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SHARING THE WAY AND THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE:
OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST



THANKS!

What can we say? Thanks again! This issue of the Peacemaker is packed full of fine material expressed so beautifully -- all because of what you have sent us and God's providence. Ruth and I have really enjoyed putting this together and we feel much encouraged. We are looking forward to 1990 and the beginning of a new decade. We are closer than ever before to the Lord's return! We pray for His blessing upon you.

-- your Editors

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(Glenn works with Customs in Saskatchewan)

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REPORT FROM WESTERN CANADA

Dear Rob and Ruth,

Greetings from Edmonton. And may we pass along congratulations on the continuation of a great Peacemaker. The selection and quality of the articles were great. Keep it up.

Well, we have celebrated our Christmas banquet already (101 people attended) and I know this promised letter has to get into the mail soon in order to make the winter edition. So here goes.

We in Edmonton want to say how pleased we were to have the national conference in our province so that over 30 of our Edmonton members (plus spouses and friends) could easily take it in. I'm sure that the others from Lethbridge and Calgary chapters agree. (Peace River -- we hope to see you there next time).

The conference provided a great environment for us to fellowship, to renew old friendships and to make new ones. It also gave us westerners the opportunity of meeting with members of our national executive (they are certainly not a "stuffy" lot) and realizing the commitment they are making towards a national fellowship. After sharing that weekend with them, I know that all of us went home with a personal commitment to be more bold, open, and understanding. (I noted this whenever any of our members attended the conference in previous years. In 1987, Dan Doerkson and I had a great time -- it fired us up for the next year. In 1988, Mike and Gwen Holland attended and it sure made a difference in our chapter: They attended every meeting with full support and a how-can-I-help attitude.)

What I am trying to say is, LET'S NOT MISS THE NEXT ONE! I really believe that the fellowship we have there is a little taste of what heaven will be like.

Our keynote speaker for the conference, Deputy Assistant Chief Mark Kroeker of the Los Angeles Police Department stated that one of his greatest fears was to be irrelevant. He certainly wasn't in his messages, and I'm trusting that we who heard him are more focused towards God's will -- to be the saltshakers in our community. Let's not work undercover in our Christian lives, but rather let our light shine.

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Letters to the "Peacemaker"

Rob & Ruth Sweet,

I thoroughly enjoyed the Fall edition of the Peacemaker. You are doing an excellent job, as Norm & Sharon did before you. I especially enjoyed the "President's Message" on not giving up when the numbers attending our FCPO meetings are small. We must ensure that we don't work for our own selfish gain -- but we work for God! In whatever we do we must keep our focus on Him.

Sergeant Glenda Malina,
Edmonton Chapter, FCPO

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One of the better produced Christian magazines. May God continue to bless your work.

Rev. Bruce Harcourt,
Ajax, Ontario

(Bruce is father-in-law to Police Constable Mike Connolly of Metro Toronto. Mike and his wife, Jerrie, have served God via the CFCPO since the early days of this ministry.)

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Dear Sisters & Brothers,

Thank you so much for sending the Peacemaker to us. It is so encouraging to hear what the Lord is doing in the lives of our law officers. May He continue to bless and keep them.

In His love,
(Mrs.) A. Waterton & Alex,
Vancouver, B.C.

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Dear Rob & Ruth,

Greetings in the name of Jesus! ... Jacquie and I really enjoy the Peacemaker and want to encourage you to keep up the good work. We appreciate the news from other Christian peace officers. Although fellowship with Christian officers is difficult in rural Saskatchewan, we have met many other brothers and sisters through the ministry of the FCPO and consider it vital.

We were blessed to travel to Europe for 5 weeks (last) fall and thoroughly enjoyed the historic points which figured so greatly in the establishment of the Church. Particularly moving was seeing the prison in Rome where St. Paul wrote his last letters!

May God keep you folks and all our Christian peace officer friends & their families in His care ... May His peace be yours.

In His service,
Harvey & Jacquie Lomax, RCMP
Punnichy, Sask.

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NO GOD - NO PEACE
KNOW GOD - KNOW PEACE!

Dear Rob & Ruth,

I like that! Referring to your editorial in Fall '89 issue, indeed it is a privilege to share God's work with His most perfect gift to us -- our wives!

For the last 17 years, I've been a volunteer auxiliary RCMP constable in Fort St. John, B.C. Unfortunately I have also been very busy in other occupations and have not been free to donate as much time as I would like. Therefore, I do not really consider myself to be a "cop". Nevertheless, I've learned a little about the stress and hazards, and the decisions, decisions that must be made. I can and do pray for all the members I know and ride with. How we all need Jesus as our real Partner.

Since I have been active with the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship for the last 11 years and currently am representative for NEBC and the Yukon, I also know the responsibilities and burdens of carrying on a good work! As Harold Bennett, National President, so ably wrote -- Yes, let us **not give up!** I think it's true, sometimes things seem to be **darkest just before dawn**. Then what glory to **see the Son rising in majestic power. Glory to God!** ... God bless you in every way,

Jim Novak, Auxiliary RCMP Cst.
Fort St. John, B.C.

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Peacemaker,

As a former employee of the Metro Toronto Police Department (Records Bureau), and now working for the Melbourne Police Department, Florida, I still feel Toronto (in my heart) is home and this magazine keeps me in touch with "home."

Lately, a young police detective has been asking me to pray for him as he is going through difficult personal trials. As this is my first time witnessing by mouth (not just by actions), I have found it easier to do by sharing old Peacemaker copies with him, **especially where officers give their testimonies**. This area of ministry speaks more clearly to him as he is a "cop" and can relate to another "cop."

Testimonies are so badly needed. Hope you can print more, as I'm sure the officers that wrote them, years ago, didn't realize they were planting seeds in Toronto that are now being harvested, years later, many miles away.

God bless you all, and officers, remember while you are on patrol, God is your ranking official! **His report is what counts.** You are His special one.

Sylvia Sara-Pride,
Melbourne, Florida, U.S.A.

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Dear Ruth and Rob,

Just a note to thank you for taking on the Peacemaker. We enjoy reading it and receiving a blessing from it. Please be encouraged in the Lord.

Love in Christ,
Ruth & Ernie Penninga,
Kelowna, B.C.

Dear Friends,

We are glad to have been continued supporters in a small way and your Peacemaker is GOOD. Please know our prayers are with all peacemakers -- Christian and non-Christian. We realize they need the wisdom of God in order to carry out their duties successfully.

Editors' Note: see exhortation in poetry section.

In Christ,
Marcel & Bonnie Champagne,
London, Ontario.
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

In the Book of Jude, verse 24, we read "Now unto Him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, ... "

This verse is frequently used as a benediction, but I would suggest it can also be used as a New Year's resolution. We make New Year's promises each year and try to keep them, but in my own case I usually have slipped before the first week has passed into history. I don't mean to break my resolution, but before I know it, I've failed. Perhaps you can relate to this in your own life. Did you intend to pray more, read the Word regularly, be a more effective witness, maybe spend more time with the family or be more communicative with your wife and children?

I was thinking of the number of persons we trust every day. Have you ever flown in a plane? You trust the pilot and crew with your very life. How about your doctor or dentist? They prescribe a treatment or course of action for you or your loved ones and you follow it. What about the elevator you rode in the other day, or the water you just drank from your tap?

Think of all the people and things that we trust and rely on every day of our lives. Yet why will we not put our complete trust in the One who is able to keep us from falling (or stumbling) as we run the race which is set before us?

In Psalm 32:8, David wrote these inspired words: "I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye."

God, who knows the end from the beginning, says He will instruct and teach us the way. That means that I have to be willing to learn and willing to trust my Teacher. Do you think that God who loves you so much would send you down the wrong path, so that you will fall flat on your face and end up a casualty? We end up in a mess because we don't fully put our trust in the One who can keep us.

Look at the second part of this verse, "I will guide thee with mine eye." We in law enforcement are accustomed to following orders and directions. Sometimes these orders are written; other times they are spoken, perhaps over a radio. We may even be able to follow hand signals.

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Did you ever think how near you must be to read someone's eyes? God said He would instruct us with His eye. That means, to me, that we must be willing to follow the instruction and near enough to read the Instructor's eye.

Instead of making and breaking your New Year's resolutions, why not let God direct your path for 1990? Be willing to follow His leading and close enough that you can receive His instructions.

Want to have a successful New Year, without falling down and having to be picked up and brushing the dirt off? **Let the Lord Jesus Christ keep you from falling, by walking with Him, in His way.**

This is going to be my New Year's one and only resolution. How about you?

Harold Bennett,
Staff Supt., Metro Toronto
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A LETTER FROM THE VICE-PRESIDENT

*** Larry Wilson, Corrections, Kingston, Ont., CFCPO Vice-President

May I congratulate you on a very professional first issue as the new Editors. It is still the best outreach tool that we have at our disposal to reach other officers with the good news of Christ.

For some time I have wanted to start a regular column with each issue, much like the President's report. I hope to have a correctional approach as much as a report from the Vice-President.

This is the start of my second year in this office and it has been a very interesting period for me. Along with my own chapter duties, I have had the opportunity to travel out West twice this last year. The first time in Edmonton it was my pleasure to meet with the local executive of that city and to try to help and encourage them in the final preparations for their hosting the last conference and what a conference it was! Everyone involved is to be highly congratulated. You did a great job.

Then in October, my wife and I went with Dick and Joan Hayward and Jack and Ruth Foster to Boom Road, New Brunswick. There we took in a Saturday morning men's breakfast and the Sunday morning service. The hospitality of the people was overwhelming. The most important news from that weekend is that it now appears there is enough interest to start up a chapter in that part of the Province. So please pray for those who will be involved in this area.

On the way back to Ontario, we had the opportunity to stop at Quebec City. What a thrill it was to see how God continues to bless the FCPO and the dedicated officers in that region. We came away totally inspired with what we heard and saw.

It has been a busy (second) year so far but God has upheld and blessed. I would encourage everyone to go forward with the Lord, as what I have found is that God looks for availability before ability. I am looking forward to seeing even more people in the year to come. Remember, our next conference is coming up in August. Start planning now. God bless.

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Testimony

*** From Mr. John Walton, President and Bible Study Chairman, Kingston, Ont. Chapter

I was sworn in as a peace officer July 24, 1970. I began my career as a trainee correctional officer at our Correctional Staff College. Upon graduation, I worked briefly as a CX-1 (junior correctional officer) at Collins Bay Institution. I transferred to Kingston Penitentiary on November 8, 1970.

On September 16, 1973, I committed my life to Jesus Christ as my Lord and Saviour. In August, 1975, I married my dear wife Margret. We have been blessed with three girls, Louise, Joanne, and Ruth, who have all given their hearts to Jesus.

In April, 1978, I was promoted to the rank of CX-4, senior correctional officer, at K.P. (Kingston Penitentiary). I don't know exactly when I became a member of the Kingston Chapter of the FCPO but it was about 6 years ago. I've also been steadily working on my education. I received my B.A. degree from Queen's University in 1984 and my Master of Divinity degree (counselling major) from Ontario Theological Seminary in May of last year. That same month, I was ordained as a pastor. My local church is not able to offer me a formal paid pastoral position at this time but I work in a part-time volunteer capacity at this point.

I resigned from my position at K.P. on July 28, 1989, after much prayer and seeking of Godly counsel. The Lord has been very close to me at K.P. all the moments and years I was there. My Lord Jesus was and still is my Comforter, my Friend, my Guide, my Healer, my Protector, my Source of Wisdom. I knew that I was **never alone** in that place of darkness; my Jesus was as close as the calling of His name and not only that, but in every situation I found myself in within the prison, Jesus was already there.

A miracle of grace is the fact that I have been granted a permanent clearance pass to visit staff at K.P.: quoting from my pass, "Mr. John Walton has been granted clearance to visit our institution in order to keep in touch with the personal/pastoral needs of the staff at Kingston Penitentiary."

One of the visions the Lord has given me is that he wants a team of pastoral care/counsellors working alongside people gifted in personal evangelism to reach penitentiary staff and their families for Christ. I believe that the FCPO can be a significant means of fulfilling this vision.

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Births

* Michael and Elizabeth Mead are happy to announce the birth of their third child, a brother for Rebecca and Laura. Paul Joseph entered the world on November 3, 1989 at 2:20 A.M., weighing in at 9 lb. 5 oz.. We rejoice with you! (Mike is a constable working at 41 Division, Metro Toronto.)

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AN UNFORGETTABLE YEAR

*** by Art Francis, Outreach, Toronto Chapter

1989 will be a year of special memories. They began in April when I saw Mercedes, my niece, for the first time in 22 years. My wife, Miriam, and I spent a week in Curacao during which time we found out that my niece is a born-again Christian. She said, "My faith became real and alive in the living Word of God." We were so filled with joy that we attended a church service conducted in her native language "papiamentu." Besides the evidence of the Holy Spirit present in our midst, one other thing was certain as we watched. It was the pastor's burning desire to see the "family" in Curacao unite in the love of God.

Then came the month of June. My cousins, Kelvin from Dominica and Mable from New York, visited us for the first time. We were able to share about the Lord with them and Kelvin commented later in a letter, "You both have restored my faith in marriage by your example."

In late August, Miriam's Mom and Dad arrived from Dominica as Kelvin returned to school in Dominica. Miriam's parents are not born-again Christians, and our prayers have been that the Lord would work in their lives and that they would come to know Him personally.

There were times when we thought of talking about the Lord, the Bible, and other religious matters with them, but we kept silent and allowed the Lord to work in us by example. Years ago we had discussions with Miriam's father about faith with little result. Everything had to be logical with him, but we had never seen anyone pursue the subject of faith as he did.

Miriam has several Christian novels which she left in the centre table of the living room, planning to mail them to her niece. Her father read several of them including "The Last Christian." U.S. Senator Carl Levin wrote this about the main character: "Timothy Chmykhalov's story is testimony to the strength of faith and persistence possible in the face of overwhelming adversity. In the story of the Chmykhalovs' perseverance and faith, there are lessons for all of us."

We saw a change taking place, a solace; we heard Miriam's father say many times to his wife (referring to the faith of the people), "They are all saying the same thing, Ena." One day, he left for the Towne and Country Plaza and visited St. Paschal Baylon Church. He would say only that he had quietly spent about half an hour alone inside. There was a serenity about him that we could not explain.

He read and made corrections to an article I wrote about the greatest love story ever told. It was for the FCPO column in the News & Views. On October 17th, I typed a letter for him and he decided to take a walk to Bathurst Street and Steeles Avenue to mail it. On his return, he suffered a massive heart attack outside our door. He never regained consciousness. He died on October 20th.

Did my father-in-law pursue his search for faith in God and find Him? If he did, would God allow him at the age of 73 another chance in the world?

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I am reminded of the thief on the cross who said, "... Lord, remember me when Thou comest into Thy kingdom." and Christ's response: "... Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt thou be with Me in paradise." (Luke 23:42-43)

I realize that the thief's confession of faith in Christ was done in public, but I am convinced, based on the evidence, that my father-in-law found faith in Jesus Christ as a result of prayer. He would not surrender to anything but the truth and I believe that, given the opportunity, he would say, "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: **Fear God, and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.**" (Ecclesiastes 12:13)

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News

VICTORIA, B.C. CHAPTER *** FROM RANDIE SCOTT (CORRECTIONS), PRESIDENT

Greetings from the Greater Victoria, B.C. Chapter! In 1989, we sought a revitalization for the Vancouver Island CFCPO. Following much prayer and discussion elections were held yielding a new executive. It was unanimously agreed to renew our resolve of fulfilling the CFCPO's objectives, namely:

1. Bring officers, their families and others to a saving knowledge of Christ.
2. Promote growth and maturity by study, prayer, fellowship, personal counselling and visitation to the sick.
3. Encourage peace officers everywhere to embrace an active Christian faith and church life.
4. Inspire Christian joy and fairness in law enforcement everywhere.

Following a summer break, the chapter met for a Labour Day barbeque at the Scott home with all families welcomed. There was an abundance of fellowship, food, sun, and fresh air. Constable Geordan Rendle's parents, Don and Georgia, recounted their experiences as missionaries in the many jails and prisons of drug-war torn Colombia and shared how God is at work even in the midst of depravity and despair. (Cst. Rendle is from Saanich Police Department, B.C.).

It appears that some chapters' enthusiasm has waned as ours did. We've got a dedicated group of regular and associate members who are turning, with the Lord's help and leading, the chapter around as we seek to rekindle "the vision" lest we perish. Let's not forsake the gathering of ourselves together as some do (read Hebrews 10:24&25). Our executive will be meeting again soon to strategize how (not if) we will advance and meet our objectives. We love right and hate wrong so our God has poured out more gladness on us (read Hebrews 1:9).

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NEWS FROM FRANCE

We have received a letter from Michel Clarey, Gardien Principal, Police Municipale, La Ravoire, France. Constable Dino Doria, here in Metro Toronto, translated it for us and this is a portion of the letter: "We would like to register our group with the FCPO under the title **'Fraternite Francais Des Policiers Chretiens.'** We are several police officers who are meeting and we are anxious to form our chapter. Please let us know the steps we are to take so that we can do this. Thank you for the Peacemaker. We are thinking of visiting with you brothers to have fellowship." We praise God for this letter and salute our friends in France. The letter will be forwarded to Michel Boudreau, Quebec representative, for follow-up.

- Editors

NEWS FROM AFRICA

Some interesting information was submitted by Tom and Peta Buchenauer of Surrey, B.C.. Tom is Sergeant-At-Arms, International Police Association, Region 9. He writes, "Enclosed is a copy of a letter from **Ghana Police for Christ Crusade**. My wife is very active in Prayer Canada and the letter was addressed to the director and founder of Prayer Canada, Arne Bryan. I thought it might be of interest to you as I know the Ghana crusaders will need prayer."

The following is quoted from the letter: "The ministry has planted Bible study and prayer groups in the majority of police stations in the city of Accra. Ghana Police Service is proud through Christ Jesus to have FIVE branches of Ghana Police church which are interdenominational with large congregations. The Ghana Police Service has about ten regional capitals, but as of now, the Ghana Police Christ Ministry has only covered one regional capital. Membership to the church is open to everybody including the families of the police. It would interest you to know that the Inspector General of Police has accepted the Lord Jesus as his personal Saviour and Lord, together with his family."

The chairman of the organization is Reverend Martin Vanderpuye, a former police officer. The headquarters is located at Achimota, P.O. Box 01453, Osu-Accra, Ghana, West Africa. Let's pray for this ministry! - Editors

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FROM HURON COUNTY, ONTARIO

Paul and Nancy May are good friends who used to attend the Toronto chapter meetings. Paul is a former Metro Toronto Police Officer and was also the printer for the Peacemaker. He moved to Goderich about a year ago and now shares this good news: "... On May 15 (1989), I started as a casual corrections officer at **Bluewater Youth Centre** ... due to severe staff shortages, I have been able to work a minimum of 40 hours per week since May. If so desired, (and there have been a few weeks) I can put in 50, 60, or 70 hours per week. **But the good news is:** I have had the opportunity to share the gospel with a few of the young offenders. I have had a chance to pray with a couple of them."

Paul and Nancy ask, "Please pray that God will use the Christian brothers and sisters here in Bluewater Youth Centre to be effective in helping these young folks to change their lives and to know that God is real -- that He loves them and cares for them and that He sent His only begotten Son to redeem them from an eternity lost in sin ... I ask that you diligently pray for the young offenders here and all the prisons in this country, that God will perform a mighty work of salvation among the inmates and the staff. Here, with a staff of 60 classified corrections officers and 22 casual officers, there are at least 8, maybe more, that I know are sensitive to God's Spirit and that I believe would truly like to see and be part of a **FELLOWSHIP CHAPTER** starting here." Specific prayer is requested "... for an FCPO chapter to start up here with no less than 8 initial members (and family) and that it is to come into being by January 31, 1990."

The Mays remind us, "Please, if anyone is taking a short trip to midwestern Ontario or passing through on the way to somewhere else, **DROP BY FOR A CUP OF TEA**, talk, fellowship or whatever: Our home is always open and you are always welcome." (310 Krohmer Drive, Goderich, Ont. N7A 4G5 (519)524-5696)

+ Upcoming Events +

BARRIE DISTRICT CHAPTER:

The Barrie District Chapter meets at 7:30 P.M. on the third Tuesday of each month and at present is meeting at 85 Cook Street, Barrie, Ontario.

HALTON REGIONAL CHAPTER:

We meet every third Friday at 7:30 P.M.. The location changes each month so we invite you to call for information and the location of the next meeting. We can be reached by telephone at (416) 845-7171 ext. 515 or after hours at (416) 333-4357. You are always welcome to join with us.

TORONTO AREA CHAPTER:

The Toronto Area Chapter meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month in the Chapel of the M.T.P.A. building, 180 Yorkland Blvd., Willowdale. Phone Jack Turner at (416) 755-4780 for details.

UPPER FRASER VALLEY CHAPTER:

The Upper Fraser Valley Chapter, B.C., meets on the third Friday of every month. Saturday morning breakfasts are on the first Saturday of each month at 8:30 A.M.. Tony Gagne coordinates the breakfasts, speakers, location. Call 858-6688 for further details.

WEST KOOTENAY CHAPTER:

We will be holding our meetings on the second Thursday of each month. Contact Brian Watson.

EDMONTON, ALBERTA CHAPTER:

Meets every month on the 1st Tuesday evening at 7:30 P.M. in the 3rd floor conference room of the Edmonton Police headquarters building. (New mailing address: Box 873 Main, Edmonton Alta. T5J 2L8). **SPECIAL EVENT:** 4th annual retreat at PIONEER BIBLE CAMP, on Hanmore Lake 130 km NE of Edmonton. May long weekend. Contact Harold Johnson (403) 467-9462.

TACOMA, WASHINGTON, U.S.A.:

We meet every Friday at 11:00 A.M. at Linn & J's Restaurant, 2015 S. 96th, Tacoma.

CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE, U.S.A.:

The new national office of FCPO,USA is located in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Our chapter meets for an outreach luncheon the third Wednesday of each month, with approximately sixty in attendance. We also have a group that meets each Tuesday morning for breakfast and prayer. We would love to have you visit with us. (P.O. Box 11547, Chattanooga TN37401 (615) 622-1234)

THE SIDDELLS: FAMILY WITH A MISSION

Brad, Coral, and Dylan Siddell of Winfield, B.C., have a "moving" story to tell: "I would like to share with you some changes in the life of my family. As the Edmonton chapter is no doubt aware, I have been employed with the RCMP in Stony Plain, Alberta. As of September, 1989, I have taken a leave of absence from work and have enrolled in a Discipleship Training School through Youth With A Mission (Y.W.A.M.). For 3 months, my family will be living in Winfield, B.C., (an extension school with the University of Nations) just outside of Kelowna, B.C.. After the Winfield school, we will be off to some "third world" country to put to practice what we have learned.

God willing, at the end of February, 1990, we will then move to El Paso, Texas, to continue studies. There I will be enrolled in the Spanish Language & Cultural Training School. More likely than not, I will, soon after completing the school in El Paso, return to work with the RCMP somewhere in Canada.

I tell you our story not to suggest you should all become part time missionaries. On the contrary, I would like to encourage all of you fellow peace officers and to point out the need for Christian lay people in our type of work. Often, I believe, our work struggles with our faith, **but God can enable us to do and for anything.** (Ephesians 3:20) Keep God in your hearts and please pray for my family."

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***** CFCPO NATIONAL CONFERENCE *** AUGUST 25TH TO SEPTEMBER 1ST, 1990**

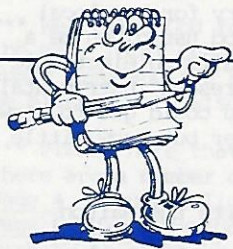
Plan now for this event taking place at the Muskoka Baptist Conference on Mary Lake in the Muskoka resort area. It is a great location for families and has a variety of accommodations. Our 1988 conference there was a real success and at that time the speaker was Deputy Assistant Chief of Police Mark Kroeker of the Los Angeles P.D.. This year we hope to have with us Bob Vernon, same rank, same police department - **another excellent speaker!** Watch for more details in the next Peacemaker.

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QUESTIONS TEENS ASK.....Rich Wilkerson
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KIDS' CORNER

Q. Why shouldn't you tell secrets in a cornfield?

A. Because there are so many ears!
(corny joke, eh?)

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WATER POWER

1. Which disciple walked on water?
2. Who sailed the sea in a fish?
3. Who stretched out his hand to divide the Red Sea?
4. Who rode out the storm in a floating zoo?
5. Whom did Jesus meet drawing water at the well?
6. Who went down into the Jordan River with Jesus?
7. Who struck a rock to get water?

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WISE WORDS

Give all your plans to God.
Ask Him to make you strong.
Ask Him to bless each thing you do,
And then you can't go wrong.

(Proverbs 16:3)

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**I KNOW I'M
SOMEBODY**



**'cause God don't
make no junk!!**

EVANGELISM AND PROMOTION *** by Kirk Lampman, President, Halton Chapter, Ont.

I am pleased to accept the position on the national executive for evangelism and promotion. I have always had a burden on my heart for unsaved peace officers and their spouses. I know the stress that police officers face on a daily basis. I have been a constable with Halton Regional Police for 14 years and I have faced tremendous pressures on the job and in my family. It was those pressures that caused me to turn to God in 1984, when I finally trusted Christ as Lord and Saviour after many years of living in darkness.

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My wife, Shirley, our two children, Glenn (9) and Erin (6) and I now worship at Burlington Christian and Missionary Alliance Church. I am an elder and a deacon at the Alliance church and I have served as secretary for our local FCPO chapter. I am currently president of our chapter. God has given me a music ministry which involves playing the "accorgan," which is an electronic accordion. I travel to churches in southern Ontario and present instrumental music and some testimony. I have said all this just so you could get to know me a little better. So often we see names in the Peacemaker but know little about the writers.

I would just like to highlight a couple of outreach efforts the Halton chapter recently undertook. On November 25, 1989, members of our chapter attended a Saturday evening community outreach meeting at Wilmar Heights Baptist Church on Victoria Park Avenue in Scarborough, Ontario. Our members provided music and testimony. Mr. Bill Phipps, a former Halton Police officer and now a provincial prosecutor, spoke on how Christ touched his life. Jim Currie sang the solo "Heaven came down and glory filled my soul." I played a few instrumentals on the accorgan. The evening was well attended. Many of the people were from the community and did not have a regular church home. Jack and Laura Turner also came to provide moral support and as it turned out, some comic relief. Jack always has an appropriate funny story to tell.

On December 1, 1989, the Halton chapter hosted its 8th annual Christmas banquet at Burlington Alliance Church. We had a record crowd of 130 guests. Our speaker was Jim Turnbull, a prominent Hamilton lawyer who found Christ about four years ago through the ministry of Paul Henderson (remember the 1972 Canada/Russia hockey series). Jim gave a hard-hitting message based on his own life in which he tried to find happiness and fulfilment through personal achievement. Jim finally realized that Christ is the answer to all of man's inner searching. He concluded his message by inviting the people present to join him in praying the sinners' prayer. We are confident that God will work mightily in the lives of anyone who prayed that prayer. **If even one soul is saved, then our efforts are worthwhile and we are careful to give God the glory.** Music at the banquet was provided by Dee Andress and Ann White who performed a duet. Jack and Ruth Foster also stepped in with some music when our guest soloist was unable to make it. We were quite happy to see Marc Perrier from Haldimand-Norfolk Police Force as well as Alf Thomas from Peel Regional P.F.. Forgive me if I missed anyone else.

I would appreciate your prayers for the Evangelism and Promotion portfolio of the National Executive. If you have any suggestions as to how I could enhance this ministry, please write me c/o Halton Regional Police, PO Box 2700, Oakville, Ontario, L6J 5C7. Talk to you later...

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ANSWERS TO KID'S CORNER QUIZ (PAGE 13)

1. Peter (Matt. 14:29) 2. Jonah (Jon. 1:17) 3. Moses (Exod. 14:21)
4. Noah (Gen. 7:11-14) 5. Samaritan woman (John 4:7)
6. John the Baptist (Matt. 3:13-17) 7. Moses (Exod. 17:6)

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*** We praise God for the dedicated people on our national executive and on the many local chapter executives. Most of these volunteers have very little spare time and are busy meeting various deadlines. Please pray that they will be blessed with wisdom, direction, courage, and encouragement.

*** Please note that, among the articles and letters submitted for this issue, there are **a number of requests for prayer:**

Page 4 "young police detective" in Melbourne, Florida.

Page 6 Vice-President's message - "Boom Road, New Brunswick" area for those wishing to start up a chapter.

Page 10 for "Ghana Police for Christ Crusade."

Page 10 Paul & Nancy May, Bluewater Youth Centre, and start up of local chapter.

Page 12 the Siddells: Family with a Mission.

Page 14 Kirk Lampman, Evangelism and Promotion.

*** Praise God for the improved health of Rob's father, Robert James Sweet, in Mission, B.C. He is feeling much better and able to enjoy Christmas at home with Mom. Dad is happy about some good opportunities he has had to witness while in hospital. He returns January 4, 1990 when decisions must be made about a liver transplant. We would appreciate your continued prayers.

*** Praise God for answering a need of the Prangnell family. Ron, who is with the RCMP was recently transferred from the small town of Unity to Regina, Saskatchewan. His six year old daughter, Anne-Marie, requires speech therapy. One of the leading doctors is in Regina. Let's pray for this family.

*** Please pray for Jack and Laura Turner. Jack is the CFCPO National Secretary and he responds to the letters received here at Box 520, Station "A," Scarborough (along with many other duties). We praise God that he is in remission after a battle with cancer. He has been suffering now from a recurring illness called cellulitis which lasts for almost a week at a time. The problem has become more frequent recently. We need prayer for Jack and Laura.

*** Let's pray that 1990 will be a year of revival for FCPO chapters and similar organizations, here and in the USA and in other countries. Anywhere in the world, our profession is one of great responsibility and great opportunity, in the service of our Lord!

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USA AND CANADA PLUNGE INTO FCPO'S 1990'S * by Jack Turner, National Secretary

Never, since the inception of the FCPO in California in the 70's and Canada in the 80's, have the challenges of the 90's been revealed to us so vividly.

May I enlarge? The presidents of both the US and Canadian fellowships are devoted, along with their executives, to bringing the message of Christ to peace officers across the continent. This message has never been more urgently needed. We know it is God's will that we should **strive** to proclaim the gospel for His glory. According to Webster's Dictionary, **"to strive"** means **"to devote serious energy and effort."**

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I have noted some similarities between the CFCPO and FCPO, USA:

CFCPO

FCPO, USA

- new president in 1989
- new editors in 1989 for the publication, Peacemaker.
- fall issue, President urges "Labour & faint not" in our peace officer relationships.
- also urges unity of our members in spreading the "good word."
- request made for current information on the status of all chapters.
- President says it takes a peace officer to reach a peace officer, as there is trust in that communication.
- Past President had been in office since the beginning, and is still an active and much needed member of the executive.

- new president in 1989
- new editor in 1989 for the publication, The Christian Peace Officer.
- fall issue, President emphasizes the goal "serving the needs of fellow officers in the Criminal Justice System."
- also comments on the opportunity for officers to speak a "good word" in the Criminal Justice System.
- request made for current information on the status of all chapters.
- Secretary says the goal is "sharing Christ with the men and women with whom we claim a camaraderie -- a camaraderie that cannot be duplicated by anyone outside of our own unique profession."
- Past President was one of the founding officers and is the California representative, whose advice is much needed.

Looking at the wise leadership available, one cannot help but think that the 1990's are looking good for the FCPO in both countries and even in other parts of the world.

I recognize the need for continued dedication and look forward to members, both old and new, emerging with a renewed spirit of commitment.

We are told in Acts 1:8 to go into all the world and bring the good news of Jesus Christ to all men -- and, in our cases, they are the peace officers in these two very large countries. CFCPO President Harold Bennett said "...God will give the increase in due time, if we labour and faint not" (Peacemaker, Fall 1989, page 9). FCPO, USA President Jim Hammond said, "What better ministry than to be a Christian serving the cause of Christ in the field of Criminal Justice." (The Christian Peace Officer, Fall 1989, page 2).

We need to pray for each other as we minister among our peers. Whoever you are and whatever work you are in, we solicit your prayers.

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Chattanooga is only 900 miles south of Toronto and it is on the direct route I-75 to Florida. My wife and I stopped by to see their secretary Chaplain Gino Bennett, on our way back from Florida last April. We had a good time meeting in fellowship and on the same wave length. They have a strong chapter. I believe a phone call of encouragement is not too much to ask for once in a while, to speak on our mutual concerns.

There are really no boundaries in our Christian service to our fellow officers. The only difference is that the families are separated by quite a few miles, but our aims and desires are the same.

I feel that our brothers and sisters south of the border would welcome us for a visit to a chapter meeting, as we would welcome them if they came here. They have outlined their chapters and the cities in which they are found and we should do the same when we get organized with up-to-date information. I know that some of us have enjoyed the American hospitality and fellowship when we have attended meetings in parts of Florida.

As you read the Peacemaker, plan to let the editorial staff in on the activity in your area of the country. They want to hear from you. Let us pull together as one --and make the FCPO work -- and give to God the glory He deserves.

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FAITH MOBILE OUTREACH TEAM *** by Jack and Ruth Foster

! PREPARE NOW -- DON'T MISS THIS ONE !

If you missed the National General Meeting and weekend last September in Sundrie, Alberta, you were deprived of a most exhilarating time of warm fellowship and spiritual renewal. The Western hospitality was "super." Our congratulations to our hosts from Edmonton and Calgary areas. God bless you all.

Plan now for **August 25 to September 1, 1990**, at beautiful Muskoka Baptist Conference grounds on Mary Lake, near Huntsville, Ontario. Arrange now for your leave and make this a real family vacation. The facilities are great and varied. They even have a campground and a special program for children that will leave you and your spouse free to enjoy the fellowship. We are preparing a special video tape for each chapter to view which will be informative and hopefully encourage as many as possible to attend.

The past year has been a busy one for your Mobile Outreach Team, as we have travelled as far west as Ft. St. John B.C. and as far east as Newcastle N.B. The people in Newcastle are interested in forming a new chapter, so pray that the Lord will direct them in forming an executive. We also touched base with the Ste. Foye Quebec chapter and had a great time of fellowship and sharing. Pray for them as well, as they witness under adverse circumstances.

Let us all take up the challenge for 1990 to reach our fellow peace officers and their families for Christ. Remember, "Life is short and soon will pass and only what's done for Christ will last." You may be involved with many worthwhile endeavours in which others could take leadership roles, but the prime requisite of the FCPO is being a peace officer, active or retired. We need dedicated and committed members. I believe 1990 is going to be a very productive year. Pray to that end with me.

Poetry

Rise up! Go forth, people
of the living God.
Rise up! Go forth, people
of the King.

Stretch forth your hand and
speak His name,
Display His majesty
And with His Word and
mighty power,
Tread down the enemy.

Rise up! Go forth, people
of the living God.
Rise up! Go forth, people
of the Lord.

- written by
Bonnie Champagne,
London, Ontario.

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(Continued from page 2, **REPORT FROM WESTERN CANADA**)

Since one of our members had videotaped 4 hours of the conference (the 2 messages by Mark Kroeker and special singing and testimonials) we decided to make copies and share them with others. We have sent copies to the other 3 chapters in Alberta, to Ed Dalton and the Victoria Chapter in B.C., and to an RCMP member, Ron Prangnell, out of Regina, Saskatchewan. I would encourage western Canadians to contact these people or me to get a copy to view. (Our national outreach director, Jack Foster, has a copy for the rest of you.)

As your western Canada director, I would encourage all chapters and/or interested persons to be catalysts in promoting unity across Canada. One way that we can do this is by letting others know who you are, what you are doing, when you have meetings or special events. Even if you just have an announcement in the Peacemaker, it makes people aware. We are having a May long weekend retreat here in Alberta (see advertisement on UPCOMING EVENTS page). Please contact us and join us. And if you advertise we may do the same. I know last year that the West Kootenay chapter had a ski-swim retreat planned and advertised -- we didn't make it -- is it going again this year?

We also need provincial representatives from all our provinces. We need someone who will speak for the rest of the chapters to keep the rest of us abreast of what is happening there, and also to unify that province through visitation or organization of a special event -- such as an annual retreat. (I take the liberty to specifically ask B.C. and Saskatchewan chapters to take action on this.)

God bless you in the new year!

Harold Johnson - Sgt., Edmonton Police Service (403) 421-2124
Western Canada Director - CFCPO 467-9462

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"SHARING CHRIST WITH THE MEN AND WOMEN WITH WHOM WE CLAIM A CAMARADERIE"

The following is quoted from Chaplain Gino Bennett's article which appeared on the front page of the Christian Peace Officer, Fall 1989 issue (publication of the FCPO, USA).

I remember reading the story of Manuel Rivera, a brave police officer in Washington, DC. Manuel received the medal of valor for his heroism in rescuing a victim during an exchange of gunfire from a man who had barricaded himself inside a house.

After serving on the force for five years, officer Rivera was led to the Lord by his brother. "As soon as I was saved, I felt that other police needed to know the Lord too, so the first person I led to Christ was my partner," Rivera testifies.

To me, Rivera's statement ideally represents the purpose and goal of the Fellowship of Christian Peace Officers (FCPO): sharing Christ with the men and women with whom we claim a camaraderie -- a camaraderie that cannot be duplicated by anyone outside of our own unique profession. And to further convey our reasoning, we are convinced that when our trained men and women live out their Christian convictions in the presence of their peers, we will see changes in the lives of our colleagues.

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WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU! Please submit items such as NEWS, TESTIMONIES, ARTICLES, PRAYER REQUESTS, DRAWINGS, RECIPES, POETRY, UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS, ETC...

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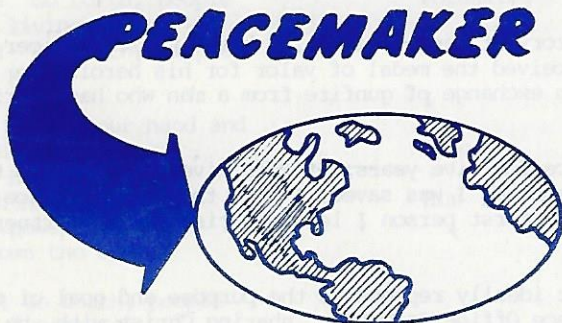
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