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But the seed in the good soil, these are the ones who have heard the word in an honest and good heart, and hold it fast, and bear fruit with perseverance.

His Harvest



“The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest

to send out laborers into his harvest.” Luke 10:2 [ESV]

Every fall I think about these words from Jesus. It is our Lord's one prayer request. Jesus looked out over the world and across the centuries and saw no shortage of souls ready for the harvest. While sending 72 workers out into the harvest, Jesus – in the same breath – instructed them to pray earnestly for more laborers. In this moment we see a pattern for our own lives and ministry at St. George's.

Every follower of Jesus has a two-fold ministry.

First, when it comes to the harvest of souls, Jesus empowers and releases each of us to labor in His fields – in the world around us. Maybe this harvest season you would reflect on your own life and ask the question, “What am I doing for the Lord?” Has His great love for you and His miraculous gift of salvation led you to respond in loving service? Are you like the 72 that Jesus sent out into the ‘fields’, or are you still sitting idle? Are you in the game or warming a bench on the sidelines?

Take a look at your life and at the needs around you. A prayerful evaluation of your own gifts, talents and abilities, combined with an equally prayerful assessment of the needs in your church, in your family and in your community, can develop a

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laborer's heart. We truly begin to live out our life's purpose when God-given gifting meets with Spirit inspired calling to serve.

One word of caution – too often Christian service can be motivated by guilt or even a desire to earn the favor of the Lord. Nothing could be more perverse. God's favor is bestowed on his children unmerited. The call to then engage in service is all response to such great, undeserved love.

Firstly, the Master calls each Christian to be a laborer in His field.

Second, the Lord asks each laborer to pray. Imagine, Jesus asks a prayer request of you, of me and of all disciples throughout the ages. See what he asks us to pray. He does not ask us to pray that the labor would be fruitful; He knows that the success of Christian service rests in the power of the Spirit who inspires the work. Instead, He calls us to pray for more laborers.

I recently returned from a meeting with a small group from our new province (ACNA). During this meeting our Archbishop, Bob Duncan, called for the planting of 1000 churches over the next 5 years. Our Lord's word in Luke 10 came to mind. I have been praying this prayer, not only for ACNA but also for us at St. George's in this coming year. We have seen many new families join our parish family over the past year or so. It takes a few months for newcomers to find their way

around the ministries and to get to know their new church family. I am praying that this harvest season would see many newcomers to St. G's called to be laborers in the fields. Consider what gifts and talents the Lord has given you and prayerfully watch for things that need to be done.

Secondly, the Master calls each Christian to pray for more laborers.

I trust and pray that each of us would find fruitful ministry in the church and in the world. I pray that we would be motivated to respond to God's rich love for us, in Christ Jesus, by rolling up our sleeves and laboring in the Master's fields. I also pray that every disciple of Jesus would hear His prayer request and take seriously their responsibility to pray for more laborers.

Open your eyes, look around. The harvest is plentiful. Labor and pray.

Ray David

"After this the Lord appointed 72 others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves."

Luke 10: 1-3

"I am the vine; you are the branches"

Meet Emily Rigo



Emily Rigo is a young entrepreneur in the St. George's community. She and her family came to St. George's when Emily was about 10 years old. Emily has just graduated from George Brown College where she studied to become a pastry chef. She is developing her own business, specializing in cakes and cake decorating. She is developing a growing clientele and has received orders for specialty cakes for a wide variety of occasions. Visit her blog [<http://enjoycake.blogspot.com>]. You will be impressed and entertained by her creativity and unique approach.

Emily makes no secret of the fact that she is a Christian. She speaks very warmly of the grounding in faith that she received in this church. Her experience as a member of the St. George's Young People rooted her in the faith and prepared her for high school. She said that she doesn't know where she would be today if her family had not come to St. George's. She is grateful that the congregation is still like a big family.

Emily is a person of many interests and talents. She was very active in sports in high school at Milton District and threw herself into volleyball, badminton, and touch football. But her first love was tennis and her passion for that sport continues. It is not always easy to find court time just now.

While she was at high school, she particularly enjoyed math, art, photography, nutrition, and physical education. All three Rigo siblings found the art teacher particularly inspiring as they have all inherited a creative gene which was developed and encouraged by this teacher.

And is cooking school at all like the stereotypes in films and on television? In some ways, yes. The students must wear a uniform which is supplied to them at the school. It consists of chef's hat [the teacher's hat is taller than all the rest], white jacket and pants, a neck scarf and an apron. All of these must be spotless; cleanliness is essential throughout the workspace, and absolutely no jewelry or nail polish. Instructors' voices might be raised on occasion; there is some pressure to work faster, to work as a team in twos and/or fours, and a need to coordinate use of equipment. Everyone had a workbench. There were mixers on

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one wall, ovens on another. This was the baking lab. In some of the chefs' courses men do outnumber women, but in pastry the ratio is 10 women to one man. Although there was a great deal of pressure, the program was fun! Emily made close friendships there and after class on Wednesdays they all went out for coffee.

Right now Emily is working from home, and there is growing demand; many people have been hearing about her by word-of-mouth. One day she would love to own her own shop which could be partly a tea shop and partly a specialty bakery. She would also be very interested in writing a book about baking; this too could be used by the Lord. Emily can see God's hand blessing her work and guiding her with many creative ideas and innovations. She recalls entering a cake decorating contest this spring with an idea that the Lord put in her mind while she was attending a women's conference. Not surprisingly, her cake was the winning entry!

At George Brown there was some instruction regarding how to develop your own business, but certainly much needs to be learned by experience. She stressed that a quality product requires quality ingredients, no short cuts. Emily is developing skills in ordering supplies and even creative use of "left-overs". For example, extra cake remnants can be made into delectable "cake-pops": cake on a stick dipped in chocolate.

Emily takes delight in her work and finds great satisfaction in it. She prays over cake, especially wedding cakes. She said, "You never know how God is working. He works in the craziest ways, and always perfect and for His glory."

Emily has given a great deal of thought and prayer to the role of her generation at St. George's. She is praying that more of her generation will come, and that there will be more in the youth group. She recalls how vital the youth group was in her own walk with the Lord. She is praying for revival. She has been invited to work with the youth beginning this fall and is very excited at the prospect. She looks forward particularly to mentoring and building relationships with young women. As a teenager, she loved being mentored herself by Suzie Masters [Hollema]. Her athletic abilities, her many interests, and her living faith can be well expressed in our church family with people of all ages. Emily would enjoy knowing more of the older generation and building relationships there. Certainly Emily's



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talents as a chef could lend themselves to doing demonstrations for women's groups and also provide her an opportunity to speak about the Lord.

One Scripture that has encouraged Emily particularly is Philippians 2: 5 – 11. This passage gripped her when she read it and she goes back to it over and over again.

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. [ESV]

She really likes this word about being a servant. "Christ asks us to be the lowest in order to serve Him." This attitude is unique in our culture and when displayed, it really shows people Christ.

Emily is refreshing! She is a beautiful young woman in every sense of the word. She loves her work and is passionate and joyful in her faith; she blends the two seamlessly in her life. It is impossible to divide the one from the other. Let's pray for Emily and all of her generation in the ministries God is giving them. **Ed's**

Ray David greets the bishop's grandson, Isaiah Edward Hollema, born July 28.



Praying for your Pastor

Ray Davis has asked us to pray for him as he preaches through Genesis; I thought this article was timely, "*Praying for your Pastor*". It was published in this month's Alliance Magazine and can be found at <http://cmalliance.ca/prayingforyourpastorp2715.pa>

Donna Denison



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ONE WAY YOUTH RETREAT

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The Library is Open

Thank you for your generous donations to our library some months back. Thank you also to the volunteers who helped sort and categorize the donated material. The Library is now open for business. The Library shares space in the Nursery Room just outside the Parish Offices. Please feel free to browse the shelves between services and after the second service.



Gillian Fernie is our Librarian. Under, Gillian's guidance, Ed and Dyanna Lewis have worked at getting the books ready for borrowing. Please ask any of us for assistance. We are very enthusiastic readers and would love to find a book that would interest you. If you are new to a church library, we would like to make a few suggestions.

Non-fiction Authors

C.S. Lewis, J.I. Packer, Philip Yancey (especially What's So Amazing About Grace), Charles Swindoll, E.F. Crossman (Mountain Rain)

Fiction Authors

Francine Rivers (especially the Women of the Bible series), Ted Dekker (especially the Red, White, Black, Green series), Jan Karon (delightful Mitford series), Angela Hunt, Karen Kingsbury, T. Davis Bunn

Young Reader Suggestions

Rachel Yoder (Always Trouble Somewhere series), Strive to Survive (You Decide What Happens series), Starlight Animal Rescue series

Children's Suggestions

To Everything (retelling of Ecclesiastes 3), Topsy-Turvy Tracy, The Upside-Down Day

We look forward to discussing books with you.



Gillian Fernie
St. George's Librarian



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The English for Love

In a recent sermon, Rev. Greg McVeigh mentioned the inadequacy of the English language in that there is only one word, love, for translating the Greek words for love: *agape*, *phileo*, and *eros*. This reminded me of an exercise I did during a course on the spirituality of C. S. Lewis. The assignment was to read 150 pages of any of Lewis' works and summarize into a couple of pages, i.e. 1000 words or less. I chose Lewis' "The Four Loves," in which he uses English masterfully to explain those Greek words, as well as the English word *charity*. I share this précis with you as an encouragement to read the whole book.



C. S. Lewis - The Four Loves, a précis.

Human love is love only when it is God-like. Love has four flavours of intimacy: Affection, Friendship, Eros, which are the natural loves, and Charity which is God-engendered. Each of these is a blend of three degrees of self-interest: Need-love, Gift-love, and Appreciative-love. The higher loves depend on the lower for their fruition.

Need-love stems from our need for what others, especially God, provide. Gift-love is the unstinted giving of ourselves to another; ideally as Christ gave Himself for us. Need-love and Gift-love can exist together as in the love of a mother for her child. When any such love is made into a god, it is sinful, and falls victim to a demon of obsession. Appreciative-love is the joyful comprehension of an unlooked-for impact on one's senses. At its best it is entirely unselfish, but can be tainted with desire that turns into a corrupt need-love and addiction. Excessive love of family or country can become a lying demon that justifies any act done out of that love.

Affection is the easy love among family members or other familiar people, the humble combination of Need- and Gift-loves. It is not critical, demanding, or appreciative unless it becomes spoiled by selfishness or neurosis, as in the mother who "works her fingers to the bone" for her family, whether they want her to or not. It then becomes a demon of misery. Affection may turn into Friendship, or even Eros.

Friendship love derives from the discovery of another person having interests shared more deeply and more particularly than with the rest of a circle of companions. Friendship love is enhanced as the number of friends grows and reveals more facets of each friend as they relate to each other around the interest that binds them together. Friends are side-by-side, not face-to-face. Their common interest can result in societal changes. As a god/demon, Friendship can descend to elitism and devaluation of all people outside the "in-group".

Eros-love is the state that lovers are in, not simply the carnal acts that are Venus-love. Eros begins with delight in the beloved's presence, a desire to be always with her or him. It is a Giving-Need-love that becomes Appreciative to the exclusion of all other persons. Venus becomes transformed into mutually enjoyed marriage pleasures that symbolize the mystery of God's union with humankind. Happiness in Eros is not certain, nor is it free from suffering. Eros love may not last,

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and may become demonized with jealousy and vindictiveness. It is deaf to reason while it does last.

Charity is the Gift-love, bestowed by God's Grace, that vitalizes the other loves. It is part of His gift of the *imago dei*. Without Charity, other loves are rivals to God, and so wither and die, leaving only a husk; safe, but selfish. Charity frees us from desire for safety and for freedom from suffering as our need-love becomes directed to God and His Gift-love for us; our appreciation turns to adoration in the purest sense.

Lewis takes apart the statement that "God is Love", examines it in the context of the loves described above, and then shows how the components of that context are embedded into the doctrine of Grace, that God's love is purely Gift-love, and is the entirely undeserved love He has for Humankind. He has no need of our love; all our natural loves are the result of His pure Charity toward us. Lewis discusses the redemption of humankind as Jesus' substitution for us, but does not conclude that Christ's love substitutes for our natural loves. Instead, He brings them up to perfection. Creation, and God's sustaining of it, are seen in his image of the Garden we were to husband before the Fall. The doctrine of the Fall is observed in Lewis's argument that natural loves can be degenerate, as is the doctrine of Free Will seen in our propensity to love un-naturally. The idea of the fall of angels is seen in his discussion of the demonization of fallen loves.

Throughout the book Lewis uses or implies the *imago dei* doctrine. Our loves are images of God, inadequate, but real. He uses fictional images of Mrs. Fidget, Dr. Quartz, and the elite group of friends to show how love can go terribly wrong. Though these read like hyperbole, experience teaches us that they are really rather mild. Corrupted love is an abomination and may even, stemming from causing family misery, deteriorate into the justification of both private and public atrocities.

Lovers being face-to-face and friends side-by-side is a very apt image of our relationship with God. As His lovers, we are facing Him, but are bowed in adoration. As our Friend, the Holy Spirit calls us to charitable labour beside Him. As our Saviour and fellow Man, Jesus faces us on the Cross, but is beside us when we suffer because of loving Him. This too is *imago dei*.

Rev. Keith Stodart

Dean Henry Alford was the author of the well loved harvest hymn "Come ye thankful people, come". He was the dean of Canterbury for 1857—1871. As well as being a churchman and hymnodist, Dean Alford was a theologian, scholar and writer. Alford's Greek Testament with commentary is a valuable resource for Biblical scholars still used today.



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A STORY OF HOPE AND THANKS

The harvest season has begun. It is a time when we are fully aware of the abundant physical blessings all around us. The trees are proudly bearing their vivid leaves, the bright sun magnifies the surrounding colours of the countryside and the farmers are gathering in their produce. For us this year is a particularly meaningful time to look back on the past year and remember the wonderful works God has performed in the midst of trouble. This gives us cause to rejoice and open our hearts to praise His name.

Some of you may be familiar with our story and may have followed Kelly's progress during the last year.

Last August 31st I answered the telephone to hear our son David calling for help. "Call the Prayer Chain; come as quickly as you can. Kelly (his wife) has suffered with what they suspect is a brain aneurysm and it doesn't look good. We are waiting for them to locate a neurosurgeon".

The fact that Kelly was still alive when she arrived at the hospital is a testimony to the intervention of a series of actions that we believe were the result of answered prayer- not spectacular good fortune.

By the time we reached the hospital in Mississauga Kelly had been transferred to St Michael's Hospital, Toronto. The nurse who directed us to Toronto filled us with dread as she told us to prepare our son for the worst.

On September 1st they prepared her for surgery to address the aneurysm.

We found the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) to be full of a puzzling display of life-support machines- some monitoring blood pressure and heart rate, others monitoring respiratory function, and still others monitoring other life signs. Those monitors, their screens and the steady beep that accompanied them were to say the least, alarming to us. Then there were a countless number of nurses, technicians and specialists that seemed to come in every 10 minutes to administer medication or check the IV drips and adjust the monitors. Was anyone keeping track of the whole picture? For those of us who were keeping watch in the ICU, it was a lonely and frightful place, as Kelly lay there unconscious, hovering between life and death.

We were encouraged and lifted beyond that place of fear and loneliness by the faithful promises of God's care for her and us, regardless of the outcome. We knew He who has promised is faithful. As the days marched on, each tiny sign of encouragement in Kelly's progress was greeted with praise and thanksgiving. In each uphill battle we drew strength from "the one who laid the foundations of the earth, the one who marked off its

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dimensions, the one who knew where its footings were set, and who laid its cornerstone”.

The support and love we received from our pastors, other family members and friends showed us we were not alone. As we prayed for strength to get through this, we were aware of God’s abiding presence. We were consoled and comforted. We were blessed with the fellowship of believers. Love and grace abounded.

The memories of those months are still vivid. So are the remembrances of the ongoing challenges Kelly has overcome by the grace and healing power of God. Her recovery process has taken months and is still ongoing. It is a story of neurological skill and advanced medical procedures, of Kelly’s courage, of repeated trips to the doctors, of physical therapy, of tireless, devoted hours David spent in the care of his wife as she learned to handle everyday chores herself, of Zachary’s tender care and loving actions toward his mom, of the vigilance kept by Kelly’s mom and dad, and of caring and concerned friends and family who supported them.

Because we all know how life can turn upside down in an absolute instant, we know it is a true story of a miracle. We call her “our walking miracle”. As we gather this thanksgiving we will remember the wonderful works God has performed in the past, rejoice at the works of his hand and give thanks that we have once again tasted and seen that God is good.

Naomi and Wayne Neeb

“A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell along the path and was trampled under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock, and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew and yielded a hundredfold.” AS he said these things, he called out, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

Luke 8: 5–8 [ESV]



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REACH OUT REPORT

FROM 200 BOOTIES TO 2000 CANDLES

While many church activities slow down or shut down during the summer months your Reach Out Committee has continued to meet, making the following decisions.

V.B.S. Vacation Bible School 2010, scheduled for the week of August 16th to 20th was cancelled. We are grateful to Mary Krucker for setting this in motion, and for Emily Rigo for volunteering to lead it. Plans are already underway for V.B.S. 2011.

Booties Angela Hunt received a donation of over 200 pair of hand knitted baby booties. These are no longer popular items in the wardrobes of Canadian new borns but were gratefully received by Health Partners International of Canada and on the next plane to Haiti.

Mathew Seeram a young Indian man with a passion to preach the Gospel to the millions who are spiritually lost in his home country, has been accepted at Tyndale University, Toronto, into a post graduate program where he hopes to obtain his M.Th. in New Testament studies. His expenses for this academic year are \$18,000. Reach Out is matching the assistance provided to Mathew by the Church of the Good Shepherd in St. Catherines, where he worships, with a cheque for \$2,000 towards his tuition.

Pioneer Camper Reach Out is sending one of our youth to Manitoba Pioneer Camp, (where our Dave Wilson family has “grown up”) providing \$1,200 for camp fees and air fare for Chris Kerr.

ARDFC The Anglican Renewal and Development Fund of Canada undertakes carefully selected and monitored aid projects in partnership with dioceses in developing nations. It is affiliated with ANiC and ACNA. The current project is the reduction of malaria in the Diocese of Maseno, Kenya. Canada is to raise \$50,000 to provide health education and mosquito netting for every home in the diocese. St George’s average Sunday attendance is 4% of ANiC’s, making our share \$2,000. This will come from our reserve fund.

2000 Candles Mark your calendar now for 4th December at 7:00 p.m. Your Reach Out Committee is sponsoring a play aimed at adults and teens, at Crossroads that will explore the meaning of Christmas. This is an excellent opportunity to invite friends, neighbours or relatives who are not connected yet to church life. The program is two hours long, including a 15 minute intermission. Tickets will be \$15 or \$18 each. There will be light refreshments served following the performance.

The Salvation Army of Milton thanks the members of St. George’s for 12 crates of food for their food bank, collected at our Lowville picnic in June. Our support enabled them to continue to serve the communities of Milton and Campbellville at a time of severe shortages of supplies. This was in addition to our weekly support for St. Matthew’s House food bank.

Pam Bales

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HOUSE FOR RENT



The St. George's rectory is available for rent at \$1,400 per month. The house has three bedrooms, two baths and a finished basement. There is a large backyard completely fenced. The house is located at 379 McNabb, Milton. For further information contact Ron Bales.



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COFFEE FELLOWSHIP TEAM

Thank you to all the Coffee Fellowship Team members who served refreshments after the joint service throughout the summer months. The drinks were refreshing and the cookies were yummy!



A big thank you to Ron and Pam Bales who have served as team members for many years. They have retired from the coffee fellowship team but continue to serve the church in many other ways.

We welcome Mel and Rosemary Duncan as new team members. They are not only new to the Coffee Fellowship Team but are also newcomers to St. George's. Thank you Mel and Rosemary for volunteering and a warm welcome to St. George's.

If you would like to be a part of the team please speak to Fred or Mary Gillard or to any Coffee Fellowship team member.

PARISH AUTHOR

Parishioner Pamela Pole has written the story of her life. Pamela lived the first half of her life in Australia before moving to Canada.

While she was living in Montreal, Quebec, the Lord saved her and she knew the joy of becoming a born again Christian. In her life, she has experienced adventure, but also sorrow, and indeed the care of God.

The book called "In the Palm of His Hand", by Pamela Ivison is published by Guardian Books and is available for \$20. Just speak to Pamela.



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Picnic at the Lovelesses'



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Church of the Messiah News

We give thanks to you, O God; we give thanks, for your name is near. People tell of your wondrous deeds.
Psalm 75:1

We do give thanks to God for all that He has done in our midst. This Bible verse offers us all an opportunity to share God with others through our experiences. God is at work all around us and when we take the time to watch, we are truly blessed. By George allows me the opportunity to look back and give thanks for God's presence in our midst.

Church of the Messiah is especially thankful to St. George's; they have provided us with encouragement and practical advice over the past months. We were very fortunate to gather together with the other church plants in August to spend a day of fellowship and teaching. It is encouraging to hear of all that God is doing in and through these church plants. Ray David had asked us to read the *Tangible Kingdom* by Hugh Halter and Matt Smay before coming; we found this a very worthwhile book on witnessing to our neighbours and building God's kingdom. We were challenged to look at things differently. Witnessing to others is as simple as showing them that we are living as Christians; we are walking the talk. As we follow Jesus' example, others have opportunity to get to know us and thus relationships are built. Deeper relationships lead to opportunities for us to be witnesses of our faith. Change is difficult for many of us but it is necessary if we truly want to build the kingdom. If anyone has a heart for mission I recommend that you read this book.

Our Bible studies continued through the summer months. Both groups are beginning new studies and we have decided to do different studies based on the needs of each group. Our study in Norwich will also be changing nights since there is a scheduling conflict with the Deck. I am often amazed to see how God is working in this group. One man has really blossomed. He has a disability that impacts his ability to retain information. However, God's word has power and despite this handicap he is able to summarize all the readings from the previous week.



Our children often join us for Bible study as well, and while they have a limited attention span and we often wonder if they are really learning, we see glimpses of God at work. On one occasion only two children showed up for the Bible Study and I wondered if we should just cancel for the night. God, however had another plan; our study was the Lord's Prayer and an 8 year old and a 13 year old were present. As I began the study the younger one wanted to play with plasticine. I continued the lesson with the teenager while the younger one molded, but apparently she was listening because shortly after we



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began she shared with me concerns for her brother. When I asked her what she could do about it, she had a few suggestions; but I suggested that we turn to God and pray for him. She asked if she might write a prayer instead. She was quite excited about the prospect of her prayer. She wanted Peter to include it on Sunday. Her prayer went something like this: *Please God help my brother; the police come to my house every night.. I love you God and Jesus and Hallowed be Thy Name.* I had explained to them that God's name is holy and by recognizing this we are saying, "God I love You." Peter did include her prayer the following Sunday; it was a cry from her heart. These children have been sent into our midst. God has called us here and we are a family. As the "Tangible Kingdom" said, it is about building relationships and we are building them with these children. They experience God's love when we are a listening ear, a loving arm, and a praying family.

We are also planning an outreach into Norwich on the last Sunday of the month. We will be going to the corn maze after our service; this will allow us an opportunity to support the community and spend time with the kids. We are also making plans for our older children to attend the youth weekend with St. George's. Our kids are looking forward to this and have been talking about it for weeks. We have three adult volunteers and at least four young people going. One married couple Yvette and Rob, who have three children of their own and hearts of compassion for our children have graciously volunteered. I witnessed this compassion one Sunday when Yvette left shortly after our service only to return with all the ingredients for a home economics project that one young girl needed but could not provide. The young girl was quite concerned about needing these ingredients and not being able to buy them. Yvette just sprang into action and before the girl left she had everything that she needed.

The coming months will be busy ones for all of us as we begin our fall activities. November brings Synod and December brings a visit from Bishop Charlie. Peter has planned a sermon series on the gifts of the Spirit. This life can be a busy one and yet when we stop and watch we truly see God's hand at work all around us and this gives us all an opportunity to tell of His wondrous love for us.



His love has taken over our lives; God's faithful ways are eternal. Psalm 117:2

Sheilagh Roloson

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Free Fall Family Fun Fiesta

A perfectly beautiful sunny day was enjoyed by all who attended our event Saturday Sept. 11th. Thanks to all the great volunteers; many hands make light work!



We had a great turnout of youth who helped build, organize or man a station. They are talented, fun-loving energetic people. Anita's sister realized that no matter how prepared you come, when it comes to children, anything goes. Give them a sledge hammer and 3 dozen pop cans and they will create their entertainment.

Hoola hoop diva is Rochelle K. who can hoola by waist, arm or neck! Andrew C. has skinned elbows from going down the bouncy castle slide head first! There was touch football played by R.D. and youth. Shaun Neeb's running back performance was stellar!

Our gummy creature jar held 109 sharks, spiders, octopus, butterflies, worms and fish and Jacob K won the whole lot with his guess of 110!! The real stars of the day were the children. We can learn from them: jump, run, laugh, throw, blow bubbles, play in water, and hug those around you.



Our Burlington fire department came to celebrate and showed off their truck and equipment, inviting all to their station open house on Sunday September 26th 1-4pm.

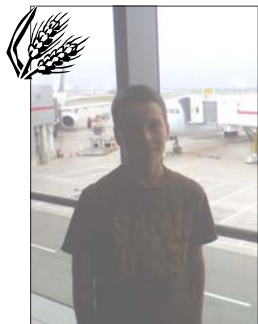
We thank you all for your prayers, servant hearts, and enthusiasm.

Looking forward to next year,

Anita Chambers, Emily Rigo, Holly Horricks, Jill Hicks



"for apart from me, you can do nothing"



MANITOBA PIONEER CAMP

This summer the church sponsored me to attend Manitoba Pioneer Camp (MPC). While I was there, I learned many things, from tying knots to a deeper understanding of fellowship, teamwork, and the Lord. When I first arrived I was very nervous, mostly because everyone in my cabin was older than me. But by the end of the week we had all gotten to know each other better, and even gotten to learn a thing or two about ourselves.

During my 2-week stay, our cabin was sent on a 5-day canoe trip. We all had to live with each other in the cabins, but on our trip we definitely came to be much closer with each other. I was in a canoe with the same person for the entire trip, and now we're both good friends. Also, being in a canoe for most hours of every day can be quite boring, so everyone chatted and told stories to fill the silence. It was those points on our trip that brought us together the most.

All in all, I greatly enjoyed my trip. I learned everything you should learn at boys camp: archery, kayaking, wilderness skills and the like, but also learned a great deal about interaction with others and about myself. I learned about the Lord and the Bible, and I now am also very certain that God does answer prayers. Thank you everyone who allowed me to go on this trip. Thank you again, all of you, for sponsoring me. Thanks very much!

Chris Kerr

Thanks...

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the individual or individuals who anonymously blessed our family on September 5th. Your kindness and generosity did not go unnoticed. Thank you and God Bless!

Derek & Angela Kerr

"I am the vine; you are the branches"

Rejoice with us in the priesting of Jess Cantelon, August 29, 2010



Consider the young King Josiah [2 Kings 22].

His heart was tender toward the Lord. When he heard the book of God's law, he "tore his clothes" and sent to inquire of the Lord for he said, *"Great is the wrath of the Lord that burns against us, because our fathers have not listened to the words of this book, to do according to all that is written concerning us."*

The answer that the Lord returned confirmed Josiah's fears. God declared coming judgment according to all that was spoken in His word. But King Josiah would be spared because his heart was tender and he had humbled himself before the Lord.

We might think that he could then relax and live out his own life in security. But no! He called the leaders together and with them covenanted to "walk after the Lord . . . with all his heart and with all his soul". He systematically cleansed the whole country of its idolatries. He even traveled to the northern kingdom and dismantled the evil worship of the altar at Bethel. His was a faithful life. Extraordinary!

Is the context of our life any different from King Josiah's?

"And we, shall we be faithless? Shall hearts fail, hands hang down?

Shall we evade the conflict, and cast away our crown?" NEVER !!



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COME, YE THANKFUL
PEOPLE, COME . . .

For the Lord our God shall
come, and shall take his
harvest home; From his field
shall in that day all offences
purge away; give his angels
charge at last in the fire the
tares to cast; but the fruitful
ears to store in his garner
evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come
to thy final harvest-home!
Gather thou thy people in, free
from sorrow, free from sin;
there for ever purified, in thy
presence to abide: come, with
all thine angels, come, raise
the glorious harvest-home.

Dean Henry Alford
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