

Canadian Field Newsletter

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"Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. "- Romans 12:10 affectioned = from the Greek word "philostorgos", which means to cherish one's kindred and be tenderly devoted to one another.

honour - from the Greek word "time" (tee-may'), which means pre-eminence or to revere one before yourself.

Paul here speaks to us to cherish each other with a familial relationship just as he challenged the Roman's to do almost 2,000 years ago. But can we "Be" a family? Can we cherish each other? Can we be tenderly devoted to one another? Here Paul does not give any qualifications to this devotion but he just says "Be"! But Paul doesn't just leave it at that, no, he then tells us how we can "Be". "With brotherly love "time", or revere each one before ourselves. May God grant us the "brotherly love" to do just that!

WHO'S WHO





Augustus Ratneiya

This issue of Who's Who takes us to the French part of Canada, to the cosmopolitan city of Montreal. Located on the St. Laurence river, this city is one of the oldest in Canada. The city of Montreal has a population of over 2 million people from a variety of backgrounds. Most new immigrants to Montreal are from French speaking countries. The IMS has had a work there since 1982.

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Dear Brothers & Sisters,

My name is Augustus Ratneiya. I was born a Roman Catholic. I truly loved my church. My mother sent me to study in a Prestigious Christian College in my country. There I encountered many denominations, Baptist, SDA, and Methodist etc. I sometimes argued about the superiority of the Roman Catholic Church but like the Pharisee I always won the debate. One day one of my friends brought a Hindu friend who had become an IMS member and we had a discussion. He brought to me the issue of the true Sabbath being Saturday, but ignorant of the scripture, he showed it to me from his bible. But I ignored his suggestion. My argument was that all the religions print their own bible and interpret it according to their own preference. He suggested me to bring my own Bible. I was fortunate to have the best Jerusalem version of the bible at hand and when I referred to it I was amazed about what was written there. Then I begged my friend to come home with me. Slowly I started to have a bible studies and I read most of E.G. White's books. This convinced me about the truth and I was baptized in this church. I had many upheavals and down hills in my spiritual journey but the Lord whom called me to His heritage didn't forsake me. Even when I went through my sickness, when they pronounced to be dead in few days, I held on to the promises of Jesus and the Lord has sustained me. I believe only let your Lord mold your life sometimes in sorrow or in poor or wanting. Don't give up! The devil likes to over through you, but look at the Cross and look at your Father he loves you like he loves Jesus. We have this assurance in the bible and in our life. May God bless you and keep you!

CANADIAN FIELD YOUTH CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT

Plan to attend the Youth Conference in the Canadian Wilderness. August 1 to 7, 2005. For more information: www.4truth.ca/youthconference or by email: canadiansecretary@yahoo.ca

"As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far contry." Proverbs 25.25

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It is important that we support those people and their families that have dedicated their lives to being gospel workers. We ask that you would:

- drop them a note of support now and then for encouragement;
- support them with your prayers and offerings.

Here are their Contact details:

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Please pray for:

- Upcoming Canadian Field Committee meetings.
- Canadian Conference & Youth Conference.
- Missionary work that is going on throughout the Canadian Field including our workers.
- The publishing work.
- Strength and Unity amongst God's people.

WEB CORNER

Our Canadian Field website is currently being used by over 7,000 visitors per month.

Did you know that you can get Sabbath School lessons and other great resources there was well?

You can even take the KYB and Miracle Makeover course online!

London, Ontario:

Brethren, by the grace of the Lord we got a place to worship.

Actually It was the very first place I called to inquire but I was turned down because they were helping some other groups. This happened about a year and a half ago. Yesterday after praying and almost weeping before the Lord, I took the phone book and called several churches and Religious organizations including this one. And the Lord provided! We set an appointment immediately and I went to see the building itself. We can actually choose from the Sanctuary, Library, Auditorium and another building. I told them we could only afford 60 dollars per day and that was ok for them.

It is a nice church and it is also located in front of a beautiful park for other activities during the Sabbath. So you are all welcome to come and worship with us. (Actually I Do EXPECT to see you here) The address is : 451 Dunedin Drive, London ON. N6H3G9

Praise be to our Lord! Your London brethren.

Montreal, Quebec:

The church at Montréal has a special request. We have an interested soul in Montréal, whose name is Daniela. She is 34 years old and four years ago she was diagnosed with a cancer. She is a single mother. Her health got better since she came in contact with our church and accepted the health reform. She would like to take a natural treatment but it is not covered by the provincial health insurance. She has started the therapy a little while ago and feels much better now. Dear brothers and sisters, we kindly request financial help for this dear soul, to help her cover the expenses for her treatments. It would be so nice if we could help her in this very difficult situation. Br. Ino Yonov, 514-521-7272

Granby, Quebec:

Br. Andrade from Australia, has been visiting us here in Canada to help with the work in the province of Quebec. He has been working very closely with the interested people in Granby in particular. We look forward to promising results in the near future in this part of the Lord's vineyard!

Toronto, Ontario:

The Toronto church had a wonderful experience-welcoming Sis. Edeline Crosby into membership. She joined her husband Chester, who had been waiting for her to come from the Philippines for over a year. It was wonderful to finally have a belated wedding reception for them where the members could share their love for them and give them a few things to help them start out their new life together in Detroit.

We welcomed Br. Carl & Cecilia back as well and have enjoyed their wonderful Christian spirit.

Br. Kang from South Korea, came to Toronto for a week to work with some new interested souls that primarily speak Korean. It is a new area of interest in this large city and we look forward to exciting results from this promising beginning. Sis. Eunice got to practice her translation skills, as Br. Kang did not speak much English.

Planned missionary activities include visits to Senior's homes to encourage the elderly in our community.

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It is time once again to start making plans to attend the annual Canadian Field Conference. This year it will held at the Toronto Church, July 29, 30, 31. For more information or visitors seeking accomodation:

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We are developing new websites and literature. These will include material specifically targeted to health topics. If you are interested in submitting content (writing and pictures) for them, or helping out in other ways such as programming, please contact John Formosa at: canadiansecretary@yahoo.ca

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