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EDITOR'S NOTE

Welcome to the September edition.

If the ***last trump were to sound today***, do you believe you would be ready to meet the LORD? Would you be full of joy unspeakable, or full of dread and fear? **Hallelujah...** Brethren, let's live as if that last trump could sound at any time. Each day we need to prepare our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus as good and faithful servants, so that we will be qualified to join Him for the Lamb's Supper. And in the mean time don't neglect to keep His Fall Holy Day's in preparation for that time!

This month's featured article **When you shall see these things, know the end is near** is by Elder Horane Smith, followed by **All Things Are Ready - Come To The Feast!** by Lloyd W. Cary. Be sure to read the Infuse article **The Law of God - For Jews Only?** by Mike James, then check out the **Evangelism Ministry Update** with some pictures from the recent **Marriage Seminar**. Don't miss **Brunner Hill Blessings**, our **Member Spotlight**, and **Toronto Member Support**, plus view some pics from Kitchener and Toronto activities.

If you have an interest in providing Content for the monthly newsletter please contact me at the email below. I'd love to hear from you.

Revelation 21:3 NKJV "And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God."



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**When you shall see these things,
know the end is near**

Horane Smith



As we wait patiently for the Second Coming of the Christ, the Holy Bible wants us to know and be conscious of some of the scenarios that will unfold in the latter days. *“Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, 4 And saying, where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation,”* **2 Peter 3:3.**

The omniscient God we follow knows that this is going to occur in the end time. Increasingly, we are going to be hearing from the sceptics or the scoffers, casting all kinds of negativity and doubt about the Second Coming. In other words, every time you hear the skepticisms know that the Christ is not far from establishing His world-ruling government on earth. Take comfort in the pessimism of the world at large; there are more than five billion people out there, the vast majority of humanity, who do not believe Jesus is coming back to establish His kingdom.

God is not slow or lost control of His universe as some portray Him to be. He’s very much in control because He’s a sovereign God who sees and knows everything. **1 John 3:20**, *“For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things. Psalm 139 :1-4* says God knows when we sit or rise, understands our thoughts from far away, and knows every word before we speak it. In **Psalms 139:7–12**: There is no place, whether the highest heights or deepest darkness, where we can hide from His spirit or presence.

Interestingly, this is how it’s going to creep upon the scoffers. *“But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. 9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. 10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.”* **2 Peter 3:8.**

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In another few days, God's appointed time, the Feast of Trumpets, will be on September 12 (beginning the evening of September 11, two Sabbaths in one), and it reminds us of this certain event that will shatter the normal routine of everyday life for human beings. **Matt. 24:30**, *"And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory."*

There's nothing to stop His coming; no nuclear war, no change of government, no natural disaster, nothing! This is an ordained time that God will intervene in human affairs, bringing a well-deserved end to human history and establish a new divine order. Absolutely nothing can change that! Even if you don't believe it, your belief cannot stop the Second Coming. Whether you like it or not, Jesus, the Christ, the only name under the whole heaven by which anyone can be saved, is coming. Be prepared!

Matt 24:30. *"And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. 32 Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh; 33 So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors."*

For those whom God is calling, you cannot say you haven't been warned! There are repeated warnings all over the Bible. Watch and pray, as you know not the hour of His return! May God grant you the wisdom to understand the urgency to His call.

Luke 21:34-36 *"But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."*

All Things Are Ready - Come To The Feast!

**Ready or not, God's Feast of Tabernacles is
just around the corner. But will you be ready?**

By Lloyd W. Cary



We often sing a beautiful hymn at **God's Feast of Tabernacles: All Things Are Ready —Come to the Feast!**" But will *you* be ready?

Despite what some naysayers may say, God's Feast of Tabernacles pictures the Millennium—the 1,000-year reign of Jesus Christ that begins at His return.

"Speak unto the children of Israel," God says in **Leviticus 23:2**, "and say unto them, Concerning the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, even these are my feasts." They are whose Feasts? Notice, these are not the Feasts of the Jews or any other group; they are the Feasts of the Lord God. God then goes on to enumerate each of His seven annual holydays, which depict, step by step, His plan of salvation for all mankind.

Concerning the great autumn Feast, now fast approaching, God says, *"Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, The fifteenth day of this seventh month shall be the feast of tabernacles for seven days unto the LORD. On the first day shall be an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein. Seven days ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD: on the eighth day shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD: it is a solemn assembly; and ye shall do no servile work therein. These are the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations..."* [emphasis mine throughout] (**Leviticus 23:34–37**).

Notice what these verses do not say — they do not say we only need to keep the first and last days of the Feast. The Feast of Tabernacles is a complete Feast consisting of seven days, immediately followed by a separate eighth holy day called the Last Great Day. A holy convocation is a commanded assembly — an assembly of God's people called by Almighty God Himself! In God's sight, your attendance is not an option! He commands that you attend. You are left with a choice: Will you obey God, or make an excuse?

We are reminded of the excuses men made in **Luke 14:16–20** as they bowed out, one by one, from attending the Lord's marriage supper: *"Then said he unto him, A certain man made a great supper, and bade many: And sent his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready. And they all with one consent began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come."*

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Finally, note what the Lord's response was to those who were bidden to attend the Feast but would not come: *"For I say unto you, That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper"* (**Luke 14:24**). Human nature is masterful at making excuses (see **Jeremiah 17:9** and **Romans 8:7**). Some will object that they do not have the finances to go. God's answer is that you should have been saving your second tithe — 10 percent of your income — to attend His commanded assembly.

For those who may be on a very fixed income or have come into this knowledge too late in the year to have accumulated adequate funds, start saving up for next year. God does not accept excuses in place of obedience. Some will argue that they cannot get the time off from work. Have you planned ahead, attempting to get your vacation time scheduled for this time of the year? And even if your boss will not give you the time off, you must make a decision: Whom will I obey? God—or man? **Acts 5:29** instructs that we ought to obey God rather than man. The truth of the matter is, if you want to attend badly enough — if you commit yourself to obey God with all your heart, mind, and soul — you will find a way!

It is a sad commentary that some undoubtedly treat the Kingdom of God the same way they treat His feast days; they make very little, if any, advance preparation. They assume that they can "be ready" at the last minute. Just as you cannot possibly develop the needed quality of character and habit of obedience "just before the Lord comes," so very few will enjoy a rushed, half-prepared Feast of Tabernacles. Why not make your preparations now, while there is still time?

Following are a few tips to assure that you will have the "best Feast ever!"

1) Be sure you save a full 10 percent of your income for God's Feasts. It is no fun to scrimp and scrape at the Feast of Tabernacles, or miss out on fun-packed activities when those around you are having the time of their lives, worshiping God as He commands. After all, the Feast of Tabernacles pictures that Millennial time period when Christ will be ruling on the earth and all will be green and plush with plenty for everyone. This is not the time for penny pinching, but should be the high point of the year to sustain you through the coming winter doldrums.

2) To the best of your ability, schedule your time off from work or school far enough ahead so that your absence will not be a hardship. Ask your teachers for advance homework assignments, indicating that you really do care about your grades and are not just looking for an excuse to skip school. Instead of thinking negatively — "What will people think?" "Will I lose my job?" "Will I flunk out at school?" — consider what a positive witness you will be for God's way of life. (continued on the next page)

3) Make your housing reservations early so you will be more likely to get the type of room or cabin you need.

4) Think ahead about what you will need at the Feast in the way of food, clothing, and accessories. If you take prescription medicines, make sure you will have enough for the time you're gone from home. Make a "Feast list" far enough ahead of time so you can review it often and adjust it accordingly. Write it out. Do it! You don't want to forget something important, but you don't want to overdo it either! Seasoned travelers always travel light.

5) Immediately before the Feast, put a hold on your mail and stop your newspaper. There is no wisdom in "advertising" to would-be burglars that you are not at home. Consider using timers for your lights. Also, be sure to mow your lawn at the last possible moment, or arrange for someone to mow it while you are gone. As an aside, make sure you have your household bills paid up so you won't have any late fees. Make arrangements for your pets to be taken care of.

6) Make sure your car is in good condition for the trip, or make sure you buy your airline tickets early. Consider a car rental. Nothing puts a damper on the Feast like car trouble or missed flights.

7) And lastly, just before you leave for the Feast, be sure to claim the promise God gave in **Exodus 34:23–24**: *"Thrice in the year shall all your men children appear before the LORD GOD, the God of Israel. For I will cast out the nations before thee, and enlarge thy borders: neither shall any man desire thy land, when thou shalt go up to appear before the LORD thy God thrice in the year."*

If you will do these things in a willing, heart-felt, godly attitude, you too, will be able to sing out, **"All things are ready—I'm coming to the Feast!"** Ω



Happy Sukkot!



THE Law of God



By Mike James

Many churches today teach that Christians are to live by faith rather than the law. Some of these same Christians teach that the law was for the nation of Israel. They believe that today's Christians don't need to observe God's law because we are saved by God's grace. I agree that we are saved by God's grace and our faith, but the law we read about in the Old Testament is still active and valid for the modern day Christian. Here's why I say this.

If God's law was merely for the nation of Israel then why do we have evidence that God's law was in force before Moses ever received the law from God? Some believe that God only gave his law to Israel after they left Egypt with Moses. But it is easy to see that God's law existed before the time of Moses. Notice **Genesis 4:1-12**. Here we read that Cain killed his brother Abel and that this was sinful to do (verse 7). In **1 John 3:4** we read sin is the transgression of the law. So God's law must have been around prior to Moses. In **Genesis 18:20** we learn the sinfulness of the city of Sodom was very great. Once again this is evidence of the fact God's law was around before the time of Moses.

Another example of the law in force before Moses can be found in **Genesis 39:1-9**. Notice especially verse 9 where Joseph tells Potiphar's wife it would be a sin for him to go to bed with her since she was married. Abraham was said to keep God's commandments, statutes and judgments and he also predates Moses. I think it is easy to see that God's law was in place long before Moses received the law on Sinai to teach Israel.

Another interesting point to make in this discussion is even though God was working specifically with Israel the nation in the Old Testament, He still wanted other nations to follow His law. One interesting scripture in this regard is **Deuteronomy 4:5-6**. If Israel would have obeyed God's laws faithfully, the nations around them may have taken notice of the wisdom and understanding those laws portrayed. **Exodus 20:10** also tells us God wanted any aliens who lived within the nation of Israel to follow Israel's law too. The rulers of the earth mentioned in Psalm 2:10-12 does not refer only to Israel. These rulers are told to serve the Lord.

This would entail keeping His law. There are also many scriptures in the New Testament that make it clear that Christians today should be keeping God's laws. One of the most compelling is in **Matthew 5:17-19**. Here Jesus tells us that God's law will not pass away until heaven and earth pass away. It also says that anyone (all people) who does not keep the law of God will be in a worse situation than those who do keep God's law. Some other scriptures that promote the law in the New Testament are in the book of Romans.

In **Romans 2:13** we are told we must not only hear the law but we should do the law. Notice **Romans 7:12**, this tells us the law is holy, just and good. Now if the law is all that why would we not want to keep the law or why would the law be only for Jews? Also read **Romans 8:4**. Here it says the laws requirements are righteous. Once again why would we not want to follow something that is righteous? Also remember, Paul wrote this letter to the Romans who probably had a number of believers in their group who were not Jewish.

It is also imperative to remember the law shows us what sin is and God wants us to keep away from sin. In order to stay away from sin we would need to understand the law. In the book of **Romans** we read in **chapter 4:15** that where there is no law there is no transgression. Also in **Romans 5:13** it says there is no sin without law. In other words there is no way we can't have the law because the law helps us understand how God wants us to live.

The prophet Isaiah provides us some insight on this subject. In **Isaiah 2:2-3** we read about what will be happening during the Kingdom of God on earth. So the context of this scripture is in the future. Notice it states the law will go out from Zion. This could only be referring to God's law. It also says many peoples will come and learn of God's ways which would include His laws. Here we see even in the future God's law will continue to be taught to all people, not just physical Jews.

One final point to make in this discussion is the New Testament teaches us Christians are now spiritual Israel. **Romans 2:28-29** teaches that being a Jew is not about your physical nature anymore, but your spiritual nature. In other words, if you are a follower of Christ, you are now a spiritual Jew and part of that new covenant with God. God's law is still part of His new covenant (**Hebrews 10:16**) with mankind

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EVANGELISM

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UPDATE

CGIC Online Ministry Education Initiative

CGIC has commenced the Online Ministry Education Initiative.

The Program consists of 4 Modules:

- Module 1: Biblical Hermeneutics (*completed in March*)
- Module 2: Homiletics (Preaching & Teaching) (*completed in May*)
- Module 3: Church Administration and Leadership (*completed in June*)
- Module 4: Pastoral Counselling and Care

Duration: 4–8 weeks total (depending on pacing.)

Delivery Mode: Online (Live or Hybrid)

Weekly Time Commitment per Module: 4 hours

- 2 hours Lecture
- 2 hours Tutorial / Practical Application

Target Audience: Emerging pastors, Speakers, emerging speakers, Deacons, church leaders, ministry interns.

Program Completion:

- Assessment based on participation, practical exercises, short assignments.

A Certificate of Completion will be issued upon successful participation in all modules.

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Module 4: Pastoral Counselling and Care

Objective: Prepare pastors to provide biblically informed, compassionate, and ethical pastoral care.

Date to be advised - Lecture (1 ½ Hours):

- Theology of pastoral care
- Role and limits of pastoral counselling
- Active listening and communication skills
- Common pastoral care situations (grief, crisis, marriage, conflict)
- Referral practices and confidentiality
- Self-care and burnout prevention

Date to be advised - Tutorial / Workshop (1 ½ Hours):

- Role-playing counselling scenarios
- Case study discussions
- Developing care plans
- Reflection on boundaries and ethical issues

Learning Outcome: Students will demonstrate basic pastoral counselling skills and appropriate referral judgment.



SOME PICTURES FROM CGIEVANGELISM MINISTRY'S MARRIAGE SEMINAR - AUGUST 9, 2026



...SOME MORE PICS FROM THE MARRIAGE SEMINAR



All things are ready, come to the feast...

The 2026 Feast of Tabernacles will be celebrated at the Georgian Bay Hotel, 10 Vacation Inn Drive, Collingwood, Ontario from Friday, September 25 (evening) thru Saturday, October 3, 2026.

We personally invite you to join us on Friday Sept 25 @ 7:30pm for the opening message plus a 'Meet & Greet'!

Service on the 1st day of the Feast of Tabernacles begins at 11am on Saturday, September 26, 2026.

See you there!



VARIETY SHOW AND SHARE TIME

at the Feast of Tabernacles 2026

Starting at 7:00 pm

(Date to be Announced on the Feast Schedule)



Share your talents at our Variety 2026 in Collingwood FOT

Remember to Bring your instrument, play us a tune!

Love HUMOUR? - Tell a few jokes to get Laughs and Claps!

Got a Great VOICE? - Sing us a Song - Your favourite!

Got a Skit for some Drama? - Here's Your Chance to Star in The Show!

Can You Tell Tall Tales! - Bring your Best Story to The Variety Show!



Please tell us your name, What you want to do! Bring Your Props!

Send us an email to tell us "You're ON"

See you at The Show! & The Share!

For more info contact Margaret Tourond Townson in Ottawa at:

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or you can sign up RIGHT AWAY

at the Info Table, when you arrive at the Feast!



Right after THE VARIETY SHOW - In the Room Next Door...

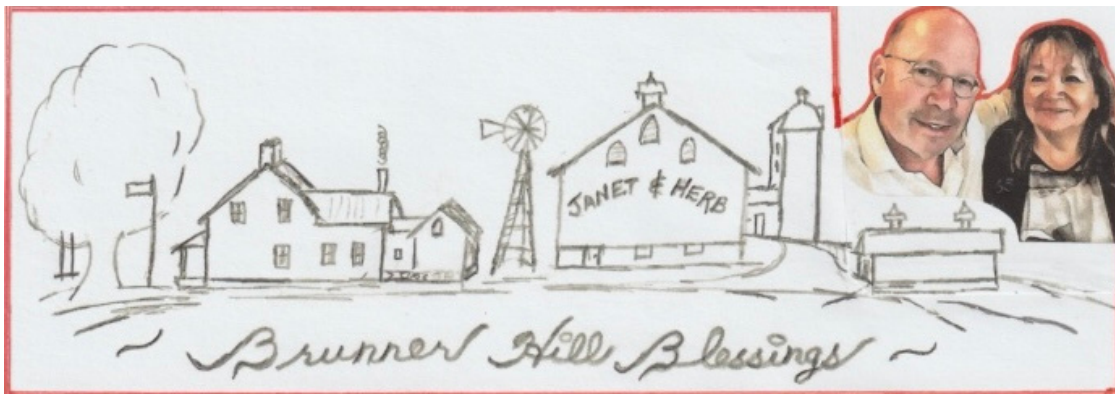
BIG SHARE TIME!

**Come prepared to SHARE Your music, Your games, Your
Collections of Coins, Stamps, Scrapbooking, Crafts you have made,
Your Family Tree and Photo, Card Games etc.**

Come and have a great time together...

Please Tell Us You're Coming & You Need A Table!

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By Janet & Herb Jacobs

The Avro Arrow and the Hummingbird

All Things are Ready, Come to the Feast.

In Collingwood, Ontario, you can sign up and see the Avro Arrow at the Canadian Air & Space Conservancy, near Stayner, Ontario, just west of Collingwood on Monday, September 28, 2026 @3:45 PM. This plane is a full-sized replica, and what a plane it was back in 1959, designed and built in Canada and known as one of the greatest achievements in Canadian history. This delta-winged interceptor “war” aircraft could travel at almost twice the speed of sound (be careful of the sonic boom) and reach an altitude of 50,000 feet. At 80 feet long and 60,000 pounds, what a plane it **WAS!**



Then, after building a small number of planes and during final testing, the program was abruptly cancelled. All of the planes were scrapped leaving 15,000 employees and thousands of others out of work.

All Things are Ready, Come to the Feast.

In Collingwood, Ontario the common Ruby-throated Hummingbird is about 3 inches long and weighs around 3 grams. This bird can hover, fly forwards and backwards, and even fly upside down and reach a speed of 60 mph during a territory fight for mating rights.



However, by feast time, the hummers may have already migrated south and some even fly non-stop for 500 miles across the Gulf of Mexico. But have no fear, they will return around Mother’s Day next year and the very same hummer could be right back

to your same feeder with its wings “humming” at 80 beats per second, eating 3 times its weight each day, with a heart rate as much as 1,200 beats per minute, then relaxing at 50 beats per minute.

So, if you want to see a big piece of steel, sign-up at the info table at the Feast to see the Avro Arrow, or you can also enjoy a wonderful day and watch many of God’s great birds and creations all day long! We see this from the **Holy Bible in Psalm 104 Verses 16,17** where the trees provide homes for the bird nests and **Psalm 104:24 “O Lord, how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all: the earth is full of thy riches.”**

Sandee Willshaw’s Story

At last month’s Feast Planning meeting, Sandee Willshaw from our CGI Kawartha Lakes Congregation learned about the planned activity to see the full-sized Avro Arrow Replica and has provided this story.

“An interesting story related to the Avro Arrow...Sandee Willshaw’s father, David Enge, served overseas during WW11. He trained other soldiers how to fire a gun (having been an avid hunter) and was also interested in photography. The armed forces recognized his talent and had him fly reconnaissance, in a Spitfire, during the night, over Germany, to photograph future bombing sites. This role sparked his interest in airplanes! When he came home from the war, he then worked for A.V.Roe in Malton and helped build the Avro Arrow. So, Sandee and her sister, Sonja Aldred, are quite excited about

visiting the Canadian Air and Space Museum and seeing the life-size model of the Avro Arrow during the special tour during the Feast of Tabernacles! It appears all Avro Arrows were scrapped, but my father spoke about one hidden away in a secret bunker, but that is another story!”



Photo above of David Enge (1927-2011), WW11 Veteran and A.V.Roe employee.

Thank-you to Sandee for providing this amazing story and photo.

If you would like to see this museum, there will be a sign-up sheet at the FOT,



cost is \$20.34, Child (under 10YRS) free, located at 5195 Hwy 26 Stayner, 3:45 PM, Monday September 28, 2026.

www.avroarrow203.com

Blessings until next time,
Janet & Herb.

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



We are Adam and Alyson Dubler and attend the CGI Kitchener congregation.

I, Alyson was born in Silver City, New Mexico in 1977 and grew up in Uvalde Texas with 2 brothers and a sister. I grew up attending World Wide Church of God and then went to University of North Texas in 1995 and started attending United Church of God. I was baptized in 1997 at the Feast. I thank God for my parents and that they answered His call. In obeying His way, they gave me a strong foundation in faith and were great examples of walking the walk. I got a degree in Communication Design and worked for a publishing company in Dallas, Texas. Adam was born in Clinton, Ontario in 1974 and grew up in Elora, Ontario. He experienced a few miracles when he was a child, as he was born with several serious heart defects. He attended Worldwide Church of God with his parents all his life as they came into the church in 1972 when my parents did. Adam attended University of Waterloo and the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College in Toronto and has a chiropractic practice with his dad. He got baptized in 2004.

Adam and his family decided to go to Italy for the Feast in 2003 (and to see where his paternal grandmother is from as well). I'm so thankful they went that year, as I was there that year as well. We met, dated long distance for a year, then I moved to Buffalo to be nearer and the rest is history. We got married in Texas in 2005 and have resided in Elora ever since. We have both been attending a church of God for 50 years now.

Adam has been a chiropractor since 2001 in a true family business work alongside his dad, Rick and his mom, Grace. I worked for BMO Nesbitt Burns as a graphic designer for a few years and then my own freelance business. Currently, I do that part-time and am an office admin for the chiro business, as well, part-time. We have been blessed with 2 wonderful kids Jackson and Audrey and a sweet dog named Sammy. Jackson is 19 and attends the University of Waterloo studying bio physics, he plays the piano for church and also is learning the guitar. He volunteered as an assistant camp counselor at a UCG church camp in Ohio this summer plays volleyball, golf, spike ball and is working for a landscaping company for the summer. Audrey is in grade 12, volunteered this summer as staff at a UCG church camp and plays volleyball, tennis and works at an ice cream shop in Elora called Scoop. We love to travel, go on backcountry canoe trips, play volleyball, pickleball, tennis golf, play cards and hike. Adam speaks once a month with the Kitchener CGI congregation and occasionally in London. We feel ever so very thankful to understand God's plan and know and feel his love for all mankind.

Toronto Member Support

Under CGI Toronto's **Community & Member Support initiative**, the goal of the **Member Support Team** is to recognize and support members who are dealing with bereavement, life challenges, and personal or family illness. The aim is to reinforce to our grieving and challenged members that we care for and support them during their most difficult times. Pictured below are the most recent recipients of this new initiative.



Elder Horane Smith paid a visit to Bro. Anthony Brathwaite, and presented him a get-well and gift card as an expression of our love and support, as he has been unable to attend Sabbath services due to an extended illness.



We offer encouraging words of support to Sis. Rozie Solomon who is bereaved of her mother who recently passed after illness. Deacon Courtney Edwards presents a card and gift certificate to Sis. Rozie following Sabbath service.

Please remember to keep these members in your prayers!

1 John 4:7 *"Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God."*

Galatians 6:2 *"Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ."*

The wolf also shall dwell with the
lamb, and the leopard shall lie down
with the kid; and the calf and the
young lion and the fatling together;
and a little child shall lead them.

(Isaiah 11:6)



**PLEASE NOTE: 2026 FALL HOLY DAYS
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!**

Feast of Trumpets - Saturday, Sept. 12 - at each congregation's place of worship

Day of Atonement - Monday, Sept. 21 - at each congregation's place of worship

Feast of Tabernacles - Saturday, Sept. 26 to Friday, Oct. 2 &

Last Great Day - Saturday, Oct. 3 - at Georgian Bay Hotel, Collingwood, ON



Kitchener Congregation's Annual Campout

On August 22nd, the Kitchener congregation held our annual campout at Triple C Campground on beautiful Lake Erie. We were blessed to have guests join us from the Toronto and London congregations, as well as friends from UCG Kitchener, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts! We gathered for a wonderful Sabbath service and thankfully, we were safely under the pavilion! A torrential downpour complete with thunder rolled through so loud at times we could barely hear Rick speaking! But a little rain certainly wasn't going to dampen the camper's spirits. Despite the rain, it was a lovely weekend filled with worship, learning, laughter and fellowship.



Pictures from Toronto's Youth Day Service

CGI Toronto held a **Youth Day Service** on Saturday August 29th which was moderated by Micah Stowe. Malachi Smith and Seraphina Scarlett read the scriptures and we enjoyed lively praise & worship led by a group of youth singers and accompanied by the youth band. This was followed by a song sung by the small children. The Youth Dance Team delivered a creative dance presentation, and Elder Bernard Wilson delivered a sermon titled 'Matters of Urgency'. He also led us into prayer for all the youth returning back to school. Following service we enjoyed an extended evening of activities - Sheyu Smith moderated an informative panel discussion with a group of youth on "AI Awareness," which was followed by a potluck, fun family games, and Karaoke.



More pics from the Youth Day Service



A craft project titled "We Are Better Together" is displayed on a white background. The title is written in a large, elegant, black cursive font at the top. Below it, the subtitle "Building the Bond of Sisterhood" is written in a smaller, black cursive font, flanked by two heart symbols. The central element is a tree made of many colorful leaves (green, yellow, orange, red, pink) attached to a brown trunk. Each leaf has a word or phrase handwritten on it in black ink. The words include: "Wisdom", "Love", "Kindness", "Patience", "Peace", "Encouragement", "Faith", "Trust", "Joy", "Gentleness", "Self-control", "Honesty", "Integrity", "Humility", "Gratitude", "Forgiveness", "Compassion", "Empathy", "Respect", "Understanding", "Acceptance", "Inclusion", "Unity", "Harmony", "Cooperation", "Teamwork", "Support", "Encouragement", "Inspiration", "Motivation", "Determination", "Perseverance", "Courage", "Bravery", "Strength", "Resilience", "Flexibility", "Adaptability", "Creativity", "Innovation", "Leadership", "Responsibility", "Accountability", "Transparency", "Openness", "Vulnerability", "Authenticity", "Genuineness", "Sincerity", "Honesty", "Integrity", "Humility", "Gratitude", "Forgiveness", "Compassion", "Empathy", "Respect", "Understanding", "Acceptance", "Inclusion", "Unity", "Harmony", "Cooperation", "Teamwork", "Support", "Encouragement", "Inspiration", "Motivation", "Determination", "Perseverance", "Courage", "Bravery", "Strength", "Resilience", "Flexibility", "Adaptability", "Creativity", "Innovation", "Leadership", "Responsibility", "Accountability", "Transparency", "Openness", "Vulnerability", "Authenticity", "Genuineness", "Sincerity". In the bottom right corner, there is a white box with a black border containing the text: "Beyond all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity. Colossians 3:14". A small heart symbol is placed above the text "Colossians 3:14".



**10TH ANNUAL
WOMEN'S RETREAT**

11:00 AM Opening Prayer
Carla James

11:00 AM Devotion
Shameika Scarlett
Maria McLaughlin

11:30 AM Opening Remarks
Bar Smith

11:30 AM Reading of Proverbs 31
James H. Hunt

11:30 AM Ice Breaker
Carla James

11:30 AM Open Discussion:
ALL

12:30 PM TO 1:30 PM *break for lunch*

1:30 PM Open Discussion:
ALL

2:30 PM Closing Remarks & Thank You
Wade-Ann McLaughlin

Closing Prayer
Harmish Blake



More pics from the Annual Women's Retreat



September Sabbath Service

Toronto

Sept. 5 - Dwight Chin

Sept. 12 - *Feast of Trumpets -
Horane Smith

Sept. 19 - Courtney Edwards

Sept. 21 - **Day of Atonement -
Courtney Scarlett

Sept. 26 - ***Feast of Tabernacles

Kitchener

Sept. 5 - Bernard Wilson

Sept. 12 - *Feast of Trumpets -
Rick Dubler

Sept. 19 - Kenroy Allen

Sept. 21 - **Day of Atonement -
Rick Dubler

Sept. 26 - ***Feast of Tabernacles

Burlington

Sept. 5 - Jan Kowalczyk

Sept. 12 - *Feast of Trumpets -
Adrian Davis

Sept. 19 - Jan Kowalczyk

Sept. 21 - **Day of Atonement -
Adrian Davis

Sept. 26 - ***Feast of Tabernacles

London

Sept. 5 - Rick Dubler

Sept. 12 - *Feast of Trumpets -
Bernard Wilson

Sept. 19 - Bernard Wilson

Sept. 21 - **Day of Atonement -
Bernard Wilson

Sept. 26 - ***Feast of Tabernacles

Kawartha Lakes

Sept. 5 - Horane Smith

Sept. 12 - *Feast of Trumpets -
Stephan Willshaw

Sept. 19 - Jim French

Sept. 21 - **Day of Atonement -
Stephan Willshaw

Sept. 26 - ***Feast of Tabernacles

Ottawa

Sept. 5 - Jim French

Sept. 12 - *Feast of Trumpets -
Jim French

Sept. 19 - Taped Sermon

Sept. 21 - **Day of Atonement -
Jim French

Sept. 26 - ***Feast of Tabernacles

FALL HOLY DAYS:

*Feast of Trumpets - Sept. 12/26

**Day of Atonement - Sept. 21/26

***Feast of Tabernacles - Sept. 26 to
Oct. 2/26

& Last Great Day - Oct. 3/26.

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