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Paradigm Shift

few months ago, with the Board of Directors grappling with a deficit budget for 2019, a motion was entertained that we would have to decrease our pastoral staff by one pastor. Whenever a Conference has to go through the decision-making pro-

cess of laying off one of its workers, it is never an easy task. This dilemma became a matter of prayer and shortly afterwards one of our pastors accepted a call to another Conference, thus eliminating the need for a layoff.

Now comes a new dilemma, how to stretch our current pastoral staff in order to cover the district of our pastor who is leaving. This means that we would have to take our current staff and give them more responsibilities and stretch them even thinner. I remember the time that I was pastoring a three-church district, and the amount of time I spent leading three churches was extensive. How would it work if I had to take on a fourth church? Our pastors work very hard with their ministry responsibilities currently on their shoulders and walk very close to burn out. How would they be able to carry even more?

Talking with our pastors about this situation brought a response that forced the Board to consider the rapidly changing dynamics of our Conference and our local churches. Most of our larger urban churches are growing because more and more Seventh-day Adventists from Canada and other parts of the world are accepting positions in the Maritimes where one can still afford to purchase a house compared to the rest of Canada. Some of these urban churches are also reaching their communities and in return visitors are coming to those churches and eventually becoming members.

Here is the predicament that has been related to me by many of our pastors with two or three church districts. How do you focus your ministry on the growing urban work and still pastor shrinking churches? We all know the statistic that we have been grappling with over the last 10 years. Our membership is aging and this poses a great threat to our Conference's sustainability. How do we follow the counsel of country living while focusing our work in our larger urban centres?

You do not have because you do not ask" James 4:2.

Changement de paradigme

l y a quelques mois, alors que le conseil d'administration était aux prises avec un budget déficitaire pour 2019, une motion a été présentée pour que nous réduisions notre personnel pastoral d'un pasteur. Chaque fois qu'une Fédération doit passer par le processus décisionnel de licenciement d'un de ses employés, ce n'est jamais une tâche facile. Ce dilemme est devenu une question de prière et peu de temps après un de nos pasteurs a accepté un appel vers une autre Fédération, éliminant ainsi le besoin d'une mise à pied.

Vient maintenant un nouveau dilemme, comment étirer notre personnel pastoral actuel afin de couvrir le district de notre pasteur qui s'en va. Cela signifie que nous devrions prendre nos employés actuels et leur donner plus de responsabilités et les presser encore plus. Je me souviens de l'époque où j'étais pasteur d'un district de trois églises, et le temps que je passais à diriger trois églises était considérable. Comment cela fonctionnerait-il si je devais m'attaquer à une quatrième église? Nos pasteurs travaillent très dur avec les responsabilités ministérielles actuellement sur leurs épaules et sont très près de l'épuisement professionnel. Comment pourraient-ils en porter encore plus?

Parler de cette situation avec nos pasteurs a amené une réponse qui a forcé le Conseil à prendre en considération la dynamique en rapide évolution de notre Fédération et de nos Eglises locales. La plupart de nos grandes églises urbaines prennent de l'expansion parce que de plus en plus d'adventistes du septième jour du Canada et d'autres parties du monde acceptent des postes dans les Maritimes où il est encore possible d'acheter une maison comparativement au reste du Canada. Certaines de ces églises urbaines évangélisent également leurs communautés et, en retour, des visiteurs viennent dans ces églises et finissent par en devenir membres.

Voici la situation difficile qui m'a été racontée par beaucoup de nos pasteurs avec des districts de deux ou trois églises. Comment concentrer notre ministère sur le travail en zone urbaine où les églises croissent et en même temps sur celles qui vivotent et rétrécissent continuellement? Nous connaissons tous les statistiques auxquelles nous avons été confrontés au cours des dix dernières années. Nos membres vieillissent, ce qui constitue une grave menace pour la viabilité de notre Fédération. Comment suivre les conseils au sujet de la vie à la campagne tout en concentrant notre travail sur nos grands centres urbains?

I am a big fan of fishing and I love to watch fishing shows. As a child, my dad would take me fishing and it could be hours till we figured out where the fish were biting. Today, you will find on these fishing shows that the boats being used to fish have these contraptions called "Fish Finders." They let you know where the fish are so that it will increase your probability of catching fish. Jesus told his disciples where to find the fish and when they obeyed, they found themselves reeling in a huge net of fish that almost sank the boat(s).

So today, how are we to fish for what Jesus has told us to fish for? Do we go to where the fish are mostly biting or do we continue to fish where there is little fish to catch? This was what our pastors were relating to me. How would they focus on where the fish are biting while maintaining churches that have not caught any fish in the last 30 years? This became the main focus of our Board's discussion as we set a plan in motion in order to change the current dynamics of our shrinking Conference.

The Board of Directors voted on a paradigm shift. This shift was going to focus the main work of ministry to our urban centers. Basically, this means that we would be refocusing the majority of our evangelistic efforts to where the majority of people are living today...the cities (or at least to what we call "cities" or urban centers). Walmart will intentionally place stores where there are larger concentrations of people. They know that in order to keep their business viable that they need to place stores where people are living. We too need to understand that we can pour time and funding into areas that has shown little to no increase for the last 30 years or we can focus on the areas that are showing signs of growth.

Coming to this conclusion is not an easy task since we have many wonderful, faithful members in our smaller churches. We can handle this in two basic ways. One, we can bring this to the Lord in prayer and seek His wisdom, power and counsel to become a growing church again. This might bring a challenge to some if God starts moving us to focus on where the fish are and asking us to assist while we focus our attention to the areas that show promising signs of growth. Or two, we can do what is easiest for us to naturally do... complain! Sorry, I had to whisper that since it is such a powerful tool against the work of evangelism.

I have been traveling around our Conference and speaking with some of our church boards that are specifically involved in our paradigm shift and sharing with them our need to adapt to our changing dynamics within our Conference. I have been challenging them to pray and start the journey of working with other churches in their districts in order to better reach the

Je suis un grand fan de la pêche et j'adore regarder les émissions de pêche. Enfant, mon père m'emmenait à la pêche et cela pouvait prendre des heures avant que nous découvrions où les poissons mordaient. Aujourd'hui, vous voyez que les bateaux utilisés pour pêcher ont ces engins appelés « Fish Finders. » Ils vous permettent de savoir où se trouvent les poissons afin d'augmenter vos chances d'attraper d'en attraper. Jésus a dit à ses disciples où trouver le poisson et quand ils ont obéi, ils se sont retrouvés en train de remonter un énorme filet de poissons qui a failli faire couler leur(s) bateaux.

Alors aujourd'hui, comment allons-nous pêcher ce que Jésus nous a dit de pêcher? Allons-nous là où les poissons mordent le plus souvent ou continuons-nous à pêcher là où il y a peu de poissons à attraper? C'est ce que nos pasteurs me racontaient. Comment se concentreraient-ils sur l'endroit où les poissons mordent tout en maintenant les églises qui n'ont pas pêché de poisson au cours des 30 dernières années? C'est ce qui est devenu l'objet principal de la discussion de notre conseil d'administration alors que nous avons mis en branle un plan afin de changer la dynamique actuelle de notre Fédération - laquelle a peine à croître.

Le conseil d'administration a voté pour un changement de paradigme. Ce changement aura pour conséquence de concentrer le travail principalement sur nos centres urbains. Fondamentalement, cela signifie que nous recentrerons la majorité de nos efforts d'évangélisation là où la majorité des gens vivent aujour-d'hui... les villes (ou du moins ce que nous appelons « villes » ou centres urbains). Walmart place intentionnellement ses magasins là où il y a une plus grande concentration de personnes. Ils savent que pour assurer la viabilité de leur entreprise, ils ont besoin d'installer des magasins là où les gens vivent. Nous devons aussi comprendre que nous pouvons consacrer du temps et des fonds à des secteurs qui n'ont connu que peu ou pas d'augmentation au cours des 30 dernières années, ou nous pouvons nous concentrer sur les secteurs qui montrent des signes de croissance.

Arriver à cette conclusion n'est pas une tâche facile puisque nous avons beaucoup de membres merveilleux et fidèles dans nos petites églises. Nous pouvons gérer cela de deux façons simples. Premièrement, nous pouvons apporter ceci au Seigneur dans la prière et chercher Sa sagesse, Sa puissance et Son conseil pour redevenir une Église en croissance. Cela pourrait représenter un défi pour certains si Dieu commence à nous inciter à nous concentrer sur ces endroits où se trouvent les poissons et à nous demander de les aider pendant que nous concentrons notre attention sur les zones qui montrent des signes prometteurs de croissance. Ou, deuxièmement, nous pouvons faire ce qu'il nous est si facile et naturel de faire....nous plaindre! Désolé, j'ai dû chuchoter ces quelques mots puisque ce comportement est un outil si puissant contre le travail de l'évangélisation.

J'ai voyagé et parcouru notre Fédération et j'ai parlé avec certains de nos conseils d'églises qui sont plus spécifiquement impliqués dans notre changement de paradigme et j'ai partagé avec eux le besoin que nous avons de nous adapter à cette dynamique changeante au sein de notre Fédération. Je les ai mis au défi de prier et de commencer à travailler avec d'autres églises dans leurs districts afin de mieux atteindre le grand nombre de

large number of people we find in our urban centres and adjusting to a pastor that will be taking on a larger district. Most of the churches I have visited have taken the challenge to adjust to the situation we find ourselves in and to become more self-sufficient and less pastor dependant. But, we still hear in the background a note of discontent. Facing the truth or the facts is hard if we have become so comfortable or complacent in our current situation. It is much like the frog who climbs in a pot of cold water sitting upon a stove in which the heat has been turned on. That frog will comfortably sit in the heating water till the boiling water takes its life. Many of our churches are in that same situation, we have become so comfortable in what makes us happy while our church dies and personal evangelism is neglected.

Writing this is not an easy task because I will naturally have fingers pointed at me or their pastor for bearing the news that our Conference finds itself in. Our work in most of our urban centres is improving while our work in our country and some urban centres is crumbling. Instead of addressing the real issue, we will naturally look for someone to point the finger at.

One of our church plants recently found themselves facing a predicament. How to continue running and funding a church plant that was struggling? I love what this church plant decided to do...fast and pray! Yes, they did what they had been told in the Word and also in some very good counsel we read, but not too often follow. They prayed and shortly afterwards people started coming in and members started some sacrificial giving so they could afford to stay open to reach the people in their area. I believe most of our shrinking churches have come to that same conclusion. We must begin to pray more and fill the gap of our pastors that are being stretched and stressed more.

I have gone to some of our church boards and witnessed the work of the Holy Spirit on the group that assembled as they realized we have placed too great a responsibility on our pastors while the membership watched pastors burn out, while we have not worked as a team in tackling this issue. It is one of the greatest blessings of my ministry to witness churches that rise to the challenge and start to pray and work together with their brothers and sisters in our other churches. But, it also pains me to write this next statement that some of our churches have not risen to the challenge and have made it very hard on their pastor, district and also on our administration to look for solutions to help avoid their church dying. This is what places such a heavy burden on the work of evangelism and church growth, but I do not want to focus on this point. I want to focus on what can take place when a church rises to the challenge by the power and leadership of the Holy Spirit.

personnes que nous trouvons dans nos centres urbains et de s'adapter à un pasteur qui va prendre en charge un district plus grand. La plupart des églises que j'ai visitées ont relevé le défi de s'adapter à la situation dans laquelle nous nous trouvons et de devenir plus autosuffisants et moins dépendants du pasteur. Mais, nous entendons encore en arrière-plan une note de mécontentement. Il est difficile de faire face à la vérité ou aux faits alors que nous sommes devenus si à l'aise ou si complaisants dans notre situation actuelle. C'est un peu comme la grenouille qui grimpe dans une casserole d'eau froide placée sur un poêle où le feu a été allumé. Cette grenouille restera confortablement assise dans l'eau chaude jusqu'à ce que l'eau bouillante lui prenne sa vie. Beaucoup de nos églises sont dans la même situation, nous sommes devenus si à l'aise dans ce qui nous rend heureux pendant que notre église meurt et que l'évangélisation personnelle est négligée.

Ecrire ceci n'est pas une tâche facile parce que j'aurai bien naturellement des doigts pointés vers moi ou vers leur pasteur pour avoir porter les nouvelles concernant l'état dans lequel se trouve notre Fédération. Notre travail dans la plupart de nos centres urbains s'améliore tandis que notre travail dans les campagnes et certains centres urbains s'effrite. Au lieu de s'attaquer au vrai problème, nous chercherons naturellement quelqu'un à qui pointer le doigt.

L'une de nos implantations d'églises s'est trouvée récemment confrontée à une situation difficile. Comment continuer à diriger et à financer une implantation d'église qui était en difficulté? J'aime ce que cette église a décidé de faire...jeûner et prier! Oui, ils ont fait ce que la Parole dit de faire, de même aussi dans les quelques très bons conseils que nous lisons ailleurs, mais que nous ne suivons que trop peu souvent. Ils ont prié et peu de temps après, les gens ont commencé à venir et les membres ont commencé à faire des dons sacrificiels afin de permettre au groupe/église de rester ouverts afin de rejoindre les gens de leur région. Je crois que la plupart de nos églises en déclin en sont arrivées à la même conclusion. Nous devons commencer à prier davantage et combler le vide de nos pasteurs qui sont aujourd'hui plus sollicités et stressés.

Je suis allé à certains de nos conseils d'église et j'ai été témoin du travail du Saint-Esprit sur le groupe en réunion quand ils ont réalisé que nous avons placé une trop grande responsabilité sur nos pasteurs pendant que les membres regardaient les pasteurs s'épuiser, alors que nous n'avons pas travaillé en équipe pour aborder cette question. C'est l'une des plus grandes bénédictions de mon ministère que de témoigner des Eglises qui relèvent le défi et commencent à prier et à travailler ensemble avec leurs frères et sœurs dans nos autres Eglises. Mais, cela me peine aussi d'écrire cette prochaine déclaration, à savoir que certaines de nos églises n'ont pas relevé le défi et ont rendu la vie très difficile pour leur pasteur, leur district et aussi pour notre administration, laquelle s'est trouvée dans le besoin de chercher des solutions pour les aider à éviter la mort de leur église. Ceci place un très lourd fardeau sur le travail d'évangélisation et sur la croissance de l'église, mais je ne veux pas me concentrer sur ce point. Je veux me concentrer sur ce qui peut se produire quand une église relève le défi par la puissance et la direction du Saint-Esprit.

The voted action of the Board of Directors in this new paradigm shift will begin to focus our work on our urban centres. We will be asking our supporting churches in the district to work as a team to strengthen our efforts to reach the lost where the majority of people are living, while not neglecting their own personal efforts to reach their friends and neighbours where they might be living or attending church. Our pastors will be focusing their evangelistic efforts to our urban centres and that will mean that our smaller, struggling churches might not see their pastor as much unless they have more district Sabbaths.

In the Newfoundland Mission, one of their shrinking districts has recently embarked upon a challenge of having their district work more closely with each other to carry out the work of evangelising their area. The pastor re-organized his three-church district so that they would work more closely together to reach the lost. The district now meets together very often to worship together as a district instead worshiping separately. This means that members will have to travel further in order to support the work in the district instead of just their local church. One of the blessings that has arisen from their paradigm shift is that the three churches in the district have all begun to like each other more and the nicknames that they once associated with the other churches have disappeared as they now work for the district and not just for their local church. They join together to have one large visioning board meeting as a district and then split up to have their local church board meeting at the same time. This eliminates the pastor from having to repeat this three times in three separate places. This has worked well for them and we can look at how we can also do something similar in the Maritimes.

As we continue to move toward Christ's Second Coming we will need to do the same. We will need to work more closely together to reach the lost as we begin to take the focus off of our own needs and place it to where Jesus leads us to place it...on the lost. Our churches will have to take up a greater responsibility to work more closely together and to also be less self-focused or pastor-dependant and be willing to fill the gap as our pastors focus more on evangelism in our urban centres. As we move down this new uncharted road we will need to be doing one more thing in order for us to prepare to reach this bountiful harvest that God has promised, and that is, pray for more harvesters...that means God will inspire us through the Holy Spirit to become that harvester as we pray for more harvesters.

L'action votée par le Conseil d'Administration dans ce nouveau changement de paradigme va permettre de concentrer notre travail sur nos centres urbains. Nous demanderons à nos églises de venir en soutien dans le district afin de travailler en équipe pour unir nos efforts dans le but d'atteindre les perdus là où la majorité des gens vivent, tout en ne négligeant pas leurs propres efforts personnels pour atteindre leurs amis et voisins là où ils pourraient vivre ou fréquenter l'église. Nos pasteurs concentreront leurs efforts d'évangélisation dans nos centres urbains et cela signifiera que nos petites églises en difficulté pourraient ne pas voir leur pasteur autant s'il n'y a pas plus de sabbats de district (faire sabbat ensemble dans le district).

À la Mission de Terre-Neuve, l'un de leurs districts, dans lequel on voyait un net rétrécissement, s'est récemment lancé le défi de voir les églises du district travailler plus étroitement les unes avec les autres pour mener à bien le travail d'évangélisation de leur région. Le pasteur a réorganisé son district de trois églises afin qu'elles travaillent plus étroitement ensemble pour atteindre les perdus. Les trois églises se réunissent maintenant très souvent pour prier ensemble, en district, au lieu de prier séparément. Cela signifie que les membres ont besoin de voyager plus loin pour soutenir le travail dans le district au lieu de se limiter à leur église locale. L'une des bénédictions qui est née de leur changement de paradigme est que les trois églises du district ont toutes commencé à s'apprécier davantage et que les surnoms qu'elles se donnaient autrefois les unes aux autres ont disparu, car elles travaillent maintenant pour le district et pas seulement pour elles-mêmes localement. Elles se réunissent en une grande réunion du Conseil, permettant de discuter et de visionner en tant que district, puis se séparent pour avoir leur réunion du Conseil de l'église locale toutes en même temps. Cela évite au pasteur d'avoir à répéter cela trois fois dans trois endroits différents. Cela a bien fonctionné pour eux et nous pouvons voir comment nous pouvons aussi faire quelque chose de semblable dans les Maritimes.

Alors que nous continuons à avancer vers la seconde venue du Christ, nous devrons faire de même. Nous devrons travailler plus étroitement ensemble pour atteindre les perdus. Et cela se fera au fur et à mesure que nous commencerons à détourner l'attention de nos propres besoins et à la placer là où Jésus nous conduit à la placer... sur les perdus. Nos Eglises devront assumer une plus grande responsabilité pour travailler plus étroitement ensemble et être moins centrées sur elles-mêmes ou moins dépendantes des pasteurs, et être prêtes à combler le vide à mesure que nos pasteurs se concentreront davantage sur l'évangélisation dans nos centres urbains. Alors que nous avançons sur cette nouvelle route encore inexplorée, nous devrons faire une chose de plus pour nous préparer à atteindre cette moisson abondante que Dieu nous a promise, c'est-à-dire prier pour plus de moissonneurs... cela signifie que Dieu nous inspirera par l'Esprit Saint à devenir ces moissonneurs alors que nous prions pour qu'il y en ait plus.

Our new District realignment will be as follows. Please make this a deep matter of prayer as we embark on our paradigm shift for our Conference to seek and save the lost.

Perth-Andover welcomes their returning pastor— Howard Paddock.

Edmundston/Madawaska (Church Plant): Michel and Carmen Allard

Bathurst/Acadian Peninsula: Retired Pastors Donn Leatherman and Lisebye Luchmun

Miramichi, Bouctouche, Dieppe (Church Plant): Pastor Guy Lacourse (French Ministries Director)

Saint John, Moncton, Barnesville, Maranatha: Pastor Ricky Schwarz (Youth Director)

Fredericton, Moncton, Zealand, Harvey: Pastor Zlatan Ljuljdjurovic

St. George: Retired Pastor John Fournier

Charlottetown, Barnesville/Maranatha, Zealand/Harvey: Pastor Métard Salomon

Pugwash, New Glasgow, Truro: Pastor Carvil Richards North Sydney, Antigonish/Port Hawkesbury (Church Plants): Pastor Franz Unger

Yarmouth, Digby, Oak Park: Pastor David Hamilton New Minas, Middleton, Woodside (Church Plant), SLA: Pastor Jordane Smith

Halifax, Dartmouth: Pastor Gary Belhomme Tantallon, Fox Point, Bridgewater, SLA: Incoming Pastor Sean Todd.

I want to end with the story Joseph Kidder shared with us this last Spiritual Emphasis weekend. Pastor Kidder spoke about a church of 9 members, with the youngest being 81. As he challenged them to pray and to do evangelism, he received a great deal of pushback from the head elder. Pastor Kidder continued to pray and it took one member to put into practice her prayer life for her neighbour. This one neighbour led to many people coming to know Jesus and becoming members of this church. Because they prayed and one member took prayer very seriously, even though there was great opposition to this from some of the nine members, the church began to grow and within four years was beyond the 200 member mark. All because of prayer and the youngest member of the group starting to pray.

I invite every single member in our Conference to start to pray and begin that incredible work of reaching your relatives and neighbours for Jesus. Jesus has already promised that there will be a great harvest!!!

Paul Llewellyn, President Maritime Conference La réorganisation de nos nouveaux districts se fera comme suit. Je vous en prie, faites de ceci une profonde question de prière alors que nous nous engageons dans notre changement de paradigme pour que notre Fédération cherche et sauve les perdus.

Perth-Andover souhaite la bienvenue à leur pasteur, Howard Paddock, qui est de retour.

Edmundston/Madawaska (église en implantation): Michel et Carmen Allard

Bathurst/Péninsule acadienne: Pasteurs retraités Donn Leatherman et Lisebye Luchmun

Miramichi, Bouctouche, Dieppe (église en ré-implantation): Pasteur Guy Lacourse (Directeur du Ministère aux francophones)

Saint John, Moncton, Barnesville, Maranatha: Pasteur Ricky Schwarz (Directeur de la jeunesse)

Fredericton, Moncton, Zealand, Harvey: Pasteur Zlatan Ljuljdjurovic

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Je veux terminer avec l'histoire que Joseph Kidder nous a racontée au cours de la dernière fin de semaine d'emphase spirituelle. Pasteur Kidder a parlé d'une église de 9 membres, dont le plus jeune avait 81 ans. Alors qu'il les mettait au défi de prier et de faire de l'évangélisation, il a reçu beaucoup de réprimandes de la part du premier ancien. Pasteur Kidder a continué à prier et a fait en sorte qu'un membre a décidé de mettre en pratique sa vie de prière au profit de son voisin. Ce voisin a conduit beaucoup de gens à connaître Jésus et à devenir membres de cette église. Parce qu'ils priaient et qu'un membre prenait la prière très au sérieux, même si certains des neuf membres s'y opposaient vivement, l'église a commencé à grandir et en quatre ans, elle a dépassé la barre des 200 membres. Tout cela à cause de la prière et du fait que le plus jeune membre du groupe a commencer à prier.

J'invite tous les membres de notre Fédération à commencer à prier et à débuter ce travail incroyable pour atteindre vos parents et vos voisins pour Jésus. Jésus a déjà promis qu'il y aurait une grande moisson!!!!!

Paul Llewellyn, Président Conférence Maritime Translation by Guy Lacourse



Treasury ReportEd Sharpe, Treasurer

Our tithe took a serious dip in the month of April. Whereas it had been running about 9% ahead of 2018, April results bring us back to only 1% ahead of 2018 tithe year-to-date. May results are not available as of the time of this report.

While we are grateful to those who faithfully return their tithe, we cannot deny that there are some who feel they just cannot.

Here are the top ten excuses for not tithing:

- 10) Tithing is legalism, and I don't want to be a legalist.
- 9) I'm up to my ears in debt; I will start tithing as soon as I can pay off some debts.
- 8) Stewardship involves a lot more than just money; I give my time and talents to God and to the Church.
- 7) Tithing doesn't apply to Christians today; only to Old Testament Israel.
- 6) I would like to tithe, but I just can't afford it.
- 5) I'd like to tithe, but my spouse doesn't agree. I have to respect that.
- 4) I would tithe, but I'm just starting out in life without any savings.
- 3) I would tithe, but I'm nearing retirement with very little savings.
- 2) My giving is between God and me—no one else.
- 1) It's my money; I earned it.

I will be honored before those who are watching for your failure. They shall see My word triumph gloriously. 'All things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive' Matthew 21:22" EGW, Christ Object Lessons, p. 173.



Barb Marshall, from Ohio, shares this experience of some friends:

"As we trust God with our finances, He takes our tithes and offerings and multiplies them for the work of His kingdom. Many people have seen God's care for their need, when they paid a faithful tithe. Mike and Mary saw God's provisions as they spent the first ten years of their marriage in Mexico and Bolivia.

On one occasion when Mary was pregnant and attending language school, they were short on groceries. She felt impressed to write out a grocery list, though she had no money

to purchase the food. That very afternoon the doorbell rang, and they found two bags of groceries on the steps. Those bags contained the exact items on her list! Only one item was missing—bread. A few hours later, when Mike went to his part-time job, a bakery truck pulled up to his workplace and gave them some day-old bread. When Mike brought the bread home, Mary broke down and cried tears of joy and thanksgiving. Her thankfulness to the Lord just overwhelmed her!"

Just yesterday we received a substantial cheque from an Estate to go towards Evangelism in our Conference. We, too, are filled with joy and thanksgiving for the Lord's provision! ■

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Have you been wondering how Prayershop 2019 went? Here are some responses:

As a Team we've been praying for Prayershop for months—that God would prepare every heart to receive fully all He had for them that weekend. It was a wonderful experience. All the way from the planning stages through the weekend itself (and hopefully the weeks following, too) God led and guided. It was another wonderful experience for us as a team of leaders, and the feedback and responses to our survey indicated that those in attendance were very blessed, as well. Sharing part of my testimony, and seeing people responding to it was very meaningful to me. I have only come to understand, recently, that I have a testimony, and I'm coming to find out that others have the same experience as me and are eager for the freedom in Him that God is leading me into. As the leader, my favourite part of the weekend (besides everything else) was just watching how everything God led us to do connected together and built on what came before, all the way from learning to listen and surrender on Friday.



Claudine Belhomme

on what came before, all the way from learning to listen and surrender on Friday evening, to connecting with God through His Word on Sunday morning, and how that blessed those who came.—Erna

Prayershop 2019 was a great experience! The camaraderie was wonderful! Enjoyed the variety of presenters and messages throughout the weekend. I enjoyed the contemplative section of the program on Friday evening, it was a great start to the program. The 11 o'clock portion was very insightful and inspiring as well. I thoroughly enjoyed sharing testimonies and praying with people afterwards. To top it off, on Sabbath evening, our group prayer experience was very special. We shared personal struggles, issues that were on our hearts and prayed for each other—what a privilege it was! One of our team/group members said, "this is real church." The Prayershop was a great opportunity to build closer friendships. I'm also grateful for the times we had eating together, and sharing/discussing at greater length the topics that were presented. I thank God for the opportunity to participate in this wonderful, intimate, Spirit-filled weekend.—Nicole



Pastor Métard Salomon

I absolutely loved this year's Prayershop! It was an oasis in time. I felt that everyone's burdens were left at the door. The weekend consisted not merely in theoretical presentations, but in the manifestation of the power of the Spirit to change lives. We were trained in

wielding this mighty weapon of warfare. It was like going right down into the trenches, as we prayed, stretching the muscles of our faith. The testimonies, lessons, and sermons were all so divinely crafted that they strengthened and revolutionized my prayer life.—Claudine

I want to share a few thoughts on the Prayershop 2019 weekend from my perspective. What a privilege to be involved! I was away last year so didn't have the opportunity to be a part of it then. Friday night's presentation on how we can each have the privilege of personal guidance directly from God frequently without any "middle man" so to speak and the book she shared with us "God Guides" by Mary Geeing is something I want to experience in my relationship with God. Claudine Belhomme's presentation Sabbath morning using the observation of trees while listening for God to teach us through the thoughts He gave us was an amazing experience. Our prayer team had done this exercise previously so I expected to have similar thoughts! That wasn't in God's plan. He gave me new thoughts! Just that fact alone was awesome. I was so blessed! Pastor Salomon's presentation on the brain-body connections through the conscious and subconscious was fascinating. I wanted to hear more! Nicole's testimonies of how God has used her to bless others in so many ways



Nicole Thorsteinson

was very encouraging and inspiring! I was reminded He wants to use each one of us in ways He has us prepared for, if we are willing. Our time in the prayer groups Sabbath evening was very precious as we prayed specifically for our conference, each other and those we represented, lifting them up with their needs and requests before the throne of God. I was very blessed by the participation of those present Sunday morning for the presentation on incorporating God's word in our conversations with Him. What a joy to spend the weekend together as we focused on following the Lamb in our daily lives. It was a blessed experience and brought us closer to one another!—Wilma

From our surveys:

- Everything about the weekend was wonderful! I appreciated the reminder to listen to God. Loved Nicole's prayer stories and Holy Spirit time. I liked "no pressure."
- Food was fantastic!
- Holy Spirit was here.
- · Holy Spirit time.
- Learning to be still and listen.
- The love and vulnerability of the presenters showed that the Holy Spirit is working.
- God put in my heart the desire to come to Pugwash this weekend.
- Loved the interactions between meetings how the Lord touched people!

What a blessing to be a blessing! Please see the Inductive Bible Study guide on page 9. ■



Guy LacourseGlobal Mission Manager

Our Conference and the Missiondriven-Excellence Initiative

It will be no surprise to all of us if I say that in the last few years our Conference has been looking at ways to shift things so that our membership (and the health of our churches) will grow. Even in this issue of the Pulse, our President discusses about the "paradigm shift" that our Conference is going through and how our churches need to change their ways and thinking.

Over a year ago, in an effort to find ways to bring about such a change, our Conference sought the help of the North American Division (NAD) and their "Mission-driven Church" initiative (now called Mission-driven Excellence or "MdX" for short). The idea was later launched through two of our Annual General Meetings and it is now in place as a pilot project.

In this pilot project, four (4) pastors and six (6) churches will implement the initiative under the supervision and the help of the NAD. The pastors and churches are the following:

Pastor Dave Hamilton (Yarmouth & Oak Park)

Pastor Franz Unger (North Sydney)

Pastor Carvil Richards (Truro & Pugwash)

Pastor Guy Lacourse (Miramichi)

Mission-driven Excellence is about slowly changing the church culture to make it more outreach oriented (or mission focused). It is not a program, but a lifestyle change, if I may say so. To make an analogy; just as going on a diet when you want to build better health is not the best way to go but rather a change of eating habits and exercise, etc. will bring and maintain that needed change. Outreach programs (the church on the diet) will not bring about as good and enduring a change as altering the lifestyle of the church: transforming its culture.

Such a change will take time and will most assuredly bring some pain and challenges. And this reminds me of the words of Jesus when He was discussing about the vine and the branches and the fruits to bear (see John 15:1-8). A branch that bears no fruit will be cut out and a branch that bears little fruit will be pruned so it can become more fruitful. Well, changing the church culture is a kind of pruning process: taking away the habits and traditions and practices that are not conducive to fruit-bearing and making room for those habits and practices that are more prone to give fruit. Again, this is a slow process and it is certainly not a "do-it-once-and-forget-about-it" program.

Please pray for the churches and the pastors that have volunteered to embark on this life changing adventure. Knowing that "By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples" (John 15:8). And stay tuned as we will share with you how the good Lord is blessing our churches.

Inductive Study Guide Template

PASSAGE:

DATE: _____

	STEP ONE – RESEARCH			
WHO is involved?	WHAT is happening?			
WHERE did this hannon	MUEN did this hannon?			
WHERE did this happen	WHEN did this happen?			
	HOW do people respond/relate/react?			
	STEP TWO - WORDS			
Words repeated?	Key Words (verbs & adjectives)			
C	Communicated (Similarities (also like as)			
Contrast/Opposite ("but" "yet")	Comparisons/Similarities (also, like, as)			
	Significance or Implications:			
	STEP THREE:			
A new thought to ponder:	Something to be thankful for:			
and the period of	comening to we thanky anyon			
An example to follow:	How I see Jesus in this passage:			
	My Prayer response:			



Camp Pugwash Teresa Ferreira, Summer Camp Director

We are gearing up for Camp as the season looms before us. My Directors report this coming Sunday, June 9 for Leadership Camp as we pray together, study Steps to Personal Revival together, work together and bond together in preparing our hearts and minds to shine for Jesus before the rest of the staff and campers come on the grounds excited for another season of Summer Camp at Camp Pugwash!

This Summer we've chosen the theme *Consumed for Jesus*. The Program Director for Camp this Summer wrote the theme song with her friend, and spoke these words about it:

The devil easily puts insecurities in our minds and hearts that consume our every thought. With the things of this world we try to fill ourselves, but they leave us wanting more. It's in these moments that we ask God to come in and consume us with His love, grace, and Holy Spirit.

Our theme is wrapped up in being *Consumed for Jesus*, which means we are wanting each camper and each staff member to allow God to fill our hearts and souls, and set them on fire for Him! We have chosen the sunshine as our symbol to represent the theme this year. Just as the sun is a giant ball of fire and radiates and touches each and every one of us, we are to be the same for Jesus - so on fire for Him, that we are able to make a difference in the lives of others. When we keep the Son of God in our hearts, it is easy for us to be consumed for Him.

In speaking with one of our *Kids to Camp* Program leaders, she shared with me how the New Minas church through their Lamb's Offering raised \$2,000+ to sponsor community kids for a week at Camp Pugwash. Praise God for the faithfulness of this church in commitment to the children and youth in their community.

"Prayer is the key that unlocks the door of God's treasure-house." [Unknown author, Kneeling Christian, p. 9.

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Updates:

NEW Activities/Classes at Camp —
JumpInflattables Water Slide; Water
Trampoline; FitLife; Gymnastics/
Choreography; Design/Drone Management/
Lego Robotics; Adventure Sports (BMX, RC
Cars); Music (ukuleles, guitar, etc.); Selfcare/Essential Oils; and the addition of
Science Experiments to Model Rocketry.
To see a list with descriptions and pictures
(under "More Info") for each activity/class
offered at Camp, please go to the following
link: https://www.ultracamp.com/info/activities.aspx?idCamp=982&campCode=C52

NEW Camps — RAD & DiscipleTrek Camps RAD (Radical) Camp where a camper from the ages of 10-18 can come enjoy the Camp experience while focusing all week in one of six (6) different areas...to the MAX radically learning about 1) Horses; OR 2) Watersports; OR 3) Music; OR 4) Gymnastics/ Choreography; OR 5) Art; OR 6) Adventure Sports, including Survival Skills. **DiscipleTrek Camp**, serving ages 15-19 year old campers who want to take their relationship with Jesus to the next level! This year is a Pilot year with Trek Leaders Ricky Schwarz, Stephanie Schwarz, Zlatan Ljuljdjurovic, Jordane Smith & Teresa Ferreira. The select younger Camp staff members will be trained in this Trek experience, with hopes of next year sponsoring churches sending their youth to this 2-WEEK training opportunity, looking at our distinct Adventist Beliefs through the scope of history and lens of Jesus Christ.

NEW Online — The Camp website has been redesigned, with promotional materials on the front page, newly constructed Parent/Camper Handbook, and the 2019 Camp Season Registration portal through UltraCamp. Go to our website for your 'one-stop-all-information-Camp-Pugwash' interests — www.camppugwash.com.

Camp's WATER Condition — Manganese has been found in our water at the Camp at a very slightly higher level than NS Environment allows. This is water you can shower in and brush your teeth in, but not drink high concentrations or large quantities of. We are currently under review for a filtration system quote for the two wells involved. Please watch for further updates in the near future. Once we have something more conclusive, we will be in touch with our Conference membership. If you have ANY questions, please contact Teresa Ferreira at 506.609.1386 OR teresa.ferreira@maritimesda.com. Please read the following in connection with this trace mineral:

Manganese is a trace mineral, which your body needs in small amounts. It's required for the normal functioning of your brain, nervous system and many of your body's enzyme systems. While your body stores up to about 20 mg of manganese in your kidneys, liver, pancreas and bones, you also need to get it from your diet. Manganese is considered an essential nutrient and can be found especially in seeds and whole grains, as well as in smaller amounts in legumes, beans, nuts, leafy green vegetables and tea. (10 Evidence-Based Benefits of Manganese, https://www.healthline.com/nutrition/manganese-benefits)

Again, there is only possible developmental danger in consuming significantly large amounts of this mineral by the vulnerable sector (children, babies, elderly).

Please be looking for an upcoming Vision connected to Camp Pugwash. And remember, there's always a Pugwash Passion Project (3Ps Vision) you can keep in your prayers and donate to with your wallet (wink, wink). See them listed below...

- Prayer Walk
- Bonfire/Amphitheater Worship place
- Ropes Course
- ATVs & Track
- Gymnastics equipment
- Electrical upgrade
- Auditorium insulation and heating
- Storage Facility
- Playground continued enhancement
- Birdhouse updates (sponsor a birdhouse and we'll match the funds!)
- 'You Are Here' maps around the Campground
- Enlargement of the Freezer/Office/Nursing section of the Cafeteria building
- Youth Cabin and Barracks refresher of paint/flooring, etc.

Pick a project near and dear to your heart or simply pray for its development – your support is appreciated in any capacity! Consumed for Jesus

Summer Camp Dates...

The weeks for Camp are as follows:

Directors' Leadership Camp June 9-20 Orientation June 21-23 Blind Camp June 23-28 Junior Camp June 30-July 7 Teen Camp July 7-14 RAD Camp July 14-21 July 14-26 DiscipleTrek Campmeeting July 26-August 3



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July 14-26, 2019
AGES 15-19
Register at:
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A two week journey into Jesus' life and His truth. Campers and Trek Staff explore the incredible Biblical truths God has revealed about Himself in His son Jesus. What are the most important things the Creator God wants you to know about Himself, yourself, and what is going on at this time in earth's history? By the end of

this adventure, you will know! This could be the most important two weeks of your life and we are pumped about it!

Each day will be filled with all the good things of camp including first class recreation opportunities, solitude in our natural wonderland, and daily progress in understanding the great mysteries of God through dynamic experiences! What could be more fulfilling and deeply fun than this? Probably nothing!

Camp Director: Teresa Ferreira

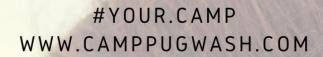


Trek Leaders:

Ricky Schwarz Stephanie Schwarz

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FAITH.FORMED. FRIENDS.FOUND. MEMORIES.MADE. GOD.GLIMPSED.



Education Teresa Ferreira, Superintendent

As I walked through the doors of a sister Christian School, I truly could have been in any Adventist School across North America. They had a Christian focus, a K-12 student body, programs that reflect academics, a financially struggling history, every nook and cranny utilized to the max, renovated areas (as the money comes), etc. I spent four hours touring the school and speaking with the Vice-Principal and Principal.

So, as Adventist Education, what sets us apart? What sets us apart from another Christian School? We are the #1 Global Christian System, where Adventist Education has the same Blueprint in Maritimes, Canada as in KunShan, China. There is a worldwide standard of excellence imprinted upon the divinely appointed Education model given to our Church. With an enriching book entitled, *Education*, we have the opportunity to pattern after the Master Teacher and see children flourish, as they study the Word of God first before any other subject. Truly, what is the value of anything else in this secular world under demonic attack?! Our accountability to God will be when He asks, "What did you do with the wisdom of the education model I entrusted to you as a Church?!" How did you train up MY children, He will say. And why would we not want more schools in the Maritimes that are training centres for our young people's minds and interests and hearts and commitments and futures?!

In the words of an age-old lady who was divinely inspired to pen a leading Adventist book entitled, Education, that describes a leading educational model of excellence. I dare you to read these quotes and not understand the great need for Adventist Education within our Conference:

". . . as far as their teaching is true, do the world's great thinkers reflect the rays of the Sun of Righteousness." (14);

"To restore in man the image of his Maker, to bring him back to the perfection in which he was created, to promote the development of body, mind, and soul, that the divine purpose in his creation might be realized—this was to be the work of redemption. This is the object of education, the great object of life." (15-16);

"The Holy Scriptures are the perfect standard of truth, and as such should be given the highest place in education." (17);



"He who co-operates with the divine purpose in imparting to the youth a knowledge of God, and molding the character into harmony with His, does a high and noble work. . As he awakens a desire to reach God's ideal, he presents an education that is as high as heaven and as broad as the universe; an education that cannot be completed in this life, but that will be continued in the life to come; an education that secures to the successful student his passport from the preparatory school of earth to the higher grade, the school above." (19);

"It is his [the true teacher] ambition to inspire them with principles of truth, obedience, honor, integrity, and purity—principles that will make them a positive force for the stability and uplifting of society. He desires them, above all else, to learn life's great lesson of unselfish service." (29-30);

"Through unfaithfulness in the home, and idolatrous influences without, many of the Hebrew youth received an education differing widely from that which God had planned for them." (45-46);

"These schools were intended to serve as a barrier against the wide-spreading corruption, to provide for the mental and spiritual welfare of the youth, and to promote the prosperity of the nation by furnishing it with men qualified to act in the fear of God as leaders and counsellors." (46);

". . . barriers that God had erected for the safety of His people . . . " (49);

"With us, as with Israel of old, success in education depends on fidelity in carrying out the Creator's plan." (50);

"In the prevailing system of education, human philosophy had taken the place of divine revelation." (74);

"Parents and teachers should constantly seek for improved methods. The teaching of the Bible should have our freshest thought, our best methods, and our most earnest effort." (186);

"The study of the Bible demands our most diligent effort and persevering thought." (189).

What a journey of trust and accountability for our schools. There are many other pointed ones I could have included that speak of the priority in raising children as a keen responsibility entrusted to parents by God, and the NEED to have them trained in Christian Education as a complement to the home life.

We NEED more Christian Adventist Schools in the Maritimes! I will be putting together a proposal... please be looking for more information in the next Pulse Newsletter.

This year we will be taking the value of enriching the practical side of Sandy Lake Academy and incorporating a Co-Op Program where our upper division students have an opportunity to make positive ties in the community and local businesses. They will be accountable to these businesses as they live the high standards of expectation from SLA out loud in the community. We are to be beacons of light on a hill (Matthew 5:14).

The Maritime Conference will be hosting the first Outdoor Education Program for our young people at Sandy Lake. Learning practical outdoor skills while incorporating curriculum for 2-5 days, depending on the age group. Plans are already underway for an experience of a lifetime where school meets nature at our beautiful Camp Pugwash. This will take place in the 2019-2020 school year during the Spring Session. Coming in contact with nature was one of Christ's greatest lesson books, and we will pattern the same.

Sandy Lake Academy has been very busy this spring. The school year has quickly come to a close. I will let them fill you in on some of the details. ■

News From Sandy Lake Academy



Stephen Kibbee, Principal Robots, Outreach, and Testimonies

"The generous soul will be made rich, and he who waters will also

be watered himself" (Proverbs 11:25). The sun is going down on another school year at SLA. As I write this article, classes have just finished, exams will be written next week, and our senior class will be receiving their High School Diplomas only two Sundays from now. At this time, it is important to reflect on some school highlights over the past few months.

SLA hosted its annual Spring Week of Prayer from May 6-10. For three days, Claudine Belhomme blessed the grades 7-12 students with practical lessons on faith, belief, and genuine communication with God. SLA could not do all that it does without faithful volunteers such as this. A big thanks to all of our volunteers! For Thursday of Week of Prayer, students participated in a variety of outreach activities for the duration of the afternoon. From a musical outreach program in the Public Gardens, to volunteering at the Parker Street Food and Furniture Bank, to creating thank you cards for our amazing volunteers, to preparing gift baskets and delivering them to first responders and health professionals in the community, to walking through our immediate neighbourhood and praying for the families in it, students were given an opportunity to be the hands, feet, and voice of Jesus. It was a blessing to serve alongside them.

To cap off Week of Prayer, five student spiritual leaders hosted a Q&A testimony time in which each shared unique angles and perspectives about their personal walk with God. This panel discussion capped off a week in which our students were given the opportunity through preaching, service, and example to see that God is real and that He wants to live in a very real way in each person's life. May each of us, as we seek to lead our young people to Him, always strive to live up to this example.

Changing gears, SLA is happy to announce that we have officially launched our **Robotics program**. Beginning in April, over a dozen students from grades 4-12 started constructing and programming their Lego robots in preparation for participating in a Robotics "Bottle Sumo" Fun Day at Acadia University. On May 15 and 16, 15 students divided into 4 teams representing the grades 4-8 and 9-12 divisions spent the day at Acadia University in Wolfville where they took part in programming workshops culminating in Robotics challenges against other teams from the province. To add even a little more excitement to the day, our two grades 4-8 teams placed 1st and 2nd in their competition! We were so proud of all of our students who gained such valuable experience in the areas of teamwork, perseverance, and creativity.

On a final note. SLA will be welcoming two new teachers into the fold for the 2019-2020 school year. Mr. Anthony Jones, with his wife and two children, will be joining us from Alberta where he has recently completed his B. Ed. Why, you may ask, was a new math teacher hired when we just hired one last year? We are pleased to announce that Mrs. Kibbee and I have just added a new member to our family! Emilia Mariana Kibbee was born at the IWK in Halifax on May 21, weighing in at 5 lbs 11 oz. Our joy is complete. Kalie Todd will also be joining us out of Alberta; perhaps the migration is beginning to swing the other way? Kalie is part of a ministry team with her Pastoral husband Sean Todd, who will also be putting his hand to the plow here. Kalie will be our new English teacher, and we are so excited for the passion that she will be bringing to our academic and spiritual program.

God continues to demonstrate to us His unwavering guidance and grace toward Adventist Education in the Maritime Conference. Thanks to all of you who continue to partake in this work with Him.

To keep up to date with what is happening at SLA, visit:

Website: www.sandylakeacademy.ca Facebook: www.facebook.com/

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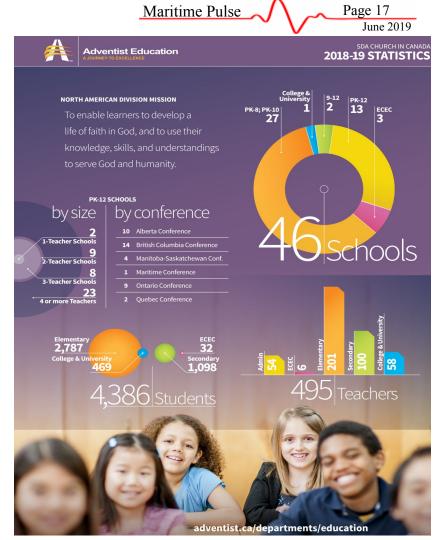
The SLA Scholarship form is available on page 41 of this Pulse issue or on the Maritime Conference website: maritimesda.com.

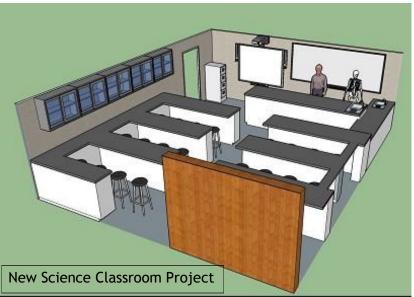
New Science Classroom for Sandy Lake Academy

By Ronald Scott

Plans to update and renovate the science classroom at Sandy Lake Academy are underway! A number of improvements are planned, including a demonstration bench at the front of the room, fixed lab benches to replace the moveable desks, increased storage, secure textbook storage, white-boards to replace chalkboards, and smart-board technology. Also, the old, worn carpet will be replaced with new flooring, and the room will be repainted.

The purpose is to make laboratory activities more accessible. Instead of taking the students down to the lab in the basement (which is difficult for those with physical limitations), or hauling up materials to the classroom, the materials will be right in the classroom. Both Biology and many Physics labs will benefit from the new plan. Chemistry labs and Physics labs that require heat will still be done in the basement laboratory, which has the





necessary safety equipment, chemical storage, fume hood and gas piping.

This will be especially beneficial for short demonstrations or lab activities that take up less than a full class period, since time lost in transit will be eliminated.

Financial contributions to this project would be greatly appreciated! ■

Pastor Pedro Graça

For the last 23 ½ years the Maritime Conference has been blessed by the gift of Pastor Pedro Graça and his family. Pastor Graça is currently our longest serving pastor out of all our pastoral staff and has been responsible for leading the Madawaska Company, Sandy Lake Church Plant, Hopewell Hill, Moncton, Moncton French, Dartmouth, Tantallon, Bridgewater, New Minas and Middleton Churches. His wife Kay has demonstrated true



servanthood by serving as Camp Director, Assistant Director, Camp First Responder, SLA contract teacher, Music assistant, and single handily keeping our Horsemanship program alive for so many year. Their five children (now all above 18) have been actively involved in Sandy Lake Academy and also have been integral part of the youth camp life for most of their lives.

They have not only given of their time to our Conference, but they have given their lives in dedicated service to so many of our churches, to SLA and Camp Pugwash. The whole family has put the work of God first in their lives as they have served Him in this Conference. One of the areas that will especially miss Pastor Graca's skills is in the

sound systems/recording of our Spiritual Emphasis weekend, SLA productions, and our Campmeeting main auditorium. Not too many these days have the skills that Pastor Graça has acquired and we will greatly miss his

talents in this area especially.

Leaving Teachers (SLA)

Included with the Graduates, we will say farewell to three teachers at the school:

Kristii Rasmussen

Ms. Rasmussen has delighted us with her musical talents, beautifully selected pieces and creative concert sets for the last 5.5 years. She has built strong ties within the community of students and parent body. Her respect for the sacred, harmonious



nature of the music she has blessed Sandy Lake Academy with will be missed. And as she steps forward to pursue her Masters degree in Conducting we send her with God's prayers and many blessings, encouraging her to come visit us often in the future!

Tarah-Liz Springer

Mrs. Springer enriched the spiritual culture of the school with a little flair and a big smile. Her passion for young people and her Lord is seen in every decision and conversation. We were very grateful to Mrs. Springer for taking on



the Camrose and Ryley Churches outside of Edmonton Alberta. We will miss Pastor Graça and his wife Kay, but they have promised to come visit often since a few of their boys are staying behind as they make the Maritimes their permanent home. We wish them God's richest blessings as they continue to serve the Lord in the Alberta Conference.

Pastor Graça will be spreading his wings as he will now lead

this challenge at the 12th hour with positive energy and a can-do attitude. Her gentle spirit will be missed but she won't be far away as she continues to pursue her calling in the health field. Our prayers go with you, Mrs. Springer!

Melanie Kibbee

Mrs. Kibbee came to us just one short school year ago, but she's positively impacted the school with her organization and push for excellence. With her leaving, holds for her many days and nights engaged as a 'Mommy' to baby Emilia. And while she's found teaching rewarding and fulfilling in Alberta, Guam and now Nova Scotia, the adventure God has planned for



her promises to be a time invested in hers and Mr. Kibbee's greatest accomplishment, gift and blessing! We wish her moments of great love, patience from on High and s-l-e-e-e-p for those sleepless nights. You will be missed Mrs. Kibbee, but we are sure to see you and Ms. Emilia walking through the SLA halls for frequent visits!

With Much Gratitude, Maritime Conference, SLA School Board & Staff June 2019 marks another year in the Graduation books at Sandy Lake Academy. And with the completion of this school year, those graduating will be leaving us. And as you step on to pursue the next phase of God's call upon your life, we send prayers and heartfelt encouragement for your spiritual and professional success.

Congratulations! Sandy Lake Academy Grad Class of 2019



Pictured-left to right:

Joel Graça, Justin Graça, Ethan Langille, Aoibh Crouse, Sabrina Hussein.



Pathfinder Ministries William Harrington, Director

Many of our clubs are preparing for their investiture programs to close out the 2018/2019 year of activities. This is a time when the children/young people are presented with their pins, honors, etc. that they earned for the year.

REGISTRATION FOR CLUBS FOR 2019/2020

Look forward to seeing our present clubs and hoping to see many others join. Club directors should be elected by their local church boards and registered with the Maritime Conference before the first of July. We will send out your certificate of registration.

HOW TO START A PATHFINDER/ADVENTURER CLUB

If you wish to start a club, whichever age group, talk to your pastor and church board about your interest and plans to get a club started and get their approval. Then get in contact with William Harrington at email address 1127wkh@gmail.com for further instructions.

News from the clubs:

Halifax Pathfinder Club and Adventurers, under the able direction of Donald MacLaughlin and Cynthia Louis, assisted by Claudia MacLaughlin and Sara MacLean, are relatively new clubs and meet at Sandy Lake Academy every second Sunday. These leaders appreciate the many people and parents who give of their time to help.

Two pathfinders will be going to the Oshkosh Camporee in Wisconsin this summer.







With Much Gratitude, Maritime Conference, Pathfinder/Adventurer clubs leaders and children.

William (Bill) Harrington has dedicated 40 years to serving the Lord with the Pathfinder and Adventurer Clubs. Bill has a deep concern and love for the children God has entrusted us to guide and nurture. Bill has a love for the outdoors and a wealth of knowledge in many areas that he has shared through the years. We have been blessed by his ministry here in the Maritime Conference.

Bill is retiring as the Conference Pathfinder Director and we are seeking a replacement to fill this volunteer position. If you have the desire to lead children and youth to Jesus through the practical skills of adventure pursuits, honour badge studies, and are a Pathfinder at heart and in practice (even a Master Guide), then please contact Teresa Ferreira at Teresa.ferreira@maritimesda.com or 506.609.1386 to learn more about the role.



"Blessed is she who believed, for there will be a fulfillment of those things which were told her from the Lord" Luke 1:45.

Health Ministries Stephanie Schwarz, Director

Vegan Connexion—Fredericton NB

The Maritime Conference Health Ministries Department had a wonderful opportunity this past May. We were contacted by Heather Furrow, the Events and Catering Coordinator for Ramada Fredericton. The hotel was having their first ever community vegan convention, which they called the "Vegan Connexion" and asked the Conference if we wanted to have a booth at this event. We didn't have much time to decide as the event was less than a week away, but of course we right away said, "Yes!, we would love to have a booth at this community event." So, that week we pulled resources together and made some great recipes to share that coming Sunday. Wilma O'Dell made several batches of her delicious vegan

cheese from her recipe book "The Non-Dairy Evolution Cookbook" by Style Michael Conroy. I made several different vegan cheese recipes, too. On Sunday, myself, Vanessa Casey, and a mutual friend made our way up to Fredericton with a car load of healthy resources, recipes, vegan cheeses, and invitations for up-coming events. Our friend that came with us is not a member of our churches, but Pastor Ricky and I met her through a mutual friend at a Vegan restaurant uptown Saint John several months ago. She recently became vegan through her own convictions, and the church she was attending did not support her beliefs, so she was searching for a community that shared her convictions. Since then, she has been coming to our new afternoon church service in Saint John, involved with a small group, and is excited about having a community of believers to encourage her and to share in her new change of lifestyle. We have been blessed to know her! Sunday, May 19 was a great success; our cheese was a big hit! Everyone loved it, and said they had never tasted such a variety of



hard cheese that tasted so good, and has such great texture. They also loved the cheesy nacho sauce. We were able to advertise and invite them to a cooking class we are starting once a month, as well as to the viewing of a recent health movie promoting plant based lifestyles. We received emails from nearly 70 different people asking to be contacted about the future events we had planned. We are so thankful for this opportunity, and encourage our Maritime churches to engage in your community events. Mingle with those of the community, desire their good, and share with them the amazing message of God's grace and love! We are excited to see where God leads us next.

Stephanie Schwarz is a Registered Nurse and Certified Health Coach.



"To be a Christian without prayer is no more possible than to be alive without breathing." Martin Luther

Campmeeting

We are excited to let you know Loren Seibold will be presenting *How* to *Have a Happier* Family—Mon. to Fri. July 29-August 2 at 2:00 pm in the auditorium.

Information may be available for the comprehensive training on inhome ministries, and Inhome Wellness Retreats, which is a unique health initiative where a home is transformed into a wellness centre for a weekend.

See page 22, 27 for more details.

Campmeeting 2019

July 26-August 3

" Give Me Jesus "

This coming Campmeeting theme is "Give Me Jesus." All of our speakers will be giving us a deeper portrait of who Jesus is. Lee Venden will be speaking 13 times and I want to encourage as many as possible to come for the entire week to hear the great message that he will be presenting. Pastor Venden's presentations will be entitled "It's All About Jesus." Lee and Marji previously came to our Conference and spoke in Saint John and throughout the whole meetings people kept coming to me and saying, "Can you bring Lee and Marji out for campmeeting." God worked it out perfectly that Lee and his wife Marji are able to come. Lee will be speaking every evening and his wife will present a children's story each day and then from Wednesday on, pastor Venden will be speaking twice a day, including Sabbath. Please do not miss any of these times and if you do miss any, you can always listen to the podcast located at maritimesda.com.

Please be praying for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit during our campmeeting time together. God is wanting to do an amazing work within each of the churches. This is a time that we must work together to share the Good News from the Word of God. It is amazing how slowly Good News travels these days. The more Jesus becomes a part of our daily lives, we can watch how fast the Good News will spread, as people see what it is doing in us. Jesus will shine bright, if He is lifted up in our lives and I pray that it will begin at Campmeeting 2019.



Evening Speaker 7:15 PM All Campmeeting 10:50 AM July 31-August 3 Wednesday-Sabbath

Lee Venden and Marji Venden

A pastor, educator, and presenter for more than 29 years, Lee has sought to know Jesus better and to help others accomplish that as well. He has authored 3 books and co-authored the internationally popular website, www.allaboutjesusseminars.org.

Marji Venden has a particular interest in helping children understand that they too can have a personal friendship with Jesus. As an educator for more than 12 years, and mother of two children, Marji loves to assist parents who are seeking to guide their children into a relational understanding of Christianity.



Morning Speaker 10:50 AM July 27-29

John Bradshaw

In January 2011, John became It Is Written's new speaker/director. In his two decades of ministry, John has held more than 100 evangelistic series. His series have spanned 6 continents and impacted thousands of lives in hundreds of cities.

From working internationally on evangelistic projects, to speaking at conferences and events, to authoring books, to working at home base in Chattanooga, Tennessee, John continues to energetically lead the It Is Written ministry team and impact the world for Christ and His soon return.



Youth Speaker 10:50 AM & 7:15 PM All Campmeeting

Donovan Washington

Dr. Donovan Washington is a graduate of Oakwood U., his M.Div from Andrews U., and Dr of Ministry from Mercer U. Dr. Washington served as the lead recruiter for Oakwood U. where he travelled the country speaking on the virtues of Christian education and inviting young people to enroll. He has served in Central States, Nevada, Utah, and now South Atlantic Conference as Youth/Young Adult director. He lives by the text "...if God be for us, who can be against us" (Romans 8:31).



Family Life How to Have Happier Family Monday-Friday, 2:00 PM

Loren Seibold

Loren Seibold pastors several churches in the Ohio Conference of Seventh-day Adventist. Writes for several magazines, including Signs of the Times, Ministry and The Adventist Review, and as well as edits a news-letter for pastors called Best Practices for Adventist Ministry. His wife, Carmen, is an ordained minister and a hospice chaplain. They love gardening, travel and reading.



French Speaker
July 27-August 3, 9:00 AM in the Pugwash Church

Tom LeBlanc

Tom LeBlanc is well known among our French community and brings a wealth of experience on practical Christian living.



Tuesday—Friday, 9:00 AM

Mike Lemon (Rene)

Mike Lemon is the new speaker, director for "It Is Written Canada." He and his wife, Rene, are both teachers, 100% organic, Non-GMO, sweet and sour lemons. Rene is the sweet one. They love sharing Jesus with others and have worked in ministry and education positions in Canada for the last 20 years; before that, they worked in South Africa as teachers, and Mike was also a pastor. They have come to "It Is Written Canada" from Fountainview Academy in BC, where they have ministered for the last 12 years. They have two amazing daughters, Jo-Ann and Miclain, who love to travel, make meaningful connections with people from all walks of life, and share their vibrant faith in God.



July 27 and 28, 9:00 AM and 2:00 PM

Chris Holland

Chris Holland has a new position at the General Conference in evangelism, assisting Mark Finley. He was the former speaker/director of *It Is Written Canada*, as well as a pastor and teacher of Bible prophecy for many years. His simple and clear presentation of God's Word has blessed many. His greatest joy is to see lives transformed by the living power of Jesus Christ.



Prayer Ministries Erna McCann



6:45 AM Mon.-Fri. Franz Unger



Health Ministries Stephanie Schwarz



9:00 AM July 29 Ricky Schwarz



Education
Camp Ministry
Teresa
Ferreira



SLA Principal Stephen Kibbee

CAMPMEETING ASSISTANCE NEEDED FOR LADIES BATHROOM ATTENDANTS—FULL/PART TIME

Anyone interested in being part of the service team for the ladies' main bathroom or small "old red" bathroom by the auditorium during campmeeting, July 26-August 3??? Full-time attendant receives accommodations and cafeteria meals for the successful applicant. We could use another available male for the men's bathrooms too. To apply for the positions, please contact: Pastor Paul Llewellyn at paul.llewellyn@maritimesda.com or Jullie at info@maritimesda.com.



Lorie Neily Children's Ministries Director

How wonderful it is to see the green grass and the blue sky. Every-

thing springs to life everywhere. We are grateful for the changing seasons that God provides. Children's ministry is beginning its busiest time with Campmeeting 2019 just seven weeks away. We have a great team in place this year so the children will have a great time.

"Catch the Wave with Jesus"

This past weekend we explored the story of Paul and his experiences while sailing to Rome. We learned what Paul endured but most importantly, how he shared his faith in a remarkable way that touched not only those on the ship with him but also the islanders he befriended. We talked about not ever being afraid, that God will give us courage and it does not matter what may be happening to us, He is always with us and is only a prayer away. It was a full weekend and the kids were real troopers as we searched for bees Sabbath afternoon (each child took home a Cheerios sunflower seed package to plant and attract the bees) to our last activity that included putting a message in a bottle (we prayed over the bottles that whom ever finds them would be blessed by our words) and throwing them into the sea (pictured bottom right). I am always humbled and thrilled when I am a witness to their sincere and authentic prayers, for their insights regarding God's word and their honest statements. We were blessed by the weekend speaker who



popped in to see what we were doing. We invited him to stay and tell us what he was teaching the adults. He told us he was telling them how he became a Christian. Sadly he had to go, but his interest was heart warming. I would like to thank Ben, Ashley, Teresa and Brian for assisting me in the programming. I know we were all blessed.

Children's Ministries Workshops (July 23 & 24)

I am very excited to have facilitators from the NAD to help us begin the process of certification and also provide motivation to go back to our churches and "stir up the coals," to light a fire that will bring children and their families wanting to worship with us again. Please prepare to be a part of this opportunity by sending me an email to lorie.neily@maritimesda.com and I will send out the registration information. Thank you to all that have already responded. I strongly encourage each church to sponsor a member to represent your church; even if you have only a small number of children or none at all. This invitation is extended to not only teachers, but everyone (VBS leaders, Children's Church, Pathfinders, Pastors/ Elders, parents and grandparents) who desires to make a difference in a child's life. We need to be prepared so God can answer our prayers for growth! The learning tracks include the following, "Teaching Sabbath School," "Teaching Children to Pray," Teaching Children to Think," "Teaching from Nature," "Memorization Without Tears," "Disciplining with Grace and Love" and "Children's Praise and Worship." Come prepared to be encouraged and blessed as you minister to our youngest members.





Campmeeting 2019

We are excited to be heading closer and closer to Campmeeting. The children's divisions will be in full swing with several themes. Our youngest children, Beginners (infant-3yrs) will be learning about how Jesus Made Me Special. Our Kindergarten (4-6 yrs) and Primary (7-9 yrs) kids will be travelling to the Serengeti to visit Jamii Kingdom. Our Juniors (10-12 yrs) will be learning about being Soldiers in God's Army featuring the Desmond Doss story. Our theme will be "Knowing God as a Friend, An Experience of a Lifetime" for our Teens. Sensory Solutions & Storytime will be returning again this year for our KinderKids. Crafts will also be available for Primary and Junior kids as well, all occurring at 2-3 pm Monday to Friday this year.

Registration will take place Friday afternoon 3-4:30 pm (Sabbath morning for late comers) and will be located near the main office to eliminate long line ups and wait times. It will no longer take place in the division buildings as in other years. All children attending must be registered; as we need essential information from parents/guardians. To avoid disappointment, please make sure your child is registered before going to the programs. We cannot accept your child without it.

Safety and Well Being of the Children

It is of utmost importance that the children on the grounds and in the divisions are supervised at all times. As the leaders, it is of great concern that any of the children left in our care should

Please enjoy the new playground.
We have a tall swing set for the older children and the multi-functional unit is in place for use by younger children. The airplane is for use by the younger children only. Enjoy the upgraded sand box.
Please remember to supervise your children at all times.

"If in our ignorance we make missteps, Christ does not leave us. His voice, clear and distinct, is heard saying, 'I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life.'

John 14:6." EGW, Christ Object Lessons, p. 173.

ever become lost or injured. Each year, sadly our due diligence is often questioned when we insist that you bring your child to their class and then return to pick them up at the designated dismissal times. We are not comfortable dismissing your children without supervision even if you are waving from outside the auditorium. We sincerely ask that you cooperate with the leaders. Thank you for keeping this in mind.

Thank you for your continued prayers for the teachers, leaders and the children; it is so sincerely appreciated. See you in Pugwash! ■

CHILDREN'S DIVISIONS AT CAMPMEETING

Campmeeting is fast approaching! We look forward to seeing you all in Pugwash this summer. Please note the times for classes in the children's divisions.

Beginners-ages newborn to 3 yrs (#72)

Sabbaths 9:15-10:30 am Sunday to Friday 9:30-10:30 am

Kindergarten-ages 4-6 yrs (#73)

Sabbaths 9:15-10:30 am
Sunday to Friday 10:45 am-noon
No evening sessions
Sensory Sensations 2 to 3 pm

Primary-ages 7-9 yrs (#71)

Sabbaths 9:30 am-12:30 pm Sunday to Friday 10:45 am-noon All evenings 7:15-8:45 pm Crafts (Mon-Fri) 2 to 3 pm

Junior-ages 10-12 yrs (#76)

Sabbaths 9:30 am-12:30 pm Sunday to Friday 10:45 am-noon All evenings 7:15-8:45 pm Crafts (Mon-Fri) 2 to 3 pm

Teen-ages 13-15 yrs (#74)

Sabbaths 9:30 am-12:30 pm Sunday to Friday 10:45 am-noon All evenings 7:15-9:00 pm

Youth-ages 16 yrs up (Tent#79)

Sabbaths 9:30 am-12:30 pm Sunday to Friday 9:30 am-noon All evenings 7:15-9:00 pm



Guy LacourseFrench Ministries Director

They are gone!

This is it, we expected it, it has arrived, it's done, they are gone! Aged in their late sixties and early seventies, their service for the Lord in Bouctouche has ended. The Lord has called them. But no, wait, please, don't be sad, they're not dead! Oh no, quite the opposite in fact! Michel and Carmen Allard have moved into a new territory, called out by the Lord to go and plant a new church in the Madawaska region (North-West NB).

After several years in service in Bouctouche, helping to raise the Company there, they felt the call of the Lord to sell their house and start a new venture for the glory of God. Can you imagine—they are in their late 60s and early 70s and they still have that urge to serve the best way they can. No retirement for the true disciples, is it!

On Sabbath May 25 the Bouctouche Company, with visitors from the Moncton French Church gathered for a farewell and the laying on of hands as we prayed for the Lord to bless them. The following Tuesday they were driving with loaded trucks and accompanied by brothers and sisters to help them with the moving and relocation. For close to a year, a house was waiting for them in Sainte-Annede-Madawaska: the good Lord had kept it for them.

They will now take the summer months to settle down and in September start contacting people, former Adventists, contacts from the French "It Is Written" TV program, etc. In fact, the French "It Is Written" Ministry in Québec has voted for Carmen to serve as an official "call center" for the Maritime Conference. So people watching the TV program, who call in from

the Maritimes will be directed to Carmen for initial contact, etc. The French Ministries in the Maritime Conference is being involved as well.

For a time, Bouctouche Company will feel the void that these two pioneers are leaving behind. But I know that the good Lord will provide relief in many and varied ways. For we are proud, of a Godly pride, for what these two are doing and we thank them from the bottom of our hearts for all those blessed years they were with us.

Thank you Michel, thank you Carmen and don't forget: Jesus loves you!



Ils nous ont quittés!

C'est ça, on s'y attendait, c'est arrivé, c'est fait, ils nous ont quittés! Âgés dans leur fin soixante, début soixante-dix, leur service pour le Seigneur à Bouctouche a pris fin. Le Seigneur les a appelés. Mais non, attendez, ne soyez pas triste, ils ne sont pas morts! Oh non, bien au contraire! Michel et Carmen Allard ont déménagé dans un nouveau territoire, appelés par le Seigneur à aller implanter une nouvelle église dans la région de Madawaska (nord-ouest du Nouveau-Brunswick).

Après plusieurs années de service à

Bouctouche, où ils ont aidé à développer la Compagnie (église), ils ont senti l'appel du Seigneur à vendre leur maison et à débuter une nouvelle aventure pour la gloire de Dieu. Pouvez-vous imaginer—ils sont dans la fin '60, début '70, et ils ont toujours cette envie de servir du mieux qu'ils peuvent. Pas de retraite pour les vrais disciples, n'est-ce pas!

Le sabbat 25 mai, la Compagnie de Bouctouche, avec des visiteurs de l'église française de Moncton, s'est réunie pour un adieu et l'imposition des mains alors que nous avons prié pour que le Seigneur les bénisse. Le mardi suivant, ils prenaient la route avec des camions chargés et accompagnés de quelques frères et sœurs pour les aider à déménager. Depuis près d'un an, une maison les attendait à Sainte-Anne-de-Madawaska: notre Seigneur l'avait gardée pour eux.

Ils vont maintenant prendre les mois d'été pour s'installer et en septembre commencer à contacter des

gens, d'anciens adventistes, des contacts de l'émission de télévision "Il Est Écrit," etc. En fait, le ministère "Il Est Écrit" au Québec a voté pour que Carmen serve de "centre d'appels" officiel pour la Fédération des Maritimes. Ainsi, les gens qui regardent l'émission de télévision et qui appellent depuis les Maritimes seront dirigés vers



Carmen pour un premier contact, etc. Le ministère "French Ministries" de notre Fédération est lui aussi impliqué.

Bouctouche ressentira certainement pour un temps le vide que ces deux pionniers laissent derrière eux. Mais je sais que notre tendre Père apportera un soulagement sous des formes nombreuses et variées. Car nous sommes fiers, d'une sainte fierté, de ce qu'ils font et nous les remercions du fond du cœur pour toutes ces années bénies qu'ils ont passées avec nous.

Merci Michel, merci Carmen et que chacun de vous n'oublie pas: Jésus t'aime! ■

MARITIME CONFERENCE - CAMPMEETING 2019 - Theme "Give Me Jesus"

Time	July 26 Friday	July 27 Sabbath	July 28 Sunday	July 29 Monday	July 30 Tuesday	July 31 Wednesday	August 1 Thursday	August 2 Friday	August 3 Sabbath
00:9		Rising Bell	Rising Bell	Rising Bell	Rising Bell	Rising Bell	Rising Bell	Rising Bell	Rising Bell
6:45		Prayer Ministries	Prayer Ministries	Franz Unger	Franz Unger	Franz Unger	Franz Unger	Franz Unger	Prayer Ministries
7:30					BREA	BREAKFAST			
		Chris	Chris	Ricky	Mike	Mike	Mike	Mike	ADRA/
9:00		Holland	Holland	Schwarz	Lemon	Lemon	Lemon	Lemon	Burman
		Reflection	Reflection	Reflection	Reflection	Reflection	Reflection	Reflection	Reflection
		John	John	John	Prayer	Lee	Lee	Lee	Lee
10:50		Bradshaw Reflection	Bradshaw	Bradshaw	Video	Venden	Venden Reflection	Venden	Venden
12:15					DINNE	R HOUR			
2:00		Chris	Chris	Family Life/ Loren Seibold					
4:00		Testimony Hour & Ed.							Evangelism Hour/
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5:30					SUPPE	SUPPERTIME			
6:15			Camp Staff Council	Camp Staff Council	Camp Staff Council	Camp Staff Council	Camp Staff Council	Camp Staff Council	
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	Beginners (Beginners (Newborn-3 yrs)	Kinderg	Kindergarten (4-6 yrs)	<u> </u>	Primary (7-9 yrs)		Junior (10-12 yrs)	2 yrs)

"Prayer is a wonderful power placed by Almighty God in the hands of His saints, which may be used to accomplish great purposes and to achieve unusual results... The only limits to prayer are the promises of God and His ability to fulfill those promises." E.M. Bounds, Possibilities of Prayer.

	Sabbath School	Sabbath 9:15 - 10:30 am	Sabbath 9:30 am - 12:30 pm	Sabbath 9:30 - 12:30
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		2:00 - 3:00 pm	Crafts (Mon-Fri) 2:00 - 3:00 pm	Crafts (Mon-Fri) 2:00 - 3:00 pm
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FRANCOPHONE - MARITIME CONFERENCE - CAMPMEETING 2019 - Thème "Donne-moi Jesus"

Time	Juillet 26	Juillet 27	Juillet 28	Juillet 29	Juillet 30	Juillet 31	Août 01	Août 02	Août 03
	Vendredi	Sabbat	Dimanche	Lundi	Mardi	Mercredi	Jendi	Vendredi	Sabbat
00:9		Rising Bell	Rising Bell	Rising Bell	Rising Bell	Rising Bell	Rising Bell	Rising Bell	Rising Bell
6:45		Prière	Prière	Prière	Prière	Prière	Prière	Prière	Prière
7:30					DÉJE	DÉJEÛNER			
9:00		Tom Leblanc	Tom Leblanc	Tom Leblanc	Tom Leblanc	Tom Leblanc	Tom Leblanc	Tom Leblanc	Tom Leblanc
10:50		John Bradshaw	John Bradshaw	John Bradshaw		Lee Venden	Lee Venden	Lee Venden	Lee Venden
12:15					DIN	DINNER			
2:00		EDS	Chris Holland	Loren Seibold	Loren Seibold	Loren Seibold	Loren Seibold	Loren Seibold	EDS
		Testimony							Evangelism
4:00		Hour & Ed. Hour		Différents w	orkshops (vou	Différents workshops (vous renseigner à la réception)	a réception)		Hour/ Baptism
5:30					SOL	S OUPER			
6:15			Camp Staff Council	Camp Staff Council	Camp Staff Council	Camp Staff Council	Camp Staff Council	Camp Staff Council	
6:45	* Special Feature	* Special Feature	* Special Feature	* Special Feature	* Special Feature	* Special Feature	* Special Feature	* Special Feature	* Special Feature
7:15	Lee Venden	Lee Venden	Lee Venden	Lee Venden	Lee Venden	Lee Venden	Lee Venden	Lee Venden	Lee Venden
11:00				Cour	Couvre Feu (Silence)	ence)			

CAMPMEETING INFORMATION

As God instructed the ancient church to come together for worship, so Campmeeting is convened for spiritual fellowship and renewal. To help create the best atmosphere for these goals, here is some information and a few camp guidelines.

AIR CONDITIONERS Use of air conditioners in cabins/trailers puts a strain on the electrical system. Additional charge of \$25 for use during campmeeting time/\$150 for seasonal.

CLOTHING Modesty, neatness and comfort are the acceptable standards for dress on the campground. Robes or bath sheets are appropriate when going to and from the beach. Modest shorts are acceptable. Meetings are where we meet the Lord, and full dress is encouraged there.

CONDUCT As a spiritual retreat for Christians, it is expected that camp users will abstain from the use of tobacco, alcohol and harmful drugs on the campground. Christian deportment will enhance the campmeeting experience for each one attending.

FIRST AID The first aid service is for camp staff only, or emergency cases only. We recommend you bring your own first aid supplies or use the local hospital for treatment.

GROUNDS CLOSED/QUIET TIME In consideration for those who are sleeping, the campground will also remain quiet from 11 pm to 6 am. Group visiting is to come to rest by 11 pm.

KEY DEPOSIT A \$10 per key CASH deposit is required at checkin for barracks, youth cabins, and division building keys. The deposit will be refunded when you return your key(s) prior to departure.

LOST AND FOUND The lost and found, for valuable items only, is located at the Camp Office. Toiletries, etc. left in the washrooms, will be placed in a box in the area where they are found for you to retrieve them.

PETS Pets should remain at home or leave yours at a kennel. If pets are brought, there is a STRICTER PET POLICY enforced on campgrounds. (also on page 29) Charge of \$25 per unit/trailer/cabin/tent. Pets must be registered and tagged.

PLAYGROUND Parents are expected to supervise their children at the playground. The playground is not designed for adults. Playground closes 15 min. after the youth tent afterglow is over.

RECORDED CDs/MP3s - We will no longer be offering for sale CD/MP3 recordings of campmeeting sermons. They will be available after campmeeting for download on the Conference website www.maritimesda.com.

RADIO Listen to the live auditorium presentations on 90.3 FM. **SAFETY** Fire and electrical safety must be FIRST in all of our minds.

- * No live fires in cabins.
- * No more than 2 (two) electrical items per outlet.

SUPERVISION Parents or guardians are responsible, at all times, to exercise adequate supervision of their children. Please know where they are and what they are doing—both day and night. No one under 18 years of age may be registered at a campsite without adult presence throughout the week.

CAFETERIA Meals will be served three times a day. (Except Sabbath)

Meal prices:Breakfast\$9.50/\$6.00** Prices for children under supperSupper\$9.50/\$6.00*six years old

On Sabbath, meals will be provided for the campmeeting guest speakers and camp staff only. We thank you in advance for understanding and preparing your own meals this day.

CAMP OFFICE Located on the east side of cafeteria. Open Friday July 26 after lunch (closed during supper) to serve you. Please register at the camp office upon arrival at the campground, especially if you are fairly new to Camp Pugwash or have a pet. Those requesting tenting sites (especially sites with electricity) need to check in before they set up their site. Grandfathered renters or those who have paid in full, can come in after the rush during the week. Check out time is 11:00 am. Office phone (902)243-2097 July 26-August 4.



Pugwash Campgrounds Pets Policy

The Pugwash Campgrounds continues to be the place Maritime members love to come and enjoy family as well as the many youth and adult programs. It is normal to want to bring along pets to the camp as they are part of the family however their presence continues to create challenges for the smooth operations of the camp.

The Camp Committee, Conference Administration and the Conference Board of Directors have all raised serious concerns about the challenges pets have created for the Camp; however, have come just short of saying all pets are to be banned from the camp. This is not the direction we want to go; however, unless families take more of a control of their pets that decision will be seriously considered. The issue is not about whether or not pets are loved, but about safety, privacy, hygiene, responsibility, and cleanliness.

You may not have felt there is an issue as your pet has been looked after. Unfortunately, there are some who are making it difficult for the rest. How should leadership respond when?

- 1. Pets do their droppings and the deposit is left for children to walk in,
- 2. Pets are taken into the washroom and given a bath,
- 3. Pets are left on a leash outside cabins howling because of loneliness,
- 4. Pets are allowed to run loose and have confrontations with other pets,
- 5. Pet stories come out of the local hospital after they treat campers for dog bites,
- 6. Pets are guided by small children unable to control them,
- Pets are brought on the campground as though the camp was a kennel.
- 8. There is more that could be added to the list, but I think you have the picture.

It is the decision of the Camp Committee, Conference Administration and Board of Directors that effective immediately the following guidelines will be enforced regarding pets on the Pugwash campgrounds:

- 1. Pets are the responsibility of the owners,
- 2. Pets are to be on a leash at all times when outside the cabin, trailer, tent, etc.,
- 3. Pets are not to be left tied outside if the owner is absent from the area,
- 4. Pet owners are responsible for the noise of their pets and are to bring them under control or remove them from the campgrounds,
- 5. Pets are to be on a leash if taken for a walk and it is encouraged that that walk should not be among the campers on the campground but off campus,
- 6. Pet droppings are to be picked up immediately using a plastic bag,
- 7. Pets are not to be taken into the washroom including the family and handicap washrooms and definitely not into a shower or tub,
- 8. Pets are not to be brought into the cafeteria**
- Pets should be walked by those who would be able to control them if they became disturbed.
- 10.**Blind campers and their guide dogs would naturally have some exceptions to these rules.

Consequences:

1. The response to violation of any one of the "Pet Rules" or the spirit of these rules may range from a verbal or written warning, to being asked to take the pet off the campgrounds.

The Camp Leadership regrets that some have made it difficult for the rest and regrets as well that our response may upset you; however, you are asked to reflect on the larger picture and see this issue as a safety, privacy, hygiene, responsibility, and cleanliness issue.

Camp Leadership, July 2009

Stricter Policy for Dogs—There is a charge of \$25.00 **per unit/trailer/cabin/tent.** Every pet/dog owner/sitter must sign an agreement contract and obtain pet tags during registration.

Camp Leadership, June 2019

CAMPMEETING ACCOMMODATIONS

Looking forward to seeing each one at campmeeting at Camp Pugwash. For those on my waiting list for accommodations: I will be contacting you as soon as I know what is available. Please be patient.

My email is info@maritimesda.com.

J. Bannister

PLEASE NOTE THESE EXTRA CHARGES:

For air conditioning use in both cabins and trailers:

\$25.00 for use during campmeeting only; \$150.00 for use seasonally.

For pets/dogs on the campgrounds:

\$25.00 per unit/cabin/trailer/tent for pet registration.

Pets must be registered and wearing their approved Camp Pugwash pet tag at all times while on the campgrounds.

REMINDER: The Maritime Conference office in Moncton is closed during campmeeting.

You can reach us at the Camp Pugwash office at 902-243-2097,
July 25-August 4, 2019.

LADIES BATHROOM ATTENDANTS NEEDED-FULL/PART TIME

Anyone interested in being part of the cleaning team for the ladies' main bathroom or small "old red" bathroom by the auditorium during campmeeting???

Full-time attendant receives room/board (meals for self).

Contact Jullie at info@maritimesda.com.

	Camp Pugwash 2019	Total	Daily	Seasonal	Air
	Rental for:	Campmeeting	Rate	(May 15-Oct 15)	Conditioning
Camp	Cabin-Rustic	\$238	\$35	\$614	CM-\$25
Pugwash	Single/Double Cabin-Rustic	\$267	\$40	\$699	Seasonal
i ugwasii	Barracks	\$291	\$40	\$783	\$150
rental	Youth Cabin (sm)	\$318	\$47		
	Youth Cabin (lg)	\$334	\$47		<u>Pets</u>
and	Guest Cabin (if available)	\$357	\$52		\$25
meal charges	Trailer w/electric hookup	\$205	\$40	\$643	
	Paradise	\$334	\$47	\$937	
for	Trailer Park (new)	\$351	\$49	\$1191	
2019	Tents (in designated areas) Tent w/electric hookup	\$154 \$178	\$22 \$31		
	Tene w/electric nookup	Ψ113	ΨΟΙ		
	Private Cabin renewal			\$828	
	Meals: Breakfast or Supper \$9.50	Dinner \$10.50	Children	under 6 yrs \$6.0 0) per meal

Moncton SDA Church Live Stream Broadcast needs your help!

For many years the Moncton church had broadcast the church worship service using Onyx servers; but on July 5, 2014, moved to broadcasting them on YouTube.

The statistics show that since July 5, 2014 we have had 25,172 views, and 107 Subscribers. Within the last 28 days we have had 6,288 minutes of viewing time and 518 Views + 4 new subscribers. Praise God. According to Pastor Métard Salomon, he had received a telephone call from a non-denominational church in Africa stating they are watching our live broadcasts and have moved their worship services from Sunday to Saturday. The sick, shut-ins, friends and church members that live far away are blessed with this ability to watch worship time in the Moncton SDA Church. For some of them this is the only church service they can attend.

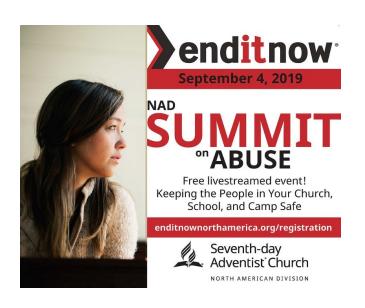
Technology keeps changing, and we have found ourselves with outdated equipment that needs to be upgraded and have only 1 good High-definition camcorder to record the service. This limits us to record only stationary views which prevents us from being able to adjust the view according to the situation. We have a need for a mixer that will connect and synchronize with a second camcorder, another computer and video into one seamless stream. Unfortunately, this equipment is much more expensive that the old analog one.

The Moncton SDA Church board has given us permission to raise funds needed for the broadcasting equipment.

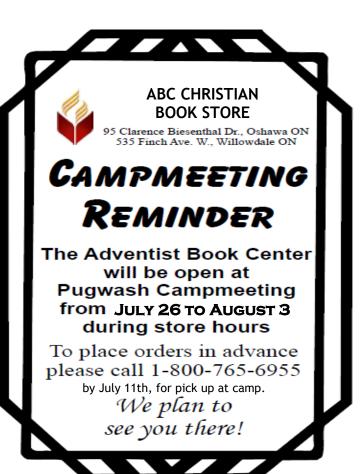
If you wish to sponsor/donate to this ministry, please go to www.MonctonSDA.com, click Adventist Giving, on the envelope click "More Offering Categories..." check the box beside "Live Stream Equip".

If you prefer to pay by cheque, please make it payable to Moncton SDA Church with a note "Live Stream". Mail to: Moncton SDA Church, 161 Salisbury Rd, Moncton NB E1E 1A6. Include your name and address so the treasurer can issue a donation receipt. If you have any questions related to the sponsorship, do not hesitate to contact us at andrez77@roger.com. Thank you.

Andrzej Marciszewski



"The greatest thing we can do for God or for man is to pray. For we can accomplish far more by our prayers than by our work... When we pray God works" [Unknown author, Kneeling Christian, p. 18].



FALL SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS WEEKEND

SEPTEMBER 6-8, 2019

CAMP PUGWASH

with

Bryan Gallant

" Heaven Begins Here "

Friday Night: 7:00 pm God's Undeniable Faithfulness

Sabbath Morning: 9:30 am Broken Vessels

11:00 am Emancipation

Sabbath Afternoon: 3:00 pm Don't Drive Yourself Crazy-1

Sabbath Night: 7:00 pm Don't Drive Yourself Crazy 2

Sunday Morning: 9:00 am Ambassadors of the King



Meet Bryan Gallant

Bryan Gallant has served the Adventist church in many capacities: principal in Yap, missionary to Muslims in Cambodia and Indonesia and is now the Refugee Ministries Coordinator for the lowa-Missouri Conference. Bryan is an ordained minister of the Seventhday Adventist Church with a passion for people and God's Word. Bryan and Penny have been married 29 years, and have walked through lots of joy and pain together. You will be blessed by this powerful testimony which he calls 'UNDENIABLE" -"An epic journey through pain."

Cost is \$50 per person or \$100 maximum for family of 2 or more if registered by August 21; from August 22 on cost is \$65/\$130. There will **not be any organized programming for children, teens or youth this weekend**. Come prepared. We do need for you to register and let us know how many people plan to eat in the cafeteria, so the dietary staff can plan the simple meals. We are not able to accommodate special dietary needs, come prepared.

Submit registration form and monies by September 2, 2019 to the Maritime Conference office. Contact Jullie Bannister at info@maritimesda.com or fax 506-853-7368 or phone 506-857-8722 Ext 201.



Facebook: Burman University Twitter: @burmanuniv Instagram: @burmanuniversity www.burmanu.ca



PAY IN CANADIAN FUNDS

Canadian students will be able to pay their Kettering College tuition in Canadian dollars, saving significantly during their years on the Kettering College campus.

Email: info@maritimesda.com or Fax: 506.853.7368

SCHOLARSHIPS!

Students accepted into the Nursing transfer program may be eligible for Nursing specific scholarships above and beyond the entrance scholarships. Ask us how!

The Bachelor of Science in
Nursing (BSN) is provided through
a transfer partnership with
Kettering College in Kettering,
Ohio. Students qualifying for
the program can complete a
prescribed curriculum consisting
of three semesters of full-time
study at Burman University and
two years of full-time study (six
semesters) at Kettering College.

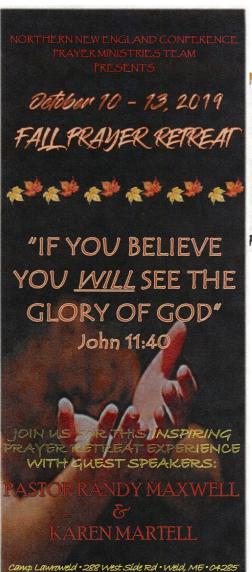
QUESTIONS? CONTACT US. P: 403.782.3381 ext. 4127 F: 403.782.0735 E: info@burmanu.ca W: burmanu.ca/nursing

Name on card

Registration Form	Spiritual Emphasis Weekend	September 6-8	, 2019 Camp Pugwash
Name(s)			
Address		Phone	
Email			
	or \$100 maximum for family of 2 or		
Meals: # in far	mily requesting meals for weekend	or just ne	eed this # per meal selected:
Accommodation Req	quest:		Sab Breakfast Sun Breakfast Sab Lunch
Cabin: Single	e (room alone)		Sab Supper
Doubl	e, Roommate		
Famil	y cabin, # in immediate family	(The	ose staying in cabins will need to
Other: Traile	er site – electrical only (playground fie	eld) {*if	g bedding and *portable heaters you have one, as we have a limited ply at camp}.)
Season	nal: Cabin # Trailer #		
Registration Deadlin	e: August 29, 2019 Register	ing from Augus	st 22 on: cost is \$65/\$130.
Return comple	ted form to: Maritime Conference, 1	21 Salisbury Rd,	Moncton NB E1E 1A6

Payment: Chq MO Cash e-transfer to ed.sharpe@maritimesda.com MC/ V expiry date

Card Number





Pastor Randy Maxwell



Karen Martell



Fall Prayer Retreat Oct 10-13, 2019

Cost \$75.00 per person if paid by Sept 13th \$125.00 after Sept 13th

Families Welcome: children 12 & under are FREE

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Age group: 13-25 26-40 41-60 61 +

Address

Phone

Email Address (Print clearly)

List any special needs or allergies

Names and ages of children who will be with you:

Preferred Roommate

PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY REGISTRATION FORM

Make check payable to;

NNEC Prayer Retreat

Send to: Christine Penney 147 Ellis River Rd. Rumford, ME 04276

Housing questions: thankfl@roadrunner.com

Parker Street food & furniture bank

THANK YOU!

Thank you Staff, Constituency Members, **Board of Directors and friends for your** continuous support. Because of you, Parker Street Food and Furniture Bank has been able to continue to meet the needs of the less fortunate in HRM for over 35 years!

Current Volunteer Needs:

- · Food Service Workers
- · Furniture Desk Receptionist
- Delivery Truck Assistant
- Fundraising & Events Committee Members

To volunteer or for more information about available opportunities, please call (902) 425-2125 or complete the Volunteer Application form found on our website www.parkerstreet.org and email it to volunteer@parkerstreet.org.





"Prayer lays its hand on Almighty God and moves Him to do what He would not otherwise do if prayer was not offered. It brings things to pass which would never otherwise occur. The story of prayer is the story of great achievements" PE.M. Bounds, Possibilities of Prayer.

NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES:

DARTMOUTH

Discover Bible School

May was a big month for Dartmouth Discover Bible School. A student graduated from two series of lessons. one focusing on prophecy and another covering the general topics of the Bible. Also in May, a Facebook account was created and three weekly tips for meaningful Bible studies have been posted. Find and share our site with your friends! We also advertised our school and had over 3,700 people check us out! Your church may get a few names to follow up if they live close by and your church has an active Discover Bible School. Keep DDBS in your prayers, because in doing so, your church may be blessed with new Bible students as well! And if your church has any questions about operating a Discover Bible School, feel free to write Shirleen at



every1praise@yahoo.com.

Pastor Gary Belhomme presenting Bible student Rick McEchone with his diploma and congratulatory gifts.

With God, nothing is impossible. Luke 1:37

Elevator Project

We would like our church to be accessible to all people who wish to attend. We have members and soup kitchen guests who struggle to go either up or down stairs. With this in mind we would like to have an elevator to make it easier for anyone with mobility issues to access our building. We have plans drawn up to add an addition to the front of the church. This would also address our leaking front windows which desperately need replacing and would also include a ramp.

We have been awarded a \$50,000 Federal Government Grant towards this project. However, we have a deadline of August 28, 2019 to either use this money or return it to the Government. Efforts are being made by the Fundraising Team to raise the money. However, according to estimates, we will need at least an additional \$200,000 to complete this project.

We need your help! Please consider pledging today to help make this elevator a reality. See the Dartmouth Elevator Project form on page 42.

HALIFAX

Family Matters

This was the catchy topic for the 17 evangelistic meetings held at the Halifax church from April 26-May 11 with presenter Margarett Ennis-Trotman (pictured below). Session after session, against the backdrop of a family's living room, Margarett explored topics like "Honey Bunny, Where's the Money," "Six Things Everyone Should Know About Sex," and "Four Parenting styles; What's yours?"

This one-hour power-point lecture series was extremely attractive with vivid and timely illustrations and many Bible and other quotations displayed on the screen. Well-thought out music was provided at several meetings along with a thought provoking theme song titled "Love's Not a Feeling."

Using a Christ-centered approach and integrating vital family life matters with relevant and compatible doctrinal beliefs, Margarett made



the case that God's plan for families is still the best. Comments from many who attended were positive and appreciative of the varied helpfulness of the information for their family life.

Throughout every meeting two or three gathered and prayed in an attractive setting for God to move on hearts and minds. From the informative flyer (pictured on page 36) and its distribution by old and young, to prayers and good organization, much was done to attract public interest. So, although we don't know why more visitors did not attend, we are happy that viewership of the uploaded presentations on our church website is ongoing and significant.



Pictured is the instrumental group that provided music for the Family Matters series. Left to right—Bill Gay, Stuart Cherenfant, Katya McBeth and Roderick Trotman.

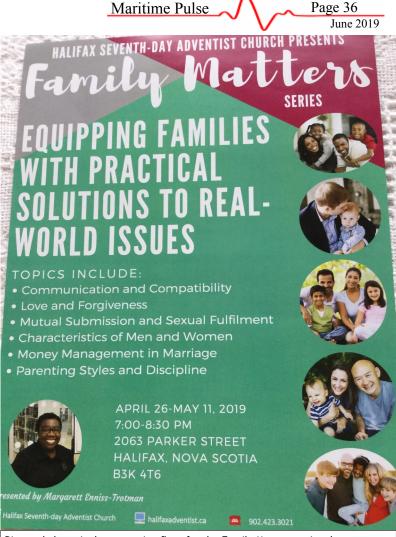
After each Sabbath morning and evening presentation, the Health Ministries dept. served an attractive and healthy meal and snack to all who attended, a gesture that was very much appreciated. On the last Sabbath morning of the series, Margarett gave an invitation to the young people present to come forward as a witness of giving their hearts to Jesus. It was touching to see so many eagerly come to the front of the church, and also when invited, the parents joined their young people, making an even more touching scene.

A young female university student who felt a desire for a change and who had been putting off making a decision to be baptized became convicted of the need to follow Christ. She confessed, "I've been running for a while and I don't want to do that anymore. I realize how much Jesus has done for me and I want to follow Him." Indeed, the meeting slogan was validated: 'If it's in the manual [Bible], we want it because the manual leads us to Immanuel, the God who wants to dwell with us.'

Family Matters—to us and to God, the Creator of the institution. We long for the day when the redeemed of all ages will gather as one great, big family in heaven to live and reign with Christ throughout eternity. Let's pray that all Adventists worldwide, and all families with whom we have shared Jesus, will be ready to meet Him when He comes again.

Burman Choir Tour

BURMAN UNIVERSITY/PARKVIEW ADVENTIST ACADEMY CHORAL UNION on their tour of Eastern Canada and the USA, performed in Halifax at St. Andrews United Church the evening of April 29/19. This facility was excellent for the amazing talent of this choral under the capable direction of Dr. Wendoline Pazitka-Monroe and the amazing Nicole Bartolay as pianist. The performance was far beyond the expectations of the audience and extra special due to four of



Pictured above is the attractive flyer for the Family Matters series that was widely distributed to surrounding areas.



Pictured are Dakota Heisler and his fiancé Jessica Jacobson performing a beautiful duet. Dakota is from the Halifax area.

the choir members being from the Halifax area, namely, Catherine Demerchant, Kyleigh Harrington, Dakota Heisler and David Tingley. Bill and Heather Harrington were honoured to have three of their granddaughters performing—Kyleigh Harrington and sisters Jessica and Joanne Harrington, who were former residents of this

area. The oldest choir members by far and serving as chaperones, Reuben Lorenson and his wife Cathy, have a Halifax connection also as Reuben is a first cousin to Pastor David Crook. A big thank you to this wonderful group of young people and their leaders for coming and blessing us so abundantly. They also performed in Moncton SDA Church on April 30th.

MIDDLETON

Lawrencetown Male Choir

Middleton has had a particularly busy Second Quarter this year. In an effort to reach out to our community we hosted the Lawrencetown Male Choir (pictured below) on April 28. We had many first time visitors to our



church who enjoyed, in Christian fellowship, some of the Older Gospel Hymns that are no longer included in our modern hymn books. Following the program we enjoyed further fellowship with a reception.

Widows Tea

Our Widows Tea is continuing, giving community widows an opportunity to fellowship and gain important information from our local service providers. We now have a small group who meet once a month on a Sunday afternoon.

Meat Free Monday Cooking Club

Middleton has a cooking club! Unlike a cooking class, this is an ongoing activity, open to members and the community and takes place every first Monday of the month. It is called "Meat Free Monday" where discussions and samples are shared about the many vegan and vegetarian options that are possible and available. We are now getting interest from nonmembers who, in time, will be encouraged to share their own recipes, making this a true club experience.

"[W]hen you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen do. For they think that they will be heard for their many words" Matt. 6:7.

Youth Sabbath

On May 25 Middleton had its first Youth Sabbath. We were fortunate to have Pastor Ricky Schwarz and Pastor Zlatan Ljuljdjurovic (pictured below) come

and lead out in our Sabbath School and Worship Service. The Sandy Lake Bell Choir and Choir (pictured below) performed selected pieces



throughout the Worship Service.



After the services at church the youth were invited to the Lightbourn's for a nature walk, camp fire and wiener roast. It was a fun-filled afternoon where we could demonstrate some of the aspects of worship, rest and joy in Sabbath observance. Some of the more brave young people spent the night in tents.

NORTH SYDNEY

Bags of Love Program—Long-Arm Quilter

The North Sydney church has continued its Bags of Love program, providing handmade bags, quilts, and small toys to children being taken into foster care to pack their things in when leaving the house. This was to replace the use of standard garbage bags. We have had positive feedback that these bags are very meaningful to the children and we believe wholeheartedly that God is leading in this mission. Even though we cannot be there in person, the quilts the children wrap themselves in are a symbol of God's loving arms wrapped around them, even in difficult and traumatic situations.

We were able to purchase our own long-arm quilter, and it worked for a while, but as it was second hand and we had little maintenance training from the previous owners, it began to present more and more issues, becoming unreliable. The quilts began piling up, waiting to be quilted, but progress was slowed drastically, due to the difficulties with the

machine. It became apparent that a new solution was needed. With much prayer, and support from the church board, we applied for various grants and did fundraising, with the aim of replacing the machine. Although an intimidating amount of money was needed, having started with nothing, after much prayer and anxious waiting, God continually provided everything that was needed. The new machine was purchased in early April and arrived on June 3, 2019.

We are continually amazed to see God's leading and provision. We look forward to His continued blessings as we seek to bring comfort and a smile to children going through a very traumatic time in their young lives.

PERTH-ANDOVER

Pastor Paddock Returns

With joyful hearts, we welcome back the Paddock family. After an absence of nearly five months, God called them back in our midst. Howard will once again serve as our laypastor in the Perth-Andover church. We praise and thank God for what He has done in guiding them back home to NB.



PUGWASH

M.Div. Degree-Andrews University

On May 18, members and visitors of the Pugwash SDA Church honoured Pastor Carvil Richards for having achieved his M.Div. degree, with a graduation card signed by both members and visitors who were in attendance that day, as well as a graduation cake made by Kim Dorey. Pastor Richards had graduated at Andrews University on Sunday, May 5, 2019. Congratulation to Pastor Carvil Richards!!!





ZEALAND

Reaching Out to the Community

The Zealand church posts an ad in a monthly community newsletter. The ad features either a Bible Scripture or further online study by listing websites for either Amazing Facts, It is Written, 3ABN or Hope Sabbath School. Here is a sample of the advertisement:

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16 KJV



33 Morehouse Corner Road Zealand, NB

Saturday Services: Sabbath School 9:30 am

Worship Service 11:00 am

Wednesday: Bible Study at 7:00 pm

Minister: Pastor Zlatan Ljuljdjurovic Ph. 506-363-3317

BAPTISMS

On April 13, 2019 there were three joint baptisms held, one for Dartmouth church, Clement Reid (left), and two for Woodside company, Cosetta Mcdermontt (center) and Celia Deer (right). All gave their hearts to Jesus. Pastor Gary Belhomme officiated.



At the same time a surprise Profession of Faith was given by Vincent Kennedy. It truly was a high day in Dartmouth.



OBITUARY

HUBLEY, Winfred Nelson—of St. Margarets Bay

passed on March 22nd 2019 at Northwood Ivany Place with family by his side. He was born on January 26, 1933 in Seabright to Carney and Evelyn (Boutilier). He was a business man having started his own business, W.N. Hubley Excavators, early in life and continued until his retirement. He was known for his hard work and



knowledge. Many foundations, wells and septic systems were dug around St. Margarets Bay, as well as land clearing, foundations dug, recreation fields raked and sodded for newer schools in the Halifax Region. Truly his first love was for the water. He loved to be out in a boat, sailing or fishing and in his later years just watching them. He also loved to hunt and tend his vegetable garden. He was predeceased by his parents, Carney and Evelyn, his wife Judy (Redden), his son Wade, his sisters Marion (Boutilier) and Jean (Burns). Surviving are his sons, Nelson (Ronald), Phillip (Vicky), Timothy (Holly) and Steve. His grandchildren, Laura, JR (Wade Junior), Daniel, Jacob, Emily, Conor, Jack and six great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his brother Laurie (Tantallon), and sisters, Esther (Donald) Redmond (Tantallon), Mildred Hubley (Seabright), and Nancy (Victor) Dorey (Pugwash).

LONGARD, David Levi-of Tantallon was born June

29, 1942 in East Chester NS and it is with sadness we announce his passing on February 20, 2019 in the QEII Health Sciences Center, Halifax. For most of his life David worked as a trucker with Lafarge and the Department of Transportation. He had a great sense of humor and was enjoyed and loved by the many



who knew him. Fishing and hunting with his brother Roy were a big part of his outdoor enjoyment, along with gardening. His family were always a big part of his plans. Left to mourn are his devoted wife Dorothy (Risser) of 52 years; his daughters Katherine (Andrew) Longard-Cooke and Patricia (Matthew) Longard-Jussup, both of Tantallon NS; his adored grandchildren, Chelsea, Ryan and Austin; brother, Roy Longard; sisters, Sharon (Otto) Lehmann of Saskatchewan, Nettie (Roland) Wells, NB, Patricia (Roger) Ward, NB. Predeceased by his brothers Cyril Longard and James Rogerson and sister Corrine Wells.

Moncton Church Live Broadcast

"For all those watching the Sabbath worship service from Moncton SDA Church, our website address has changed from www.7thday.net to www.monctonsda.com.

The <u>www.monctonsda.com</u> has been in use for the last 2 years and is easy to remember. Please, pass it on to anyone who is watching our Moncton church services every Sabbath at 11:00 AM, on the internet, about this important change.

Also, you can watch our church services through "YouTube." Just type "moncton sda church" in the YouTube search and look for the word LIVE in red, this indicates that this is in progress and is LIVE.



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MACDONALD, 'Tony' Anthony—passed to his rest

March 20th, 2019. Beloved husband for 28 years of Melissa MacDonald (nee Garrah). Loving father of Amanda Nicol-MacDonald (Joshua), Justin MacDonald and Christian MacDonald (Samatha Kazmer). Dear brother of Anita MacDonald-Arenburg (Todd), Donald MacDonald (Jeanette) and Carroll Ryan (Jim).



Lovingly remembered by his sister-in-law Jennifer Tahamtan and her partner & Tony's best friend Bryce Eagleson (Sohil and Caitlyn), and Sister Kim Kwon (Max). Fondly remembered by his aunts & uncles, nieces, nephews, friends and neighbours. Predeceased by his parents Donald MacDonald and Audrey MacDonald-Pangborne. Sympathy is extended to Tony & Betty Boutilier & family in the loss of Tony's nephew, Anthony MacDonald, who was a Halifax church member and is otherwise known to his friends as "Little Tony." He was the youngest son of Tony's sister, Audrey Pangborne, and he lived in Coburg ON.

Longard, Melvin Marshall—we announce his passing on

April 29, 2019 at the Ivany Place Nursing Home in Bedford NS. Born July 18, 1931, Marshall was the oldest and longest living resident of Timberlea NS having lived there his entire life. He was the owner/operator of Longards Trucking and worked for Municipal Contracting for 50 years. He was a longtime member of the Tantallon and Halifax Seventh-day



Adventist Churches and was faithful in every way possible. He was a kind and gentle soul who was loved by all who knew him; and had a real love for the youth. This was very evident at his funeral service by the many who shared memories of his kindness and help. Some recalled Marshall taking a load of children to Pugwash Camp in the back of his dump truck! He recently restored the first car he ever owned, a 1927 Oldsmobile. Someone was heard to remark, "Not too many men can say at the time of their passing that they still have their first car and first wife!" Marshall leaves to mourn his wife of nearly 60 years, Verena (Harnish); his daughters Heather Longard of Fall River and Geri (Chuck) Barrington of Bedford; granddaughters Lauren and Erin Barrington, Bedford; brother, Humphrey Longard, Timberlea; sisters, Viola Ganz, Vancouver, Mabel Bronstein, Vancouver and Glenna (Percy) Doubleday of Timberlea. He was pre-deceased by his parents Melvin and Bessie (Kidston) Longard. Of note: on May 17, 2019, Marshall and Verena would have celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

SPENCER, Cecil Coleman—age 90, of Windsor Junction NS, passed peacefully to his rest on May 4, 2019, at the QEII Health Sciences Center with those he dearly loved at his side. He is survived by his loving wife of 69 years, Alice Joyce (Wade) Spencer; daughters, Caroline (Barry) Boehner, Judy (Garnet King) Sherman, and Ruth (Russell) Carlton; his three grandchildren and five great -grand-children. He was predeceased by his parents, John Sidney and Elsie



(Cruse) Spencer; siblings, Annie Blois, Dorothy Watson and Sidney Spencer. Cecil was a happy and hardworking man with a witty disposition. He and Alice enjoyed fleamarketing, camping, with trips across Canada and the United States, and spending 15 winters in Florida. As a painting contractor, he painted thousands of homes in Metro Halifax making lifelong friends. At the committal service on May 11, 2019, as Pastor David Crook mentioned that Cecil, as a young man, had worked for the Canadian National Railway, a passing train blew its whistle!



SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Dartmouth church had people matching wits and enjoying fellowship during a games night.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Dartmouth church approved an elevator project and the fundraising begins in earnest. See page 42 for the elevator project donation form.

Middleton church hosted a surprise appreciation potluck and farewell to Pastor Graca and his family on May 18. We wish the Graça family God's speed and blessings in their future endeavors.

Zealand church purchased the DVDs Discovering Good Health with Barbara O'Neill at campmeeting 2018, and showed them at the church during the months of January to April. After the worship service, members gathered together for a light potluck lunch and to socialize, followed by the viewing of a health video in this series. The response was great, as we learned more about prevention of sickness and disease.

Over the past few weeks, the children memorized and had a study on each of the Ten Commandments. The memory verses for each Sabbath featured two commandments and then a study on those specific commandments followed by a word search to review the lesson. By the end of the study, the children had created their own tablets with the Ten Commandments pasted on them for a take home treasure and a reminder of what God has given us. ■

Adventist Resources New Radio Program for Kids:

Discovery Mountain is a dramatized audio program where listeners experience adventure, mystery, camp fire songs and, most importantly, get to know Jesus.



Discovery Mountain launched April 19, 2017 and is a ministry of the Voice of Prophecy. www.discovervmountain.com.

> "I have so much to do that I shall spend the first three hours in prayer."

> > Martin Luther

Maritime Conference Sandy Lake Academy Scholarship

The Board of Directors and Administration of the Maritime Conference is pleased to continue to offer funds for scholarships to support Christian education in the Maritimes.

The scholarship will be administered by the Maritime Conference Administrative Committee in consultation with the Maritime Conference Education Superintendent.

Purpose of Scholarship:

To financially support non-Sandy Lake Academy constituent students from Seventh-day Adventist families living in the Maritimes to attend Sandy Lake Academy.

Amount Available:

\$3,000.00 per student per school year for dormitory students. \$1,500.00 per student per school year for non-dormitory students.

Oualification:

- 1. Parents or student must be a member of a Maritime Conference Seventh-day Adventist Church living in the Maritimes.
- 2. Student must be in grades 9 12.
- 3. Student must maintain an acceptable grade in all subjects.

Disbursement:

The scholarship will be paid on behalf of the student directly to Sandy Lake Academy. The scholarship will be disbursed in two payments:

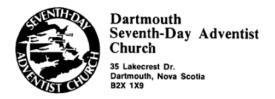
Dormitory students: \$1,500.00 end of January. Non-dormitory students: \$750.00 end of January. Dormitory students: \$1,500.00 end of June. Non-dormitory students: \$750.00 end of June.

Any student who does not attend for the entire term will receive a pro-rated scholarship commensurate with the time period in attendance.

Application:

All applications for the scholarship must be submitted to the Conference by August 15.

Maritime Conference S	andy Lake Academy Scholarship Application Form
School Year Applied For:	
Name of Parents:	
Address:	
Phone Number:	
E-mail Address:	
Church of Membership:	
Name of Student:	
Age:	
Grade:	
Signature of Local Pastor Recor	mmending Student:



Dear Members,

We would like our church to be accessible to all people who wish to attend. We have members and soup kitchen guests who struggle to go either up or down stairs.

With this in mind we would like to have an elevator to make it easier for anyone with mobility issues to access our building. We have plans drawn up to add an addition to the front of the church. This would also address our leaking front windows which desperately need replacing and would also include a ramp.

We have been awarded a \$50,000.00 Federal Government Grant towards this project. However, we have a deadline of August 28th, 2019 to either use this money or return it to the Government. Efforts are being made by the Fundraising Team to raise the money. However, according to estimates we will need at least an additional \$200,000.00 to complete this project.

We need your help! Please consider pledging today to help make this elevator a reality. Thank you in advance and God Bless.

The Fundraising Team
Lori Bowdridge 902-488-4761
Colleen Appleton 902-462-6062

Amount Pledged:

□ \$5,000

□ \$2,500

□ \$1000

□ \$500

□ \$100

□ \$50

 \square Other $_$

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Maritime Pulse

The Maritime Conference Pulse Committee recommends that we adopt as a mission statement "to encourage and nurture the Adventist Church Fellowship in the Maritimes by promoting and sharing personal ministry and evangelism tools and experiences." Do you have any personal ministry experiences to share with our readers? Email them to info@maritimesda.com.

Thank you to each one who has contributed. Please remember that the Maritime Pulse is posted on the Conference Website for public viewing. Check with the individuals your articles are reporting about for permission to use the story in the Maritime Pulse.

The next Maritime Pulse deadline is September 3, 2019.

Distribution of Maritime Pulse

The Maritime Pulse is distributed electronically via email to the churches. A few printed copies are sent to the elders in the mail as usual. We recommend you send this pdf file or the website link directly to your church members who have computers/internet access.

A reminder that the Maritime Pulse is available for viewing online at www.maritimesda.com and is the easiest way to view the Maritime Pulse.

MARITIME CONFERENCE OFFICE HOURS

The Maritime Conference office is open Monday through Thursday 7:30 am to 5:30 pm Worship time 9:00 am Please Note:

We are closed on Friday.

For your convenience we have a mail slot in the front door area for you to drop off any envelopes when we are not open.

Leave a message at 506-857-8722.

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This helps to keep our records up-to-date, as well as ensuring that you will continue to receive the Messenger and Adventist Journey magazines. If you are not receiving these magazines, please contact your local church clerk, or Jullie Bannister at the conference office by: Phone 506.857.8722 Ext 201, Fax 506.853.7368 or Email info@maritimesda.com.

MARITIME CONFERENCE CALENDAR 2019

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