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 worships the Lord in their park
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JUST ONE QUESTION...

When God asks you a
 question, He probably
 already knows the answer.
 Check out: "Why I go"

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FROM THE DESK OF OUR GENERAL SECRETARY

Rev. Dave Kelsey

GREETINGS AND BLESSINGS TO YOU!

I have been travelling since the National Convention and I am EXCITED for what I see God is stirring in His church. There is a call to draw near to the Holy Spirit. There is a wooing of Him reaching out to us; a call to study Him, and to know Him deeper. It is an exciting time, and God is still moving and still doing GREAT THINGS NOW! Amen!

Please give Holy Spirit room in your church services, so He can move there. Look forward with expectation. God is on the move!

Don't Forget! You can still watch the May 2024 National Convention services online. Visit our website: www.iaogcan.com/medias and you'll find nine recorded sessions. I know you will be encouraged and blessed.

WHAT IS HIS CHURCH?

“Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father. ¹³ And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son...²⁵ These things I have spoken to you while being present with you. ²⁶ But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.”

John 14:12-13, 26-27

This past month the Lord has been stirring me about the Church and the church in Canada. Which brings up the question: what is the church of Jesus Christ supposed to look like?

When I look through the book of Acts, I see an active church. I see a church full of Holy Spirit and full of God anointed and appointed POWER. Heavenly power to do the SAME WORKS that Jesus did, because we have that same Spirit as Jesus did. Romans 8:11 says, “...that same Spirit that raised Christ from the dead dwells in you.”

In Acts, I see a church full of changed people. I see a people, a church on the move. I see a church persecuted, yet not stopped; not moved aside, but taking ground. Even while in jail, people get saved. Even in jail, I read that they saw the LORD'S FAVOUR on them. Let's look at what happens in some of these chapters.

In Acts 3:1-10 a great miracle happens. That lame man had been laid at those gates every day for years. This was not a new situation. Jesus had even walked by him before, yet He had never healed until now. What was different on this day? Today was different because they were filled with the Holy Spirit. Today was different because Peter had a new boldness. Peter had gotten a vision of what God could do through him. He was empowered. He was released to go and to do. The anointing or power that had come upon him, had changed him. That anointing and the in-filling of God's Holy Spirit had radically altered his thinking.

God's Holy Spirit was released to the men and women of His church, and it gave them an eye-opening vision of WHAT THEY COULD DO WITH GOD. Not only a boldness came on them, and a new passion, BUT a new awareness of the gifts of God given to them.

Consider how gifts of healing begin to stir up a new vision and desire. That we no longer simply walk by the sick, no, today we stop and pray with an expectation. That day, something came on them and flowed out of them. That day was different. That day, and now today, the situation has changed!

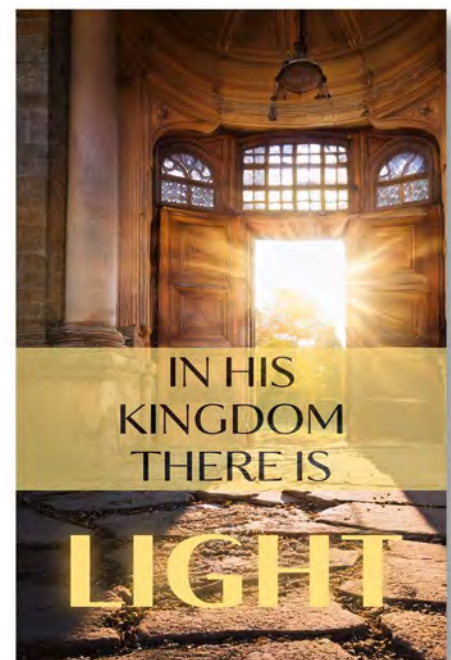
All churches who call themselves followers of Christ need to have an awakening of the Holy Spirit within them. We have gifts to release. Power, love, and grace to release. We are called to be witnesses of Jesus, meaning they see Jesus in us. They see Jesus in what we do, and what we say. We are the representatives of His kingdom. Everywhere we go, we represent a Godly Kingdom. A God who is powerful, who is creative. He's a restoring King. In His kingdom there is no sickness. In His kingdom there is no death. In His kingdom there is glory, power and beauty. In His kingdom there is light!

Let us His church be walking in His glory and in His might.

In Acts 4, we see Peter and John arrested and put into prison. Yet the religious leaders see God on them. His touch was on them. The leaders themselves conclude that these men are different, but why? The answer comes in the verse 13, "... they took note that they had been with Jesus!"

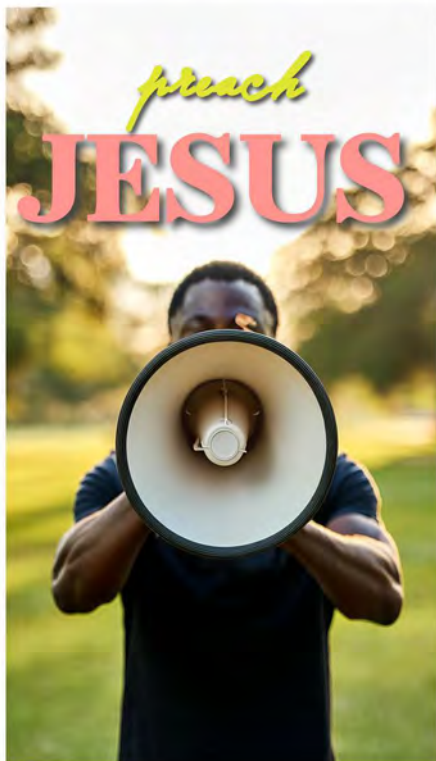
I want to encourage you, get more into the Spirit. Put more time aside to spend with Him. Take more time to read His Word, and let it get into you. Take more time to know His voice. Because they had been with Jesus, miracles now break out. Because they had been FILLED, "baptizo" - fully submerged, covered. They were UNDER THE INFLUENCE!

In Acts 4, they prayed, and the place was shaken -- all were filled with the Holy Spirit, and the with great power they gave witness of Jesus. In Acts 5, things continue. Holiness increases, but judgement against



them increases. But in all of this, the power increases. Miracles increase and the church increases.

In Acts 8, the church, under great persecution, begins to spread out. The Word grows, and the church grows. Philip is sent to Gaza by the Lord, witnesses to a man who accepts Jesus and returns to Ethiopia, and the gospel is then spread into Africa.



In Acts 9, a man called Saul is totally opposed Jesus, but Jesus encounters him on a road. He becomes radically saved, radically called, and radically set free of religion. He is filled with Holy Spirit and off he goes, in God, and for God.

In Acts 10, Peter is teaching God's Word to Cornelius and his family and as he is talking about Jesus, and the power of His name to salvation, "The Holy Spirit fell on all those who heard."

That is a picture of what God can do when released by His church. Jesus can only be, what you preach Him to be!

Throughout the rest of the book Acts, the Holy Spirit continues to touch people's hearts; even amid death, great miracles occur. The church, the disciples, and the people grow in Christ. We read of miracles, and we read of salvations. We read of healings, and we read of cities and regions being changed. We read of the Gentiles coming to hear the Word of God. The Bible is NOT a religious book. It is a memo, a message from God to mankind. If you treat it as a religious book, you will get nothing out of it. But when read as a love

letter from Heaven to people, then it can touch you, change you, and open His grace to you.

At one point we see the religious leaders so upset with Paul, they take him outside the city and stone him, leaving him dead. But the elders gather around him and pray, and Paul is made alive again. Restored, saved, and healed. (Acts 14) I want to say to you today, when we will gather around those that are dead, dead spiritually and even physically; when we go with faith, when we go with an expectation, there is enough Holy Spirit power in you to raise people up off the ground.

The believers in the gospels and those of the early church had expectation because they had heard the testimonies. They had heard the stories of the young man in Nain, dead but alive. They had heard of the resurrection of Lazarus. They had heard the testimony of Paul, stoned but raised up. Of course, the best resurrection, Jesus raised from death. Some of those very same people had seen Jesus. They were eyewitnesses of His account. They had seen resurrection power, and the results of what God can do.

Today I declare to the church it is the day to walk in the anointing of the resurrection power of Jesus Christ. It is a new day! As revival flows in Canada, as revival flows in North America; watch what God will do.

NOTE: Over the last six months in Canada, there have been multiple traveling ministers from the United States who have declared 'revival over Canada'. One was Cindy Jacobs. Another was Pastor Jeff Johns who at our National just in may said, "Look out Canada, Holy Spirit is going to move - coast to coast."

To our French Brothers he declared, “a move of God like you have not seen.” To our first nations and host peoples he said, “God would come.”

That is what society is looking for, LIFE IN THE CHURCH and the power of God being shown. Offer life, offer hope, offer the gift of God and His gifts. Let us stand up and show the goodness of God. Let us stand and demonstrate the power of God. Let us speak and teach on the Blood of Jesus which heals, restores, satisfies us and covers us.

Today I want to declare to you that God is ready to move here - in Canada.

Church, know this: the Lord is waiting for His church. He is almost crying for us, pleading with us, to just stand up. just begin to move in His Spirit. “Would you be filled with Me?” God is asking His church. “Would you be overwhelmed with Me and My Spirit? Would you hunger and thirst for My presence? Would you let Me (God’s Holy Spirit and Power) come out of you? Would you let Me come out of your mouth? Would you let Me come out of your expectation?”

Stand in the goodness of God. Declare the goodness of God in the land of the living.

Be encouraged and be strengthened today.

Pray and expect revival flowing in your church, your province and in Canada.



Rev. Dave Kelsey
General Secretary

SPECIAL THANKS!

During our Provincial Conference in Quebec, it was an honour to celebrate the many years of faithful service of Rev. Pauline Corriveau with the IAOGI. She served as Regional Secretary in Quebec for more than 17 years. We are so grateful that you have been steadfast, unmovable and always abounding in the work of the Lord; Your labour for the Lord has not been in vain! Thank you!





FROM THE DESK OF OUR ASSISTANT GENERAL SECRETARY

Rev. Yvon Stabili

THE LORD IS MOVING IN THE NATIONS!

What a privilege it is to share with you some of what God has done during our various missions trips this year.

First, we went to Venezuela for 25 days. The Lord opened incredible doors for us despite the political situation in the country. We began our journey on Margarita Island, where we held several meetings in various churches, as well as gatherings for pastors and leaders to encourage them in their faith. Hundreds of people gave their lives to Jesus. We hosted several events with thousands of attendees and had the opportunity to connect with dozens of pastors.

The Lord opened a door for us with a national newspaper, where during an interview, we shared the Word of God and deeply impacted leaders from various church families with a message on honour.

Next, we visited the city of Puerto Ordaz, where we provided medical care to the community, along with providing thousands of medications. People



were able to consult specialists based on their needs, and we had a prayer room where we prayed for healing and salvation. Once again, the Lord moved powerfully, and dozens of people gave their lives to Jesus. Many young people also received prayer.

We experienced a similar blessing in the city of Tucupita, where, in addition to reaching hundreds of people and providing food, we were able to pray with Indigenous people who live according to their ancestral customs. It was a blessed time.

We also visited the city of El Tigre, where we witnessed the Holy Spirit at work. Additionally, we spent time in a small barrio where the poverty was striking, but the people's hunger for the things of God was limitless, and once again, God's grace was manifested.

There are too many stories to share about what our God has done, and I don't have enough space to detail them all here. But I want to thank those of you who supported this trip, both through prayer and financially. Your contributions enabled us to bless the people and churches there, who are going through so much hardship. Your love and dedication made a difference, and not only blessed the people, but also gave them hope.



As I write these lines, I have just returned from another 14-day trip to Africa, specifically to the Democratic Republic of Congo. There too, God's glory was present. I will briefly mention that about 45,000 people attended our meetings each day, with numerous healings and miracles. Yes, God's presence was once again powerfully evident! What a privilege it is to serve the Lord by preaching the Good News of His Kingdom.

If you would like to hear more about what God is doing through these various missions, please feel free to reach out to me. It would be an honor to share with you what God is doing in the nations. Once again, thank you for your support, and may you be blessed.



Rev. Yvon Stabili, Quebec

Assistant General Secretary

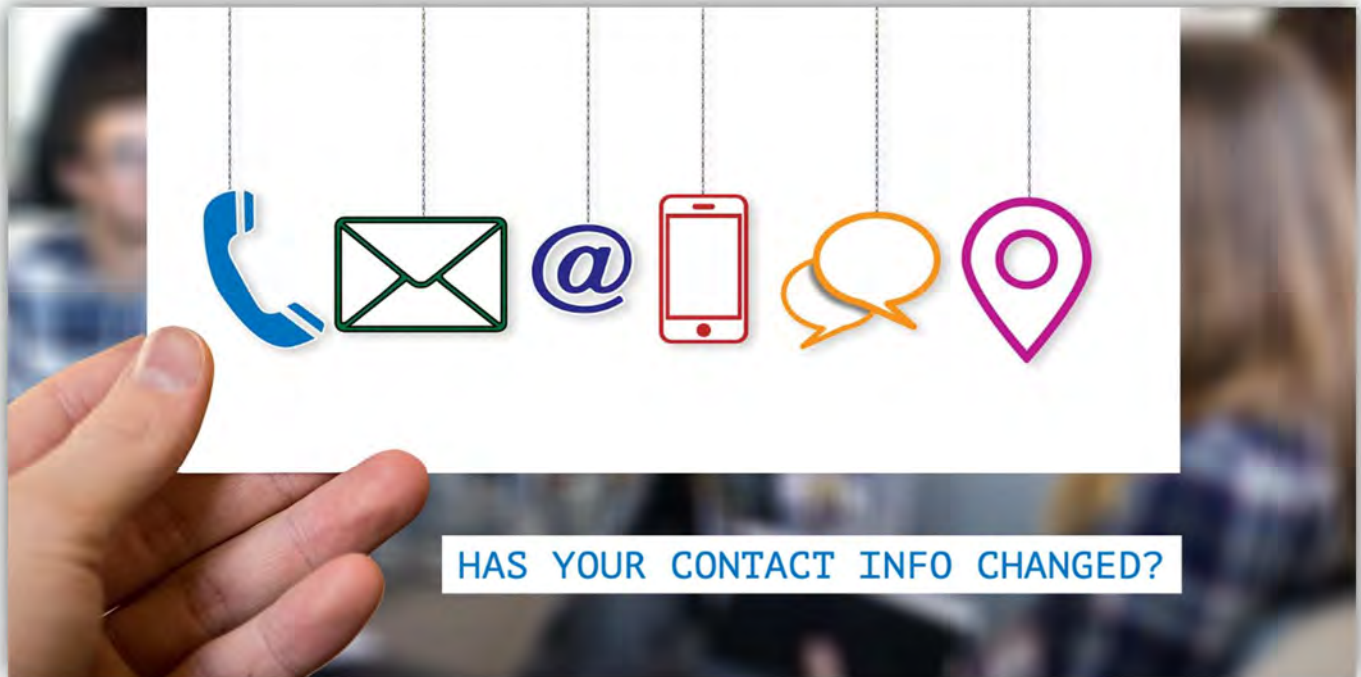




IAOGI/ADDII CANADA IS ON



We now have a new general Facebook page for the IAOGI!
Just another way to stay connected. Please take a moment to “Like” and “Follow” the page.



The General Secretary has the responsibility to maintain an accurate membership list, and the responsibility of reporting changes in contact information to the appropriate authorities.

PLEASE KEEP US IN THE LOOP WITH NEW TELEPHONE NUMBERS,
NEW ADDRESSES AND NEW E-MAIL ADDRESSES.

IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR CREDENTIALS

DUE: JANUARY 31, 2025

The time of credential renewal is upon us.

This year the renewal fee is **\$210.00** if sent in by JANUARY 31, 2025. **Please note:** this includes your \$50.00 annual convention fee, regardless of attendance.

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHEQUES/MONEY ORDERS PAYABLE TO: IAOGI

After February 1, 2025, there will be a late penalty of \$30.00 added to the \$210.00 = Total \$240.00.

Form 3 must be completed for all credential renewals and can be completed via hard copy and mail or online.

Hard copy forms must be sent to your sponsoring pastor/church with your cheque/money order. Your sponsoring pastor/church must sign off on your documents. Your licensing or sponsoring pastor/church will then forward your documents for processing.

Online renewal is available through www.iaogcan.com however, please consult with your sponsoring pastor/church **FIRST**. The process must be completed **WITH** them.

If you complete Form 3 through our online renewal, please ensure you complete Step #2 for the online payment of your renewal fees.

For a minister 75 years of age and older your renewal fee is \$25.00. **REMINDER!** Your fee now includes your annual convention fee. Please follow one of the options listed above for processing.

Thank you for being prompt in your submissions. All resources and forms are available through our website.



If you need additional support, please connect with your Regional Secretary.

SPECIAL INVITATION: KOINONIA CONFERENCE 2025

Jim and Shelley Christian (Christ The Answer International Ministries), are extending an invite to their annual Koinonia Leadership Conference, February 6-8 in Saskatoon, SK at City Centre Church: 720 20th Street West.

Koinonia Leadership Conference (*"Koinonia" meaning the close, intimate fellowship of the saints*) was developed 25 yrs ago to **encourage, connect and develop covenant friendships** to those who are leaders in the body of Christ. Many leaders and ministers throughout the north and across our nation feel isolated and don't know who to turn to for help. Our goal is for all ministers to be **built up, imparted to and refreshed** as they return home to their key spheres of ministry.

We are so blessed with each of our guest speakers. Our main speaker is Dr. LaDonna Osborn, (world renowned, evangelist, teacher, CEO of Osborn Ministries International and Bishop over 1,000 churches) as well as Dr. Roma Fisher, (pastor, motivational speaker, teacher and creator of Spirit Alive, a First Nations television ministry). Worship by the anointed City Centre Church Worship Band.



Our Theme is: TODAY...HERE... NOW! "If only today you would listen to His Voice..." Hebrews 4:7

THURSDAY FEB 6TH

Evening Session @ 7 pm.

FRIDAY FEB 7TH

Morning Session @ 9am-12pm

Afternoon Session @ 1:30 -3:30 pm.

Evening Session @ 7pm

SATURDAY FEB 8TH

Morning Session, 9-12 pm.

Koinonia conference lunch to follow
(Lunch included in registration costs)

Registration required and now available online: www.ctaim.com

Early Bird Tickets: \$50.00 | After Jan 10th: \$75.00

Please note, all evening sessions are open to the public.

If you need more info or have problems with the online please email Shelley at: shelley@ctaim.com

We are expecting great things and hope you will join us!

Jim & Shelley Christian. Saskatchewan

Jim and Shelley have partnered with God for over 39 years. of marriage, ministry, missions, and miracles - sharing the simplicity, grace and power of the Good News in Central America, Africa, the Philippines and across Canada. Christ the Answer Ministries International was birthed in 1993 with the goal of helping people everywhere find their true identity, value and purpose in the Person of Jesus Christ and live this Life to the fullest!



MINISTRY UPDATES

KINGDOM WORK CONTINUES - GRACE LIFE MINISTRIES

Rev. Kell and Lorri Frandsen | gracelifeministries7@yahoo.ca | www.gracelifeministries.info

There are 40 million destitute widows in India. In the Hindu belief system, if a husband dies, the wife is viewed as a curse for not properly taking care of him. Consequently, many widows are rejected by their families and forced to wander the streets like the pariah dogs. This is seen as karmic retribution. We know it is God's heart to rescue and physically look after these women (and some widowers too), bringing the love of Christ to them and seeing that they are being loved by the Church.



Also in India some 10 million underage children wander without adult protection, vulnerable to all kinds of exploitation. Our Father sees this and we, His Church, are called to rescue these.



Last year in October 2023 Pastor Kell and our main leaders trained 15 new young married men to be part of the ministry. Since then, under our field leaders, they have opened 35 new churches, and this is only the beginning! We continue to expand our children's ministry and now have 5 daycares - 2 in Visakhapatnam and 3 in remote villages in Odisha.

We praise the Lord also for seeing demoniacs free, resulting in entire villages and families coming to Christ. He is the Almighty! In the early part of this year, our main leaders, who are brothers, had their father pass away. He had been a leader over 12 villages and, like his sons, he was a friendly, spiritually strong, honest man, trusted by all. Grace Life hosted a very large gathering of business and political leaders, high and low caste Hindus, and a great number of relatives from many villages. Over 900 people attended the funeral and all heard the gospel message. God gave incredible favour and now over 150 villages are fully open to the ministry.

We had a very great miracle happen on the home front. After 3 years of perfect accounting, our leaders were able to get FCRA (Foreign Contribution Registered Accreditation) which opens doors for them to receive funds from registered charities around the world. This is a great step to expanding the ministry and we are very grateful to the Lord for providing it.

For 30 years Lorri and I have headed Grace Life Ministries. I am 75 and Lorri is 73. We absolutely love what we are doing! However, we believe some changes are warranted. Our Board is older and not able to handle the new growth. Lorri can no longer travel.



Consequently, the Lord is guiding us to transition to a new Board that is strong spiritually, has wide connections, and has the ability to handle this new growth. I have met with Pastor Gwen Dreger and Pastor Jason Mackay, and they have agreed to form a new Board.

I have known Pastor Gwen for many years. She is a great woman of God. Jason loves Jesus and is a man of integrity and has a heart for God. They will need Lorri and I during the transition as we have gleaned much experience in India over the years. Our ministry team is like our own family and the ministry is very healthy. We will help the new Board with our input wherever needed. Taking on GLM will open South Asia for the IAOG ministry team and that will be a real benefit as well.



The apostle Paul had an extremely active ministry all his life, but when he grew older, he was in the Roman prison where he was free to pray and write two thirds of the New Testament. We feel it is time for me to write my story. The book I am planning to write will be called GRACE WARRIOR, covering 50 years of frontline ministry. It will be the story of God's grace given to Lorri and I to stand in the most dangerous, darkest, and poorest part of India. I will continue teaching, training, and being in contact with India. After all, they are our family!

Please pray over the next month as we meet to transition Grace life Ministries into the new Board. Blessings to all! Please pray with us as we pursue His vision to bless so many!

Kell & Lorri Frandsen. British Columbia

Rev. Kell and Lorri live in the Courtney area of Vancouver Island, British Columbia. Having seen first-hand the suffering in Odisha, India back in 1994, Kell and Lorri have continued to passionately and practically meet the needs of orphans and widows in villages and communities - all while spreading the good news of Jesus Christ and raising up more leaders to do the same. While transitioning much of GLM to the board, Kell and Lorri will continue to hold a key role in promoting the work. Odisha is forever marked by the Kingdom of God due to their faithfulness.



PARK OF PRAISE - LIVING WORD CHURCH INTERNATIONAL

Rev. Araba Quaye | aquaye1@gmail.com | www.humboldtlivingword.com

Over the last year and a half our church has taken to doing praise and worship sets in our local park adjacent City Hall in Humboldt, Saskatchewan. Anytime we do this ministry outreach, the Lord visits the area in a special way.

Whether it's through sharing the gospel with people or inviting folks to church, this ministry outreach gives us the platform to connect with the community and showcase God's love and power through music, prayer and the gospel.

In between our music sets we shared scriptures, testimonies, and words of encouragement. We also had a powerful time of intercessory prayer. During the prayer time there was a shift in the atmosphere. We interceded on behalf of the children of Humboldt; men, women, teenagers, businesses, City Hall, the mayor, the sick in the hospital and even the local farmers. I believe unprecedented testimonies will come out of those prayers.



So many other wonderful and interesting instances have happened as a result of this outdoor ministry. One that will always have a profound effect on me was when we had a couple, driving through Humboldt from Vancouver. They hadn't planned to make a rest stop in Humboldt but as they were driving past our little group in the park, the music and word of God being preached gripped their hearts and had them park their car on the roadside and join us.

This couple was weary from their driving journey, but as they sat and listened, they said they were being refreshed. The man later even confessed to us that he had been cranky with his wife (probably due to the many hours he had been driving on the road). It's amazing what a short time of refreshment in the Lord's presence can do for anyone who's been stuck driving in a car for over 18 hours.

During our most recent outdoor evangelism set, I had the experience of being stung by a wasp on my finger, while singing a worship song! It was extremely painful. I had one of two options. 1) Excuse myself and tend to the excruciating pain or 2) believe God for total healing and keep on singing and praising the Lord. I decided to go for the latter and just kept on praising the Lord despite the pain. To my amazement the Lord made that pain vanish so quickly, it left me in awe! Glory to Jesus!

Life can be filled with challenges or painful things that can get us distracted or divert our attention from the LORD. But if we choose to keep our focus on the Lord, despite whatever we may be challenged with, He will make a way where there seems to be no way. Even when the challenge can be extremely painful. Like the wasp sting I endured, God has a way of working it out when we decide to keep our focus on him. Isaiah 26:3-4 (NLT) says, "You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you! Trust in the Lord always, for the Lord God is the eternal Rock." Glory Hallelujah! What a message from the Lord! That's our breakthrough.

Araba Qauye, Saskatchewan

Araba is the pastor of Living Word Church International, located in Humboldt, SK where she's been ministering over 8 years. She initially started out in ministry as a worship leader, but the Lord led her into the pastoral ministry along the way. Her zeal and love for the Lord is infectious. Her mission is to expand the kingdom of God through the preaching and teaching of the Word of God, prayer, praise and worship, and outreach programs.



UNITY ON MAIN STREET - MISSION THANDO CANADA & SOUTH AFRICA

Rev. David Meisner | pastordavidmeisner@gmail.com | www.missionthando.com

Hello everyone! It's so good to hear what God is doing among us! He has done great things, and we need to be ready for what He's going to do next!

Is.43:15 I am the Lord, your Holy One, Israel's Creator and King. 16 I am the Lord, who opened a way through the waters, making a dry path through the sea. 17 I called forth the mighty army of Egypt with all its chariots and horses. I drew them beneath the waves, and they drowned, their lives snuffed out like a smoldering candlewick.

18 "But forget all that— it is nothing compared to what I am going to do. 19 For I am about to do something new. See, I have already begun! Do you not see it? I will make a pathway through the wilderness. I will create rivers in the dry wasteland.

I pray for us to have eyes of faith to see, with soft hearts ready to respond to the fresh moving of the Holy Ghost today!

This year has an unprecedented unity among the 5 churches in our community of Carlyle, SK, with ministerial meetings and working together on special events: Good Friday service, Watoto African Children's Choir in May, and now a community service on Main Street!

Following Carlyle Fun Dayz annual event, we kept the street blocked off for the Sunday, August 18 service! Krista and I organized this one, but all the churches participated. The Szakacs family from southeast Saskatchewan did an amazing job of worship and testimony! Curtis and Bonnie and their 8 children all sing and play instruments. They have such a heart for the kingdom! Our speaker from



Manitoba was Danny MacKay, President of Equip Canada. His son Jordan read some Scripture, his wife LeeAnn was a joy to be around, and he preached the gospel in a powerful way! We mailed flyers to the whole town, did posters and social media posts. We had about 160-170 attend, which is amazing for our small town! We ended with a free BBQ to connect with people.

Praise God, 6 people got saved for the first time and 6-7 rededicated their lives to Christ!

God is also doing great things with Mission Thando South Africa (MTSA). Thando is the Zulu word for Love, and we are taking the Love of Jesus to the world! Our MTSA team recently has grown in effectiveness as a non-profit organization through workshops and recent connections; flourishing in their heart to serve God! They will be featured soon in a large event, chosen as an example to inspire!

Krista has been working tirelessly with Evangelist Tyrelle Smith, of Gospel Fire For All Nations, on Come Together, with upcoming events across Canada. Hundreds in Canada are being saved! We thank God for the amazing team He has given to work with! God is doing new things, and we all get to be a part of it!

WE'RE EXCITED TO HAVE YOU JOIN US AT THE NATIONAL CONVENTION IN REGINA MAY 5-8!

David & Krista Meisner, Saskatchewan

David and his wife Krista currently live in Carlyle, SK where they pastor Home Church, a local church that gathers in people's houses in the area. With a heart for the harvest in Canada and abroad, Dave and Krista continue to oversee Mission Thando in Durban, South Africa which they started and ran as international missionaries from 2009-2018. Dave was also recently selected as the IAOGI Regional Secretary for the Prairies. Krista and Dave will be facilitating next year's IAOGI National Convention.



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!!

Please do not hold back your testimonies, ministry updates, or words of inspiration and encouragement. Staying connected is important! Please send your articles to us for The Canadian Mantle in a Word document. Articles should be no more than 500 words in length.

Don't forget to share some photos too and include your ministry's information and website. Friendly reminder, all articles are subject to the discretion of the editor and will be reviewed upon submission.

Remember! We need each other's gifts!

Email: mantlearticles@outlook.com

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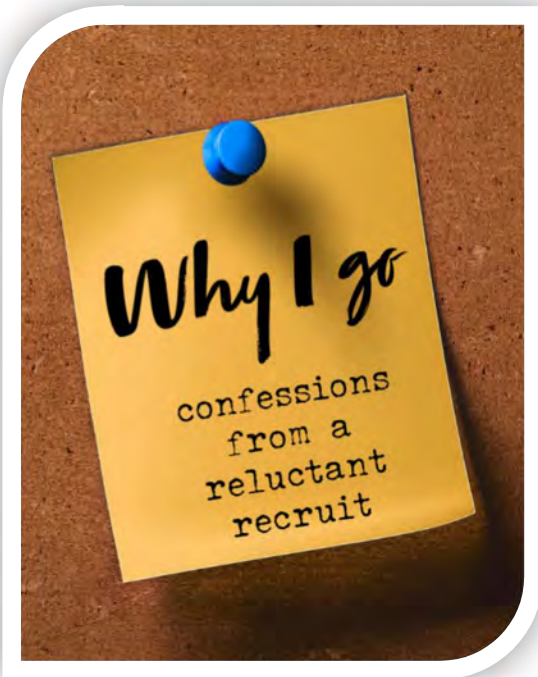


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FOR SEVERAL YEARS I DIDN'T GO to the national conferences. I was too busy, cost was a factor since usually I would have to take a plane to get there, cost for a hotel and car rental etc.

Then a couple of years ago I was flipping through a Mantle and came across an article about an upcoming conference in Quebec City and the Lord asked me a question: *If you belong to a fellowship shouldn't you go and fellowship?* And I must admit, conviction fell on me, so I asked Him, "How?"

He spoke this word into my heart: *Where I lead, I will provide.*

Sovereignly He did! I would encourage everyone to come and fellowship with the many other brothers and sisters in our IAOGI family from across the country, be blessed and ministered to by the various speakers and you never know the Lord may have a special word for you in this national setting! Come and see what the Lord can do! This is why I go!

THINK ON THESE THINGS

From time to time the Lord speaks to His servants' words from His heart to His people. IAOGI fully encourages the gifts of the Holy Spirit. These words are submitted humbly and prayerfully.

Please take some time to carefully examine how they may strengthen and encourage you.

1 CORINTHIANS 14:29-31

LET THE PROPHETS SPEAK TWO OR THREE, AND LET THE OTHER JUDGE. IF ANY THING BE REVEALED TO ANOTHER THAT SITTETH BY, LET THE FIRST HOLD HIS PEACE. FOR YE MAY ALL PROPHECY ONE BY ONE, THAT ALL MAY LEARN, AND ALL MAY BE COMFORTED

SHINE BRIGHTER LEAD BETTER

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John 1:5 And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

Greetings from Cottam, Ontario! In a world filled with uncertainties and challenges, the need for strong, Godly leadership has never been greater. The darkness may seem to be closing in, but as followers of Christ, we know one truth: the darker the days, the brighter His Light can shine. Recently, I have been reminded of the importance of letting our light shine for others, not just in words but in intentional action.



One of the most profound opportunities I've had to be a light in my community came when I was asked to join the board of a professional women's networking group. I believe it is no coincidence that God has placed me in this group for such a time as this. There are about 60 women and only 1 other Bible believing member at this time. (Many more to come!)

As believers, we are called to be the light of the world, a city on a hill that cannot be hidden (Matthew 5:14). This is not just a nice sentiment; it's a powerful mandate. Too often, we allow the pressures of life or the fear of standing out to dim the light within us. But Jesus didn't call us to hide our light under a bushel. He called us to let it shine so that others may see and be drawn to the

Source of all Light—Himself.

Through this role, I've been intentional about shining the light of Christ in every interaction, decision, and conversation. Whether it's offering encouragement to a colleague or bringing a Christ-centered perspective to discussions, I am committed to reflecting His love and truth in everything I do. In this group, I see so many opportunities to build connections, influence others, and lead by example. I am not simply representing myself; I am representing Christ. And what a privilege that is!

As leaders, we all have spheres of influence where we are called to be His light. We may face trials and tribulations, and the world around us may seem bleak, but it is in these very moments that our light is most needed. Remember, the darker the environment, the more noticeable a small flicker of light becomes. Now is the time to shine brighter than ever before!

Let us not forget the Great Commission. Jesus didn't just tell us to shine our light for the sake of being seen. He instructed us to go into all the world and make disciples (Matthew 28:19). That means being active, being bold, and being intentional about leading others to Christ through our actions and our words. It is through this intentional leadership, grounded in faith, that we can bring transformation to our communities, workplaces, and beyond.

So, as we navigate the challenges of today's world, let us commit to shining brighter and leading better. The Light of Christ is within us, and it is our duty and privilege to share that light with the world. Let's go and make disciples!

Shine bright for Him today,

Faye St. Pierre. Ontario

Faye has been with the IAOGI since 2023 and has dedicated over 40 years to actively serving the Lord in the local church. Additionally, she holds certification as a member of the Maxwell Leadership team, By amalgamating her four decades of leadership experience with the premier Maxwell Leadership tools, she is excellently poised to provide assistance to those working towards leadership excellence, personal growth, and fulfillment of their life aspirations. Cottam, Ontario is where Faye calls home.





UNDERSTANDING THE ROLE OF THE SPONSORING PASTOR

One of the unique distinctives of the Independent Assemblies of God is the constitutional right of a local pastor to license and ordain ministers. This is important and integral for church growth and future succession within our local churches. In this brief article I want to address what this means.

- **IT IS SCRIPTURAL.** Jesus said go into all of the world and make disciples. Jesus himself provided the example for this. Biblical history shows that He made disciples of many men and women.
- **IT FACILITATES FOR SUCCESSION OF THE WORK OF THE LORD.** Jesus made it clear that He would not be with them always, and declared, “As the Father has sent me, so send I you.”
- **IT IS RELATIONAL.** The disciples were with Jesus for three years. Paul and Silas follow the same example. Several of Paul’s epistles are written to men, that he mentored like Timothy and Titus
- **IT HAS LEGAL RAMIFICATIONS.** When we lay hands on an individual in recognition of God’s call upon their life, we are affirming that we have done our due diligence both in the secular and spiritual realms.
- In summary, The Independent Assemblies of God is not a vending machine for credentials, but a relational organization (Fellowship) that gives to each pastor the authority to disciple young men and women and prepare them for the five fold ministry. The ordination of men/women is a recognition of God’s ordination. With it carries the awesome responsibility, both spiritually and legally, that they have been prepared for that step. In turn, we are prepared to ensure that each one walks in the integrity of their calling.

PLEASE NOTE: The role of the sponsoring pastor does not stop at the initial paperwork. It continues while those credentialed remain with the IAOGI. The sponsoring pastor still has the same responsibility to ensure the individual they are signing for is walking in the integrity of their calling as identified by the type of credentials carried. Sponsoring pastors must recognize and be ready to take on their responsibility of maintaining a relationship with the individual they are signing for, including the liability of any actions related to the individual’s ministry.

BY-LAW ARTICLE 3 covers a lot of this information. A local pastor (of a church) is able to sponsor a new applicant. It is important to remember, as per *Article 3 C ‘You are responsible for his/her encouragement and or discipline.’* We are asking you to make sure they have a call on their life and are people of integrity. You can see it in their walk with the Lord. It is recommended and required by most insurance companies that that all members undergo “A Vulnerable Sector Police Check” every five years.

If you are considering sponsoring an applicant, ensure that you have taken time to pray and discern:

- Am I the right person to sponsor (vouch for, encourage, discipline, partner, build relationship and support) this applicant and their call?
- Does the applicant easily articulate the vision and passion God has placed on their heart.
- Does the applicant hold the same heart and values of the IAOGI in fellowship and accountability

If you are an existing sponsoring pastor here are some practical recommendations:

- Stay in regular communication and fellowship with the person you have sponsored
- Pray for them and their ministry regularly
- Encourage them to attend IAOGI gatherings whether locally, regionally or nationally.
- Occasionally attend their services or ministry events where possible to provide support.
- Remember, you always have additional resources in your Regional Secretary

While these recommendations have the lens of the sponsoring pastor, these are great things to keep in practice as a credential holder and leader. We are excited to see our fellowship continue to strengthen and grow through kingdom relationships.

"FOR WE ARE LABOURERS TOGETHER WITH GOD..." 1 CORINTHIANS 3:9A



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REV. JOHN GIBSON (DOB AUG 23, 1932)

Rev. John Gibson was promoted to glory Sept. 11, 2024. John peacefully passed away at the age of 91 and is now in the presence of his personal Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. He will be dearly missed by his beloved wife Janie, children and stepchildren

John will be sadly missed by his Warrior Coaching family that he has served for over 20 years as a pastor. He loved to support, and do iterant work in the area. His legacy of faith and love continue in those whose life he touched. He was born Aug. 23, 1932.

He was a member of the IAOGI from 1998 to 2024. Please remember his wife, Janie, and family in prayer. He was not a member of the Compassion fund.



REV. FERN JONES (DOB AUG 30, 1941)

Rev. Fern Jones Fern went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday September 4th, 2024 at the age of 83. She was a loving mother, grandmother, pastor and friend. She and her husband Marvin Jones started Faith Chapel in North Bay in 1973, and took it through many expansions. They build their church to be the home base for many in the central north part of Ontario. They raised up and sent out many pastors. She will be deeply missed by all privileged to know her.

Sister Fern had been a member of the IAOG since 1980 and still was a role model to the ladies there. Please continue to pray for all those touched by her passing.

She was not a member of the Compassion Fund.



REV. DAVID JONES (DOB APR 7, 1949)

Rev. David Neals passed away suddenly at home in Minden on Monday, March 25, 2024, at the age of 74. Loving husband of Terry. Beloved father of Melinda/Mindy (David) Hope, Felicia Neals, and stepfather to Suzy (Nate). Loving poppa to Shanley (Matt) LeBoeuf, Chase Hope, Makayla Robinson, and Cassidy Neals. Great Grandfather to Vivian, Sawyer and Nolan. Brother to Ruth (Lee) Batchelor and Paul (Susan) Neals.

Pastor David was the founder of the Kawartha Biker Church and known for his loyalty and kindness. Memorial Donations can be forwarded to suzgould76@hotmail.com to be given to Pastor Dave's Charities.

Pastor Dave joined IAOGI in 2020. He was not a member of the compassion fund.



REV. BRIAN FOERSTER (DOB MAY 14, 1976)

On September 25th, 2023, Brian's gentle spirit went home to be with his Lord and Saviour Jesus. We imagine Brian is doing nothing short of strolling the glorious golf courses of heaven, while hitting stellar home runs in the coolest kicks and repping 4Studios. He and his lovely wife Sabrina raised four beautiful children, Gabriele Praise, Ethan, Galilee, and Bethlehem. Together, the Foerster pack took on the world with kindness and courage.

He was the Senior Pastor of The Lakeside Church, preaching powerful sermons to a congregation of over 300+ individuals. Brian brought overwhelming joy to the lives of all those around him, daily. Brian and Sabrina, the pastor-power couple, have ministered together for over 25 years, spreading the Lord's message and God's grace to every individual that had the privilege of encountering them.

To say that he will be missed by many would be a colossal understatement. Should you have had the privilege of knowing Brian, you would know that the loss felt in his absence is monumental. Continued prayers would be greatly welcomed

Brain joined the IAOGI in 2019. He was not a member of the compassion fund.



IAOGI NATIONAL PRAYER

We know that we are living in perilous times. Perilous times call for serious prayers!

We must rise to the occasion and pray with earnest hearts. The Lord is speaking, and we are His servants. He will give wisdom and instructions to those who ask.

God has placed us where it pleases Him. We can trust then that He will equip us with all we need to fulfill His purposes in those places. We are His voice, His feet, and His hands working in Canada. We need to be confident in His powerful grace to accomplish His assignments.

Deep is calling us to a deeper walk with Him. Obeying that call will bring a cleansing and make clearer the purposes He is calling us to. We must be the examples for others to follow and be able to state, "Follow me as I follow Christ."

Let us be examples of prayer, faith, boldness, and lovers of truth.

Please join us monthly in our zoom prayers:

Saturday, Oct 19th - 9:00 am PST - 12:00pm EST
Saturday, Nov 16th - 9:00 am PST - 12:00pm EST

<https://zoom.us/join>

Meeting ID: 820 7770 7133

Passcode: 299033



Mighty blessings to you all,

Rev. Gwen Dreger, British Columbia

National Prayer Coordinator

THE ITINERARY OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY

- Sept 19th - 21st** Quebec Provincial Convention - Montreal, QC
- Sept 26th - 27th** Prairies Regional Meeting - Winnipeg, MB
- Oct 19th** Central Ontario Regional Meeting - Toronto, ON
- Oct 24th - 25th** Evangelical Fellowship of Canada's Presidents/Leaders Day
- Oct 27th** Great Commission Church of Christ, Anniversary Service - Toronto, ON
Mount Zion House of Prayer - Bramalea, ON
- Nov 6th - 8th** Prophetic Conference - White Horse, IN, USA

**** PLEASE NOTE DATES AND EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. FOR THE FULL ITINERARY OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY PLEASE VISIT WWW.IAOGCAN.COM ****

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