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**2007
National
Conference
October
15th to 18th
Toronto
Ontario**

Ontario District Meeting

Trust, honesty, integrity. These are qualities we all desire to both display and experience. As we met in Toronto for the Ontario CFCM Regional Conference, these were areas that were both explored and experienced.

We opened with a time of worship followed by our President, Glen Stead, sharing his heart and thoughts about where we are as a fellowship and where we are going. Glen reviewed the overall tone, experience and content of the Leaders Council held in January in Calgary. There was a sense of hope and faith as we heard him recount the story of connection and unity.

He was clear that the questions are not all answered but that we are well on the journey to discovering this next season God has called us into.

Glen shared how God brings times of significant shifting and wine-skin changes. He quoted from Joshua 1:2

“Moses my servant is dead”. This was not an indication that Moses' time was wrong, or

unhealthy, but that it was time for a shift in thinking and process. We in CFCM are at that place. It is a time for a shift in thinking and process. We don't



(L to R) John & Rebecca Liem, Lars Kleyn-

hans, Glen Stead
want to get caught saying
the old wine is better.

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Newfoundland Meets Our President

On Monday, March 26, 2007, twenty-five delegates from across Newfoundland, some having driven for four hours, gathered at the New Life Christian Centre in Clarenville, to meet and hear the heart of CFCM president, Glen

Stead.

It was truly a blessing to personally observe the delegates as they affirmed the timeliness and importance of brother Stead's visit to our province. Remarkably, as Brother Glen

had each delegate share a brief outline of their ministry, an immediate atmosphere of transparency, exemplifying the national strategy of "Building Bridges," became evident and prevailed throughout

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Maritimes Meet in New Glasgow

It was a very meaningful time for all those that attended the CFCM meeting held in New Glasgow, Nova Scotia. There was much appreciation shown to President Glen Stead for his words of wisdom and bringing us all up to speed about the future of CFCM in Canada. A new season begins with a new day, and a new day begins with a new hour. The sense was, this is the new hour. Yes, a new moment in history for new levels of relationships to begin.

There was also needed discussion over the role of an Area Director as that position here was in need of being filled. Pastor Kevin Mattatall was asked if he would take on this position and he agreed. Kevin was charged to become a team leader and one who would carry a cluster anointing, and someone who

was willing to work together building relationships with other Pastors, leaders, and churches to see CFCM grow in Maritime Canada.

Resources to other churches was also discussed for there are many legal matters on the horizon for churches in Canada. In order to have order in God's house there needs to be a support system created by Godly leadership. The desire would be in the days ahead to see CFCM viewed as a help-mate, an arm lifter, a prayer

shield, and a friend. The feeling leaving the meeting was that it is time for new things to happen and it all begins with a renewed spirit. Our President deposited a hope that there are great days ahead for CFCM in this great nation and great things ahead for these Maritimes provinces because we serve a great God and He has great plans for His people.

Submitted by Kevin Mattatall



(L to R) Kevin Mattatall, Glen Stead

Newfoundland Meeting cont'd

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the entire afternoon. His emphasis on building a relationship/networking based fellowship, created a heightened sense of belonging among all of the delegates.

As the afternoon came to

a close, a powerful prophetic flow erupted when Brother Glen began to pray with each delegate and speak powerfully into their lives.



A reciprocal dynamic then occurred as two delegates came forward and spoke prophetically over him as well.

If we are to lend credence to the old adage "first

impressions are lasting," Glen Stead's first visit to our province left us with a deep sense that we had just experienced something bigger than all of us.

From Canada's first time zone and most easterly point, we will stand together with our national fellowship each day and make a strong proclamation as Isaiah 24:15 commands; "Therefore in the east give glory to the LORD; exalt the name of the LORD, the God of Israel, in the islands of the sea."

Submitted by David King

Ontario Meeting cont'd

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We broke for lunch and returned in the afternoon for a time of open forum and discussion. This was an engaging time where people spoke of their joys and concerns. This was the place where honesty was so well displayed. Some systemic issues of attitude were addressed in a healthy, life-giving way. Some spoke of their sense of disconnectedness in Ontario, coupled with the encouragement that our national leadership has been very intentional in building connection. There was discussion

of our history and roots and questions of how our spiritual heritage would be maintained.

We were also challenged about marketplace ministry and how it is perceived and should be honoured. We discussed what it means to be an apostolic network, the key point being that it is not a shift from a pastor-centered fellowship to an apostle-centered fellowship. The reality is that the entire five-fold ministry is to be honoured in its mosaic of cultures, gender and generations.

Honesty was displayed. Integrity

was demonstrated. Trust was built. These are three elements that are crucial in a time of change. We need to both give and receive in these areas to have the place of National impact that we are called to.

The day ended with an encouraging tone and a good expectation for the future. These are great days in which we live!

Submitted by Marc Brule

Atlantic Canada's Area Directors

There are now two Directors in the Atlantic Canada District for CFCM. Harold Andrews remains as the

Area Director for Newfoundland. During the recent set of meetings there, the mem-

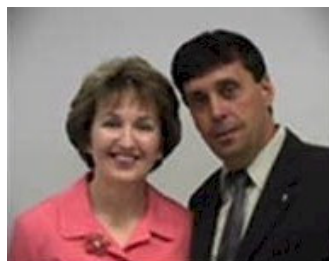


Harold & Sybil Andrews

bership confirmed his leadership

and honored him for the part he has played in the lives and ministries of the membership. Harold has a great heart for speaking into and gathering ministers together to lift their hands and fellowshiping for the sake of the Kingdom.

Newly appointed over the rest of Atlantic Canada is Pastor Kevin Mattatall. He pastors a great church in Sydney which



Kevin & Alice Mattatall

standing, faithful member and leader.

is in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. Kevin has been a long

National Conference

With this issue of the CFCM Chronicle we are pleased to announce the dates for our National Conference as October 15th–18th of this year. This event will be held at the Toronto Airport Christian Fellowship in Toronto, Ontario. This church has a

great history and we thank the leadership there for allowing us this opportunity to meet in their facility. More details will follow as soon as they become available.

Leaders' Council

Our next leaders' council will be held the day following our National Conference in October. The meeting will begin on the 19th at 9AM and will be finished by 2PM so that those who need to fly out on that day will be able to do so. This meeting will be brief, but we believe much will be accomplished in this time.



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About Our Web Site

With this edition of our newsletter we are pleased to announce that our newly revamped website will be soon be up and running by the end of May. The goal of our website has been to provide a simple and functional site to meet the needs of the public, and you our membership.

Our website will have both a public access side to it and a members only access side to it. On the public side there will be basic information on CFCM; who we are, what we do, where we came from and how you may join us. On the members only side, CFCM members will have password accessible access to our membership directory, CFCM newsletters, important communiqués, and other

support and fellowship tools that are being developed. Although not all of the informational links will be immediately available, you will find that much of the basic information will be available when the new site comes online.

The process of member needs development for our website will always be an ongoing process. In light of this there will be new items and pages added to the website as time goes on and as these programs are developed. To assist with this process we certainly would welcome any ideas that you might have. Please feel free to submit them to us at the by e-mail to cfcms@sasktel.net.

From The President's Desk

These last months I've continued to travel to different parts of our great land, with an eye to touching every member. I'm amazed at the diversity, the differences in vision, and the intensity of spirit that I have found. Yet, I am fully aware that God sees us together as a body, with each of us a joint within that body. There are spiritual connections between us. The body as a whole can do nothing unless each one of its parts does its share. An individual part of a body can do nothing unless it is connected to the body.

In John 5:19, Jesus said that He could do nothing outside His connection to His Father. "The Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He

sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son does in like manner." All spiritual action comes out of relationship. Our most important relationship is that with God Himself. Each one of us must be fully dependent on God. We also have relationships with others. As Jesus was absolutely linked with His Father, so are we linked with Him and with one another.



Jesus denounces an independent

spirit. He said, "the Son can do nothing of Himself." He was not striving to do something particularly unique or original for its own sake, but to cooperate with His Father's pattern. As a son, Jesus only acted "in like manner." A man who understands covenant will see himself as a team player. There is a certain spirit that one gains in seeing himself as a team player, and I see it developing within CFCM. It is essential to our future.