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CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS

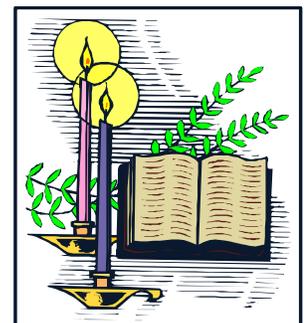
by Candidate Todd Beiswinger



By the time you read this, the calendar will soon be turning to December, and you will likely have already started to see some of the familiar trappings of Christmas. There are probably homes lit up with lights, cheerful music on the radio, and of course, every retailer scrambling to earn your Christmas shopping dollars. Many find this commercialization of Christmas to be quite off-putting.

The debate over how to properly celebrate the Lord's advent is not a new one. A celebratory Christmas feast was introduced around 379 AD, but it disappeared 2 years later only to be reintroduced around 400 AD. When Charlemagne was crowned Emperor on Christmas day in 800 AD, it began a trend of making the Christmas celebration more and more elaborate. It is believed that the first Christmas celebrated in Canada was in 1535, albeit with only 110 people celebrating in what is now Quebec City. When the Protestant reformation took place in the 17th century, they rejected the elaborate Christmas celebrations as trappings of Catholicism. When Protestant Puritans took power in England they actually banned Christmas in 1647. Riots ensued, but still it was not reinstated until 1660. This conflict between Catholic/European tradition and the Protestant movement carried on for about 200 years, but as the secular world began to embrace Christmas as a time for family centered generosity, the Protestants lost out.

However, I have found it not too difficult to find people who would take up the Protestant torch on this issue, even though the Word does not seem to offer us a lot of direct guidance on the issue. There are no passages telling us how to celebrate Christmas, so let us consider the issue in light of other doctrine.



First I would note that while the Lord is life, we are but receivers of life. Our job here is to freely make ourselves receptive to his life. That is to say we have some control as to what we allow into us. Perhaps it is similar with the stresses of Christmas: it is up to each one of us to receive the good parts of the Christmas celebration without becoming overwhelmed with the negative. We cannot force the rest of the world to comply with our wishes, so we need to control what we allow to affect us. Easy to say, harder to do, I realize.



Secondly it should be noted that as people we take our place in heaven or hell based on our ruling love. How does that love manifest itself in regards to Christmas? Love to the Lord is certainly the highest love, and a celebration of Christmas that reflects our love for Him certainly is in order. Yet many of us have a love of the neighbor that rules us, and giving thoughtful gifts to our friends, family and neighbors can be reflective of that love. This too is in order because of the love behind it.

When examining the phrase, “And send gifts to one another.” (Rev 11:10) we are told that it “means, symbolically, to consociate by love and friendship because a gift consociates; for it gives rise to love and creates friendship.” (AR 508). It doesn’t seem unreasonable then to suggest that the yearly practice of thinking about what somebody else would like, and buying it for them, must have some positive spiritual side effects.

Finally we need to keep in mind what the Writings tell us about intention. Essentially that it is the intention of our will that matters most. The rest of the world knows this as well when they remind us that “it’s the thought that counts”. This simply means that the commercialization of Christmas may be intended for advancing the bottom line of retailers, but what we do with it, how we intend to integrate all the mayhem into a useful outcome is what matters most. We are useful when we operate in society, so taking part of the celebrations, exchanging gifts and having a good Christmas dinner can all be part of a hearty celebration of the Lord’s birth on Earth.



PEACE



Ultimately no matter whether or not you enjoy or detest the commercialization of Christmas, know that this has been a battle that has been fought for hundreds of years. Where you stand on this is up to you, just be sure to consider looking to the Lord’s Second Advent where He has given us principles, teachings, and rationality to best figure out how to respond to the world around us, which includes celebrating His First Advent.

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September 30, 2010

Dear Gordon,

On behalf of the Board of Directors for the General Church in Canada and Information Swedenborg Inc., it is my privilege to write this letter of appreciation for your many years of dedicated service.

It is safe to say that the General Church in Canada would not be where it is today without the countless hours of volunteer time you have donated to the worthy cause of helping this organization be a useful tool in establishing the Lord's New Church on earth. However, it was not merely time that you donated, it was also your passion, wisdom, and expertise.

I know that for many years Mike Gladish relied on you as his right hand man during his tenure as Executive Vice President, and frequently told me that you were an invaluable asset to him. When I took over the position from Mike, I quickly realized that what he had said was true. Your attention to detail, your knowledge of Canadian Law regarding charities and non-profits, your understanding of finance, and your commitment to the doctrines, made you an exemplary Administrator for the G.C.I.C.

As we look to the future without your active presence and service, we realize that we have some very large "shoes" to fill, and while it gives us cause for some anxiety, at the same time it gives us an even greater appreciation for what a valuable instrument you have been in the Lord's hands over the years. We also have confidence that with the solid groundwork you have laid and structures you have put in place, we will be able to move forward successfully, as long as we continue to look to the Lord for guidance in all things that we do.

Personally, I will miss working with you, and being able to discuss important matters that concern the life of the Church with you. Your commitment, dedication, and enthusiasm for the New Church has been an inspiration to me, and the mentoring and support you have provided to me over the years will never be forgotten. So let me close this letter of appreciation for your useful service, by sharing these relevant words of the Lord to the servant who made the most of the talents that his Master had entrusted to him:

"Well done, good and faithful servant.... Enter into the joy of your Lord".
(Matthew 25:21)

Sincerely,



Rev. Bradley D. Heinrichs

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Editor's Note: This letter of appreciation was sent to Gordon a month before he passed away. Due to ill health, he had resigned his position as Administrator of the GCIC. His memorial address follows.

Gordon Thomas Jorgenson

**A Memorial Address by
Rev. James P. Cooper
Toronto, October 31, 2010**

Gordon's story is that of so many Canadians. His grandparents abandoned the tyranny and poverty of Europe in the 19th Century to come help fill the incredible open spaces of the Prairies. They were solid Mennonite people from Prussia who produced 14 children. Gordon's mother Beth was the youngest. They lived in Cranberry Portage, Manitoba (Gord always said it was "north of the vegetable line" to explain his preference for meat and potatoes). There were no roads, their only access to the outside world was by train. Their home was made of logs that didn't keep out the wind. His father was a miner and would be away on jobs for extended periods. A little while after little brother Bruce was born, he stopped coming back. So, for much of his young life, he was the man of the family.

Gord's grandparents had joined the New Church after coming to Canada, and while Gord was in High School, he and his mother became aware of a fund that would allow him to afford to attend the Academy of the New Church College in Bryn Athyn, Pennsylvania. And like so many other young Canadian men over the years, he took a 2,000 mile train ride into a whole different world.

He embraced this new life with enthusiasm and intelligence. He loved the formal training in the doctrines of the New Church. He made many lifelong friends, and - most important - he met the love of his life, Joan Parker from Toronto. People who met him then knew that in spite of his difficult early life, Gord was a "diamond in the rough."

After two years at the Academy, he transferred to Northwestern University near Chicago where he studied Engineering, supported himself with co-op programs, and continued to court Joan while she went to nursing school here in Toronto. They married on January 9th, 1960 - 50 years ago - in this very church. Last January, on their 50th Anniversary, they stood here before us and rededicated themselves to their marriage.

Gord and Joan had 4 daughters over the next 14 years; Karen, Jill, Valerie, and Jennifer. They in turn have given them 7 grandchildren.

Gordon's professional life was important to him. He started working for Ferranti-Packard, but after 2 years moved to IBM where he was involved in the sale and after-market care of the old "main frame" type IBM business computers. His work sometimes took him to far away and interesting places like Tehran, Brazil, and Holland. For 13 years it took him - and the family - to the Eastern Townships of Quebec.

After returning to Toronto to be IBM's National Environmental Coordinator, he took an early retirement and set up two companies. One provided environmental consulting to companies like Kraft Foods, the other was to help churches manage their finances. But he soon "retired" all the way so that he could put in countless volunteer hours for the church that he loved so much.

A partial list of his volunteer actives would include:

Board Member, General Church, and the Academy of the New Church

Treasurer (and Assistant Treasurer) at Olivet Church in Toronto.

Administrator of the General Church in Canada Board of Directors.

Chairman of the Committee that organized the General Church Assembly in Guelph in 2000.

In the less formal areas of the life of the church, he sponsored a number of people in this congregation to ease their entry into Canadian life. He and Joan have opened their home time and again to visitors - some who stayed for months - in the hope of strengthening the Olivet congregation. Over the past few years he's been working on a Masters of Religious Studies from the Academy of the New Church Theological School.

Several young men have spoken to me in confidence during the last few months of times where Gord's integrity in word, act, and example helped them get themselves straightened out. Several have called him their hero.

It's interesting that so many people hold Gordon as an example of a good husband and father, but his own father was not a good example. Marrying and becoming a father himself in the early 60's he followed the thinking and customs of the time and could be stern and distant. But over time he came to see a different way because instead of being satisfied with the way he had always done it, he was always seeking a better way and, when possible, making it his own. For example, one of the girls was on a weekend camping trip with the Guides when it turned unexpectedly cold. Gord gathered up extra sleeping bags, blankets, and warm clothes and drove out to the camp to make sure that all the girls would be warm enough.

Another man said to me, "We have had the utmost respect for all of Gord's wonderful qualities, his love for the doctrines of the New Church, and his devotion to the Olivet society. We always knew if Gord took on a task for the Church it would be done with sincerity and abundant attention to all the details, you also knew if you took over one of his jobs, he would be watching you very closely, and checking that no short cuts were taken."

He wasn't all business. He loved his kids and his grand kids. He felt the loss of Val and Kamil's baby Larsa profoundly. We'll all have different memories of him that revolve around ice cream. We'll come to miss the enthusiastic pats on the back that came with a greeting hug. Did you know that coffee right out of the pot isn't hot enough? It has to go into the microwave, too. Because of his professional interest in environmental things, he likes to stop and look at landfills and water treatment plants - and even photograph them. His daughters still don't get that. His phrase: "putting some skin in it", reminds us that the church will support our efforts but not do the whole job for us. I'm sure that after the service people will enjoy reminding us of some of the other things that will always make us think of Gord.

But what can we do to honour his memory? Think back and picture Gord seeking out the young people of the congregation, giving a firm, two handed handshake and asking about their plans. He really cared about keeping the young people connected to the church because his own life had been so profoundly turned around by the gift of New Church Education. One of the ways we could honour his memory is to pick up the banner by seeking out, welcoming, and encouraging the young people of our church families to come and take part and find satisfying useful work, and lifelong friendships.

Gord was one of the good guys. We'll all miss him. But those folks in the spiritual world are rejoicing, saying, "have we got some jobs for you!"

Gord wouldn't be happy unless we wrapped this up by turning back to some good solid doctrine from the Word.

Apocalypse Revealed 951. (REV 22:14) *Happy are they that do His commandments, that their power may be in the tree of life, and they may enter in through the gates into the city,* signifies that they have eternal [happiness] who live according to the Lord's commandments, to the end that they may be in the Lord and the Lord in them by love, and in His New Church by knowledges concerning Him.

By "happy" are signified they who have the felicity of eternal life.

By "doing His commandments," is signified to live according to the Lord's precepts;

"that their power may be in the tree of life," signifies to the end that they may be in the Lord and the Lord in them by love, that is, for the Lord's sake....

[2] That by "their power is in the tree of life," is signified to the end that they may be in the Lord and the Lord in them, or for the Lord's sake, is because by "the tree of life" is signified the Lord as to the Divine love;

and by "power in that tree" is signified power from the Lord, because they are in the Lord and the Lord in them; ...

That they who are in the Lord and the Lord in them are in all power, insomuch that whatsoever they will, they can do, the Lord Himself says in John: *He that abides in Me and I in him, the same brings forth much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing; if you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you shall ask what you will, and it shall be done unto you* (John 15:5, 7)....

By these words is described the power of those who are in the Lord; these do not will anything, and so do not ask anything, but from the Lord, and whatsoever they will and ask from the Lord, the same is done....

(Mat 25:21) *"His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'"*

Amen.

Closing Prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, our Heavenly Father, when someone we know and love passes into the spiritual world we are filled with many thoughts and questions. Why now and not some other time? How did this serve Your Divine Providence? We feel happiness because he has been released from the limitations of his failing body, and we feel sadness because he is no longer with us. O Lord, as we open our minds to thoughts of You and Your government of the natural and spiritual worlds, we pray that You will give us comfort, hope, and peace. *Amen.*

The Distant Music of the Hounds

from *The Second Tree from the Corner* by E. B. White
(published December 24, 1949 in the *New Yorker Magazine*)

To perceive Christmas through its wrapping becomes more difficult with every year. There was a little device we noticed in one of the sporting-goods stores - a trumpet that hunters hold to their ears so that they can hear the distant music of the hounds. Something of the sort is needed now to hear the incredibly distant sound of Christmas in these times, through the dark, material woods that surround it. "Silent Night," canned and distributed in thundering repetition in the department stores, has become one of the greatest of all noisemakers, almost like the rattles and whistles of Election Night. We rode down on an escalator the other morning through the silent-nighting of the loudspeakers, and the man just in front of us was singing, "I'm gonna wash this store right outa my hair, I'm gonna wash this store . . ."

The miracle of Christmas is that, like the distant and very musical voice of the hound, it penetrates finally and becomes heard in the heart - over so many years, through so many cheap curtain-raisers. It is not destroyed even by all the arts and craftiness of the destroyers, having an essential simplicity that is everlasting and triumphant, at the end of confusion. We once went out at night with coon hunters and we were aware that it was not so much the promise of the kill that took the men away from their warm homes and sent them through the cold shadowy woods, it was something more human, more mystical - something even simpler. It was the night, and the excitement of the note of the hound, first heard, then not heard. It was the natural world, seen at its best and most haunting, unlit except by stars, impenetrable except to the knowing and the sympathetic.

Christmas in this year of crisis must compete as never before with the dazzling complexity of man, whose tangential desires and ingenuities have created a world that gives any simple thing the look of obsolescence - as though there were something inherently foolish in what is simple, or natural. The human brain is about to turn certain functions over to an efficient substitute, and we hear of a robot that is now capable of handling the tedious details of psychoanalysis, so that the patient no longer need confide in a living doctor but can take his problems to a machine, which sifts everything and whose "brain" has selective power and the power of imagination. One thing leads to another. The machine that is imaginative will, we don't doubt, be heir to the ills of the imagination; one can already predict that the machine itself may become sick emotionally, from strain and tension, and be compelled at last to consult a medical man, whether of flesh or of steel. We have tended to assume that the machine and the human brain are in conflict. Now the fear is that they are indistinguishable. Man not only is notably busy himself but insists that the other animals follow his example. A new bee has been bred artificially, busier than the old bee.

So this day and this century proceed toward the absolutes of convenience, of complexity, and of speed, only occasionally holding up the little trumpet (as at Christmastime) to be reminded of the simplicities, and to hear the distant music of the hound. Man's inventions, directed always onward and upward, have an odd way of leading back to man himself, as a rabbit track in snow leads eventually to the rabbit. It is one of his more endearing qualities that man should think his tracks lead outward, toward something else, instead of back around the hill to where he has already been; and it is one of his persistent ambitions to leave earth entirely and travel by rocket into space, beyond the pull of gravity, and perhaps try another planet, as a pleasant change. He knows that the atomic age is capable of delivering a new package of energy; what he doesn't know is whether it will prove to be a blessing. This week, many will be reminded that no explosion of atoms generates so hopeful a light as the reflection of a star, seen appreciatively in a pasture pond. It is there we perceive Christmas—and the sheep quiet, and the world waiting.

CAROL

from **The Wind in the Willows**
by Kenneth Grahame in 1908

*Villagers all, this frosty tide,
Let your doors swing open wide,
Though wind may follow, and snow beside,
Yet draw us in by your fire to bide;
Joy shall be yours in the morning!*



*Here we stand in the cold and the sleet,
Blowing fingers and stamping feet,
Come from far away you to greet -
You by the fire and we in the street -
Bidding you joy in the morning!*

*For ere one half of the night was gone,
Sudden a star has led us on,
Raining bliss and benison -
Bliss tomorrow and more anon,
Joy for every morning!*

*Goodman Joseph toiled through the snow -
Saw the star o'er a stable low;
Mary she might not further go -
Welcome thatch, and litter below!
Joy was hers in the morning!*

*And then they heard the angels tell 'Who
were the first to cry NOWELL?
Animals all, as it befell,
In the stable where they did dwell!
Joy shall be theirs in the morning!*

'Twas In The Moon of Winter Time

Canada's Oldest Christmas Song
(Also known as the Huron Carol)
by [Jean de Brébeuf](#) in 1643

'Twas in the moon of winter time,
when all the birds had fled,
that mighty Gitchi-Manitou sent
angel choirs instead;
before their light the stars grew dim,
and wondering hunters heard the hymn:
Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born,
in excelsis gloria.

Within a lodge of broken bark
the tender babe was found,
a ragged robe of rabbit skin enwrapped
his beauty round;
but as the hunter braves drew nigh,
the angel song rang loud and high:
Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born,
in excelsis gloria.



Children of the forest free,
O sons of Manitou,
the holy child of earth and
heaven
is born today for you.
Come, kneel before the
radiant boy,
who brings you beauty,
peace and joy:
Jesus your King is born,
Jesus is born,
in excelsis gloria.

"The Lord came into the world chiefly for these two purposes, to remove hell from angels and men, and to glorify His Human. the Lord came into the world, and, removing hell, subjugated it and thus opened up heaven. the Lord came into the world to glorify His Human; because in this way He became the Redeemer, Regenerator and Saviour for ever."
TCR 579

Sharing the Christmas Spirit

The New Church congregations in Canada are working together to print booklets of short, daily Christmas readings for the month of December. Though people are often busy, it is an important time to stay connected to the real cause for celebration, the Lord's birth into the world.

This will be useful for existing members who want some holiday readings but the booklets are also designed to be something easy to hand to a friend or neighbor. Supporting the spiritual growth of those around us is one of the greatest ways we can serve, so please consider grabbing a couple extra copies to share. The booklets will be available sometime after mid November and the first readings start on December 1st. You will also have the option to sign up on Olivet's website to have the readings emailed to you daily.

If you don't live near a congregation and would like some physical copies mailed to you please contact Brian Smith at:
279 Burnhamthorpe Rd, Etobicoke, ON M9B 1Z6, or phone: 416-239-3054.

We would welcome help with this project, either small financial contributions or if you live near a congregation, support with advertising the project, printing booklets or distributing them amongst congregation members.

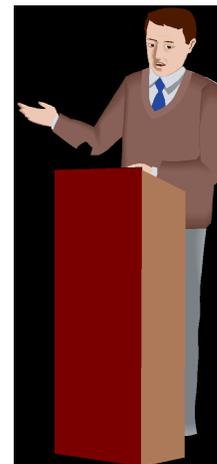


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For more information, please contact Hannah Lermite at hannah.lermite@anc-gc.org or phone: (267) 502-4864.



“By the church is here meant that which is of the church with man, for man is a church when he is in good and truth, and an assemblage of such men makes the church in general.” AC 6113

“Convocations took place in order that the whole assemblage of Israel might be together, and might thus represent heaven; ... (That heaven along with the societies there was represented by the tribes, the families, and the houses of the sons of Israel.) Therefore those convocations were called holy, and took place at every feast.” AC 7891

Bridge Book Awards for New Book Proposals Announced

Press Release - October 22, 2010

As a collaborative effort to generate dynamic book proposals and publications from aspiring authors, the General Church of the New Jerusalem and the Swedenborg Foundation, publisher of the theological works of Emanuel Swedenborg, are pleased to announce a new competition, called the Bridge Book Awards. The authors of the winning proposals will receive a cash award in the amount of \$1,500, be honored at an awards ceremony, and be guaranteed a review by the Swedenborg Foundation Press editorial board with the possibility of publication. Three runners-up in each category will also receive a cash award of \$500 each and possibility of review for publication. The deadline for proposal submission is February 1, 2011.

This first annual contest for the Bridge Book Awards will seek book proposals in the following four categories this year; topics may change in coming years. Although the categories are specific, the types of book within each category are not. Genres and formats as varied as inspirational gift books, guidebooks, scholarly research, illustrated books, and both fiction and nonfiction will be considered. The categories are:

The Afterlife—understanding concepts of heaven and hell, and the impact on our daily lives

Living a Spiritual Life—focusing on spiritual practices, relationships, marriage, and the workplace

Biblical Commentary from a Swedenborgian/New Church Perspective—illuminating Bible stories from knowledge of the internal sense

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Because of the growing interest in the works of Emanuel Swedenborg and increasing enrollment at Bryn Athyn College, whose curriculum is based on New Church teachings, the Swedenborg Foundation and the General Church are eager to publish books that are relevant, accessible, and theologically sound. All proposals are valued, and varied perspectives are welcomed. The final selections will be based on a combination of potential usefulness to new readers of Swedenborg, creative interpretation, quality writing, and contemporary relevance.

For further information about the contest and awards, go to www.swedenborg.com or www.newchurch.org where forms for submitting proposals can be downloaded. You can also request proposals from Kristine Medley at www.Kristine.Medley@newchurch.org or 267-502-4901. If there is enough interest, we will offer a proposal writing workshop to assist interested participants at Bryn Athyn College in early December. To express your interest, please contact Kristine Medley and keep checking the websites listed above for updates.

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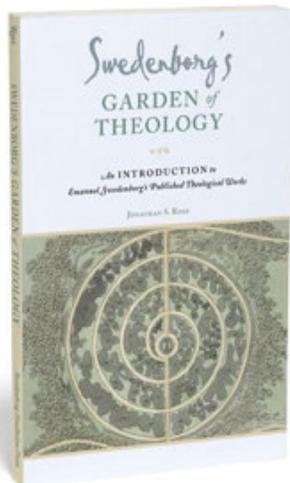


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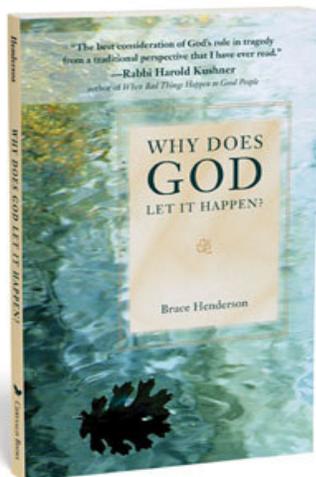


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May Christmas Fill
Your Home With

Joy



PITTSBURGH NEW CHURCH SCHOOL

The Pittsburgh New Church School is celebrating its 125th birthday this year! We've been providing New Church education since October 19, 1885.

We have 25 students enrolled this year, and are working hard to make sure that PNCS is a great place for children from New Church families, and a good gateway for children from outside the church, who want what we offer.

We are planning an event for school alumni and friends at the 2011 Assembly, and we also have a golden opportunity to raise endowment for our next 125 years through a generous 1:1 match offer from the Healthy Church Match program. To help with both of these, we are looking to make sure that we have a complete record of everyone who has been a PNCS student or active in the Pittsburgh congregation.

If you or a relative ever attended PNCS or the Pittsburgh Church, please send your (their) name, address, and time in Pittsburgh to: Alumni List, 299 Le Roi Rd, Pittsburgh, PA 15208 or email the info to Pittsburgh125@pittsburghnewchurch.org . Thank you!

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Dawson Creek Church – Sun., 11:00 am
Grande Prairie / Debolt – Sun. / late afternoon
Olivet New Church, Toronto – Sun., 10:30 am
Dawson Creek/Grand Prairie Schedule:
Nov. 21 Rev. Coleman Glenn
Dec. 5 Rev. Bradley Heinrichs
Dec. 19 Rev. Coleman Glenn

GCIC Meetings

Proposed Board Meeting Dates

Nov. 20, 2010 10:00 am Kitchener
Feb. 19, 2011 10:00 am Toronto
April 9, 2011 2:30 pm Kitchener

Annual General Meeting

Preceded by supper at 6:30 PM
April 9, 2011 7:30 PM Kitchener
(A brief board meeting will follow immediately to elect officers)

Editorial Deadline

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“Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night.” Luke 2:8