

RURAL LIFE MISSION NEWSLETTER

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Dear Friends,

Recently we drove over to the RLM office in Hagersville late one night so as to be behind the worst of a storm that had swept across southern Ontario. There was such an extraordinary display of lightening. Environment Canada said that at one point there were 1,000 strikes every two minutes. One person in a news article commented on nature's power.

The natural world is indeed powerful. As Christian believers, we know personally the Creator and Sustainer of this powerful natural world that our God has made. In Psalm 97:4 it states "His [the Lord] lightnings light the world; the earth sees and trembles". In Psalm 135:7 it states that "He [the Lord] causes the vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth; He makes lightning for the rain; He brings the wind out of His treasures".

We just look in amazement at the power and majesty God created in our natural world. At the same time we acknowledge that He is a loving and compassionate God who has created everything for the benefit of mankind. But His best gift was sending His Son into this world to die on the cross for our sins so that we might have eternal life with Him forever. By faith, accept Him as your Saviour today!!

Remember to mark Saturday September 24th on your calendar. It is time again for our annual RLM Fall Banquet at Emmanuel Bible Church. The church is located at **24 Churchill Circle in Simcoe, ON.** The supper is at 5:30 p.m. and will again be catered by Cathy Easveld and her co-workers. We would like you to get a free ticket so that Cathy can have an accurate count for planning the dinner. Most of our board members have tickets or you can phone Sandra Hahn at 905-768-5958 or email her at sandrahahn@sympatico.ca . Please respond to Sandra by Monday Sept. 19th.

The program will be at 7:00 p.m. The special music will be provided by Bill Forrest's group "Gospel According to Country". A free will offering will be received during the program. Instead of having one of our workers speak this year, we want to continue with the 75th anniversary celebration theme. Many of you have commented to Sandra Hahn about your memories of Waterbrook Camp. I am preparing a Power Point presentation from the many slides that Mae took at the camp. I would also like YOU to share some of your memories of the camp, your time with Mae or any other aspects of the ministry of RLM. Three people have already given me short written memories. You can send them to the office, or email me at dlk10899@sympatico.ca. There will also be an opportunity to share in person with an open mike. The theme will be lighthouses as it was Mae's desire to see lighthouses scattered throughout the north shining forth the light of the Gospel of Christ.

In recent months, we have been saddened by the deaths of people who have been great supporters of the RLM ministry. Pray for the families of Helen Blair, Wally Reedhead, Kai Hilden and Mary Matthews. More details will be in this fall's RLM Record.

News from RLM northern lighthouses

Armstrong

Clinton graduated with honours from the Native Classroom Assistant Program at the end of July. He was also one of the valedictorians. There were 28 in total who attended DVBS in August. Ann says there are "four girls who are close to the Kingdom". So pray for them.

Thunder Bay Mission Home

Pennie was a counselor at RLBC for one week. Jack transported the Armstrong campers back and forth from town to camp. He spoke in Armstrong two Sundays while Clinton was away. He has begun the renovations of the old kitchen in the Mission house.

Round Lake Bible Camp

In spite of being short staffed at times during the summer, things went well. Talita was a big help, especially to Christy. She was also the chapel speaker for one of the weeks. Mark reports that numerous campers said they received Jesus as Saviour. Pray for growth.

Geraldton Faith Chapel

The Woods report that there were an average of 22 for DVBS and they were all well behaved. The town continues to struggle with unemployment and the issues that go with that. A few in the congregation are seriously ill.

Sprucedale Faith Chapel

The Nicholsons became grandparents on Father's Day with the birth of Titus to Aaron and Amanda living in Deep River ON. There were an average of 40 children at Day Camp.

Thank you for praying!!