy Spirit lead us as we meet with others for Bible Studies, prayer for revival, and disciple-

ship. Jeff has been preaching in various churches on many Sunday mornings, which is always a joy for him and we love being able to visit various churches and our brothers and sisters in Christ. The weekly prayer groups continue to meet and to cry out for revival. It is amazing to us how when we come to pray for God to pour out His Spirit and touch our community so often, he touches our hearts who are praying. We have recently heard some great stories of how God has answered prayer and saved souls, and also how God is convicting people and drawing them to Himself, please continue to pray that we will have wisdom and His strength to faithfully share about His amazing grace and salvation. **"... up and look around. The fields are already ripe for harvest." John 4:35**





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*Therefore encourage one another
and build each other up...
1 Thessalonians 5:11*

Thank you all for faithfully praying for Eastern Ontario! Wilton Kids club ended on a high note with all parents expressing how much their children have enjoyed kids club and are looking forward to coming back in the Fall. Please pray for the children and their families. Please continue to keep Verona Church in your prayers as they try to decide what youth and children's ministry will look like in the Fall. It was great to run the Program at all three weeks of Faith Mission camp in Campbellville this summer. We had an amazing team of counselors and staff who made camp run smoothly. I was also encouraged by their love and heart to serve the Lord. Last partners in Prayer I had mentioned the reboot of Kingston Youth Network. We are an interdenominational group of youth leaders in the Kingston and surrounding area who get together monthly for prayer, teaching, and encouragement in youth ministry. We also "merge" our youth groups for various events throughout the year to demonstrate to the teens when we keep Christ in the center we can work together as the body of Christ even though we may go to different churches. Please pray for us as we start again in September.



*Laura-Anne with Some of the Kids and
Staff at Tween Camp*



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What a wonderful summer of full camps, excellent staff, kids responding to the Gospel, and lots of ice cream!! It was a hot one! We praise God for daily mercies amid numerous equipment breakdowns including the well pump, the walk-in freezer, and the tractor. We continue to seek the best and most affordable pool liner replacement which will have to wait until the Spring now! We are forced to hire an independent consultant to determine what we can and cannot do. It was thrilling to have so many Falkland kids attend camp, and grow in their understanding of Jesus. A highlight for us also, was to have 9 of our grandkids as campers!! After 2 summers of Covid & fire evacuations, we felt rather out of practice in the busy camp season, feeding over 100 each week. We have amazing help but we're always looking for more volunteers. We're beginning to feel our age!!

This Fall, we are planning our One-Day Ladies Retreats Sept 24 and Oct 1, as well as our Marriage Enrichment Retreat Oct 28-30. Weekends are pretty booked up with church groups. Christmas in the Valley Banquets are scheduled for Nov. 23-25. Thank you for your prayers and support.



Falkland Camp Barnyard Picnic



Falkland Camp Pool



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