

Christmas 2019

Dear ORC Family and Friends:

Christmas is upon us again. How time goes by so quickly. With all the activity surrounding the birth of our Saviour, the meaning gets buried under Christmas lights and exchanging gifts. The best gift exchange to our world would be salvation provided by Christ at Christmas.



Urgent family news: Our home has been blessed by a new member of the family. Samson, is a 4 legged member (Boston/Bull Terrier) who greets visitors, likes long walks and creates terror among the rest of our family pets. His mischievous actions are disguised by his innocent face, who me? Linda's mom moved to Calgary and is enjoying her new residence where she has plenty of daily activities. Living within our community creates opportunities for Linda and I to help and encourage her.

One of the greatest challenges in ministry is helping drivers with hazards they face on the road. Met John on one of my many walks around the truck stop. He lives in British

Columbia with regular trips to the Flying J in Calgary. The Trans-Canada between Vancouver and Calgary is very treacherous, at the best of times. Each time we met he seemed a little more comfortable talking about challenges he faces. Recently he shared with me his involvement in a head on collision with a car resulting in a burning wreckage. He survived, but the driver of the car did not. Later John was informed it was a suicide collision. John continues to come by the chapel and we have long discussions about the accident and I have encouraged him to seek help with the flash backs, but says he feels better talking with me. My prayer is that John will come to know the Lord through our conversations together at the chapel. Please continue to pray for John.

Chaplain Ken Wilsdon is back home from his time in Nepal. Ken enjoys taking a regular shift on the chapel. Ken returned from Nepal and 2 short days later he appeared at the Calgary chapel ready to serve the Lord. Come on by the chapel and he will share with you some very interesting stories about life in Nepal and how blessed we are in North America. It would be a pleasure if YOU could join our ministry team on the chapel. If you can drink coffee, or as our Executive Director calls it "DIESEL FUEL", and can



listen and pray with people, you qualify. Simply give me a call at 403-605-8422 or email levenor@telus.net

By the time you receive this report, I will be home from hospital. Wasn't feeling well and my Doctor sent me to hospital for tests. They liked me so well they kept me and said I needed triple heart bypass surgery. So can't drive for 6 weeks, but Linda has agreed to take me to the chapel if I'm feeling better. There have been many opportunities to pray with people while I've been in the hospital.

On behalf of Linda and myself "*thank you*" for your prayers and financial support. Without you our ministry would not be possible. If you are not one of our ministry partners, please see the <u>Donations</u> page on this web site or you can click on one of the donate buttons located throughout the web site. Again, thank you and God bless you.



May you truly be blessed this Christmas and please remember "Christ is the reason for the season."

Merry Christmas to you and your family, Ron & Linda Clark, Canadian Western Director

