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*And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in
due season we will reap, if we do not give up.*

Galatians 6:9

There is so much around us these days that can make us want to 'give up'! But what encouragement we get from God's own Word that reminds us we need not give up, faint, loose heart - for the Lord goes before us and is working out His purposes 'in due season'. He is still the Lord of the Harvest and we have confidence that the seeds sown will yet bear fruit to the glory of God!

Our annual 'Thirsting for God' conference in late June was a great time in God's presence as we shared sweet fellowship together and heard powerful ministry from God's Word. The messages brought by Pastor Glenn Deane were very timely and appropriate for us all. We trust you can join us some time at the conference - if you missed it, you can listen again to the messages on our FM website under 'Sermons'. You will be truly blessed! We then welcomed a new member to the Faith Mission family on June 30, Allan Scott Macfarlane, son of Matthew & Susan Macfarlane. Pray for them as they adjust to this new addition to their family and their ongoing responsibilities at the Campbellville Centre.

We also look back to a blessed and fruitful summer ministry season across FM in Canada. Our teams were busy reaching and teaching many children, youth and adults through camp and VBS ministries along with preaching opportunities and outreach. 100s of children heard the clear presentation of the Gospel and we know of those who have believed and turned to Christ as a result! After one of our camps here at Campbellville a family who had invited unsaved neighbours' kids to camp told us of the incredible impact it had on these kids. Before camp they were swearing a lot and no time for the Gospel, but on the way home they were singing, reciting the memory verses and telling of what they had learnt! Praise God!! How rewarding the camp ministry is and it is always encouraging to hear testimony of what God has been doing in hearts and lives. We may not always hear of it right now, but we know 'in due season' the Lord will bring a harvest. Mark & April Hardwick did a great job in Directing the camps this summer and we had a wonderful team of staff and counselors who certainly added to the experience.

As we look ahead into the Fall and Winter seasons, we do so with expectancy and hope that again 'in due season' we will see fruit that will remain as a result of the seeds sown. We have planned a number of Fall Rallies and Events which we hope

you can join us at in your area and be encouraged as you hear what God is doing through the work of The Faith Mission (in Canada). During the next few months, I will be traveling around the various districts meeting with our workers and sharing in churches etc. If you would like us to come share at your church or fellowship, please do let us know. These are important times of fellowship and also to thank you for standing with us in prayer and financially. We often say this, but we do not take for granted the gifts of God's people who support us so faithfully and give even sacrificially. Thank you for continuing to stand with us and 'hold up our hands' in this great mission field. Let's keep on keeping on!

FUTURE EVENTS

Napanee/Quebec Meetings: Sept 22-26

Toronto Rally (Calvary Church): Sept 30

Mount Forest Rally (Faith Church): Oct 1

Fall Hymn Sing (Campbellville): Oct 4

Fall Ladies Retreat (Campbellville): Oct 20-22

Fergus Men's Conference (Bethel Church): Nov 4

CITC Banquets (Campbellville): Nov
17,18,21,22,24,25

*Full details online under 'Ontario Events'
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Emma teaching at Discovery Camp



Tim & Emma with Philip & Catherine Campbell, Ladies Retreat Speaker





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*Always give yourselves fully to the
work of the Lord, because you know that
your labor in the Lord is not in vain.
1 Corinthians 15:58b*

As we write this our summer is only half over, yet we know that by the time you read this it will be finished. We have had some wonderful opportunities to share God's Word with both children and teens. We are thankful for every opportunity that God has provided, knowing that God is at work and our labour in Him is not in vain. We do not always get to hear or see what God is doing but we know He is working, and we press on. In the midst of teaching God's Word, we often have opportunities to have great conversations with the helpers at these events and even some of the parents as well. We are reminded that people are hurting and struggling, and Christ is always what is needed. We have 3 more Vacation Bible Camps coming up in the next 2 weeks and we know that there are several unchurched kids that attend one in particular. For some this may be the only week where they hear God's truth and may He use it to draw these children to Himself.

As we look ahead to this Fall, there are still a lot of questions as to what it all will look like, but

even in this we know God has gone before and will open the doors He wants us to walk through. There is the possibility of a youth group starting which is certainly a great need as there is currently no youth ministry in our area. Debra is hoping to continue the ladies Bible study that started in the spring and has more opportunities to speak at ladies' meetings. We know that God will lead us all the way and are so encouraged by this.

Rob & Debra at Teen Camp





Matthew & Susan
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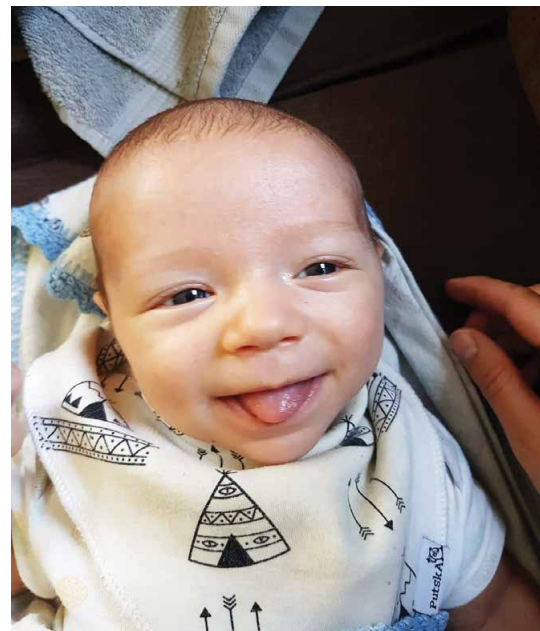
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Our Spring Ladies Retreats went really well! We enjoyed cooking for over 100 women and definitely appreciated the help from our kitchen volunteers. We also sensed that they enjoyed their fellowship together and the Word that was shared. It was a joy to meet Phillip and Catherine as well. Shortly after the Ladies Retreats, we had our Thirsting for God Conference and Staff Meetings. It was great to see our team work so well together, even in the pouring rain! Everyone stepped in whether that meant barbecuing in the garage last minute, carrying all the food outside, keeping water from pooling too much on the tent roof, and in many other ways. Our time as staff was sweet though a few were unwell and able to be there.

One week after the conference, we happily welcomed our second little boy Allan Scott Macfarlane to our family. His birth went well and we now understand how a parent's love can grow, not divide, when children are added. Summer Camp came and went before we knew it. Matthew had lots of kitchen help for the first 2 weeks, and then had the 3rd week off from kitchen duties as others filled in. It was an emotionally and physically tiring season juggling all our new, old, and temporarily changed responsibilities. Having that 3rd week at a slower pace allowed us to have

more family time and much needed rest from the busy previous weeks. Looking ahead, we have a full calendar of rental groups and Faith Mission Events. We would appreciate your prayers as we settle back into a groove, and figure out how to fill our roles well as we adjust to our larger family.

Allan Scott Macfarlane





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*Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you
the word of God. Consider the outcome of their
way of life, and imitate their faith.
Hebrews 13:7*

We continually thank God for the many pastors throughout Central Alberta and across our nation who serve so selflessly and who faithfully teach and preach the Word. It is a very difficult calling in these days. It is such a blessing and a privilege to have so many Central Alberta pastors joining together in prayer for revival each week. There is so much unity as pastors from different denominations meet and cry out to God with one heart. To hear their love for God, for each other and for the people they have been called to serve. And to hear them pray for the lost. We have seen this burden and concern for lost souls grow and grow. It's beautiful to see the humility among the various prayer groups and to see many pastors, leaders, men, women and young people experiencing personal revival and being used greatly by the Lord. Weekly we get to share and to hear about people being led to Christ, or those coming back to the Lord, or believers being revived. Stories of God answer-

ing prayer. Also, in these prayer times we hear about struggles and the trials that many pastors and their families are going through and we just want to encourage and remind each one of us to keep on praying for pastors and for their families. If you are a pastor and are interested in either starting or joining a prayer group, please contact us if you feel we could be a help. If you are a person interested in starting or joining a prayer group for revival please reach out. We would love to help connect you with a group and to see this prayer movement grow and grow! It's so important that we meet together to pray for an outpouring of the Spirit of God in our homes, churches and communities.

"Give me one hundred preachers who fear nothing but sin and desire nothing but God, and I care not whether they be clergymen or laymen, they alone will shake the gates of Hell and setup the kingdom of Heaven upon Earth." (John Wesley) We are ALL called to pray, and much of our weekly schedule is praying for or with others along with discipleship and evangelism. Jeff has also been preaching most Sundays and is thankful for every opportunity that he gets to share God's Word. Thank you for continuing in prayer for us and for the work here in Central Alberta. Thank you for your support.



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These are encouraging days! It has been a great Spring/Summer season of ministry. Since our last update, we have been helping two churches that are without a pastor. Sam preached some one-off sermons but has begun working through a long-term project on the Parables of Jesus. Hearing the parables of Christ have been reorienting and convicting but also exciting. The value of Christ and the Kingdom is all-surpassing in its worth. Whatever sacrifice is involved in apprehending and living for Christ is nothing in comparison to what is gained. And what a gift that in Jesus, we are made salt and light and sent into this dark world to be His representatives.

This Summer, we did our annual week of Discovery Camp at Campbellville. The camps just keep getting better. We looked at the I AM statements of Jesus and saw that He is absolutely more than just a good man. Throughout the summer the Lord has encouraged us in some practical ways. He had sent some unexpected, but greatly needed, financial gifts. He also provided a new air conditioning system for the home. We remained thankful while living in our little amazon, but praise God for these utilities we take for granted!

As we look ahead at ministry for the Fall, we will continue to support these churches without

pastors. Getting to know these congregations in rural farming communities have driven us to ask questions like: what does it look like to be a “growing” church and what does it look like to be faithful to the Great Commission, and ministry in general, in these places? Pray that we will truly be of help to these and similar congregations in Southern Ontario. From an outreach perspective, in answer to prayer, we will be returning to work with the Key Bible Club in Caledonia once school starts up. Pray that kids will attend and for creativity to make the material as accessible as possible! We also have two new endeavors beginning in the Fall. We will be, Lord willing, doing prayer walks and outreach in Hagersville and Jarvis. Pray for open hearts and doors, protection, and wisdom as we pursue this growing concern for these needy towns and the Christian community there. We continually strive to be an intentional blessing at home in Mount Hope as well, especially as Nicholette and the children carry on their annual Truth Goodie outreach. Join us in continually praying for our neighbours’ salvation, and for a regular Bible study to begin. May the Lord open our eyes to see as He sees!

THE PRIORITY OF PRAYER

By Dr. Murray W. Downey

"Lord teach us to pray as John also taught his disciples"
- Luke 11:1

Jesus taught His disciples to pray. John the Baptist taught his disciples to pray. The church age began with ten days of praying and ten minutes of preaching! Within one generation, according to the record in the Book of Acts, the message of Missions had spread throughout the Roman world. Prayer, accompanied by the preaching of the Word of God under the anointing of the Holy Spirit, produced phenomenal results, but priority was given to prayer.

Shortly after my conversion to Christ in the third Faith Mission campaign in Canada in January, 1928, I learned that Pilgrims Gibb and Rowden believed that prevailing prayer was very important, that only through travail were souls born into God's kingdom. It certainly proved to be an effective way to get the attention of this teenager who had been asked to preside at the piano for the meetings. I wondered what had hit me. I found it difficult to sleep, to study, to enjoy sport after making the discovery that my good life was not good enough to meet God's demands. I had to be born again.

The Gospel of Luke has much to say about the priority given to prayer in the life of Christ. Luke mentions that multitudes of people were praying, preparing the way for Christ's first coming (1:10). Old men prayed (1:13). Old women fasted and prayed night and day

(2:37). Jesus prayed when all was going well (5:15,16). He prayed when favour turned to fury (6:11,12). He spent a night in prayer before choosing The Twelve (6:13-16). He prayed when He was alone and (paradoxical though it may sound) His disciples were with Him (9:18). We may find ourselves crowded to Christ sometimes. Prayer changed His countenance (9:29). This is a legitimate way for Christians to get a face-lift! Mountains, in more ways than one, may help to lift our perspective (9:28,29). Christ taught that prayer was the back-bone of all missionary enterprise, and that labourers, not loiterers, could be detached from their earthly shackles by prayer (10:1,2). He emphasized the importance of importunity in prayer (18:1-8). Many prayer warriors have prayed daily for many years before an answer followed, sometimes after their deceased.

In the so-called Lord's prayer in 11:2-4, followed by further emphasis on the need for importunity (11:5-13), Christ gives similar instruction, but at a different location and occasion, in Matthew 6:6-13. After delineating on the decline of world conditions in general in His Mount Olivet discourse in Luke 21, when there would be an escalation of heart failures resulting from fear (21:36) in the last days, He instructs His followers how and where to find peace in the storm in 21:36: 'Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man'. Peter slept while the church prayed (Acts 12). The temptation to be troubled, to lose faith, in spite of the assurance that the darkness must precede the dawn, will face every believer in the end times. When all the machinations of hell will be released against the church Christ prom-

ised they would not prevail (Matt. 16:18). Jesus prayed for Simon (meaning 'sand') before he became Peter (meaning 'stone' petros), a living stone built on the solid rock, petra, the Lord Jesus Christ (22:31,32). Peter's two epistles indicate how abundantly the prayers of Christ for Peter were answered (1 Pet. 1:6-10; 4:12-19; 2 Pet. 1:2-15). Jesus prayed in Gethsemane before going to Calvary (22:29-46). The account of that conflict of the ages is recorded in Hebrews 5:7: *'Who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared'*. Some believe Christ was saved from death, that is, from dying in the Garden before the cross. That may be true. Satan sought to destroy him several times before His mission was fulfilled. The use of the Greek preposition, ek, translated 'from' before the noun 'death' means 'out from the midst of'. Christ died on the cross. He was bur-

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ied. He was saved out from the midst of death at His resurrection. His resurrection from the dead was in answer to His prayers and supplications when He personally grappled with this monster – Death - and overcame death by His death and resurrection (Heb. 2:14). Prayer enabled Christ to forgive all His assailants (23:34). O the wonder of it all! What a different world this would be if such a spirit ruled today! Dr. Luke has given us many important insights on the priority of prayer from the One who lived what He taught. Lord, teach us to pray.

Dr. Downey was one of the early converts of FM in Canada and then went on to spend a lifetime in Christian ministry. He taught for 31 years at the Alliance College and authored 16 books. This article was first published in 1991 (the year before he passed away) in 'Life Indeed', the FM magazine.





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*Oh, how abundant is your goodness, which you
have stored up for those who fear you and worked
for those who take refuge in you, in the sight of the
children of mankind*

Psalms 31:19

We can certainly testify to the Lord's abundant goodness over the past few months as we have gotten settled in Clinton. Life has sometimes felt like a whirlwind, but He has been our strength and joy through it all. Our summer was absolutely packed with ministry opportunities, three weeks of camp, three VBS programs and a busy preaching schedule for Mark. We were so privileged to watch the Lord work in many kids' lives, especially our own, as they served alongside us. It was strange and wonderful to watch our older kids step into new roles at camp this summer and thrive in them. We had a chance to reflect with several people on the Lord's goodness in their lives over our years with the Mission. Our first contact with the Faith Mission was Jack's first year of being able to attend VBS, and this year he took on parts of the teaching! Libby wore many hats this summer and moved in and out of roles without complaint. Elie loved her first year of being able to counsel for two weeks, and we are so thankful for the godly influence and guidance of the older staff as she grows and learns.

Emmitt had a small taste of serving and can't wait to return next year as crew. All three camps went very well thanks to incredible staff giving their all for Christ, even when exhausted. We would ask that you continue to pray in particular for the kids who don't return to Bible-believing homes. We know that God's word does not return void to Him, and our prayer is that entire households would be touched by the gospel through the testimonies of their children.

We have loved getting to know area pastors, and as we approach the Fall and the slightly slower pace of life it brings, we are excited to be able to do some more visitation. We continue to pray and seek the Lord's wisdom for our week-to-week ministry here. Please pray that He would give us His vision for us here in southwestern Ontario.

We look forward to joining Laura-Anne in Napanee at the end of September for a rally there, as well as heading to Toronto on September 30th with other staff for the annual rally there.

SAVE THE DATE

Dessert & Welcome Evening for the Hardwicks
Friday, September 15 @ 7pm – Exeter Bible Fellowship - All welcome!



Top Left: Ladies Retreat Worship

Bottom Left: Youth at Camp

Below: Kids in Stream at Discovery Camp





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*This is the message we have heard from him and
proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no
darkness at all.
1 John 1:5*

What a joy to be able to deliver the message of the gospel to the kids who came through the camp this summer! We are so excited to say that we have had at least 15 kids give their hearts to Jesus this summer with many of them being from Falkland where we are spending most of our time ministering throughout the year! Our summer staff were incredible and we are sad to see them go. The Falkland church plant has been amazing! Our church family continues to grow beyond what we were expecting - another example of God's great love and mercy. We have seen many baptisms and new believers even in these short 4 months. We will dive into Falkland ministry again this Fall as Conan pastor's the church. The camp continues to grow and we are excited to bring back Snow Camp this year in a different capacity as well as monthly get togethers with our staff throughout the year. God is so good and we are seeing the fruit of His ministry. Thank you all for your prayers!

Chapel Time at BC Camp





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So, let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up. Therefore, whenever we have the opportunity, we should do good to everyone—especially to those in the family of faith.
Galatians 6:9-10 (NLT)

Thank you for all your prayers faithful prayers. The day we were scheduled to have our end of school year party at Verona youth, tragically a local business burned down. This business was located between the school the youth attend the and church. We had to cancel our party. Thankfully we were able to reschedule for the next week. It was encouraging for us to hear from the school how disappointed the teens were that their party was canceled. It confirmed that we must be doing something right! We look forward to starting again in the Fall. At the end of June, the Kingston Youth Network (KYN) hosted camp day at Roblin Christian Camp. We had 37 students attend. It was a great day of fun, worship, and Bible teaching. The teens seemed to enjoy themselves. The consensus is we will make this an annual event! Kingston Youth network continues to be a source of encouragement for me and we look forward to commencing our monthly meetings for prayer, discussion and encouragement of our fellow youth leaders.

Over the past few months, I have been involved with planning a youth weekend in conjunction with Camp Charith (Lanark) and several other youth groups in the Ottawa area. Please pray for us as we bring our smaller youth groups together for fun, fellowship and time in the Word. I'm really looking forward to meeting all these youth leaders in person and spending the weekend getting to know the youth of St. Mary Magdalene. The weekend takes place at the end of September. This will be the first time many of the teens will be away for a youth retreat.

NAPANEE FM WEEKEND

Sept 22-24: Westdale Park Free Methodist

Taking Part: Tim Condy, Laura-Anne & Hardwick Family (Contact Laura-Anne for details – All Welcome)

KNY Camp Day





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Praise God for an amazing summer of ministry at camp!! We were full every week with a wait list. We had excellent staff and volunteers in the kitchen. We're always amazed how God meets the needs with a variety of people perfect for the jobs. New speakers at camp did an excellent job sharing the Gospel. It was thrilling to hear of youth surrendering their lives to Christ. We also love to watch the growth of our staff throughout the summer. What a treat to have 10 of our grandkids as campers this summer!!

We were constantly reminded of the crazy high food costs, yet God provided to meet the needs. It has also been exciting to see new church groups and school groups using the camp for a variety of programs. We are very booked into the Fall and Winter. We are looking forward to our Ladies Retreat, REFLECTION, this Fall. We are offering a ONE-DAY RETREAT as well as a WEEKEND RETREAT, on the same weekend. Ladies can register for Sept 29-Oct 1, or just Sept 30. Leah Campbell from Millar Sunnybrae staff will be our speaker, and we have lots of fun and exciting things planned.

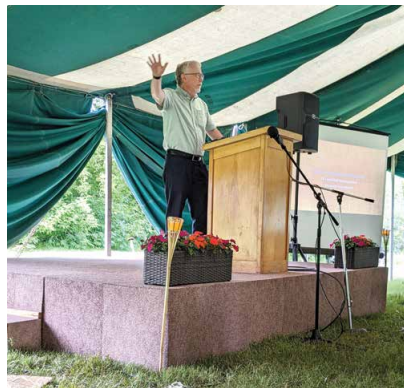
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MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT RETREAT

Oct 27-29: Register online at: faithmissioncanada.org/provinces/british-columbia/

Right: Falkland Camp





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