

A wonderful component for growth

Spring is here! I love springtime. I usually make the time for walks with my family in the countryside to enjoy the signs of spring. I find it so easy to praise God when I am surrounded by the majesty of His creation, and love to hike or drive through the hills in Hockley Valley, taking in that breathtaking view.

When I see the rolling hills, smell the newness of spring, hear the birds singing and feel the warm spring breezes on my face, my whole being joins in an overwhelming sense of praise to God the Creator - and thankfulness to Him for all of the beauty we

have available to us if we only take time to look. I really hope that I have passed this gift of appreciation onto my children, so that they too can know what it means to offer spontaneous praise to God. Have you experienced this feeling of natural, instinctive praise that overwhelms you and just bursts out of you, almost without your realizing it?

It's a wonderful feeling, and I believe that it's something we can practice and learn, if it isn't natural or spontaneous for us.

It was Oswald Chambers that said that we can take any thought wor-

thy of God and find something to associate with it in nature. The more I think about that statement and put it to the test, the more I find that it is true.

We often underestimate the power of the wind, until we see the damage a strong wind can do to trees, buildings and our patio furniture! So it is with the Holy Spirit. We almost forget about His presence in us until we see the evidence of His power at work.

Mountains reflect the quiet strength of God with their regal majesty as they tower over us. Days and days of rain are similar to

the trials we go through - they seem dreary, tedious, troublesome but are so necessary for growth! Try drawing your own associations.

It's a wonderful exercise, and it's one way to become more aware of the complex beauty of the world which surrounds you.

If you have trouble appreciating nature, take a walk with a pre-schooler. Pre-schoolers notice everything! They delight in flowers, budding trees, small birds, unusual leaves and they spot things our tired eyes will never see. Try looking at things

through the eyes of a small child who is discovering these wonders for the first time.

Open your heart as a child to God and allow Him to delight your senses with His creation. He would love to do it!

Many years ago my daughter brought home a paper from Sunday School about ways to delight yourself with the wonders of God's creation. There was some instruction on how to teach your children to consciously look for God in nature and appreciate what

He has made.

They suggest taking your family for a walk to the top of a tall hill or small mountain, and bringing your Bible along. Take time to observe God's creation, stopping to look at different plants and animals, what you see in the distance, etc. Does the sky look different from here? What other things do you notice?

Have your children read Scripture passages such as Psalm 104 that describe in detail how God created our world and continues to care for it. Discuss how important it is that God doesn't take a "day off" and allow the sun to cool down or gravity to disappear, and

talk about how birds, insects and forest animals eat, and how they care for their young.

With our minds focused on God's work in nature, we can discover many things about Him and about our special relationship with Him. Why don't you try this with your family, or treat yourself to the experience?

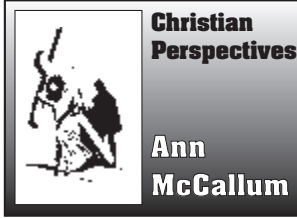
Since discovering this scriptural principle, my family has gone out many times and had "God Quests" on our nature walks. It has been a wonderful component of their spiritual growth over the years.

There are many, many Scripture passages which point to God in nature and the Psalmist gives us a glimpse into his own appreciation of God's creation. Psalm 104 is a wonderful example of this, and it's descriptive beauty

helps us appreciate even more the hand of God at work not only as the Creator but also as the Sustainer of life. Try to picture in your mind the beautiful scene he describes.

"Praise the Lord, O my soul. How many are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you make them all; the earth is full of your creatures. There is the sea, vast and spacious, teeming with creatures beyond number - living things both large and small. There the ships go to and fro, and the leviathan, which you formed to frolic there. These all look to you to give them their food at the proper time. When you give it to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are satisfied with good things. Praise to the Lord"

Ann McCallum, Executive Director, Highlands Youth for Christ



Christian Perspectives

Ann McCallum

Royal Canadian Legion News

BY MARILYN MURRAY
Branch 233, Orangeville

Watch our lineup of events - Don't miss out! Our Barrier Free Access Campaign is ongoing and the Barrier Free Access Committee wishes to thank the Scotia bank for their contribution to this worthwhile program.

On Friday June 5th we will be having a barbeque and serving Hamburgers or Sausage & Salad from 5 till 7 pm and we will be entertained by J & D Country from 6 till 10 P.M. Members & Guests Welcome

Saturday, May 30th we will be having our Karaoke night by Shawn

Lundy from 9 pm - 1am. Members and Guests welcome.

Sunday, June 7th we will be holding our 7th Annual Show and Shine. The event starts at High Noon. We are also holding a BBQ and an outside bar along with entertainment. Registration is \$10. All Makes and Models

Welcome. Come join us for a great time. See you there.

Sunday, June 7th there will be a Drumhead Service in Alliston. For more information please contact Tom Deans at the Branch.

Lest We Forget

DUFFERIN AREA Church Directory

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5 FIRST AVENUE, ORANGEVILLE
519-941-0640

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8:30 a.m. Traditional Service,
10 a.m. Contemporary Service
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Rector: The Rev'd Canon Peter Scott

ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

312 Owen Sound St., Shelburne 925-2923
Pastor: Rev. Susan D. Wilson

Sunday, June 7 - 10:30 a.m.

Grace Church of the Nazarene

at The Ministry Centre
736 Steeles Street, Unit 3, Shelburne

10:00 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship and ACTS for Children
Pastor: Rev. Bob McLellan - 519-925-056C
Website: www.ShelburneGrace.com
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Lead Pastor: Paul Carroll

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A Church with a Difference, making a Difference
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"C" Door off Centre Street

Sunday Services - 10 a.m. & Children's Church
Bible Study & Prayer - Wed. 7 p.m. @ Pastor's Home

Pastor Rev. Gord Horsley (519) 925-3651

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HOCKLEY VALLEY BIBLE CHAPEL

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FAITH FELLOWSHIP

SUNDAY: Service 11:00 a.m., Evening Celebration -
Praying for the Sick - 6 p.m.

THURSDAY: Floating Bible Study, 7 p.m. Call for Location.

Hwy. #9 East of Hwy. #10, Orangeville
(beside Toyota Dealership)

Church Office: 942-4414

Affiliated with the Independent Assemblies of God International

WESTMINSTER UNITED CHURCH

247 Broadway, Orangeville 941-0381

Rev. Sandra McLaughlan-Abuja

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10:30 a.m.

www.westminsterorangeville.ca

"Westminster United Church; Seeking and Sharing the Love of God"

BETHEL BIBLE CHAPEL

419 Main Street East, Shelburne

Sunday Services - 9:30 a.m. Lord's Supper
10:45 am Family Bible Hour, Sunday School

Chapel - 519-925-3910 or 519-925-0541
www.bethelshelburne.com All Welcome



St. JOHN'S CHURCH

3907 Highway 9 Caledon, ON 519-941-1950 519-941-5817 (f)

anglican@bellnet.ca www.stjohnshwy9caledon.ca

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925-2923

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Anglican service in a small, friendly
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Sunday, June 7
at 8:30 am

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10:00 a.m. Sunday School
for all ages

11:00 a.m. Worship Service
Wednesdays, 7 p.m.

Prayer Meeting
Pastor Greg Meadows

Camilla-Laurel-Mono Centre

A Pastoral Charge of the
United Church of Canada

St. Andrew's, Camilla - 9 a.m.

Burn's, Mono Centre, 10:30 a.m.

Laurel, 12 noon

Minister: The Rev. Cheryl-Lynn
MacPherson

519-941-0972

DUFFERIN COUNTY CRISTADELPHIANS

10th Line Amaranth
Contact: Chris (925-2236)

Sunday 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School

* Sunday 6:00 p.m. Bible Talk
* Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Bible Study

* Friday 7:45 p.m. Youth Group
* Please call to verify location!

* No Collection • Free Literature
• Refreshments
• All are welcome!

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690 Riddell
Orangeville

943-1203

Worship Service
Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Majors David and
Donna Kennedy

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trinityunitedchurch@bellnet.ca

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH 923-2042

MASSSES:
Saturday, Dundalk
5 p.m.

Sunday - Melancton,
9:30 a.m.

(North on Hwy 10 to
280 Sideroad, Melancton)

Proton 11:15 Sunday

ROMAN CATHOLIC ST. TIMOTHY CHURCH

Corner of Centre St. &
Dawson Rd., Orangeville

Pastor: Fr. Paul Dobson

Pastoral Assistant:
Mary Chiasson

Youth Minister:
John MacMullen

WEEKEND MASSES
Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9 & 11 a.m. with
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LIFETEEN Mass First, Third
& Fifth Sundays of the month

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"Voice of the Church" Sundays @
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Community of Christ

Grand Valley Branch - Mill Street, Grand Valley
Pastor: Elder Del Franks

Church phone: 928-3020 Pastor's phone: 940-8660

9:45 a.m. - Adult and Children's Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Shelburne (Reddickville) Branch - Pastor: Bill Arnold
519-925-2796

MC2 concerned with Mono development

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the Town of Mono. Instead of a vision that had been informed by the more substantial Purple Hill and Island lake properties, Mono Council's unstated vision seems to be guided by as much intensification as possible in the Southern areas of the Town of Mono.

Island Lake Phase 3 will not look like the urban sprawl in Brampton, as some critics have suggested. Pine Glen Farms will

do a better job than that. But it will not look like Island Lake 1 and 2 or Purple Hill.

The still difficult to resolve technical issues associated with traffic, noise, water, sewage, etc. could all be ameliorated if the development had 100 fewer homes.

The Mono web site statement of "Rolling hills, trees and meadows. Room to run, to stretch, to breathe." does not reconcile with the decision that was made by Mono

Council. They could have been more proactive in how they handled this development proposal over the years. It would have led to a much better outcome. They could have influenced Phase 3 to align with a vision of Mono in the future, except that such a vision does not exist. Going forward, will being a resident of Mono mean being a resident of the kind of urban sprawl the Greenbelt was intended to control?

This was definitely a

poor decision by Mono Council.

We at the Mono Mulmur Citizens' Coalition are disappointed and upset with Council's decision. In the Fall, we will take it upon ourselves to invite Mono citizens to help develop a vision for the Town of Mono's future. We hope Mono Council and staff will join us.

Harvey Kolodny,
On behalf of the
Board of Directors of
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New book 'Hi how are you?' launched in Shelburne

By MARNI WALSH
Freelance Reporter

Dirk Evans, a Christian Reformed minister specializing in clinical teaching of pastoral care, began leading workshops in Shelburne in 1996, and last week, his new book, "Hi how are you?" on the topic of lay ministry was dedicated to the Shelburne Chaplaincy Network.

The dedication read: to those "among whom, from whom, with whom I experienced the compassion, competence, (and) contribution of Lay Pastoral Visitors."

The book was launched last Thursday at Trinity United Church. Ministers and lay members were gathered by Alice Porter,

Trinity's Pastoral Care Chairperson and volunteer chaplain, to celebrate the event.

By definition, the word "lay" refers to someone who is untrained, unprofessional, unqualified for a given job.

But Mr. Evans' book promotes Lay Ministry as the foundation of congregational care "of the people, by the people and for the people".

Mr. Evans expressed how impressed he had been over the years by the commitment and competence of lay visitors who gave the "same quality of work as paid, educated" church officials. Believing that lay members were already equipped to be pastoral care givers, he

saw his job as to support to those who were willing to make visits to the sick and in need in the community.

Rev. Edward Bellsmith, Trinity's minister and chair of the chaplaincy, gave credit to Dirk Evans' leadership for "such an effective pastoral care committee at Trinity Church".

A chaplaincy network was started by the local Ministerial Association 20 years ago to meet the needs of the three long-term care facilities that served Shelburne's aging community.

The task of reaching everyone in need has been impossible for area ministers and most of the work of visiting is carried out by lay volunteer chaplains.

Mr. Evans, who ministered as a hospital chaplain for 28 years with a primary focus on the art of teaching/learning, took on the role of their facilitator and educator in Shelburne.

Mr. Evans spoke of pastoral caregivers receiving as much as they gave and reminded the group that "just showing up is 90% of helping". His book provides simple guidelines for caregivers from the "first step of fear of making a visit to the joy experienced after listening well".

Rev. Barbara Moulton, secretary of the Shelburne and Area Chaplaincy, said Mr. Evans had given a gift of "sacred learning that helped us to see what God sees".

NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL SCREENING REPORT/ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Plateau Wind Project

AIM PowerGen is proposing to construct a wind power project in the Municipality of Grey Highlands and the Township of Melancton. The Plateau Wind Project will consist of three, 9 MW, Siting Areas (Plateau 1 (Maxwell), Plateau 2 (Hatherton), and Plateau 3 (Shrigley)) with a total of up to 18 wind turbines (six within each Siting Area) and a nameplate capacity of 27 MW. Electricity from the wind turbines will be carried via buried cable to existing or new power lines within municipal roadways and then to existing local 44 kV distribution lines.

AIM PowerGen retained Stantec Consulting Ltd. (Stantec) to prepare the Environmental Screening Report/Environmental Impact Statement (ESR/EIS) as required under Ontario Regulation 116/01 of the Environmental Assessment Act. The ESR/EIS has been completed as required for a "Category B" project under the Ministry of the Environment's screening process, outlined in their "Guide to Environmental Assessment Requirements for Electricity Projects" (March 2001) (EA Guide). AIM PowerGen has also worked with the appropriate federal agencies to ensure the Project meets the requirements for a Screening-level study under the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act.

In compliance with Ontario Regulation 116/01, the ESR/EIS is being made available for a 30-calendar day review period from 12 June 2009 through to 11 July 2009. Copies of the ESR/EIS may be reviewed during this time at the following public locations:

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| - Municipality of Grey Highlands Municipal Office
206 Toronto St. S.
Markdale, ON | - Grey County Municipal Office
County Building, 595 Ninth Ave W.
Owen Sound, ON | - Melancton Township Municipal Office
157101 Highway 10
R.R. #6, Shelburne, ON |
| - Dufferin County Municipal Office
51 Zina Street
Orangeville, ON | - Mulmur Township Municipal Office
758070 2nd Line East, Terra
Nova, RR#2, Lisle, ON | - Amaranth Township Municipal Office
374028 6th Line
Laurel, ON |
| - Southgate Township Municipal Office
18566 | | |