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**CNBC Annual Convention**

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**CNBC Mission:** We are churches in covenant giving ourselves away to advance the Kingdom of God.

**CNBC Vision:** 1,000 healthy, Kingdom-focused churches by the year 2020.





# Connecting

## CNBC sees steady growth this year

Gerry Taillon

National Ministry Leader



God continues to bless us with skillful godly leaders who are called by Him to give themselves away to advance the Kingdom of God.

We are celebrating our 30th anniversary at the Annual Convention, July 1-2 in Cochrane, Alberta. It is hard to believe that the Canadian National Baptist Convention is already 30 years old. Thirty years ago we started out with 53 churches and today God has given us 335.

God has been faithful and has blessed us in incredible ways. When we began this convention of churches we were almost all located in Western Canada. Today more than 140 churches are located east of Winnipeg. God has given us rapid growth in our two most populous provinces, Ontario and Québec. Most recently Québec had the highest percentage of growth in membership, worship attendance, and baptisms. This is evidence of the powerful work of God in a place that we would have considered the hardest in Canada, before He chose to show His ability to transform lives even in the most difficult places.

This year we have seen major growth across the convention in total membership (+18 percent), average worship attendance (+13 percent), average Bible study attendance (+5 percent), and total baptisms (+12 percent). For the first time ever the total membership in our churches is more than 20,000.

Last year we saw a record increase in gifts given through our Cooperative Giving Program of more than \$100,000 (+15 percent). More and more of our churches are participating in this cooperative venture which is enabling us to expand programs and resourcing to our churches and their leaders, and our mission around the world.

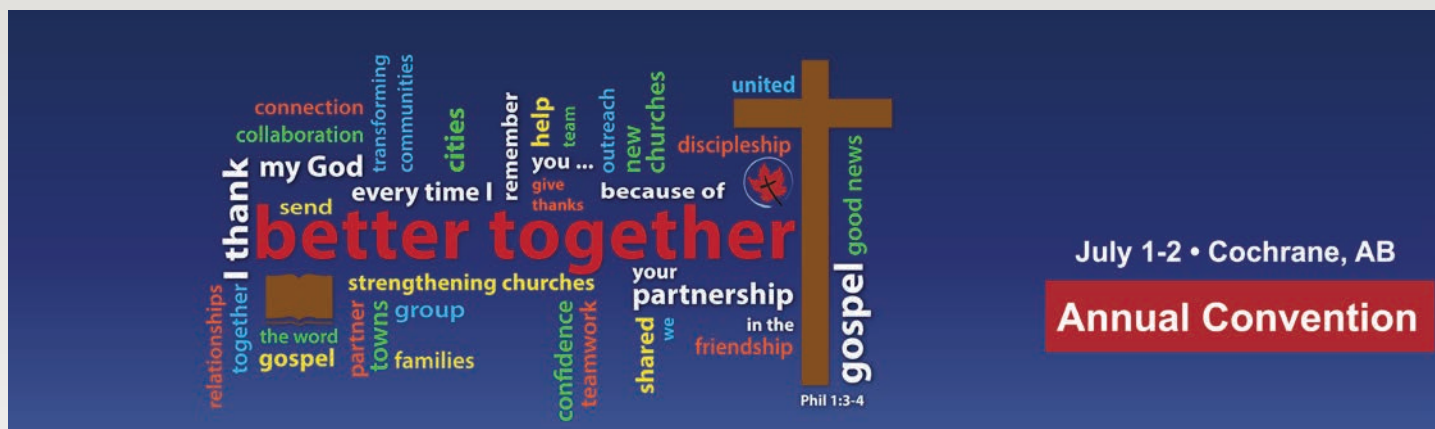
We are now focusing more attention on disciple-making and on strengthening churches and have completely updated and upgraded our new [e-quip.net](http://e-quip.net) training site. It contains more than 1,500 training videos available to anyone who has access to the internet. Along with that we operate a site called [lead360.ca](http://lead360.ca) which enables any church or association to run a training centre with curriculum and record-keeping made simple, so anyone can operate their own school.

Last year we also planted 25 new churches across Canada. Our church planting team has trained and equipped an increasing number of church planters and church planter apprentices in order to have a growing number of trained church planters in the pipeline.

Every church planter was assessed and evaluated so they could be better equipped to plant churches that would prosper and be healthy. By increasing support to our church planters and church plants we are seeing a higher and higher percentage of success while lowering the percentage of church plants that do not make it.

God has always been there for us in the CNBC. He continues to bless us with skillful, godly leaders who are called by Him to give themselves away to advance the Kingdom of God. I believe the next 30 years of the CNBC will see even more growth and enable us to reach more people with the Good News of Jesus Christ. He should receive all the glory for all the great things he has done among us.

GET TO KNOW THE CNBC



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# A Piece of the Plentiful Harvest

By Stephanie Beaulieu

I met Eden\* in a mom and baby class in the summer of 2012. The Lord was drawing me to a heart He was already at work in.

A year went by of play dates and casual conversations. Eden asked me faith questions. She shared she was under a lot of stress. Her marriage to Doug\* was struggling.

I began praying. I had a sense that God was at work. Over the next couple of weeks I shared scriptures with her and spent time listening.

Without Jesus her situation looked completely hopeless: a tangled web of hurt, resentment and anger influenced by abuse and addiction. With Him, the two masterpieces buried below many layers of muddled choices and pain, were waiting to be called out. She said, "Others are telling me to get out but when I talk to you I have peace and hope."

On the Pray for the Harvest prayer cards, there are three instructions: Stop and pray. Take time to care. Be ready to share. These simple steps help fight the spiritual battle as Jesus draws people to Himself.

**Stop and Pray is the simplest:** Pray with boldness.

My prayers became specific, believing God's will based on scripture. I prayed that God would crash into Doug's darkness and pursue him. I prayed that God would give him healthy outlets to deal with his pain and bring people into his life who would share truth.

I prayed that Eden would put her hope in Jesus, and have perseverance and patience. I asked God to grow her desire for Him.

After hearing a testimony of a ministry called Freedom Session, I prayed that they would find

their way to that program. There were discouraging reports along the way. But God kept urging me to believe He was at work.

**Take Time to Care:** This is challenging as it requires time and resources to take opportunities to tangibly love others.

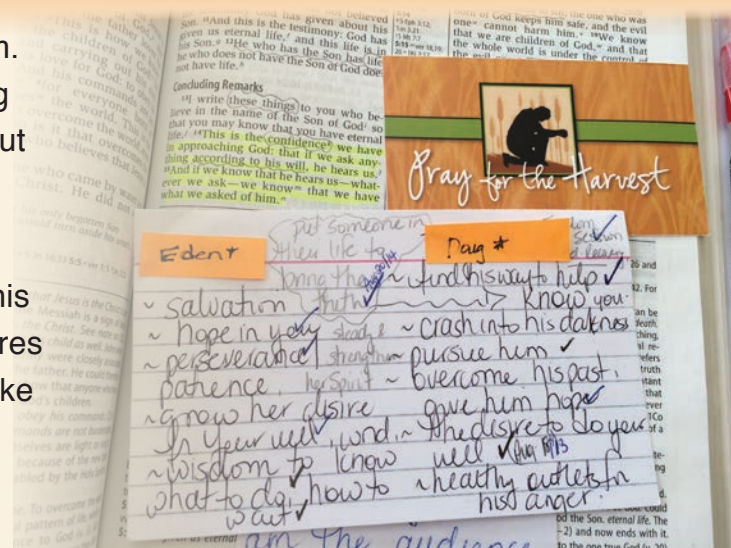
During this time Eden moved away. I felt limited in how I could care but took opportunities that God brought my way. I sent them a marriage resource and a faith based film. I found a church in their area that offered Freedom Session and made contact with a ministry couple who was able to connect with them.

**Be Ready to Share:** Don't be discouraged if people don't respond immediately. Though I was praying for someone to share truth with Doug, he was only surrounded by darkness. I decided that until God sent someone else, that someone was me. I sent them both a Facebook message containing the gospel message and a link to a YouTube video entitled, "Why I Hate Religion, but Love Jesus."

When they heard the gospel during Freedom Session, they responded. God had prepared their hearts. On Easter Sunday, almost three years after that first honest cup of coffee, Eden texted photos of their baptism. Tears of joy welled up in me. God has done an incredible work and reminded me of the power of prayer.

The harvest is plentiful. Ask Him to open your spiritual eyes and ears to be aware of where He is at work. **Stop and pray, take time to care. Be ready to share.**

*\*Names are changed.*



**Keep a reminder list of the people you are praying for on a Pray for the Harvest prayer card.**

**Click here to print one card for yourself, or a full page of cards for your praying friends.**



**Click for an interactive prayer calendar.**



## Pray for the Harvest 2015

**Did you "Pray for the Harvest" in May?**

If you missed out you and your church can pray in June, or any time. **Click here to find all of the resources** you will need to lead your church to "Pray for the Harvest."

**Click here to watch a video** about Kevin Briscoe and Slingshot Church in Northern Ontario. Pray for Kevin and his ministry with poverty stricken communities and also with prison inmates.





**CNBC Grounds • 100 Convention Way & Bow Valley Baptist Church • 54 West Aarsby Road**

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***At CNBC Grounds – 100 Convention Way***

**1:00 . . . . . Registration**  
**3:00 . . . . . Celebration Fair Opens**  
**5:30 – 6:30 . . . . . Dinner is served (by donation)**  
**7:00 . . . . . Opening Ceremonies and Celebrations**  
**8:30 . . . . . Ice Cream Social & Evening Activities**

***At Bow Valley Baptist Church – 54 West Aarsby Rd***

11/11/2019

*Child care begins 30 minutes prior*

9:00	Call to Order . . . . .	Gerry Tailon
9:15	Reporting Fair . . . . .	x2 Stations
9:45	CGR. . . . .	Abraham Shepherd
10:05	Seating of Messengers . . .	Credentials Committee
	Seating of New Churches . .	Credentials Committee
	Nominating Committee Report. . . .	Linda Jarrett
	Appointment of Committees. . . . .	John Evans
10:20	Election of Officers . . . . .	John Evans

**Ministry Wives & Women in Ministry Luncheon**  
12:30 at Bow Valley (see p. 24)

## E-equip to be Better Together

*Child care begins 30 minutes prior*

**2:00 – 3:00.** . . . . (see schedule online) . . . **Session 1**  
**3:00 – 3:25.** . . . . . . . . . . **Break**  
**3:25 – 4:30.** . . . . (see schedule online) . . . **Session 2**

**Evening Celebration & Missions Service**  
**7:00 at Bow Valley**

*Child care begins 30 minutes prior*





# Annual Convention registration and information at [cnbc.ca](http://cnbc.ca)

Click buttons below for details

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E-quip Sessions

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Child Registration



## Nominating Committee Report

To the CNBC Annual Convention Meeting in  
Cochrane, Alberta – July 2015

National Leadership Board/CNBC Foundation  
(4-year terms - reflected as of 2015)

Name	Going into Year of Term	Province
John Evans . . . . .	.4 . . . . .	PE
Gerald Hutchman . . . . .	.4** . . . . .	BC
ReJean Cloutier . . . . .	.3 . . . . .	QC
Kim Goodfellow . . . . .	.3 . . . . .	ON
Debbie McDowell . . . . .	.3 . . . . .	MB
Hugh Morrison . . . . .	.3 . . . . .	NS
Roy Spannagel . . . . .	.3 . . . . .	AB
DJ Castilleja . . . . .	.2 . . . . .	SK

\*\*Years spent as an officer do not count toward term

Trustees of Canadian Southern Baptist Seminary & College  
(4-year terms - reflected as of 2015)

Name	Going into Year of Term	Province
Cathey Chisholm. . . . .	.4 . . . . .	AB
Ben Marshall . . . . .	.4 . . . . .	ON
Richard MacNeill. . . . .	.3 . . . . .	ON
DK Hale . . . . .	.2 . . . . .	AB
Terry Branscombe . . . . .	.1 . . . . .	NB
Nelda Kabesh. . . . .	.1 . . . . .	BC
Nominating Committee: Linda Jarrett • Gerald Hutchman		

Watch for Reports to be posted  
at [cnbc.ca](http://cnbc.ca) before convention meetings

## Youth Activities

July 1 & 2

Come with your family,  
your church or even  
by yourself!

There will be:

- Kick-off Rally
- Canada Day Party:
- Live music
- Fire Pit
- Fireworks 
- Ice Cream
- Pancake Breakfast
- Service Project
- Games Area -  
featuring life-size  
Hungry Hungry  
Hippo
- Closing Rally

Youth Registration

## Children's Program

July 1

Parents will be responsible for  
their children on this day.

*A quiet room will be provided for  
moms to drop off babies to nap.*

July 2

Children's session at Bow Valley  
Baptist Church

Theme:

*Get Your Heart "In-Shape"*

8:30 - 12:30

1:30 - 4:30

6:30 - 9:00



Special Treat for the Kids:



Bow Valley Baptist  
Church BKC  
Choir will perform  
"Journey Off the  
Map" for all of the  
children.

Child Registration



# Population growth fuels surging church planting need in Calgary



Less than three months after arriving in Calgary, NAMB church planter Brett Myers was asked by local leaders to put together the Mahogany community's Canada Day celebrations on July 1, 2014. The effort went so well they've been asked to organize the celebration again this year.

*Photo courtesy  
Brett Myers*

*By Tobin Perry*

CALGARY, Alberta—Pastors beware. Head on a mission trip to Calgary, and you may be there for life. That's what happened to Brett Myers, who had been pastoring Corinth Baptist Church in Westminster, S.C., for two and a half years, when he arrived on a mission trip in the summer of 2012.

"I was just broken by the need in the city," Myers said.

To Myers' surprise, the need for new churches in the city was more tangible than he had thought.

As he made plans for his church's next mission trip to the city the following year, he told Pastor Bo Neal, who leads the local Calgary church with whom Myers had been partnering, about his family's growing call to church planting. Neal then told Myers that the manager of a nearby homeowners association had come to him recently to ask him to start a new church in her new community.

"So now, for three weeks, we've been praying God would send us a church planter," Neal told Myers.

After much prayer and a visit to the city a few months later, [Myers and his family arrived in](#)

[the spring of 2014](#) and began making plans to start [Southwinds Church Mahogany](#).

But with only one [Canadian National Baptist Convention](#) (CNBC) church for every 53,627 people in the city, Calgary needs more than just one new church. And the churches that are in the city are small. According to Bob Shelton, the North American Mission Board's (NAMB) [Send North America: Calgary](#) city missionary, the 27 CNBC churches in Calgary have a total of 1,850 people in them.

"It's tough to wrap your mind around the differences in ministry in a city where so many people have such little exposure to the gospel," said Myers, who is currently a NAMB church planting apprentice in Calgary. "In South Carolina—not to say there's not a need for more churches there or anything like that—but when you talk to someone they have some kind of basis for understanding of the gospel. Here, a lot of times, there's not."

Calgary and [Edmonton](#), both NAMB Send North America cities, are the two largest cities in the Canadian province of Alberta. Calgary has more than 1.2 million people. According to the [Calgary Herald in 2012](#), the city had the [\(more ... p. 7\)](#)



# Calgary church planting need

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highest population growth in Canada over the previous 10 years. Much of that growth has come from an expanding oil and gas industry.

Housing is popping up throughout the city. Myers notes that the community where he is planting, named Mahogany, currently has about 3,000 residents but will include more than 40,000 residents by the time it's done. Because they are typically built to be self-contained, with all the shopping, educational and cultural needs met within the community itself, many of these communities will include opportunities for new churches to be started.

Shelton believes the biggest limiting factor in pushing back lostness in Calgary isn't the responsiveness of the residents but the lack of church planters in the city. The city needs church planters who will come to the city and stay.

"Particularly when people come here from the states, it is hard slugging here," Shelton said. "The ground is hard here spiritually, but it's also very cold here. There are several months of the year when it is brutally cold. You have to be a hearty soul to 'weather' the weather. You also have to persevere here because it takes time to build those relationships. It takes time to build trust. You've got to stay here long enough to share the gospel and see some of the fruit of your labour."

To help bring more labourers to the Calgary harvest fields, **Calvary Baptist Church** in Winston-Salem, N.C. has agreed to become the lead partner for Send North America: Calgary. As a lead partner, Calvary Baptist is making plans to send a church planter to the city, supporting church planters who are already there, mobilizing its congregation to serve existing planters with mission teams and networking among other churches to get more resources and people to Calgary. Last year the church sent two interns to help church plants in the city. This year they hope to send as many as five.

The church is actively recruiting a church planter who might come to Winston-Salem for three to six months to gather a core team to plant in Calgary.

Mark Gilbert, a lay leader at the church who leads the efforts with Calgary, noted that Calvary Baptist has nearly twice as many people in its worship services as in all the CNBC churches in Calgary each weekend.

"The people are super-friendly, super-engaging, but their frame of reference of Christianity is lost," said Gilbert. "Some of the planters will tell you that kids come to their community events where they talk about the Bible, and they'll have kids who have never heard of Jesus and never seen a Bible."

Myers says for his church plant and other planters in the city to have a spiritual impact on the level of lostness among them, they need the support of others. In addition to the need of resources and prayers from Southern Baptists, he pointed to a significant need of volunteer teams in the summer to conduct camps and other outreach efforts.

Those efforts, Myers says, will go toward planting multiple churches in the Calgary area.

"God has told us in the Great Commission, He has told us in Acts 1:8, to 'go and make disciples,'" Myers said. "Our vision is to plant new churches in new communities all around this city."

*Tobin Perry writes for the **North American Mission Board**.*

**"In South Carolina when you talk to someone they have some kind of basis for understanding of the gospel. Here, a lot of times, there's not."  
—Brett Myers**

Mahogany community's Canada Day celebration.

*Photo courtesy Brett Myers*



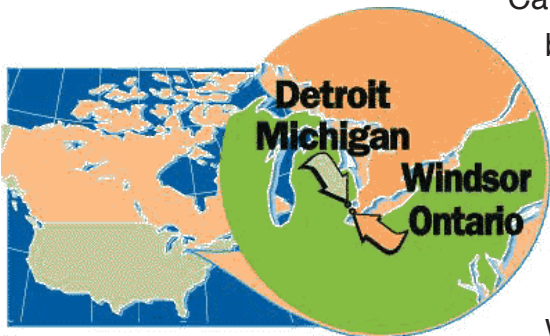




# Kingdom Seeds

## Kingdom Church Planting

Andrew Lamme  
NAMB Catalyst Ontario



Cross-border shopping is a common occurrence between Canada and the US, Canadians who live close to the border will often—weekly or sometimes daily—cross over into the US for a number of different reasons. Well, we have something similar to that in the Windsor/Detroit area; we'll call it “cross-border church planting.”

The Detroit River divides the major metropolitan areas of Detroit, Michigan, and Windsor, Ontario—an area referred to as Detroit–Windsor.

The two are connected by the Ambassador Bridge and the Detroit–Windsor Tunnel. In this photo Windsor is on the left and Detroit on the right.

A number of years ago, when the North American Mission Board (NAMB) appointed Dr. Kevin Ezell as its new president, dramatic changes began for those in the church planting area of NAMB. Thirty-two cities were identified as “SEND Cities” in North America. Canada officially has five SEND Cities: Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Toronto, and Montreal. We have been able to add Windsor, Ontario, to another US SEND City: Detroit, Michigan. Officially it is SEND Detroit, but they have included Windsor in their area to help a Windsor church plant.

Just under two years ago I received a phone call from a colleague in another denomination about a potential church planter, Garth Leno, who was thinking about starting a new church in Windsor. For those who are not familiar with the Southern Ontario area, the drive from Toronto to Windsor takes anywhere from four to five hours. As I was driving to meet with Garth I wondered how I would be able to support him, being so far away. The CNBC has no churches west of Kitchener and that would mean at least a three and half hour drive for anyone going there.

Thankfully God was working way ahead of me on this one (as He always is). After a few initial meetings, SEND Detroit was invited into the conversation. The reason being is that they had the ability to be an incredible resource and support for Garth in his new church, The Gathering. The vision that God had laid on Garth's heart was a big one and we wanted to do all that we could to help.

The next question: How can a Canadian registered charity work alongside US association of churches? This was going to be interesting to figure out. Enter Gerry Taillon and Peter Blackaby. These two wonderful men were able to meet with Garth and leaders from SEND Detroit and the Baptist State Convention of Michigan to work out all the legalities of Canadian charities and US charities working alongside one another in cross-border Kingdom church planting. Of course, Detroit claims [The Gathering](#) as one of its churches as well, but it is also a CNBC church plant. Unique for sure, but it is working.

Here in Ontario we have been diligently working hard identifying leaders and helping start new churches. God is going ahead of us. From the west in Windsor to the furthest city east of Ottawa, to one of the larger northern cities, Sudbury, churches are being started. We haven't seen this before, but now it is happening. We have been praying for the workers and God is bringing them. Only He gets the glory in all this and we get to serve and watch Him working in our country.



# SBTC bolsters Montreal church planting initiative

By Tammi Reed Ledbetter  
Southern Baptist TEXAN

HORSESHOE BAY, Texas (BP)—Church planting efforts in Montreal gained ground when the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention’s Executive Board approved a \$100,000 grant to the North American Mission Board to assist in coaching church planters and student missionaries as well as encouraging evangelistic opportunities for Montreal churches.

Woody Wilson, a former International Mission Board missionary to France and church planter in Chicago, will serve as a Mission Service Corps missionary with NAMB for Send Montreal, one of the major city initiatives in the mission board’s Send North America church planting strategy. Wilson will guide the process of moving student missionaries to internship opportunities, then

placing them in apprenticeships that train them to plant churches.

The board also redesignated a \$250,000 grant approved last year to purchase property in Montreal for a church planter multiplication center and campus of La Chapelle Church. Instead of acquiring property, the change allows more flexibility for renting a facility and equipping new churches.

La Chapelle, since its launch in 2013, has grown to more than 900 people in attendance, reporting over 80 baptisms and more than 200 decisions for Christ during 2014. La Chapelle will plant two new churches in the next 18 months.

“Reaching Texas and touching the world is more than a slogan,” SBTC Executive Director Jim Richards told the board. “It’s a mandate of the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention.”



## CNBC Church Plants: Numbers 7, 8 and 9 in 2015

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**Assemblée Évangélique  
de Lévis**  
Lévis, QC

*Pastor/Planter and wife:*  
*James Smith & Suzie Saulnier*

8

**Église Communautaire  
Mosaïque**  
Quebec, QC

*Pastor/Planter and wife:*  
*Christian Lachance & Caroline Martel*

9

**Han Church**  
Port Coquitlam, BC  
*Pastor/Planter and wife:*  
*Ki Hyun (Jacob) Han &  
Ji Young (Hanna) Han*





# That they may know You

## Summer Community Outreach

Kathy Morales

Transforming Communities  
Team Leader



*By Melanie Morgan*  
*TC Administrative Assistant*

**C**hurches all over Canada are doing outreach this summer! From British Columbia to Nova Scotia, CNBC churches will reach new people who have never heard the message of salvation through Jesus Christ. Summer camps

and VBS are some of the most important outreach events in the life of our churches!

It is exciting to see the work and planning that is going into these events! We anticipate the results—seeing the lives of children, youth and their families changed as they come to know Christ.

VBS Leaders will help children see that God is the only way, the one they can depend on as their guide, in this journey of life.

Many churches have enlisted partners. In July, Mapes Baptist Church in Vanderhoof, BC, has a mission team coming to help them with VBS. Later, another team will help them lead an Archery Camp.

Sports Camps are very popular with churches and parents! Canvas Church in Victoria, BC will hold three different camps: Camp Create, Soccer Camp, and Tennis Camp.

Rendezvous churches will hold SU Sports Camps in each of their locations in the GTA.

PRAY for outreach from coast to coast this summer! Pray that many will hear the message of Christ and accept Him into their lives. Pray for the leaders as they prepare, and as they lead the children and youth. Pray for the follow up as church leaders reach out to the families of those who will participate.

CNBC churches can apply for a community outreach grant or Sports Camp [resources at cnbc.ca](http://cnbc.ca).



**Mo Wuthrich and Wanda Weston lead VBS training in Calgary.**



**Edmonton VBS leaders practice song motions during VBS training.**



**Genesis Church sports camp, Airdrie, AB.**





## Mosaic Lloydminster baptizes 25

LLOYDMINSTER, AB—Gathered at the pool area of the local Microtel Inn on April 26, almost 200 people stood around the swimming pool to watch 25 people—mostly millennials who have given their lives to Christ within the last six months—get baptized, publicly professing their faith in Jesus. Pastor Jon Las and some discipleship group leaders shared stories about how each candidate came to faith, as they stepped into the water.

Jayly, one of the baptismal candidates, was going through depression when she came to faith in Christ through the witness of a friend. She started attending a discipleship group and Mosaic church services, and Christ brought joy into her life. When news of a “Baptism Bash” was announced, she was the first one to sign up. The friend who shared the gospel with her was the one who baptized her.

Dubbed as “Baptism Bash,” the atmosphere at the baptism service was far from solemn. “As our mission statement reads, we love to see people ‘made alive and included in Christ,’ we want the baptism service to have a lively party vibe since after all, people are publicly declaring their transition from death to life!” says Pastor Jon Las, lead pastor of the one-year-old church. “God has done great things in people’s lives and it all deserves a celebration!” he adds.

The church rented the largest function room in the hotel for an “after party” luncheon for the candidates, congregation and guests. “I have never been to a baptism service this rad!” said Hayden,

17, who brought his girlfriend to church for the first time that day. His family started attending Mosaic early this year.

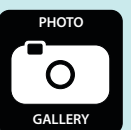
Mosaic baptized 44 people in 2014. With four more baptism services scheduled for the rest of the year, the church prays for and pursues its 2015 goal of 100 baptisms.

JP David, a worship leader who had the privilege of baptizing a teenager from his small group, expressed, “We know God could bring more people and exceed that number for His glory.”

Since the church started in April 2014, more than 220 people have prayed to receive Christ as Lord and Saviour. They currently hold services at a local community theatre and have a total worship constituency of more than 400 people.

**Mosaic church celebrates the baptisms of 25 believers.**

Click for more baptism photos.







# En Route

Partnering is easier than you might think!

By Peter Blackaby  
Canadian  
Mobilization Director



Partnership does not always mean a large mission team, nor does it mean just finances. Partnership merely means walking together in the same direction and supporting each other along the way.

Whether you are a supporter or a planter, here are a few ideas that might help you connect and partner together better:

## 10 Random Ways to Help a Church Plant

Here are a few ways that you can serve a church plant individually, as a family, as a small group, or as an entire church:

1. Adopt a church planter family and pray for them every day or every week.
2. Offer to serve with a church plant for one weekend to give their regular volunteers a reprieve.
3. Help a church planter spread the word on social media. Mention them in your own posts. “Retweet” on Twitter. “Like” their posts on Facebook.
4. Mail a restaurant gift card to the church planter family so they can enjoy a meal out together ... Subway or The Keg, your choice!
5. Offer to be an on site or remote administrative assistant for a couple hours each week.
6. Send a one time gift to the church plant from your tax return.
7. Be willing to loan items for an event such as canopies, portable basketball hoops, and generators so that they have to rent fewer items.
8. Mail birthday cards to the church planter and his family.
9. Help fundraise for special community projects that the church plant is involved in (scholarships to summer camps, backpacks for back to school, etc.) or put the church plant in your regular monthly budget.
10. Have a children’s Sunday School class pray for a church planter and his family, then mail a handmade card from the children to the family.

## 10 Random Ways a Church Planter Can Partner Back

If you are a church planter, remember that partnerships are a two way street. Here are a few ideas of how you can reciprocate with partner churches and supporters:

1. Mail a postcard from your city to the partner church or supporters. Just say thank-you for praying, sending a volunteer team, etc.
2. Email your partner church and supporters at least monthly ... and extra emails when special things like baptisms happen.
3. Phone your partner church every few months. It’s all about relationship—share exciting news, but also be sure to hear how they are doing!
4. Accept invitations to be on site with your partner churches. Do whatever you can to be there and say “thank-you” in person whenever invited.
5. Look for ways that you can serve with your partner church ... maybe it is sending one person to join one of their mission teams. Maybe it is sending a few people to serve alongside them for a special event they are doing.
6. Be ready when they step foot on the ground with you, maximize their volunteers’ time and effort. Orient them to your context, be prepared, and you (or a team member) serve alongside them as much as is possible.
7. Ask your partner church for prayer requests and have your core team pray for them with you. Maybe even pray for these in your gathered worship time.
8. Mention your partner churches by name regularly so that your young church family becomes familiar with the larger network who partners with you.
9. Mail birthday cards to partner church pastors, missions leaders, and key supporters.
10. Say “thank-you” ten times more often than you say “please!”

Partnering needs to be intentional and is often sacrificial, but it is probably also still easier than you might think, especially when resources and tasks flow out of a context of a mutually encouraging relationship.

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## Springbank Chinese Baptist baptizes six new believers

**CALGARY, AB—**On Easter day the new Springbank Chinese Baptist Church in Calgary baptized six new adult believers. Richmond Hill Baptist Church provided the use of their baptistry for the service.

Each new believer—all former atheists—shared his or her story of encountering Jesus. Every one mentioned that the lifestyle of one or more Christians was the initial influence to lead them to be open to the gospel.

These new believers testified to the miracle of being transformed from a proud, self-sufficient, judgmental person who believed in his/her own goodness to a person willing to stand before a crowd and confess one's personal sin and commit to depend on Jesus instead of self.

Family and friends were invited to the baptismal service. For some of these guests it was their first time to ever attend a worship service. Around 30 percent of those attending were not yet believers.

Some of the adults taught a children's class during the service. In the process of telling the Easter story, a teacher asked the children, "On Easter who died and came back to life?"

One little boy—about 5 years old—as seriously as he could, said "the Easter bunny." It was only the second time in his life he had ever been to church.

When it was explained that it wasn't the Easter bunny, but Jesus Christ, he had no idea what the teacher was talking about.

One of the teachers, Mr. Jones, says, "God reminded me that there are children and adults

living all around me who really don't have a clue what Easter is about and who Jesus Christ is."

One baptism candidate was Lin. She shared: "In December 2013, I was diagnosed with breast cancer. Three days ago, my doctor told me that my cancer has spread to my brain. Statistically, I only have one to two years to live. At that moment, I went crazy! Then I experienced hopelessness, despair, bitter remorse, complaints—you can't even imagine my desperation. No one could comfort me.

"When I was feeling so desperate, everything was meaningless, and nobody could give me any peace. Not even my husband and my only son. Nothing they did could make me feel any better," Lin said. "Then I started to listen to the Bible. It was so amazing and powerful that I found strength and peace by listening to the Bible. This experience is something I could not believe before.

"Only God can give peace and hope, nothing in this world can. I am so thankful to Him. I stand before God and pledge that no matter how difficult the road ahead, long or short, I will never again fear. I will give everything to Him."

Even Lin's unbelieving husband tells his friends, "I can't imagine how we would survive this if Lin had not become a Christian!"

Springbank Chinese Baptist Church was started in October 2014 as a church plant, sponsored by Truth Baptist Church, Calgary. They meet on Sunday mornings in a local school.

Diana prays for and presents baptism certificates and gifts to Ruby, Lin, Judy, Ratchel, Crystal and Ran.

**"Only God can give peace and hope, nothing in this world can."**  
—Testimony of a new believer, Lin

Click for baptism photos.







# From Preparation to Presentation

By Elaine Phillips

COCHRANE, AB—Dr. David S. Dockery gave the commencement address at the twenty-sixth graduation ceremony of the **Canadian Southern Baptist Seminary & College** on May 9. For his text, the president of Trinity International University and Trinity Evangelical Divinity School chose 1 Thessalonians 5:12–28. Five times a graduate himself, the speaker knew his audience would appreciate a message both brief and practical.

Dockery began his address by sharing the Apostle Paul's desire to balance beliefs with ethics, doctrine with lifestyle, and creed with conduct. In celebration of their moment of transition from classroom preparation to a lifetime of ministry and presentation, Dockery offered the graduates five guidelines from Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians. "Today does not mark the end of your education," he reminded the celebrating students; "instead it marks the beginning of the application of your education."

His first guideline was to "take seriously the call to leadership" (vv. 12–13). Leaders differ in their giftedness, and are called to different roles and responsibilities; leaders are to seek wise counsel, and live at peace with others; they will need to make difficult decisions and therefore need accountability, support and encouragement in ministry.

Secondly, leaders are to "become agents of reconciliation" (vv. 14–15) by cultivating patience, by renouncing retaliation, by pursuing kindness, being civil and praying for those who misuse them.

"Live consistently with and before others" (vv. 16–18) was the third guideline. Leaders are exhorted to be joyful and pray continually, always giving thanks in all things. According to Ambrose of Milan, "No duty is more urgent than returning thanks."

Furthermore, those in ministry are to "be wise in doctrinal and spiritual matters" (vv. 19–22). Following the example of Paul, Dockery urged grads to test everything according to the Scriptures, and to be wise like the Bereans (cf. Acts 17:11). "Make sure your ministry is grounded in a knowledge of the past, an understanding of Christian history and the best of Christian theology through the years," he encouraged his listeners. "At the same time, be expectant for the future."

Finally, leaders "continue to make progress on the journey" (vv. 23–28). "We make progress as we are sanctified through and through: progress in learning, progress in relationships, as well as progress in holiness and obedience. Nothing but the grace of God can accomplish these things." Dockery urged those graduating to remain lifelong learners—"Readers are leaders"—and to continue renewing their minds. [\(more ... p. 15\)](#)



Grad photo by Brenda Peacock

2015 graduates (left–right, front row to back): Curtis Philip Reimer, BCSMin\*; Kathryn Johnson, BCSMin; Ryshon Blazina, CCSSt; Scott Randall Baillie, BCSMin\*; Danielle Desaulniers, CCSSt; Jason Wilks, BCSMin; Donna Nemes-Boisvert, MCSMin\*; Laurie Louise Hale, MCSMin; Zheng (Joy) Li, MBS; Joshua James Poffenroth, DCSMin\*; Joonha Hwang, MBS; Kang Ryun (Peter) Lee, MBS; Jay Kenneth Colson, MCSMin; Isaac Akwasi Appiagyei, MCSMin; Paul W. Boel, MCS; Matthew George Rowley, MDiv with thesis\*; Robert Lee Booth, MDiv with thesis\*; Karl Frederick Snyder, MDiv\*; Zacharie Jean, MDiv; Troy William Selley, MDiv\*.

Degrees presented in absentia: Jaclyn Jordan, CCSSt; Francis Anthony (Tony) Kulpa, MBS; Eunsik Lee, MCSMin.

\*With distinction (cumulative grade point average of 3.8 or higher)



# Students bless, and are blessed on Seminary Day

By Bo Stevens

For many years the Lord has given our seminary the opportunity to partner with our convention churches for Seminary Day. The objective of Seminary Day has always been for students and staff to have the occasion to encourage and thank our churches for their support. However, more times than not, the participating churches end up encouraging our students and staff more than we could ever imagine.

The process of matching student or staff member with a participating church is a task that we take very seriously. As we compile the list of churches and individuals desiring to participate, we begin to pray for the Lord's direction. We ask that He might guide us in matching a student or staff member with each church. Often we do not see the full scope of His hand in this process until the participants return and report what they saw God doing during their Seminary Day assignment.

Let me share a few of those reports:

**Dr. Frankie Rainey:** "I went to [Jasper Place Baptist Church](#) in Edmonton. This church is Tori Behnke's home church. Tori started as a student at Canadian Southern Baptist College (CSBC) last fall. The most significant experience for me was two-fold: First, hearing Tori as she was interviewed by Pastor Jonathan Chisholm about what she had experienced at CSBC. And then having her dad say to me after the service, "That is not the same girl I brought to the CSBC campus last August! Praise God for the influence CSBC has had on her life!"

**Emily Buck:** "In my job, I deal with church planters through forms, emails, and spreadsheets. It was a blessing to me to be able to serve them in a practical way, get to meet their people, and learn better how to pray for them." Emily visited Bright City



Lights in Edmonton, where Jason Shine is church planter/pastor.

**Leona Papineau:** "The experience really made an impact on my life as well as my daughter's. [Southwinds Church](#) was so welcoming and excited for our visit. My daughter and I had the opportunity to do a skit for the G 5:22 class before the church service. The church service was focused on Seminary Day and Pastor Bo Neal and the church just poured their love and appreciation towards our school. It was a special day for us because they lifted our spirits and blessed us so much. I pray that I was just as much a blessing to them."

These are just a few samples of the reports we received following Seminary Day. This reporting process is so important to us, that we set aside our March 18 and March 25 chapel services so each participant had the chance to share what they saw God do as they went out for Seminary Day. As a seminary community, we were encouraged during these chapel times as we rejoiced in the testimonies of God's activity. If you would like to hear these reports from the March 18 and March 25 chapel services [click here](#).

Please continue to pray for our seminary as we seek to follow our Lord in training leaders for tough places. And pray about whether the Lord might want you and your church to participate in Seminary Day next year!

**Morgan Allen** (tallest in back row) visits Agape Chinese Baptist Church, Edmonton, on Seminary Day.

## Seminary Graduation

(from ... p. 14) Dr. Dockery encouraged the graduating class to be intentional about these things as they move from the classroom to the world of ministry, building on their years of preparation. "Over a lifetime," he concluded, "I believe that these five markers of leadership and ministry will make a difference for Christ and his Church, for the gospel, and for the Kingdom."

**Twenty-three graduates:** In addition to one diploma and three certificates, the seminary conferred nineteen degrees this year, namely four bachelor of Christian ministries (BCMin), one master of Christian studies (MCS), four master of biblical studies (MBS), five master of Christian ministries (MCMin), and five master of divinity degrees (MDiv), two with thesis.







# Church Administration

## How's Your T3010?

Joan Bruce  
Finance Team Leader



**Y**our first question might be “What’s a T3010?” All Canadian registered charities must report to Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) their activities, sources of revenue and expense on an annual basis. The T3010, Registered Charity Information Return, is the form used for this reporting and must be completed and sent to CRA within six months of the end of the charity’s fiscal year.

Failure to file this return on time may result in revocation of registered status, a penalty of \$500, and no guarantee of re-registration. **CRA does not give time extensions for this report.** Make sure that the information you send is complete and accurate.

If you are responsible for a church plant or mission church (Official donation receipts are issued using your registered charity number.) then you will need to include their revenue and expense

with yours. As you compile this information, it is a good idea to keep your worksheet on file tying in the information you are using to fill in the required fields on the form to the actual line items and accounting records of the church.

If your church’s year end is December 31, then you should be compiling this information and sending it in to CRA in the next few weeks. CRA does send the form out to all charities, sending it to the last known address they have on file. If, for some reason, you do not have the form, it is available on their website, [www.cra-arc.gc.ca](http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca). There is also a guide, T4033, which can be used to help you understand and complete the return.

If you haven’t already done so, let me encourage you to complete the return and get it sent in.

Then make your plans to attend the Annual Convention in Cochrane on July 1 and 2 to celebrate God’s goodness and how He has blessed our convention over the past thirty years!

**The T3010, Registered Charity Information Return ... must be completed and sent to CRA within six months of the end of the charity’s fiscal year.**

## Church plant springs from Easter party

By Jason Shine  
pastor/planter, Central Community Church

Easter is full of great news! But this Easter was extra special because of the events that took place at West Edmonton Village. Our church, Central Community Church (formerly Bright City Lights), hosted a great team from the world class campus ministry at Louisiana State University and their director, Steve Masters.

They agreed to help us, along with our local church planter catalyst, Stan Felder, and a young church planting motivated couple, Brian and Tatiana Garcia, with one of my crazy ideas, an Easter egg hunt outreach.

We connected with

almost 150 people on the Saturday before Easter. That led to 35 people showing up at an Easter Service where Brian preached the gospel and three people became Christians.

Young people who had never clearly heard the gospel before are now in our family.

Please continue to pray for Brian and Tatiana as they strive to disciple these three young people, and volunteer to pastor a church for their apartment complex and the townhouses around them. This area, West Edmonton Village, is home to literally thousands of lost people like the three that joined the kingdom this Easter!



This young boy is all smiles at the Easter egg hunt.

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Almost 150 people attend the Easter egg hunt at West Edmonton Village.





# Mission team takes life-changing trip to Brazil

By Ardell Milne

EDMONTON, AB—On March 13 a team of five—Andelina Langlois, Madeline Milne, Caleb Cook, Dennis Milne and Ardell Milne—from Open Door Community Church in Sherwood Park set off for the mission trip of a lifetime: Destination Florianopolis Brazil.

After months of planning and fund raising we finally arrived in the beautiful country of Brazil. The people we met were friendly and helpful. We had learned “um pouco de Português,” a little Portuguese, however certainly not enough to have a conversation. Those who knew no English were still kind and somehow we were able to understand one another. Thankfully we were working with IMB missionaries in Florianopolis, Stan and Wendy Meador who were often available to translate for us.

Sunday evening we attended our first church service. Pastor Dennis preached, translated by Stan, and Maddie was able to share her gift of music. Brazilians are focused on their families and Sunday is the day to be together, so the traditional church service is in the evening.

Monday afternoon, in the heat of the day, we climbed the hills behind the church to invite the teens who live there to join us in the park where we would share a little about Canada and then play games with them. Those hills were more like mountains, but what an awesome opportunity to see where they lived, and to take time to pray. We met with the young people a few times that week and were able to share Bible stories and the Good News of Jesus.

One day Agnoldo, our Brazilian friend, shared the gospel with the youth through a story about kite-flying, one of their favourite activities. We closed that day with a kite-flying contest and gave away three large kites as prizes.

What impressed me most was that even though these young people came from very poor families, who had very little, they still came with a smile. We learned very quickly that we are very blessed and that the “stuff” in our lives is not important.

One young team member, Caleb, gave his Team Canada ball cap, to his new friend Marco Antonio. He was so pleased to receive the hat; he said he would keep it forever. The best part of this story,



and probably the hardest part for Caleb, was that Marco Antonio used some money he had saved to buy a new ball cap for Caleb. Caleb was humbled and it was difficult for him to accept the gift, but you can only imagine the joy on Marco Antonio’s face as he presented the hat to his new friend!

On another evening Madeline was overwhelmed by the amount of money we spent on a special meal out. We had planned ahead for this meal, however none of us anticipated what it would feel like to see where these young people lived. Madeline broke down in tears and later that evening told me it broke her heart to realize that she was spending so much on one meal when some of the kids we spent time with would be sleeping that night on the dirt floor. As a mom that was the most precious moment for me.

Other activities included a second church service in the north part of the island, feeding the younger children, Bible study and a traditional Brazilian meal, visiting the beaches, a trip to the Naval Base, and finally breakfast on the beach, before returning home. All of the activities were more opportunities to build relationships and share the Good News of Jesus.

Along with new experiences, we have new friendships with people we will now call family. Our fundraising has already started and we look forward to returning in the spring of 2016. Please pray for us as we seek to do only what the Lord calls us to. Pray for our missionaries, Stan and Wendy and for Brazilian nationals Cristiane and Agnoldo who work with the children every day. Pray specifically for the people who live in the Costeira neighbourhood that they would find hope and joy in Jesus.

The Canadian team along with Stan Meador, Nicolas Correa, Agnoldo, Cristiane and Duda Gazola, Ariana Meador, Wendy Meador and Arlindo Conde

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# More Glimpses

Rhonda Forlow

By Elaine Phillips

Rhonda Forlow's grandmother taught her that "to be a strong woman is not un-Christian" and that God made her in His image. It is no wonder that Rhonda, who holds a doctoral degree in Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis and has worked as a general education administrator of a public school and a central office level administrator of special education, is a

strong partner in ministry to her husband, Brad, a church planter in Richmond, BC. Brad has a doctorate in Chemical Engineering.

In July 1998, as single adults, Brad and Rhonda both moved to Charlottesville, Virginia, each starting a new job. She was also finishing work on her degree at the University of Virginia where he was starting a research faculty position. They met while involved in the single adult ministry at First Baptist Church, Charlottesville and were married in July 2000. The Forlows have

three children, Lauren (13), Rachel (11) and Ian (9).

Recently Rhonda went on a mission trip to a South African orphanage to provide educational planning and care—one of several international mission trips she has been on. "In years past, I have served on mission in India and United Arab Emirates. This time, God connected me with The Mustard Seed Orphanage and Ministry Care in Maboleta Village, a small rural area in the mountain of QwaQwa, Free State, South Africa," she recalls. "I spent 16 days on mission, cooking for 60 children, counselling adults and children, doing educational assessments, and taking the children on field trips to participate in activities they had never been involved in before."

On one of these trips Rhonda took the children for a drive in a car. They also asked to see the "stairs that move." However, they were unable to find an escalator, so the little group went to a fast-food restaurant for hamburgers and milkshakes instead: "A first for them!"

Rhonda says, "I may have helped with the physical needs of the orphanage, but God used these children and their caregiver to teach me about His love, sovereignty, and His first calling in my life: my family."

In addition to being a wife and mom, Rhonda has learned that there is no average ministry day. She spends time counselling women who are not yet believers. Other days are spent volunteering in the local schools and with the local community centre; developing relationships over coffee, tea, or home-cooked meals; planning, coordinating and executing ministry events and mission teams; thinking, dreaming and planning for River Community Church and with her husband; and being his personal assistant to answer correspondence, work on budgetary items, help with partnership development, and develop and work on media.

While Rhonda's tasks are varied, her favourite part of ministry is the people. In particular, she enjoys discipleship, working with children and pre-teens, women's ministry, family ministry, counselling, and prayer.

"Ministry is part of my everyday life," she says, "and my everyday life is my ministry. I strive to live a life that is pleasing to God first, and allow my ministry to be shaped by God. I love learning about each individual, learning their story, and finding out how they fit into His Story. I love seeing their eyes light up when they understand how much God loves them."

The Forlows view church planting as "beginning a church in an area with little to no gospel presence, building relationships, and developing a group of people who are passionate about changing lives, transforming communities, and impacting the nations."

Rhonda grew up in a loving family of her own; as a child, her parents took her to church, prayed with her, read devotions each night, and instilled Christian values.

As a 6-year-old, Rhonda believed God wanted her to follow Him, so she prayed to receive Christ. She followed her decision by being baptized in the local river when she was 11. [\(more ... p. 19\)](#)



The Forlow family:  
Brad, Rachel,  
Ian, Lauren and  
Rhonda.



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# Mission trip best Christmas gift for teen

By Ellen Spannagel

For Christmas all I wanted was a mission trip. After spending time researching and asking questions, my parents and I decided that I could go with International World Changers (IWC), which is affiliated with the International Mission Board. The CNBC was gracious in helping me make this trip possible with a grant from the Canadians on Mission offering.

## Here are some reflections from my trip:

Too often we underestimate the power of a small smile, or a few simple words. In Ecuador, the IWC mission team I travelled with was faced with a culture that is founded on the art of being friendly. We encountered a people who have an entirely different understanding of the word “time” and its implications. Contrasted to the busy and future-focused lives of most North Americans, Quito Ecuador is a city in which people choose to live in the present, in the moment. As IMB Missionary Ron would say “It’s always six until it’s seven for the people here.”

For a mission group, this meant that people would stop to take the time and have a conversation, forfeiting personal time for an opportunity of exchange. It was in this way that our team discovered the powerful potential of casual conversation.

All you had to do was walk up to someone on the streets—the women in traditional Andean clothing selling fruit, the man pausing to check his cell

phone—and ask if they wanted to talk for a couple minutes about our different cultures and beliefs. The beautiful part was how evidently curious the people in Quito were; they were hungry to know why we believe in who we do, and their hearts were ready to receive.

Further, too often we are focused with producing tangible results of progress on our mission. Quito was a reminder that in order to gain someone’s trust, you need to give them the gift of spending time with them, developing a relationship, proving that you truly are making God’s love manifest. Whether we were playing highly competitive games of soccer or conversing in a relaxed coffee shop, creating relationships was the principal goal of our team.

Our goal was not to make converts, but rather disciples. In Quito, our team planted seeds in the hearts of many who have the potential to grow into disciples.

A last thought from my mission trip is that I am convinced that I often doubt God’s ability to use me to fulfill his kingdom. For myself and many IWC members, we found that only God and God alone can work through us “to change the leper’s heart and melt the heart of stone.”



Ellen Spannagel (left) makes a new friend in Ecuador.



## MG: Rhonda Forlow

(from ... p. 18) Rhonda is blessed by strong role models. “My grandmother read her Bible and prayed daily for her family, her country, and others,” she says. “She loved missionaries and taught me stories about them. She consistently talked to me about my relationship with God.”

Her mother taught her about hospitality, putting others first, sacrificial love, servant leadership, and loving the Lord with all her heart. “She encourages me when I need it, and prays for me daily,” she says.

Finally, her friend Brooke has been a faithful mentor during their call to full-time ministry.

Rhonda appreciates Psalm 46:10 because it reminds her to slow down and wait, and not to plan



everything in advance. “God will be with me, He will guide me, He will be made known among the nations,” she reminds herself on fast-paced days.

The first chapter of the book of James also holds a special place for their family: “God has walked with us through various trials—from almost losing our second daughter to congenital heart failure, to walking with her through various medical surgeries and procedures, to a congenital deformity with our son that led to two surgeries, to various moves. God has allowed the testing of our faith. But He is gracious.”

As God has walked with the Forlow family through each circumstance, He has shown them that He can be trusted. “He will always be with us. He will never leave nor forsake us. He never changes.”

*“Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth” (Ps. 46:10, NIV).*



# Starting Point: connects with the community



View the highlight video from Starting Point's Orchard Egg Hunt 2015 by clicking on the picture above.

By Mike Hauser  
Church Planter/Pastor

BURLINGTON, ON—Over the past three years as a church planter at Starting Point Church, I have been continually amazed at my own ability to trick myself into using outreach strategies that would not even work with me if the tables were turned. After being a Christian for more than 22 years now, it's amazing how disconnected I feel from the people I am trying to reach.

There is one insight though that has greatly helped me relate to my unchurched friends I am trying to reach through our church's outreaches and programs. Here's the insight in the form of a question: How would I respond to the exact same invite from my Muslim friend if the event or program were at his mosque?

*We are doing a kids program at our mosque down the street, and we're wondering if you'd like to send your kids. We will be teaching them stories and life lessons from the Quran and talking about how it applies in small groups. There will also be crafts, games, and snacks!"*

*We'd like to invite you to a free community BBQ with inflatables and games at our mosque this Friday following the mosque service. Invite a friend!*

God has made some promises about His Word (the Bible), the power of the Holy Spirit, and the life changing work of Christ on the cross that God has not promised regarding these invitation examples. If we are going to start engaging more hearts and minds of our unchurched population—as much as 97 percent in some areas

of our country—with the truth of God's Word, perhaps we need to start looking at some of our approaches (not content) through a different lens.

Perhaps we need to create more environments and opportunities on the turf of our unchurched friends that don't sound like a sales pitch to come to our building. This can allow for spiritual discussions to be initiated on their terms.

We've been dabbling with some events like this the past two years at our church plant. More than 1,800 people attended our Easter Egg Hunt in one of our city's parks. Last year, we served more than 3,000 people at our city's Canada Day Celebration. And instead of VBS, we built relationships with more than 160 families through our summer day camp.

We have a domain site that our event is named after, but use it to forward people to an event page on our church website ([See example here](#)). This has contributed to more than 5,000 video plays of our online sermons this past year. We've seen more than a dozen families/couples engage in a relationship with our church as a result of these events, and we are praying for even greater effectiveness as we continue to explore this approach.

We still have so much to learn as a young church plant, but are excited to hear so many positive comments from people in our community as they have come to know and appreciate our efforts in engaging the community and giving back. We are excited about what God is doing across our great land, and are excited to discover new approaches from churches across the country that are reaching the lost.

[Click here](#) to get to know more about Starting Point Church or [email Mike Hauser](#).



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**David and Connie Travis** announce the marriage of their son **Daniel Travis** to **Allison Bonds** on April 18, 2015. The wedding took place on the campus of Baylor University at the Armstrong Browning Library and reception followed at the Baylor Club, McLane Stadium in Waco, Texas. Allison is the daughter of John and Karen Hall.

David and Connie serve in Cochrane, AB, with the International Mission Board. David is logistics coordinator for IMB missionaries in Canada.



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**Rob and Jessica** announce the birth of their son, **Ian Joseph Buntain**, born January 30, 2015, in Surrey, BC. Rob is the English pastor of Surrey Chinese Baptist Church, Surrey, BC.



**Bob and Debbie Shelton** announce the birth of their granddaughter, **Norah Mae Macdonald**, born February 26, 2015, in Cochrane, AB. Her parents are **Abbie and Cam Macdonald**. Bob is the NAMB, SEND City missionary for Calgary/Edmonton; Debbie is editor of the *CNBC Horizon*.



**Kathy Morales** announces the birth of her granddaughter, **Arianna Jordyn Raine Rossworm** born March 29, 2015 in Calgary, AB. Her parents are **Jordan and Angela Rossworm** of Worsley, AB. Kathy is the CNBC Transforming Communities team leader.







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<b>BRITISH COLUMBIA</b>			
<b>CONGREGATIONS</b>			
✓ Bethel Romanian Church, Abbotsford	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$0.00
✓ Bethesda Karen Baptist Church, Surrey	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Blessed Baptist Church of Vancouver, Vancouver	\$30.00	\$150.00	\$0.00
✓ Bridge Baptist Church, Kamloops	\$444.08	\$774.54	\$0.00
✓ Chinese Christian Gospel Church, Burnaby	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Cityview Baptist Church, Vancouver	\$583.33	\$5,397.82	\$1,965.96
COTR Global Ministries, Pitt Meadows	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$316.27
Comox Valley Korean Baptist Church, Comox	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Coquitlam Chinese Baptist Church, Port Coquitlam	\$300.00	\$600.00	\$600.00
✓ Cornerstone Baptist Church, Kamloops	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ First Baptist Church, Grand Forks	\$463.99	\$930.72	\$1,050.44
✓ Gateway Myanmar Baptist Church, Surrey	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Great Commission Baptist, Aldergrove	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
✓ Immanuel Christian Fellowship, Vancouver	\$725.00	\$875.00	\$150.00
✓ Korean Baptist Church of Vancouver, Vancouver	\$100.00	\$400.00	\$300.00
✓ Korean Bethel Baptist Church, Delta	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$600.00
✓ Laotian Baptist Church, Surrey	\$580.00	\$580.00	\$600.00
✓ Living Word Chinese Baptist Church, Vancouver	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Logos Baptist Church, Coquitlam	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Mapes Baptist Church, Vanderhoof	\$0.00	\$945.00	\$1,257.00
Mien Baptist Church, Surrey	\$135.00	\$245.00	\$110.00
✓ Mountain View Baptist Church, Salmon Arm	\$557.86	\$2,571.37	\$2,842.81
✓ Okanagan Chinese Baptist Church, Kelowna	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,771.83
Open Door Community Ministries, Richmond	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Peace Korean Baptist Church, Langley	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Redeemed Baptist Church, Surrey	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Re:Generation, Langley	\$50.00	\$260.60	\$284.00
✓ Richmond Chinese Baptist, Richmond	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Richmond Chinese Christian Gospel, Richmond	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
✓ Richmond Gospel Baptist, Richmond	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
✓ Royal Heights Baptist, Delta	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,110.00
✓ Salmo Baptist, Salmo	\$149.00	\$466.00	\$570.00
Solid Rock Biker Church, Surrey	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$65.25
✓ Surrey Chinese Baptist, Surrey	\$450.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00
✓ Tent of David Fellowship, Vancouver	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$463.78
✓ The Church of Loving People, Langley	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
The Point, Burnaby	\$286.54	\$887.94	\$620.29
✓ The Potter's House Community, Westbank	\$354.70	\$991.44	\$1,499.49
✓ Towers Baptist, Richmond	\$0.00	\$2,162.50	\$1,050.00
✓ Uplands Baptist, Terrace	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Urban Village Church, Vancouver	\$351.46	\$806.43	\$275.99
✓ Vancouver Chinese Baptist, Vancouver	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,200.00
✓ Victoria Korean Baptist, Victoria	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$300.00
Vietnamese Baptist Linh-An Church, Vancouver	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
WestCoast Japanese, Vancouver	\$0.00	\$440.97	\$687.24
✓ Westlynn Baptist, North Vancouver	\$443.75	\$1,701.27	\$591.08
<b>NEW CHURCH PLANTS</b>			
Canvas Church, Victoria	\$1,045.98	\$1,517.58	\$506.60
Ekklesia, North Saanich	\$518.65	\$1,247.08	\$2,025.22
New Hope Church, Port Coquitlam	\$500.29	\$1,188.52	\$753.43
Origin, Vancouver	\$820.03	\$1,753.68	\$1,711.70
The Common Place, Coquitlam	\$17.33	\$44.00	\$101.43
The Crossings, Vancouver	\$445.00	\$1,264.00	\$944.83
Zendeh (Living) Church, New Westminster	\$83.03	\$367.20	\$213.50
Zona Cero Baptist Ministries, Vancouver	\$300.00	\$600.00	\$600.00
<b>OTHER PLANTS</b>			
His Will Church, Burnaby	\$19.65	\$120.45	\$0.00
<b>BCTOTALS</b>	<b>\$10,754.67</b>	<b>\$34,389.11</b>	<b>\$32,138.14</b>

<b>ALBERTA</b>			
<b>CONGREGATIONS</b>			
Abundant Life Chinese Baptist, Calgary	\$0.00	\$840.00	\$650.00
✓ Alpine Christian Church, Canmore	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Big Rock Baptist, Okotoks	\$0.00	\$3,711.90	\$2,344.65
✓ Bow Valley Baptist, Cochrane	\$3,955.84	\$12,325.29	\$21,646.27
✓ Bridge International, Calgary	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Calgary Bangla Baptist Church, Calgary	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
✓ Calgary Chinese Baptist, Calgary	\$1,821.26	\$4,249.76	\$3,979.94

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Calgary Korean Global Mission, Calgary	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Calgary Woori, Calgary	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$600.00
✓ Cambrian Heights Baptist, Calgary	\$1,984.61	\$8,126.27	\$6,015.83
✓ Christ International Assembly	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Connection Church, Fort McMurray	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Coram Deo, Grand Prairie	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Cowboy Trail, Cochrane	\$488.04	\$2,682.43	\$2,394.24
✓ Dovercourt Baptist, Edmonton	\$0.00	\$2,468.70	\$2,505.10
✓ Edmonton Chinese Baptist, Edmonton	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$350.00
✓ Église Baptiste de la Rédemption, Calgary	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Evangel Baptist, Edmonton	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Evansburg Baptist, Evansburg	\$910.39	\$2,913.57	\$3,211.00
✓ Fairview Cornerstone Baptist, Fairview	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Filipino International Baptist, Edmonton	\$0.00	\$4,692.96	\$4,863.35
✓ Grace Family, St Albert	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,338.06
✓ Jasper Place Baptist, Edmonton	\$0.00	\$2,873.52	\$3,731.04
Life-Touch Center Ministries, Calgary	\$0.00	\$2,944.00	\$2,709.14
✓ Newway Baptist, Edmonton	\$300.00	\$600.00	\$0.00
Red Deer Korean Community, Red Deer	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Richmond Hill Baptist, Calgary	\$0.00	\$15,296.63	\$24,419.24
✓ Southwinds, Calgary	\$0.00	\$3,510.00	\$3,308.00
✓ Tapestry, Tuscany, Calgary	\$0.00	\$2,927.62	\$1,719.62
✓ The Pathway Church, Calgary	\$0.00	\$5,709.51	\$3,765.99
✓ Trinity Baptist, Calgary	\$3,418.72	\$3,418.72	\$7,534.40
✓ Truth Baptist, Calgary	\$3,954.62	\$9,720.72	\$9,808.92
✓ Vertical Church, Cochrane	\$159.33	\$159.33	\$0.00
✓ Vietnamese Community, Calgary	\$465.00	\$465.00	\$1,500.00
✓ Westwood Baptist, Edmonton	\$0.00	\$2,600.00	\$2,666.71
✓ Worsley Baptist, Worsley	\$1,497.67	\$5,149.60	\$3,321.53

## NEW CHURCH PLANTS

Bright City Lights, Edmonton	\$0.00	\$464.56	\$0.00
Genesis Church, Airdrie	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Life Renewal Chinese Baptist, Edmonton	\$158.58	\$411.00	\$873.24
Missional Life Church, Edmonton	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mosaic Church, Lloydminster	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
Noel, Cochrane	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Springbank Chinese Baptist Church, Calgary	\$497.50	\$1,910.50	\$0.00
The Open Door Community Church, Sherwood Park	\$721.36	\$2,273.88	\$0.00

**AB TOTALS** **\$20,332.92** **\$105,445.47** **\$116,756.27**

## SASKATCHEWAN

### CONGREGATIONS

✓ Allan Baptist, Allan	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$77.00
✓ Bethal Christian Fellowship, Prince Albert	\$100.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
✓ Calvary Baptist, Moose Jaw	\$0.00	\$684.94	\$642.69
✓ Community Baptist, North Battleford	\$0.00	\$1,083.67	\$1,970.96
✓ Discovery Baptist, Regina	\$0.00	\$1,414.37	\$3,060.93
✓ Emmanuel Baptist, Melfort	\$1,666.66	\$4,320.48	\$3,256.05
✓ Faith Baptist, Saskatoon	\$472.90	\$2,163.13	\$2,282.33
✓ Hi-Way Harvest Fellowship, Smeaton	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$152.80
✓ Muskoday Baptist, Muskoday	\$30.00	\$105.00	\$75.00
✓ Scarborough Baptist, Prince Albert	\$300.00	\$1,450.00	\$2,750.00
✓ Watrous Baptist, Watrous	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
✓ Woori Baptist, Regina	\$442.25	\$1,132.35	\$336.00

### NEW CHURCH PLANTS

Battleford's Cowboy Church, Prince Albert	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00
Gronlid, Gronlid	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

**SK TOTALS** **\$3,011.81** **\$13,353.94** **\$15,403.76**

## MANITOBA

### CONGREGATIONS

✓ Garden Park, Winnipeg	\$1,581.55	\$3,603.14	\$3,250.72
✓ New Life Sanctuary, Winnipeg	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$250.00
✓ SALT Community of Believers, Anola	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
✓ St. Adolphe Bible Fellowship, St. Adolphe	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
✓ Tabor Baptist Church, Winnipeg	\$0.00	\$603.00	\$0.00

### NEW CHURCH PLANTS

Family Life Church, Winnipeg	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Renaissance Church, Winnipeg	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$450.00

**MB TOTALS** **\$1,581.55** **\$4,706.14** **\$6,250.72**

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## ONTARIO

### CONGREGATIONS

All Nations Church, Sudbury	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Bantry Gospel Seed, Richmond Hill	\$110.00	\$510.00	\$240.00
✓ Baptist International Worship Centre, Brampton	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$0.00
✓ Beacon Baptist Church, Victoria Harbour	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Bethel Romanian Baptist Church, Kitchener	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Bible Centered Fellowship of Toronto, Toronto	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Celebration!, Gloucester	\$0.00	\$2,116.28	\$1,893.57
✓ Dixie Baptist Church, Mississauga	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Eglise Baptiste de la Saintete, Scarborough	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
✓ Eglise Baptiste Haitienne Salem, Hamilton	\$0.00	\$588.24	\$744.47
✓ Eglise Evangelique Baptiste Eben Ezer, Ottawa	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,100.00
✓ Emmanuel Baptist Church, Etobicoke	\$500.00	\$1,100.00	\$300.00
Good News Baptist Church, North York	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Greek Gospel Church of Toronto, East York	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$400.00
✓ Iglesia Bautista Betel, Scarborough	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Mississauga Southern Chinese Baptist Church, Mississauga	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$350.00
✓ Oakville Christian Fellowship, Oakville	\$0.00	\$737.62	\$252.10
Polish Christian Church, Mississauga	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Sequoia Community Church, Nepean	\$4,500.00	\$17,000.00	\$16,600.00
The Sanctuary, Kerr Village	\$359.00	\$1,389.00	\$1,489.25
✓ The Sanctuary, Oakville	\$4,073.00	\$9,891.00	\$6,896.00
✓ The Sanctuary, Milton	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
The Sanctuary, Mississauga	\$0.00	\$1,255.87	\$647.90
✓ The Vine Church, Mississauga	\$60.40	\$193.30	\$292.05

### NEW CHURCH PLANTS

✓ All Nations Southern Baptist Church of Toronto, North York	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ekklesia, Toronto	\$24.20	\$130.20	\$225.25
Fellowship Church, Mississauga	\$446.65	\$2,322.65	\$1,713.79
Fellowship Pickering, Pickering	\$1,368.00	\$2,253.70	\$0.00
Grassy Narrows First Nations, Grassy Narrows	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20.00
Hamilton Ark Church, Hamilton	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Hamilton Bikers Church, Hamilton	\$0.00	\$81.00	\$94.65
✓ Hamilton Fellowships, Hamilton	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Life Eternal Asian Fellowship Canada, Brampton	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mosiac Toronto, Toronto	\$131.00	\$687.00	\$533.74
Ohr L'Goyim Messianic Congregation, Maple	\$0.00	\$155.20	\$497.32
Ottawa Good News Community Church, Ottawa	\$191.00	\$991.00	\$2,798.84
Pathway Church Kanata, Richmond	\$1,209.19	\$2,567.68	\$1,869.04
Refuel Church, East York	\$0.00	\$190.00	\$600.00
Rendezvous - Midtown, Toronto	\$32.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
SouthShore Bible Church, Barrie	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
Starting Point Church, Oakville	\$0.00	\$467.00	\$995.00
The Gathering-Windsor, Windsor	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$0.00
Trinity Life, Toronto	\$1,015.00	\$3,069.50	\$1,519.85
Vietnamese Baptist Church Mississauga, Mississauga	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Wabaseemoong Gospel Church, Kenora	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

### OTHER PLANTS

First Baptist Church - Orillia, Orillia	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
The Extra Mile, North York	\$24.00	\$72.00	\$0.00

### ON TOTALS

\$14,343.44 \$51,018.24 \$43,272.82

## QUEBEC

### CONGREGATIONS

Arabic Baptist Church of Christ of Montréal, Montréal	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
✓ Assemblée Chrétienne de la Grâce, Granby	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Assemblée Évangélique bon Samaritain, St. George	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Connexion Montréal, Ahuntsic	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$85.00
✓ Église Baptiste Communautaire Béthanie, Montréal	\$183.00	\$420.00	\$150.00
✓ Église Baptiste Évangélique de Maniwaki, Maniwaki	\$0.00	\$1,018.64	\$5,167.90
✓ Église Baptiste Galilée, Saint Hubert	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Église Baptiste Haitienne Siloe, Montréal	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,900.00
✓ Église Baptiste Nouvelle Jérusalem, Montréal	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$400.00
✓ Église Baptiste Shéba, Montréal	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Église de L'Amour du Seigneur	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Église de Rocher Vivant Communauté Chrétienne, Saint Félix	\$140.00	\$484.00	\$363.00
Église Évangélique Baptiste de Manahaim, Montréal	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Église Évangélique de Pointe Saint-Charles, Montréal	\$0.00	\$246.37	\$320.99
Église Renaissance de Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Église Renaissance du Long Sault, Grenville	\$0.00	\$780.00	\$1,199.50
First Romanian Baptist Church, Laval	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Greek Canadian Gospel Church, Montréal	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ International Christian Community of Montréal, Montréal	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ On Noori Korean Baptist Church of Montréal, Cote St Luc	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$250.00
✓ Renaissance Bible Church, Rawdon	\$365.74	\$1,154.66	\$1,257.20

### NEW CHURCH PLANTS

Antioch Baptist Church, Sherbrooke	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$20.00
Centre Connexion, Eglise Chretienne la Rencontre, Montréal	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$87.00
Church of the Lord of Lords, Saint-Laurent	\$0.00	\$700.04	\$0.00
Disciples Christian Fellowship of Montréal, Montreal	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Eglise le Contact, Repentigny	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Eglise le Refuge, Pincout	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Eglise Urbaine 180, Quebec	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Eglise Urbaine Axe21 (Magog), Magog	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Encounter, Sherbrooke	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$50.00
Initiative 22, Montréal	\$0.00	\$425.00	\$1,207.50
La Chapelle, Montreal	\$9,111.82	\$13,842.82	\$9,073.70
Passion Church, Beloeil	\$310.00	\$974.74	\$0.00
Source de Vie, Sherbrooke	\$504.47	\$504.47	\$0.00
The Village Church, Brigham	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

### OTHER PLANTS

Eglise Urbaine Axe21 - Sherbrooke	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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### QCTOTALS

\$11,845.03 \$23,530.74 \$22,831.79

## NEWFOUNDLAND/LABRADOR

### NEW CHURCH PLANTS

	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>NFL TOTALS</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

## NEW BRUNSWICK

### CONGREGATIONS

Hillside Church, Blackville	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
✓ Hope Community Church, Fredericton	\$0.00	\$838.00	\$1,840.00
Miramichi Valley Church, Doaktown	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,225.00
✓ Providence Christian Church, Riverview	\$0.00	\$447.76	\$0.00

### NEW CHURCH PLANTS

Eastside Church, Miramichi	\$199.50	\$641.50	\$162.00
Eglise Cite de la Grace, Dieppe	\$55.44	\$249.24	\$0.00
Refuge Church, Riverview	\$150.00	\$205.00	\$520.00

### NB TOTALS

\$704.94 \$2,681.50 \$3,747.00

## NOVA SCOTIA

### CONGREGATIONS

Baddeck Church Baptist Church, Margaree Valley	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Journey Community Church, Enfield	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Living Hope Community Church, Halifax	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
✓ Margaree Valley Baptist Church, Margaree Valley	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

### NEW CHURCH PLANTS

Christian Community Church - Cheticamp, SW Margaree	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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### OTHER PLANTS

Community Bible Chapel, Timberlea	\$809.85	\$1,204.47	\$0.00
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### NS TOTALS

\$809.85 \$1,204.47 \$0.00

## PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

### CONGREGATIONS

✓ Community Baptist Church, Charlottetown	\$1,054.98	\$5,609.16	\$3,160.32
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### NEW CHURCH PLANTS

Center Point Church, Montague	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Center Point Church - Charlottetown, Montague	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Providence Evangelical International Church, Charlottetown	\$58.50	\$503.47	\$733.00

### PEI TOTALS

\$3,113.48 \$8,112.63 \$3,893.32

## YUKON/NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

### CONGREGATIONS

Tli-Cho Baptist Church, Behchoko	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00
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### Y/NWT TOTALS

\$0.00 \$200.00 \$0.00

### OTHER GIFTS

\$100.00 \$100.00 \$265.00

### TOTALS

\$66,597.69 \$244,742.24 \$244,558.82

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