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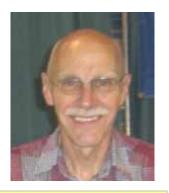
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<u>President's Message</u>

Mike Sweeney

Prayer – The Ultimate Catalyst "The one thing that has always preceded any great move of God is fervent prayer."

Telling people about Jesus, the Apostle Peter made some astonishing remarks concerning this; stating that even the angels long to look into these things, and that the prophets of old who prophesied of this great salvation searched and inquired about it, only to learn that it was not meant for their time but rather for the dispensation of grace which we are living in.

We are an evangelistic ministry and must have an evangelistic zeal, introducing people to the King and Creator of the Universe so that they may have an audience with Him for eternity.

There have been many great men who have left the mark of their zeal in the earth and I believe we can glean nuggets of wisdom and insight from those who have gone before us.

Do we believe the Bible? – We would all be quick to say yes. Do we believe The Acts of the Apostles ... If Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever then what happened in the early Church should be happening today?

Charles Finney who ministered in the mid 1800's traveling from town to town on horseback was one of those men who believed that what took place in the Book of Acts was also for his day. His morning routine from 4 to 8 AM was spent in prayer. A friend of his, Brother Nash and another man would go into the next town that Finney was scheduled to preach in two or three weeks in advance: renting a room at a boarding house they would pray for the lost in that town till Finney arrived. At times the landlady became concerned for the health of the men as they missed so many meals, all she heard was them praying in their room. Finney's meetings would continue from a few days to a few weeks, but the results were almost always the same. The beer joints, the dance halls, and houses of ill repute would have to close their doors due to the loss of clientele, and not only were the clientele getting saved but the owners of these establishments were also finding forgiveness in the saving grace of Jesus Christ.

Finney was an eloquent speaker, yet it was not the articulation of his words that turned towns and cities upside down but rather the Spirit of God convicting lost souls and bringing them into such deep repentance that many of these places of ill repute were never to reopen in that generation. Sometimes whole towns would be converted and statistics show that 80-90% of the people converted under his ministry remained steadfast and faithful to their Lord and Savior.



From the Desk of Bill Brown

"Just One Request – Honor Him with Service"

I received a phone call the beginning of last week from Area Leader Walter Powell requesting prayer for Buddy Schofill. Buddy was admitted to the hospital with a high

fever and the doctors were having a difficult time locating the infection. Buddy passed on Friday with his family by his side and the memorial service was held on Sunday. When folks stopped by during the calling hours to pay their respects, they were greeted by an "FCF Walking Stick" on each end of the casket, a testimony of Buddy's love for the ministry of FCFI and the Lord, whom he served. You see, Buddy was a faithful member of New Life Baptist Church located in Adele, GA. He was the driving force at New Life in getting the sticks prepared for all the events in GA. Pastor Donnie Duncan shared at the funeral service that because of Buddy and his willingness to serve New Life played an integral part in supporting the ministry of FCFI.

In John 12:26 we read "If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him." (ESV) Many of you serve in various capacities with FCF-Canada, whether preparing sticks, tying rawhide and beads, serving at shows and of course praying.

By the time you read this issue, others will have served at the Visscher Farm in Exeter, ON helping to clean up after 3 ft. of snow fell and collapsed their green houses. The call for help went out and you answered. We thank each one of you who volunteered and especially Hank Huigenbos from Wingham, ON, who coordinated the effort. Hank has

participated in several FCF sponsored mission trips.

Several years ago, a couple from Grenville sur-la Rouge, QC answered the call to serve FCF-C as Ex. Dir. and Office Manager. No need to tell you that Wayne and Edith Clark have been a blessing. They serve with joy and a desire to please.

I could go on and list hundreds of others who serve FCF in Canada as well as the US from staff to board members, chapter leaders and volunteers in the walking stick ministry. Now, I come to the point of asking you, "Is there something you could do to serve? Possibly even increase your involvement? If you've never taken that step of faith, possibly God is calling you at this very moment. The following says it so well.

Just One Request Dear Master, for this coming year Just one request I bring: I do not pray for happiness, Or any earthly thing -I do not ask to understand The way Thou leadest me, But this I ask: teach me to do The thing that pleaseth Thee. I want to know Thy guiding voice, To walk with Thee each day. Dear Master, make me swift to hear And ready to obey. And thus the year I now begin A happy year will be -If I am seeking just to do The thing that pleaseth Thee. - Author unknown

God may be calling you to be another Buddy. Will you answer the call? That is the request I have for you today, to please Him by saying Yes.

Remember to give Him thanks in all things. Bill Brown



Sharing the gospel with five colours is not confined to FCF activities



Dear FCFC Directors & Staff,

As a member of the FCFC Niagara chapter I truly appreciate this ministry. It has given me boldness through the power of the Holy Spirit to share the Gospel in a simple and unique way.

As a Sunday School teacher - my primary class can tell you what each bead on my bracelet means. Some children have even shared in their schools and families.

We have a monthly service at the nursing home I work in (Crescent Park Lodge). I use my bracelet to help share the Gospel and residents have trusted in our Lord. PTLI

We also have a monthly service at our local hospital (Douglas Memorial) where I use my bracelet to share the Gospel. One dying patient heard the Gospel message and trusted in Jesus. Our service is in a section where many are dying; how important it is to get out the SALVATION message!

When my brother was having serious surgery (carotid artery) in Buffalo General Hospital, a man started to talk to me about his father. I was able to share the Gospel with him.

I am a member of *Women on Mission* with Jesus Niagara and was assigned to pray with women who came to the "Prayer Room". One dear lady came to me; I had forgotten my Bible but shared Jesus with her through the FCFC tract. I gave her my bracelet and through tears she trusted in Jesus. Later her daughter came who had been praying for her mother for years to be saved, and at the last minute invited her Mom to the conference. They both later embraced in tears, not only as Mother and daughter, but as sisters in the Lord!

God bless you. (Hebrews 10:25) Love and Prayers, Kathy Washburn

"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another - and all the more as you see the Day approaching." Hebrews 10:24,25 (NIV)



. and the waves reach as far as Texas

Henry & Carol Janzen of the Fraser Valley Chapter BC wrote:

At the Duncan Show we had a lady from Texas who, with her husband, owns two large ranches near the Mexican border, now want to start a FCFI Chapter in Eagle Pass Texas. She came from Texas to Duncan specifically to visit her brother Paul of about 50 yrs.old and to help him with some medical appointments.

She visited our booth and said she wanted to bring her brother to see me to share the bead story, because, every time anyone talks to Paul about God, about Jesus, or about Spiritual matters, he either became angry or he just walked away.

A few hours later she brought him over and then she quickly disappeared to pray. As I spoke with him he quietly took it all in; we talked about Jesus for a while then I had the joy of leading him to the Lord. I then returned him to his sister, where he immediately told her what he had done!!! She then told me she wanted to start an FCFI Chapter in her home area.

(Editor's note: The lady's name and address have been passed on to Bill Brown at FCFI for follow-up). We had Lucie Zettel come from Sooke to help us all day Saturday.

You may recall, Lucie and her friend had the Frankincense and Myrrh booth right beside ours in Abbotsford, August 2014, when our Gideon Chapter joined you, Edith, and Melanie.

Lucie had absolutely no knowledge of the Gospel but before the fair was over she had accepted Christ and we have kept in touch all this time. Lucie now has an exciting testimony about how the FCFC ministry brought her to the Lord, and she can't stop sharing it together with the bead story all day long.

ls God Calling YOU?

FCFC Chapters & Leaders across Canada

Would you like to volunteer at an outreach event? Call a chapter near you. Or start a chapter in your community? We can provide the training and tools you need. Call the FCFC office (see p 2)

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Nova Scotia "It was well worthwhile"

Roy and Leona Nielsen wrote: "We praise God for another year of being able to present the gospel of Jesus Christ through the FCFC ministry. We praise Him for the wonderful opportunities to bring saving light, the word of God into people's lives who would perhaps otherwise never hear it.

Each day at the booth we would say, "It was well worthwhile." The people came with a variety of needs but the Word of God, the blood of Jesus Christ, the power of the Holy Spirit was sufficient in every situation. Praise! It is all of Him."



Halifax County Exhibition: A young dad and his 12 year old daughter listened intently to the gospel, and then he exclaimed, I have never heard this before! This is important! We must read this tonight with Mom. This is so important! He made sure that he had the tract, a New Testament, and our FCFC brochure. It was a joy to hear his excitement and urgency. —Leona Nielsen

At the Shelburne County Exhibition, two young boys came to the booth and, as I explained the gospel, they very much agreed that they were sinful. Upon finishing the conversation, I urged them to read the tract over again later at home and ask Jesus to come into their hearts. They both said "Yes", then "Can't we do it right now?" Praise the Lord, they did. They knelt right there. What a privilege to know that the Holy Spirit can convict and bring them to himself.

— Anne Veenhuis

Cumberland County Ex: "A gentleman who came to the booth had a deep burden. He said that he was unable to forgive anyone. I pointed out that his problem was that he first needed to ask God for forgiveness. I told him the gospel message. He thanked me and left. Then at a little distance he turned around and said "I m going to take your advice." Burdens are lifted at Calvary!"

Hants County Ex: "A younger man came to see what the booth was all about. He wanted a stick and was willing to listen to the story. He was amazed that we could know that we could go to heaven. I urged him to read the tract before going to bed and ask Jesus if this was really true, and convict his heart about it. The next day he came back and brought his Father, and asked if I could tell him the story as well. They went away happy just to know they could go to heaven by asking Jesus to come in." — John Veenhuis

Pictou: "Two teen girls came lightheartedly to the booth. As I told the gospel message, Satan kept whispering, "You are wasting your time." I could only look at the tract to keep going. It was difficult to continue. But when I was finished I looked up and their faces were shining and tears were in their eyes. And they said, "This has made our day." They were so happy, even on passing by again. Christ is the victor and overcomer!" - Leona Nielsen



Everyone Welcome!

Come and enjoy the fellowship as you share and hear what God is doing through FCFC

April 15-17, 2016
Breadalbane Baptist Church
22015 Breadalbane Road,
Dalkeith, Ontario
(Halfway between Montreal & Ottawa)
(Directions: www.breadalbanechurch.ca)

Simultaneous translation from Friday noon to Sunday noon - Rob Mongeon







Make New Friends

Share what God is doing





Bring your Instruments!





Friday, April 15

9:15 am: meet in Foodland parking lot, 5666 Hwy 34, Vankleek Hill, ON. K0B 1R0

◆ Tour Knonaudale Farms (10:00 am) 15878 Finch Cambridge Boundary Rd Crysler, ON K0A 1R0

A family owned and operated Holstein dairy farm, with a special interest in exhibiting cattle, and sales of embryos and cows.

12:15 LUNCH at Breadalbane Church

1:15 pm: Registration - Meet & Greet

2:30 pm: FCFC review
- Chapter needs

TrainingPublications

- Website

Items from Board meeting

3:45 pm: BREAK

4:00 pm: Starting a Chapter
- Sylvain Couture

5:00 pm: FCFI Update - Bill Brown Todd Brace

5:30 pm: SUPPER

6:30 pm: Gospel Sing-along * (part 1)

7:00 pm: Testimonies from across the country

- NS, NB, ON, AB, BC, etc.

8:00 pm: Quebec report - Sylvain Couture

8:30 - 8:50: Gospel Sing-along * (part 2)

* Bring your musical instruments

Simultaneous translation - Rob Mongeon

Saturday, April 16

Breadalbane Baptist Church

8:30 am: Devotions and prayer

- Virgil Jones

9:30 am: Break - Coffee & muffins

10:00 am: Annual General Meeting

(separate agenda)

12:15 pm: LUNCH

1:45 pm: Workshop # 1

Cross Cultural Evangelism

Eddie Buchanan

2:45 pm: BREAK

3:00 pm: Workshop # 2

A Christian Response to Hunger Canadian Foodgrains Bank

- Mackie Robertson

5:45 pm: BANQUET

Reservations for Banquet by April 1

Anglican Church Hall, Vankleek Hill

Featured Speaker: Doug Sargeant

Special Music:

Country Gospel Singer
Jacques Boulianne



Sunday, April 17

Breadalbane Baptist Church

10:00 am: Florida Mission Trips
- Bill & Kathy Brown

10:25 - 10:45 am:

Haiti & Dominican Republic Mission Trips
- Sylvain Couture & Emilie Chartier

11:00 am: Worship Service

Worship in song – Jacques Boulianne Message – Doug Sargeant

12:15: LUNCH

Starting at

9:15 a.m., Friday, April 15,

The three-day program, including 5 meals,

costs \$70.00 per person. (Saturday only: \$45.00) (Banquet only: \$28.00)



Conference reservations by April 1

Please note: we need Sat night

Banquet reservations by April 1

Overnight accommodation is extra:

You are responsible for making your own reservations for overnight accommodation. Suggestion:

The Quality Inn, Hawkesbury (613-632-5941)

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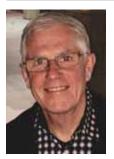
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Program Participants



Doug Sargeant, BSc(Agr) from the University of Guelph and a graduate of Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary (MDiv), is presently the pastor of Graphite Bible Chapel, Maynooth, ON. He has served as pastor in Woodbridge, Thornhill, Richmond Hill, and has experience as a secondary school teacher and vice-principal. He and his late wife Marie have three children and five grandchildren. Doug tied the knot again Feb 6 when he married Dorothy Cook.



Eddie Buchanan is a graduate of Central Baptist Seminary, Toronto. He has been the pastor of Dalesville Baptist Church, QC, for the past ten years. Prior to that he was a missionary with the Fellowship Baptists to Japan for twenty years. He and his wife Wendy have three children and one grandchild.



Mackie Robertson is a farmer/cabinet maker, United Church Lay Minister from Bainsville, ON. He, with his wife Susan, has been involved with the Canadian Foodgrains Bank for 22 years, having visited some of their projects in Ethiopia and Kenya, and acting as a food monitor in Sierra Leone and India. They have four children and four grandchildren.



Jacques Boulianne, bilingual singer and songwriter, hosts a country gospel music program on WCHP Christian radio station. A pioneer of French country gospel music in Quebec, Jacques and wife Jeanne have sung to the glory of God at churches and festivals across the US and Canada.



Virgil Jones is a missionary who has served in the province of Quebec for the last 10 years. He and his wife Toni have been married for 26 years and are the parents of 6 children. A third generation minister, his heart is to see revival and unity in the body of Christ.



Another Great Year at Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in Toronto

Wayne McConnachie

An outstanding crew of forty-eight volunteers shared the gospel over the ten days of the fair. What I noticed that was different this year, was that we spoke to less people, but spent more quality and fruitful time in conversation with them. This warms my heart, because I believe we are in the relationship-building business.

The Royal finishes out our 2015 year for the South Central Ontario chapter. At the Royal, we gave out 7,268 sticks & gifts. We were able to record



that we spoke to 4,793 people. Two-thirds of these people were either Non-believers or lukewarm believers not engaged or practicing their faith. Many of these people prayed a dedication prayer to have Christ in their life.

President's Message (continued from page 2)

The early church saw thousands saved in a day, but the question is; has God's arm shortened? Isaiah says NO! Then can He do it for Canada today? I believe the answer is a resounding YES!

"Surely the arm of the LORD is not too short to save, nor his ear too dull to hear." Isaiah 59:1 (NIV)

But the one thing that has always preceded any great move of God is fervent prayer and a hunger to see a lost and dying world saved, and we in North America desperately need to have God's grace and mercy poured out upon us.

The Welsh Revival of 1904 and the Azusa Street Revival of 1906 were both birthed by prayer, desperation and tears that God in His mercy would visit their land. When the men in the Welsh coal mines got saved during the early 1900's they could not get their horses to haul the coal wagons anymore.

There was such a deep conversion, such an inward transformation that these miners were completely delivered of all cursing, swearing, vulgarity, and cruelty to their animals, hence the horses did not comprehend nor respond to the gentleness or newness of their owners, they had to be retrained to understand the new vocabulary which included God's love.

Scripture says bring forth fruit of repentance ... which was very noticeable in these coal miners, there was such a deep work of God done on the inside of these men that it showed up on the outside which was evident even to a horse. True Salvation will always have the fruit of true repentance – a 180 degree turn around.

We, the Fellowship of Christian Farmers, are God's labourers; let us take the opportunities that are set before us in 2016 and see Him confirm His Word in many salvations.

GREATER THAN YOU COULD ASK OR IMAGINE!!

This was Henry Janzen's reply to my question: "How did things go at the show in Duncan?" (BC)

We gave out exactly 250 sticks plus bracelets, hockey sticks, crowns, necklaces, and whatever else we had. Plus, a ton of Gideon N.T.'s and Gospels of John.

We had the JOY of leading folks to Christ, including 2 from 2 individual booths on either side of us. Both of these young to middle age fellows want to continue to correspond with me over coffee etc. in the coming days.(one lives here in Chilliwack).

We had 8 enthusiastic Gideons (mostly couples) help set-up and take-down in pouring rain, and "man" the booth for both days. What is exciting is that they want to continue to work together with FCFC to do more events of this kind on the Island in the future!!

Now for the more than you could ask or imagine news !! - We have a **New FCFC Chapter starting on the Island!**

"Vancouver Island Chapter" lead by Bryce & Jill Rashleigh.

After we went to their Saanichton Bible Fellowship Church with them, we visited their farm in Saanichton on the Island where they produce hay, grain, straw, lentils, etc., and left them with supplies, just whatever we had left on the trailer.

Several years ago Bryce had helped out with FCFC in Abbotsford and took the barrel, FCFC banner, sponge floor pads, and remaining supplies back to the Island with him at closing time. So these folks are fully conversant with our method and ministry.

In meeting their Pastor, it became clear Bryce had already involved his church in some

"stick" distributions in the past. So their church is now excited to get involved in the Chapter with them.

It just took your prayers and God's tug at their hearts to consent to our urging for them to start a chapter. Initially, when Bryce visited our booth he asked us to stop by their farm to take all of his remaining supplies back to Abbotsford. Now he has all of our remaining supplies at his farm! (just what we had left on the trailer that is)

WOW! did we ever have an AWESOME weekend!!

Thanks for your prayers and for including our trip in the monthly prayer calendar.

We definitely felt all of them!!



Our Vision:

FCF-Canada will train and equip Christians, through local chapters, to share the gospel in the marketplace with people in Canada from sea to sea.



Disaster Relief: Unity Results in Blessings for All

Report from those blessed:

February 29th only comes once in 4 years. Every time that day comes we will remember February 29, 2016. It was the day 50+ volunteers came together to cleanup and start rebuilding our family farm's disastrous greenhouse collapse.

Earlier in the month, 2 days of continuous snow resulted in 4 feet (1.25m) of accumulation and collapsed 5 of the 8 greenhouse structures used to grow the 13 million plants on our broccoli farm. Greenhouse seeding usually starts March 7. The collapse happened on

February 11 and 12. The possibility of losing part of a season, or finding the expense and logistics of others growing for us, overwhelmed us.

A call to Bill Brown, from the Fellowship of Christian Farmers International, got the ball rolling. He, in turn, asked Hank Huigenbos to head up the disaster relief. Hank called a number of churches in the area, we set a date and then we leaped into action with over 50 volunteers showing up to work on Feb 29.

After our safety talk, signing of wavers, and a devotional, the work started at 9:00am. The volunteers were divided into 4 groups with each group being assigned a task and the responsibility of how best to see that accomplished.

By noon we had accomplished an astounding amount of work. The afternoon was spent with further cleanup, emptying of wagons of scrap steel, dumping of materials, and the beginnings of rebuilding.

The gifts and skills of all the individuals involved was truly something to behold and was a true gift of God. Asking for help and receiving that from such a large number is truly humbling and awesome. Scripture mentions that when His people work together in unity there He will command a blessing. This was evidenced by several denominations of churches coming together to work side by side and accomplishing this daunting task.

Sometimes disasters come our way and we wonder what is happening and then a miracle like this happens. What an awesome God we serve. Our families are grateful for each and every one that helped in any way. May the God that blessed us with your presence bless you as we continue to walk in His light!

Bert and Wilma Visscher Pete and Tanya Janssen







There is always time for fellowship. Hank said "We had two church ladies' groups feed us lunch and then dinner and were we fed well!"

Le Salon Nationale de la Femme – Québec (National Women's Show Quebec City)

Sylvain Couture



Sixteen volunteers coming from ten churches presented the gospel to 2,300 people in two days in a 10x10 booth. That represents 150 per hour! It was our first time at this event in the capital city of Quebec.

During the whole weekend we seemed to be the "main event" as the other booths had few visitors. The walking stick, as in a similar event last spring in Montreal, proved to be a big attraction. At times we could have used two or three more volunteers but that would not have been possible because of space limitation. People were very receptive and we have some good contacts to follow up.



Our new website is up and running. Check us out at www.fcfcanada.org

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Calendar of Events up to mid-August, 2016

FCFC plans to have an outreach booth at the following events. If you live in the area, come and ioin us! There is a contact person listed for each event to call for more info.

BC: Canada Day Celebration, Abbotsford, July 1 Henry & Carol Janzen, 604-859-3407, chjanzen@shaw.ca Heritage Days Fair, Chilliwack, Aug 5-7,

Henry & Carol Janzen, 604-859-3407, chjanzen@shaw.ca

AB: Benalto Fair & Rodeo, July 8-10

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SK: Colonial Days, Lloydminster, Jul 22-24

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Vente trottoir, St-Hyacinthe, Jul 13-17

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Expo de Trois-Rivières, Jul 7-16

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Lachute Flea Market, Lachute, designated Tuesdays

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Exposition Agricole de St-Hyacinthe, Jul 28 – Aug 7

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International Bromont, Bromont, Jul 22-24 & 29-31

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Exposition agricole de Beauce, St-Honoré, Aug 11-14

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Chrétiens en Fête, Drummondville, Aug, date to be determined

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Trois-Rivières en Blues, Trois-Rivières, Aug 18-21

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Exposition agricole de Bedford, Aug 11-14

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NB: Sussex Flea Market, Aug 19-21

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NS: Truro Farmers' Market, Jul 9

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Western Nova Scotia Exhibition, Yarmouth, Aug 3-7

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Cape Breton County Ex, North Sydney, Aug 15-20 Roy Nielsen, 902-639-2553, rinielsen@bellaliant.net

Ontario:

Sunderland Maple Syrup Festival, Apr 2-3

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Alliston Potato Festival, Apr 5-7

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South Dundas Trade Show, Morrisburg, Apr 22-23

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Festival of Maples, Perth, Apr 30

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Elmvale Maple Syrup Festival, Apr 30

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Business Showcase, Prescott, May 8-9

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Vankleek Hill May Show, May 21

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Schomberg Fair, May 28

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Brooklin Fair, June 2-5 Mike Sweeney, 705-745-3019, mikesweeney49@hotmail.com

Cookstown WingDing, Jun 4-5

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Aurora Streetfest, Jun 5 Wayne McConnachie 1-888-876-1547, waynesmail@cogeco.ca

Caledon Fair, Jun 10-12

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Bowmanville RibFest, June 10-12

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Saw-Tech Log Expo, Bancroft, Jun 10-12 Ross & Donna Rutledge, 613-332-5758, rutledge59@yahoo.ca

Healthy Living Festival, Smiths Falls, Jun 18

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Keswick 'Music In The Streets' Festival, Jun 25

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Midland Canada Day, Jul 1

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Canada Day Celebrations, Bancroft, Jul 1

Ross & Donna Rutledge, 613-332-5758, rutledge59@yahoo.ca Buckhorn Canada Day, Jul 1

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Tottenham Community Week Street Festival, Jul 2

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Ridgeway Summer Festival, Jul 9-10

Bob & Kelly Foster, 905-894-0223, kfoster@lastmilenet.ca

Friendship Festival, Fort Erie, Jul 21-24

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Lakefield Fair, Jul 22-24

Mike Sweeney, 705-745-3019, mikesweeney49@hotmail.com Sutton Festival on High, Jul 30

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BIA Bridge Street Bazaar, Carleton Place, Jul 30

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Cambellford Fair, Aug 5-7

Mike Sweeney, 705-745-3019, mikesweeney49@hotmail.com

Wilberforce Agricultural Fair, Aug 6

Ross & Donna Rutledge, 613-332-5758, rutledge59@yahoo.ca Stirling Fair, Aug. 12-13

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Good News! What is the Message?

It is not a message based on our opinion, nor a church's, nor a certain group's opinion, but what Almighty God said. It is not <u>a</u> way but <u>THE</u> way.

The reality is that we are all "terminal" and Jesus said when He left this world that He was going to prepare a place for His followers and would come back for them. (John 14:1-3) The Bible calls this place heaven and it is the sinless, wonderful place where the streets are described as paved with gold. Rev 21:21

You need to look at yourself. You are not the only one who feels empty and messed up. In the Bible, in the book of Romans, chapter 3, verses 10 and 23, we read:

"There is no one righteous, not even one" and "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God".

Romans 6:23 says: "The wages of sin is death".

Admit to God that you are a sinner, and then look at the remainder of Romans 6:23: "...but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Christ died in agony on the cross to pay the penalty for your sin. In other words, the blood of Jesus can wash away your sin.

Have you repented (turned to God)? Only God is able to make a lasting change in your life. Ask Him to forgive you, but this means that you will turn away from your sin as well.

Many people want to receive God's gift of salvation but they want to keep doing it their way. No prayer is a good luck charm. It is a case of surrendering to God and then asking

Him to do what you are incapable of doing. If you are not sincere about turning to God, don't bother praying for salvation.

Believing is not just putting something in your head. It is with your innermost being (your heart) that you realize that you are a sinner and Jesus died for you. And your mouth is also part of the deal. Romans 10:9 says to

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6 (NIV)

"... confess with your mouth 'Jesus is Lord" because God knows that this is a practical way to put all this into focus.

You can pray something like this:

Dear God, I admit to you that I am a sinner. I believe that Jesus died for my sin on the cross, and was raised from the dead for my salvation. Lord Jesus, I pray that you will forgive me and wash me clean. I want to receive you now as my Saviour and Lord. Amen.

If you sincerely believe that Jesus died in your place, then you are a new person in Jesus Christ! Your sins no longer have colour but are washed white as snow.

This is not the end but the beginning. From now on, decisions should be based on His word and will. Pray, read, and study the Bible. Fellowship with others in a group where Christ is at the centre, and tell others the Good News. This is called growing to know God and is represented by the green bead on the bracelet.

The message is real. The message is simple. The message is from God, and the message is needed in this world.