

PEACEMAKER

Inspiration For Christian Peace Officers

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"JOSHUA 24, a Victory"

Since my writing of the last Ligament", much has taken place within our organization. We have grieved the loss yet celebrated the victorious life of our dear brother and elder emeritus Jack Turner. We have observed new young officers catch the vision of the F.C.P.O. in Canada and we



"The Ligament" (Ephesians 4:16)

Jim Sneep President FCPO (Canada)

have experienced sustained effort from many of our chapters. May 16th this year witnessed the return of "Law Enforcement Sunday" at The Peoples Church in Toronto with 96 officers marching in the pre-service parade. What does all of this mean to us as an organization? Where do we go from here? What is the challenge for me (the reader) personally?

To give you some answers to these and other questions I will refer to a passage found in Joshua 24. Joshua was a man who finished life well. Even after 110 years of life he stated the oft-used memory verse, "As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." (Vs.15). My dear brother Jack was emblematic of the character of Joshua. He served for years faithfully writing about 300 letters annually, attending meetings, picking up the mail and distributing it. Jack left a godly legacy of faithful, diligent labour for the cause of Christ in law enforcement. The way he applied himself

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to the tasks at hand, encouraging others of the board, chapters and myself and doing so while suffering with cancer for 16 years, was an inspiration to all those that knew him. Jack would never want us to glorify him, but to point all the glory to Christ. In Joshua 24 you can read 20 times the word, "I" (gave, sent, took, did, brought etc.). As he did for the Israelites of old, God is working today in such significant ways within the F.C.P.O. He gave us Jack Turner, after saving him later in life and sustained him to work in the way he so faithfully did.

God has supplied us with new young men, like Andrew Cowan of Victoria, Dave Stewart of Ottawa, and Vince D'Amico of Durham Region who are busy about their burden for the lost of law enforcement. In Toronto we have enjoyed the company of some bright young officers who have just joined the Toronto Police Service and are already active within the F.C.P.O. in Toronto. In verse 21 and 24 of Joshua 24, after being admonished by Joshua the people declared that they would "Serve the Lord God and obey Him." These young men in our midst have made that conscious decision to reject the trappings offered them by this age of lethargy and sedentary Christian service to serve the Lord in obedience to His call. I have been so encouraged by their zeal and contagious initiatives as they work to put their ideas in place and thereby make their local chapters flourish. I would call on all members and adherents within the "hearing of this article" to support the efforts of local chapters and encourage their local organizers.

Lately some local chapters have rallied around causes, which have brought a pragmatic dimension to their fellowship. In Ottawa, it has been the preservation of the Chapel in the Nepean Police Station, in which I had the joy of addressing the Ottawa chapter recently. Their chapel nearly played victim to the wave of religious pluralism, until Dave Stewart supplied a convincing argument to keep the chapel as a place for worship and reflection. We as a fellowship must praise God for answering

prayer in this matter. Dave tells me that he experienced a real peace about his deliberations with the Command Officer of Ottawa Regional Police he had to negotiate with. Within hours Dave's wife Kerri received the good news that the chapel would remain.

In Calgary and now joined by the Edmonton chapter, the cause has been the "Diakonos Retreat." The word "diakonos" is the biblical tern that refers to the office of the Police Officer in Romans 13:1-6. It means to be a servant. It is the intention of Kevin McInnes (Calgary Police Chaplain and active police officer), his wife Debbie who are spearheading this initiative and the members of their board to provide a service to police officers, fire fighters and paramedics. This service will come in the form of a refuge for emergency service personnel. A place of renewal, education and support for marriage, parenting, personal recovery and healing in an environment where spiritual development would be encouraged. I applaud the vision and work of these two chapters and the special people who are putting forward the effort to make this centre a reality.

In Nova Scotia our new Bluenose Chapter, named after the formidable vessel that won so many kudos world wide, is busy about our Conference 2000 in Nova Scotia. A conference of this magnitude does not come off easy. (continued on page 3)

And the people said to Joshua "We will serve the Lord God and obey him." Josh. 24:24

Receive Christ by Faith Through Prayer

"Lord Jesus, I need You. Thank You for dying on the cross for my sins. I open the door of my life and receive You as my Saviour and Lord. Thank You for forgiving my sins and giving me eternal life.

Take control of the throne of my life. Make me the kind of person you want me to be."

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STATEMENT OF FAITH WE BELIEVE





THE BIBLE

The scripture of the Old and New Testaments was verbally inspired by God, and inherent in the original writings and that they are the supreme and final authority for our faith and life. (2Tim 3:16,17; 2Peter 1:20,21)

FAITH

All those who by faith receive Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Saviour, and who confess Him as such before their fellow men (and women), became heirs of God and joint heirs with Jesus Christ. (Rom. 10:9,10; Eph. 2:8,9; Rom. 8:16,17; John 1:12)

HUMANKIND

We are sinners; and that by His death upon the cross, the Lord Jesus Christ made a perfect atonement for sin, redeeming us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse in our place. (Rom. 3:23; John 3:18; Gal. 3:13)

GOD

There is one God, Holy, eternally existing and manifesting Himself to us in three Persons; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. God is merciful and loves us, but is just and must punish sin. (John 3:16, 14:6, 10; Exodus 34:6,7; Matt. 28:19)

CHRIST

Jesus Christ is God incarnate. He was supernaturally conceived, born of a virgin, was put to death by crucifixion under Pontius Pilate, was raised from the dead on the third day, and now sits at the Father's right hand from whence He is coming again personally, bodily and visibly to this earth. (Luke 1:26-35; 1Cor. 15:3,4; John 1:1,2,14)

HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit is God. He indwells all believers having baptized them into the body of Christ at the time of regeneration (Rom.8:9; 1Cor. 12:13;14 Eph. 1:13 & 4:4,5)

GRACE

Eternal life is a free gift and cannot be earned. We are saved by grace and not by our own works. (Eph. 2:8,9; Rom. 6:23)

JUDGEMENT

Those who reject the love of God and the saving work of Christ will be judged and punished for sin. They will be eternally separated from God. (John 3:36 & 16:7-11; Jude 14,15;)

This Statement of Faith is taken from the CFCPO Bylaws.

ARE YOU ASHAMED OF THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST DO YOU LIVE A DOUBLE STANDARD?

Mike Cassidy

Now and then I take a look at myself, not at my reflection in the mirror through my own eyes or asking how others see me through their eyes. I look at myself through SPIRITUAL EYES. Through the eyes of the written word of God. Try this sometime. See how you measure up. I found myself saying, "there is room for a lot of improvement."

The Word says "We are in the world but we are not of the world." Our citizenship is not this world, we are only passing through. Do others who see you know you are different? It has been said "If they cannot see Christ in you, then He is not."

Recently I was saddened to hear of a young police officer who loves the Lord with all his heart. He had been at a unit for over a year and he longed for some Christian fellowship. He heard of the CFCPO and that there were police officers who were members of this group. He set out to find out all he could about this group and how he could get involved. He prayed "Lord let me find a fellow officer on my Police department who is a Christian."

This young officer was so pleased when he contacted one the long standing members and was told that not only were there Christian officers on his force, there was a member in his unit. Just imagine how this young man felt when he heard this, but his joy was short lived when he was told who the officer was. He knew the officer and he was shocked. He said "If that is what this CFCPO is all about, then it is not what I am searching for. I am looking for a brother to come along side, to hold me up if I slip, to stand with me in praying for other officers who will be lost if we do not pray for them."

This young officer is a very sensible young man. He is not fanatic. He just has a burden burden for his fellow officers. He could not believe the officer mentioned was a Christian. He said the officer has a foul mouth on him and "he could not be a follower of my Lord for he is no different than the officers I have a burden for." He then said "I suppose this group is just passing itself off as a Christian group but has not the knowledge of the Gospel."

We lost that young officer Brothers and Sisters because one member has not allowed the Holy Spirit to apply the coals to his mouth. We must guard our tongues at all times. It is written that the tongue is the most unruly part of the body and is the hardest to control. If we ask the Holy Spirit to help us He will. God's Word says "old things are passed away, all things are new..." The old you, man or woman, dies to self and we put on the new life in Christ. We become a new creation. That is what the Holy Spirit does for us. He fills us full of love and this is reflected both at work and in the home.

Those of us who are married should know that the most precious gifts God has given us are our spouses and our children. If we have His love in us it is reflected in our relationship with our family. God commands us to love our spouse, and in doing so, we send a good message to the children. Marriage break downs have plagued police officers for years. The need for faith in a marriage is so great a need that men and women of Law Enforcement are searching for a standard they can look up to and live by. We have that standard as Christians. It is obedience to God's Word. Let's send a good message to our fellow officers. Don't just be 'readers of the Word'. Let's strive to be 'doer's of the Word'.

The steps of a righteous man are ordered of the Lord. Who is ordering your steps? Is God? or is it God's enemy, the Prince of this world? The tongue reflects the condition of the heart. God needs his ambassadors everywhere. We have to show people what a difference He makes in our lives. (as the song goes "The cross made the difference to me")

Love does not turn and run from the enemy, it stands it's ground. Do not capitulate to the standards of this world. You are above it. We must ask ourselves "are we one person in the work place and another at home?" We mock the whole meaning of the Cross if we live a double standard.

James Chapter 1 verses 19 to 27 gives us the standard God wants from us. Chapter 3 instructs us about the tongue.

I write this article as much to myself as anyone as I feel we must all guard against being a bad example.

Love in Christ, Mike Cassidy, Barrie Chapter.

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It will take many hours of preparation, organization, communication and promotion. For a fledgling chapter this is a huge undertaking. You'll want to mark it on your calendar for August 2000. We continue to pray for our Chaplain and Board member, Ron Seney as he formulates plans for this event.

Recent communication from Andrew Cowan, of Victoria B.C., the latest in resurrected chapters, is that they are planning to build a web page to promote, communicate and advise about their work on our west coast. What a delight for us to have the potential of ministering to those in the most remote regions of this great land by means of technology. Officers without chapters in the Northwest Territories or elsewhere will have the opportunity to communicate with those of like precious faith within their occupation quickly and interactively.

Speaking about chapters committed to a cause, Toronto now has its cause. May 16th just past, saw the first Law Enforcement Sunday at The Peoples Church since 1986. We hope to take this event into the new millennium. Officers in dress uniform attended the service to hear our Vice President and Surrey BC. Chapter President, give his testimony of how the Lord spared him in his on duty motorcycle collision one year earlier. The Toronto Police Pipe Band, Male Chorus, Command Officers and many Senior Officers from the greater Toronto area attended and took part in the service. With their weekly television coverage of their services the F.C.P.O. in Canada had the potential of being promoted in literally millions of homes throughout the nation and into the U.S. As one of the organizers of this event I must share with you what it felt like to see the parade and officers filing into the church. Never have I felt such a great anointing or blessing as it related to my calling with the Fellowship. This was truly a project of faith, and God not only answered our prayer for healthy attendance but also framed the entire service with His Spirit, blessing all that attended.

Joshua 24 is a chapter of Victory. We are experiencing victory in the F.C.P.O. - Canada. We have much to be thankful for and to be inspired to act in anticipation of new victories. God not only gives us trial and tribulations, which add to our Christian maturity, but He also blesses and gives victory after victory. Jim Sneep

Editor's Desk

HE LOVES US ALWAYS

On May 10 this year my wife, Anne, had some heavy-duty surgery to remove a fibroid in her uterus.



This growth was discovered during her annual physical. It was growing rapidly and the surgery was scheduled in pretty quick time. We were very thankful that it was not a cancerous growth. The fibroid was about the size of a 5-month foetus when the hysterectomy was completed.

A week after the surgery I was at work and Anne was at home resting. I received a call from our doctor who asked me to go home. The surgeon would be calling Anne in the afternoon to tell her that the pathologist had discovered a cancer tumor on the wall of her uterus. The doctors felt they got it all out but could not be certain. Anne had to immediately stop the hormone treatment that would help her get through the sudden menopause thrust on her and we awaited an appointment with the cancer specialist.

As of this writing we have had the meeting with the doctor at the Toronto Sunnybrook Regional Cancer Centre and have come away with good news. The doctor is not concerned about Anne's condition. He felt that the cancer was too new and that it had not invaded any muscle tissue. Although more tests will be completed to be sure, the doctor said to Anne "don't come to see me, just call my office for the results and have a nice life."

When my doctor told me about the cancer he said that it was a fortunate accident that it was removed at that time. The hysterectomy was not done because of cancer but because of the fibroid. I said to him "Doc, you know me well enough. This was no accident. Our Lord caused that fibroid to grow at such a rapid rate that you were forced to remove the cancer." He agreed with me.

What does this all mean? We know that God has a purpose in all that He does. We know that doctors deliver bad news daily to people and we know that people die each day from diseases such as cancer. So why the big scare to us, twice, and then the relief? To tell you the truth, I don't know what God's purpose is here. I feel stronger because of it and as a result a stronger

Christian. Maybe I was becoming too lax and that I needed the wake-up call.

I certainly had to think about our future here and what this life meant to us. I had to think about the possibility of severe treatment for Anne, the changes in our lives and the impact on our family. I had to envision a future without Anne. This is something I know that several of my brother officers have experienced. Two in particular whom I have worked with lost their wives through illness in the past year alone.

God continues to prove each day that He loves us and wants us to be near to Him. Maybe that was the purpose here. For us to look to each day as His gift and that, no matter what happens, we must count on Him to do the right thing for us. The last few months have given me the opportunity to praise Him in a more personal way and in a public manner through this publication as once again we witness the proof of His unending love for us.

God Bless to all.

Tom Huntley, Editor *

An Everyday Survival Kit

Coothpick Rubber band

Band aid Pencil

Craser Chewing gum

CDinc Candy Kiss

Tea Bag

Cea Bag here's why:

<u>Coorhpick</u> - to remind you to pick out the good qualities in others... CDatt 7:1

Rubber band - to remind you to be flexible, things might not always go the way you want, but it will work out...Romans 8:28

Band Aid - to remind you to heal hurt reelings, yours or someone clse's...Col. 3:12-14

<u>Pencil</u> - to remind you to list your blessings everyday...Cph1:3

<u>Craser</u> - to remind you that everyone makes mistakes, and it's okay. Gen. 50:15-21

Chewing gum - to remind you to stick with it and you can accomplish anything ... Dhil 4:13

<u>Mint</u> - to remind you that you are worth a mint to your heavenly pather...]ohn 3:16-17

Candy Kiss – to remind you that everyone needs a kiss or a hug everyday...! John 4:7

<u>Tea Bay</u> - to remind you to relax daily and go over that list of God's blessings...1
These 5:18

FROM THE INTERNET

If Jesus were to do His same ministry on earth in 1999, He would be wanted by...

...the FDA for turning water into wine without a license,

...the EPA for killing fig trees,

...the AMA for practicing medicine without a license,

...the Dept. of Health for asking people to open graves, for raising the dead and for feeding 5,000 people in the wilderness,

...the NEA for teaching without a certificate.

...OSHA for walking on water without a life-jacket and for flying without an airplane,

...the SPCA for driving hogs into the sea,

...the NATIONAL BOARD of PSYCHIATRISTS for giving advice on how to live a guilt-free life,

...the INTER-FAITH MOVEMENT for condemning all other religions,

...and by the ZONING DEPT for building mansions without a permit.

Kelvin Winter Norman, OK PD

New web site for FCPF, Great Britain http://www.fcpf.freeserve.co.uk
Bert Sharp

TAKEN OUT AT THE KNEES FOR EVANGELISM

Linda Park

I would like to share with you how I've come to appreciate what an awesome God we have. I grew up in a home where I was taught about Jesus Christ and how to be saved at an early age. I was saved at about the age of 5. Over the years I felt I was growing closer to the Lord in my relationship but I never realized how much God wants to do in us and through us to draw us closer and make us more like Himself.

In June of 1997 my husband and I and our two children moved to Cambridge Ontario. This move was one totally lead by God. I would never have chosen to move so far from my family and friends. It took us almost a full year to find a church where we knew God wanted us.

In November of 1998 I went to a conference and experienced something totally new. God showed me how much more he can do when we don't limit Him. Many of us see God as only as doing so much. He did miracles back in Jesus' day but does He do this today? When do we think He stopped? We say he can do anything, but do we really believe it. It's like putting handcuffs on God. We say He can only do those things that make sense or that we can understand. Yet I have learned that God can and will do so much more if we only let Him.

Different people from a couple of different churches had told me in the past, that I had the gift of evangelism. While at this conference they prayed for those with the gift of evangelism. Part way through the conference something strange began to happen, at least to my way of thinking it was. I had trouble standing up. I would be standing or walking and my legs would give out just as though someone had come up behind me and hit me in the back of my knees. Most of the times I went down seemed to be if anyone said anything about evangelism. Now, with my previous way of thinking, these type of things were not of God. But through this physical example that God gave me for approximately 5 days God made his point with me and also showed the how awesome His power is to many non Christian people. God began to show me that the witnessing I did was not in my own strength but in His. I could do nothing without

Him. I could try to stand on my own but if He decided to weaken my legs there was nothing I could do to stand.

This example that God gave me was fine at the conference and in my own home but as of my first day back to work after the conference I was hoping the lesson would be finished. I work shift work so as I was driving to work that Saturday morning I was trying to bargain with God. I said "God you really don't want me to look like a fool at work do you? You will stop this, won't you?" God had much higher plans than I knew of. God's plans are much better than ours are even when we look a little foolish.

That morning two of the guys off my shift plus one of the guy's sons was there when I arrived. I had told these guys I was going to be attending a conference while I

YOUR GOD CAN DO THIS? WOW!

was off so the first thing they asked when I entered the room was "How was the conference". They never expected the response I gave. The moment they asked me, my knees buckled. I didn't go right to the ground but I did catch my self. As I went around their desks to get to my workstation I went down a second time and then a third. By this time I was down on the ground laughing. They said, "If we didn't know you better Linda we'd think you were drunk, but we know you don't drink". I told them "I was just drunk with God". I had been at this conference for three days and the presence of God was so real. This was just the beginning of what God was going to do in my office. The 11 year old that was visiting that day said he'd follow me anytime I left my chair just to make sure I didn't fall.

Later that day at lunchtime I thought I'd go back and get my lunch and hit the washroom as I was trying not to stand too much. When I came to the kitchen an OPP officer was there with a friend of his. He had ordered a pizza and offered me some. I said sure and immediately fell down. He said "Linda are you o.k?" One of the officers from my shift said "She's o.k. but we need to have her sitting in a chair". The O.P.P. officer then asked if this thing that was happening to me was caused by something religious. I then got to share my faith again. He had so many questions and while we were talking, the 11 year old was sitting beside me taking it all in. Later that day, the young boy came to me and asked if he was too young to ask Christ to be his

Savior. The Lord gave me the opportunity to lead this boy to the Lord. The Lord is so great.

For the next three days, any time God wanted me to talk to someone about Him, He had me fall in front of them. It never happened in front of the counter, when any of the public were standing there. It was only with the people He wanted to be spoken to. The response from non-christians shocked me too. Most people made comments like "Your God can do this?"

Christians on the other hand were quite skeptical, just like I used to be. Over a matter of four days God gave me the opportunity to witness to ten people. He also showed me it was Him in control and not me. He has opened so many doors now for further witnessing around my office. People aren't afraid to just come to me to ask more about my relationship with Christ. We have an awesome God and half of us don't realize how much He will do in and through us if we will only let Him. I no longer doubt if these physical things are of God. God will do whatever it takes to draw others to him and if He wants to do something out of the norm, so be it, I don't want to stand in His way. To God be all the Glory.

Linda Park Civilian Station Operator Toronto Police Service



DON'T FRET ➤ TRUST PSALM 37: 1-7a

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1. DO NOT FRET BECAUSE of EVIL-DOERS, be not ENVIOUS toward WRONG-DOERS. 2 For THEY WILL WITHER QUICKLY LIKE GRASS and FADE like the GREEN HERB. 3. TRUST in the LORD and DO GOOD; DWELL in the LAND and ENJOY safe PASTURE. 4. DELIGHT YOURSELF in the LORD and He will GIVE YOU the DESIRES of your HEART. 5. COMMIT you way to the Lord; TRUST IN HIM and He will DO THIS. 6. He will MAKE your RIGHTEOUSNESS SHINE like the DAWN, the JUSTICE of your CAUSE like the NOONDAY SUN. 7. Be STILL BEFORE the Lord and WAIT PATIENT-LY for Him.

WORDSEACH BY Al Heemskerk

THE FIRE YOU KINDLE FOR YOUR ENEMIES OFTEN BURNS YOU MORE THAN THEM!

WHAT A CONCEPT

Whoa! What in the world is happening with our kids today? Let's see...

I think it started when Madalyn Murray O'Hair complained that she didn't want any prayer in our schools, and we said OK.

Then someone said you had better not read the Bible in school-the Bible that says thou shalt not kill, thou shalt not steal, and love your neighbor as yourself. And we said, OK.

Remember Dr. Benjamin Spock, who said we shouldn't spank our children when they misbehave, because their little personalities would be warped and we might damage their self-esteem? And we said, OK, we won't spank them.

Then someone said that teachers and principals better not discipline our children when they misbehave. And our administrators said whoa, no one in this school better touch a student when they misbehave because we don't want any bad publicity, and we surely don't want to be sued.

Then someone said, let's let our daughters have abortions if they want, and we won't even have to tell their parents. And we said, that's a grand idea.

Then someone else said, let's give our sons all the condoms they want, so they can have all the "fun" they desire, and we won't have to tell their parents. And we said, that's another great idea.

And then some of our top officials said that it doesn't matter what we do in private as long as we do our jobs. And we said, as long as I have a job and the economy is good, it doesn't matter to me what anyone does in private.

So now we're asking ourselves why our children have no conscience, why they don't know right from wrong, and why it doesn't bother them to kill.

Probably, if we think about it long and hard enough, we can figure it out. I think it has a great deal to do with "we reap what we sow".

Whoa! What a concept!
Author Unknown
Submitted by FCPO Member Paul
Houghton, from the Internet

ANDREA

My name is Joanne Verbeek and I am a police officer in Toronto. I am currently the Elder Abuse Co-Ordinator and work at our headquarters.

In March 1999, I attended a conference where I met a nurse who worked with seniors and she had a 22 year old daughter who wanted to join the police department. I told this nurse to have her daughter give me a call and I would give her some direction.

I received a call from the daughter, Andrea, and we made an appointment to meet at headquarters. Andrea said that her mother commented to her, "Go and see this lady, she will change your life. This comment stuck with me."

The morning that I was going to meet with her I was impressed to witness to this young woman when I was talking to her about joining the job. I made sure I had my bible and a track for her.

I met Andrea who I found to be a very nice young woman. She was energetic and intelligent. She asked me how I was able to leave work at the end of a day and not take the job home with me. I began to give her my testimony of how I have found my job much easier and enjoyable as a Christian than when I wasn't.

Andrea was very attentive and the more I talked to her the more I realized that she was very ready to accept Christ. She told me that the last couple of times that she went to church she made herself listen to the message and realized that it was very pertinent to her life.

I asked her if she wanted to accept Christ and she said yes. On the fourth floor of police headquarters, a young woman just beginning to embark on a police career gave her life to Christ. Praise God!

The fourth floor hallway will always bring back this special moment. I was fortunate to witness God working in a person's life and simply being a vessel He could use.

PC Joanne Verbeek Community Policing Support Unit

THE PEACE OF OUR LORD -SHARE IT TODAY One of the Christian Game Warden
Support Group crew sent this to the
group. I thought that you might appreciate it.

Bob

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS
These numbers are way better than 911.....

When in sorrow, call John 14

When men fail you, call Ps 27

When you have sinned, call Ps 51

When you worry, call Matt 6:19-34

When you are in danger, call Ps 91

When God seems far away, call Ps 139

When your faith needs stirring, call Heb 11

When you are lonely and fearful, call Ps 23

When you grow bitter and critical, call 1 Cor. 13

For Paul's secret to happiness, call Col. 3:12-17

For an idea of Christianity, call 1 Cor. 5:15-19

When you feel down and out, call Rom 8:31-39

When you want peace and rest, call Matt 11:25-30

When you want Christian assurance, call Rom 8:1-30

When you leave home for labour or travel, call Ps 121

When your prayers grow narrow or selfish, call Ps 67

When you want courage for a task, call Joshua 1

How to get along with fellowmen, call Rom 12

If you are depressed, call Ps 27

If your pocketbook is empty, call Ps 37

If your losing confidence in people, call 1Cor. 13

If people seem unkind, call John 15 If discouraged about your work, call Ps

II discouraged about your work, call Ps 126

If you find the world growing small, and yourself great, call Ps 19

Dial direct, no operator assistance needed. Open to Heaven 24 hours a day! Feed your faith, and doubt will starve to death! He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

THE NATIONAL STRATEGY

Jim Sneep, National President FCPO (Canada)

There is an important outreach mission project this July at the International Police and Fire Brigade Games in Stockholm Sweden. Organized by the South African, Christian Police Association, Christian officers from different lands will be descending on the games in an effort to provide an outreach to the thousands of participants. If you would like more information contact the National Office or the CPA South Africa by E-mail at cpv@iafrica.com. Information on other projects in Macedonia, Guatemala and Russia are available through the National Office.

The PEACEMAKER has, by conscious decision, not ventured into the political grounds. We feel that is a matter of your own judgement. However, some recent events on the political scene gives us cause for encouragement. Whether or not the motivation to make the decision was based on personal morals or political considerations only, the right results were heard across the country.

First, a Reform Party motion that defined marriage as the union between a man and a woman was confirmed by parliament. The courts have given social recognition and legal benefits to all coupled people, the legislators have maintained God's definition of marriage.

Second, Mr. Svend Robinson, a BC member of parliament, brought a 1000 person petition to the government. The document, authored by the Humanist League? wanted God removed from the Canadian constitution. This was soundly rejected! Mr. Robinson claims that he was doing his duty to his constituents by bringing this forward. What about his duty to the constituents who belong to Christ's churches in his riding. Did he ask them about removing God (as if one could) before bringing the one-sided petition forward? Mr. Robinson's own party, which is known for backing leftist idealism, backed well away from this hailstorm. On tonight's news a letter from Mr. Robinson was read. He claimed that his party had deserted him. We say, and rightfully so!

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