

Other News

DEATH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jackson

We regret to announce the passing of Jeff Jackson, brother of Brenda (Dale) Clair. Jeff passed away on Monday, November 5, in his 44th year, after a courageous year-long battle with cancer. A celebration of Jeff's life was held in their home in B.C. on Saturday, November 10. Brenda and her family deeply appreciate your prayers and the love and support shown to them during Jeff's illness. Please pray for comfort for his wife, Mandy, their 6-year old daughter, Zoel, and the rest of the family members.

Evans

Our sincere sympathy is extended to Susan Evans, sister of Doug Hopkins, on the sudden death of her husband, Kevin, age 55. On Friday night, November 16, Kevin was playing hockey and suffered chest pains. He collapsed in the dressing room and was unable to be revived. Susan and her children, Lindsay (Steve) and Christopher covet your prayers as they deal with this sudden loss. Please pray for the Evans/Hopkins families during this sad time.

WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS!

Stuckless-Milligan

Congratulations to Chad Stuckless and Angela Milligan who were married on Friday, November 23. The ceremony, conducted by Angela's uncle, Rev. Darryl Hawbolt, was held at Horseshoe Heights, followed by a buffet reception. Chad and Angela are currently honeymooning in the Dominican Republic.

NEW ARRIVAL

James



We are pleased to announce the safe arrival of a new baby boy, born to Richard & Amy James on Monday, November 19, weighing 7 lbs. 10 oz. Proud grandparents, Tom & Karen Collins and Tom & Laura James, are delighted. Congratulations to all!

REMEMBERING TO PRAY!

Thanks for praying for the needs as we present them to you through the newsletter. Here are several updates since our last letter to you.

UPDATES

Dennis Fehr- liver cancer

Pastor & Beulah were with Dennis and Tanya at Toronto General Hospital prior to, and following, Dennis's surgery on November 7. After 6 hours of surgery, the surgeon delivered the news that the large tumor in Dennis's liver was inoperable and that the cancer had, in fact, spread to his lymph nodes. They (the surgeon/specialists) therefore made the call to terminate the procedure due to the great risk involved in trying to remove the growth. Dennis has returned home to recover from the surgery. Chemotherapy is being considered at a later date in an effort to shrink the tumor and reduce the symptoms. Tanya & Dennis continue to trust God for a miracle. Please pray.

Owen Dixon—stroke & paralysis

Owen is still in rehab in Toronto. It is hopeful that he will be released from hospital to spend Christmas with his family. He uses a wheelchair and is able to maneuver himself around somewhat. However, the progress has been slow and he will still need a lot of care. Owen has asked us to let everyone know how much he appreciates the prayers, love and support shown to him and his family. Please continue to pray.

MORE PRAYER NEEDS

Ralph & Gloria Fox—both have had a bad bout of the flu and weak in body.



Lori—best friend of Adria Brown (Lupo). Lori has cancer and also has had several heart attacks.

Claudette—sister of Jennifer Hardware. Claudette lives in Jamaica and is seriously ill. She is in hospital undergoing tests.

"My voice shalt Thou hear in the morning, O Lord; in the morning will I direct my prayer unto Thee, and will look up." Psalm 5:3



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LEST WE FORGET



On the eleventh hour of the eleventh day on the eleventh month we honor those who have fallen in the Great Wars and remember their cause and sacrifice for our freedom. After John McCrae's poem "In Flanders Fields" became published in 1915, the poppy became a popular symbol for soldiers who died in battle. Thanks to the millions who wear poppies each November, the little red plant has never died, and, neither have the memories of those who fought for our country. On Sunday, November 11, Remembrance Day, a portion of our morning service was dedicated to those who fought for our country, including a number from our own congregation. The processional was led by two flag bearers, Hannah Langeveld and Coralie Ross. One of our BG's, Julie Johnstone, recited the poem "In Flanders Fields", followed by The Last Post—played by Bonnie Pereira. Our regular worship service resumed following the memorial ceremony.

THE SEVEN CHURCHES

On Sunday, November 11, Pastor Courtney finished his sermon series on "The Letters to the Seven Churches", as described in Revelation 2-3. In this context, the "churches" refer to the community of Christians living in each city. Each church gives us a picture of their particular spiritual condition. The picture portrayed in each church may be representative of churches today, reflecting similar strengths and weaknesses.

Events/Activities

GROUND ZERO (Youth)

The first event for Ground Zero in November was the "Gilford Outreach". The activities included BBQ, music provided by the GZ Band, and Xbox on the Big Screen. A number of kids from the community came to the Gilford Community Hall to "check it out!" Everyone had fun! Other Friday night events for the month included "Gals Night Out" and "Guys Night Out", plus the regular prayer and worship time.

THE GATE

Hilary Chase, one of The GATE leaders, spoke at the first event in November. The following week the theme was "Seeing Blue!" The kids were challenged to wear as much blue as they could in order to win cool prizes—like a free GATE T-Shirt and GATE Bucks!

BG'S

Bonnie Pereira is very busy on Wednesday nights, giving leadership to a buzzing, energetic, host of kids! Along with her team of volunteers, she is totally committed to giving purpose to the lives of the children in the Boys and Girls Club.

HALLELUJAH PARTY!

The Hallelujah (Halloween) party, held on October 31, was a blast! Approximately 150 people showed up in the gym; kids and parents from both the church and the community. It was a "carnival of fun!" Some of the cool games included: Bowling Alley, The Walls of Jericho, Mini-Golf, Fish Pond, and so much more. The kids (and parents alike) visited and participated in the various booths, determined to collect candy, win tickets and redeem those tickets at the prize table. Bonnie gave a "call for help" prior to the event and she was not disappointed! Thanks so much to the many volunteers; to those who donated money for this event, to the candy donors (lots of candy!), and to those who created and led the games. THANK YOU for making the evening such a great night of family fun!

Events/Activities (cont'd)

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

On Tuesday, November 20, Women's Ministries held a "Silent Auction" fund-raiser event in support of our two missionaries: Pastor June White (Africa) and Elizabeth Koning (Overseas). The auction, organized by Lissa Richter-Auger, raised approximately \$750. Thanks to all those who donated items and supported this event.

MEN'S MINISTRIES

Men's Ministries continue to host a "Men's Night Out" the first Monday of every month. On November 5, Graham Yeadon was the guest speaker and shared on "Maintaining Integrity". There was a good turn-out and an opportunity once again for the men to discuss the topic of the night and share openly in groups around the table.

PRIMETIMERS

On Tuesday, November 13, the Primetimers held "Christmas in November", with 34 in attendance. Special guests were Raye & Bev Harrington, who spoke and ministered in song. The group also enjoyed a good old-fashioned sing-along. To top it off, the Primetimers were treated to a full "complimentary" turkey dinner, with all the trimmings. Christmas desserts were provided by the Primetimers themselves and, as usual, they were delicious! Special thanks to Bob & Gayle Peck and Sid & Ann Dejong (along with their helpers) for organizing this event in the absence of Pastor June & John White. Great job!

DESSERT CONCERT



On Sunday, November 25, the church hosted another Dessert Concert, this time with country gospel artist, Cheryl Dunn, a second-time guest of ICC. Through her music, Cheryl desires to touch people with salvation, peace and joy.

The next Dessert Concert will be held on January 27, 2008, featuring "The Torchmen".

News/Tidbits

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



Congratulations is extended to Bill and Ruby Hutchison on reaching a 50-year anniversary milestone on October 12. Bill and Ruby were treated to a special celebration dinner in Brampton, which was hosted by their daughter and family. God Bless you, Bill & Ruby, and may He continue to give you good health and many more years together.

UPDATE FROM THE WHITES

Pastor June and John White have sent us several updates on their ministry in Kitwe, Zambia. They have applied for another visa and may be extending their stay there a little longer. Pastor June is enjoying preaching at the Chapel (along with many other things), and John is busy supervising various construction projects and partnering with June in whatever needs to be done. In their recent newsletter to us, they reported that during one of their lunch times, a knock came to their door and they were handed a brand new digital camera to replace one of the two that was stolen from them. (Praise God!). While we miss the Whites here at Innisfil Community Church, we know that they are delighted to be doing what God has called them to do. Please continue to pray for them.

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER

As in previous years, Innisfil Community Church will be hosting a free Community Dinner on December 24, Christmas Eve. If you know of someone who is in need, or alone, this Christmas, we would be delighted to have them join us. Please call the church office at 436-1611, as reservations are required. Following the meal everyone will be invited to stay for the Candlelight Carol Sing in the Sanctuary.

**O Come Let Us Adore Him
Christ the Lord**