A Bold Initiative

A word used to describe the early apostles' witness for Christ was "bold." This meant they worked courageously and forthrightly. It will take similar qualities to advance the church of Christ in these challenging last days. The conference is laying bold plans to enter 8 cities where at present there is no Adventist church presence—Cold Lake, Fort Saskatchewan, Stony Plain, Beaumont, Chestermere, Cochrane, Okotokos, High River. Already this year work has taken place to establish a presence in Fort Saskatchewan.



Pictured to the left is the Darrell Beaudoin family—Lise, Aaron, Daniel and Pastor Darrell. The conference has asked them to be a church planting family and move from Lethbridge to Fort Saskatchewan. They have agreed. This family has a passion for winning souls to Christ and both Pastor Darrell and Lise will be employed by the conference in this endeavor. Pastor Darrell as the church planting pastor and Lise as a bible worker. Let's support this family and the initiative in our prayers.

Fort Saskatchewan Evangelistic meetings

Evangelist Vern Snow conducted a series of evangelistic meetings earlier this year in Fort Saskatchewan. At right is a planning meeting before the evangelistic series. In the picture are Don Corkum, Ted and Dorothy Proud, Pearl and Stan Fortunat and Vern and Mille Snow. The meetings were well supported by members in Edmonton area churches and about 15 guests attended. There were several baptisms and studies continue with others.



The heartbeat of Jesus

Working and planning to expand God's work keeps us close to the heart beat of Jesus. In both the gospel commission in Matthew 28: 18-20 and His final word in Acts 1:8 Jesus asks us to expand our witness for Him. A theme that is used in Alberta for church planting is "Increasing His Joy by Expanding His Witness." In fact in Mark 1 when Jesus was asked to come back to Capernaum and continue His work there, He stated: "Let us go into the next towns, that I may preach there also, because for this purpose I have come forth." Vs. 38. Adventist believe Jesus

is coming soon and when we work to expand His witness to new territories and people groups we show clearly that we believe people everywhere need to be prepared for that wonderful event.



West Edmonton Church receives a recognition for their leadership in church planting. Pictured to the left are Ethel Spence, a church elder; Terrance Horrell, pastor and Don Corkum, Alberta Conference church planting coordinator. The West Edmonton church was influential in establishing both Edmonton North and Mill Woods churches. Other Edmonton churches are also active in establishing new work.

Cornerstone Community Adventist Church organized on January 12

The new year started on a positive note with the organization of Cornerstone Community Adventist church. This was formerly the Remnant Company. Elder Ken Wiebe and Larry Hall led out in the organization service along with other conference personnel. Walin O'Connor, pastor of this new church, gave recognition to Faye and Milton Mullings for their evangelistic work that helped in



the establishing of this church. The membership is over 80 members and in the picture some of the newly baptized members are being introduced and voted into membership.

Upcoming Church Planting Events

April 27 Calgary Northwinds Company to be organized into a church

May 25 Calgary Sudanese group to be organized into a company. This is the first Sudanese Adventist church organization to take place in Canada. Over 10,000 Sudanese live in the Calgary area and many have Adventist connections.

July Camp meeting church planting meetings on Sunday morning and Friday afternoon—to be announce in more detail.

September 14 Church Planting Rally in the Calgary area.



Baptism at Calgary Bethany

It was a joyous day for the newly organized Calgary Bethany French Adventist Company to have their first baptism, March 23. In the picture are Donald Pierre, the pastor coach—he is a student completing his training at Canadian University College; Gloribel Agustin is the baptismal candidate and Pastor Reynold Ferary is leading out in the baptism along with Donald Pierre.

VOAR Christian Family Radio

There has been a change in leadership regarding VOAR radio in Alberta. Don Corkum has been coordinating the development of these stations in the past year and now the conference communications director, Troy McQueen will be the director of VOAR for Alberta. All applications and inquiries should go to him. Contact information is tmcqueen@albertaadventist.ca and the conference



telephone number 403-342-5044. Don Corkum will be promoting VOAR in the field.



Canadian Prayer Ministries

Pictured here are some of the delegates at the recent prayer conference in Asheville, North Carolina. It was held at the Billy Graham Evangelistic Center. The event was led by Ruthie Jacobson, NAD prayer ministries director. The Canadian representatives were Don Corkum, SDACC Prayer Ministries Coordinator and Virgil Covel, Alberta Conference Prayer and Revival Ministries Coordinator. Prayer is vital to empowering God's

work in these pivotal last days. It is hoped that a strong movement in prayer ministries will be evident across Canada. Without powerful praying we cannot have strong disciples of Christ or effective churches.

Presenters



Tom Evans
Andrews University



Dave Jamieson
Pastor, British Columbia



Jeff Potts

Manitoba-Sask. Conference

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Friday, 7 p.m. Church Planting Live-- with Reports--Evans

Saturday Afternoon Seminars—2:30-6:30

Two sessions: 2:30-4:00 & 4:15-5:45 & closing 6:00-6:30, then supper

Reaching Your Community Through Acts of Kindness—Jamieson

Extreme Servolution—Jamieson

Essential Steps to Church Planting—Evans

Creating a Healthy Mother Church—Evans

Church Planting to Reach Post Moderns—Potts
Keeping an Established Plant Vibrant—Potts

A Weekend You Will Remember

Each presenter is skilled in the area of his presentation and has achieved great success in God's work. Jesus is coming soon and we must expand our witness for Him! For further information contact your pastor or Don Corkum; dcorkum1@msn.com or 403-669-0706.

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