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"A Sower went out to sow his seed." Luke 8:5

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'Un Coeur pour les autres' (A Heart for Others)

'A Heart for Others' is an initiative of Mr. André Faucher and his wife Linda to help the homeless in Montreal that they started in 2002. On Christmas Eve, in addition to a Christian Christmas concert, several organizations participated in distributing gifts to everyone, food, dinner, warm clothes, etc. to more than 400 people. Thank-you to all the volunteers and to the FCFC Montreal & Rive Sud Chapter who were present to share the gospel with the five colours. Join us at the next 'Un Coeur pour les autres' event on the Saturday of Easter weekend, April 11.

Photo below: Park Ēmilie Gamelin, downtown Montreal. That's Michel Gagnon with the big smile!



To God be the Glory! My Thoughts about the 2019 IPM

By Hosanna Santourian

"Now go; I will help you speak and will teach you what to say." Exodus 4:12

This was my 10th year of participating in the IPM (International Plowing Match) outreach.

The more we grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, the more it is glorious to share the gospel in the marketplace. We are serving an awesome and matchless Saviour!

This year was also unique and unforgettable, and our Master's work was <u>unstoppable</u>! Each new day was different and full of memories. I was in awe of how people were coming and listening to the good news of the message. Some came with a hunger, some searching the truth. Some were heavy-laden, some came for comfort and prayer, some out of curiosity, and so on. Many interesting people came. Many made choices, accepting the free gift of salvation or rejecting.

Before everything else, I took time to pray for this year's IPM, telling God all my weaknesses. He answered me with His Word: *"Who gave human beings their mouths? Is it not I, the LORD? Now go; I will help you speak and will teach you what to say."* Exodus 4:11,12 (NIV) Encouraged with His Word, I went with Johanne MacKiddie, my partner in the gospel. We see how God is working and we just join in His work. Still praying for these precious people, may the Word of God take root in their hearts and establish them and form them in Christ. Many young and old came to hear the message. A 72-year-old man repented and believed. Another gentleman who was in a cult, when he heard the truth his false faith was shattered, desperately he embraced the truth and wanted to find a Biblebelieving church in his area. Oh God, may you uphold him to find a good church that he and his family may know you more.



Hosanna, sharing the gospel with visitors to the FCFC

I am so thankful for this opportunity. The gospel of salvation, the gospel of grace, is so liberating, so amazing. May God give us a vision and passion to share and live out the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. To God be the glory!

"Let us not grow weary of doing good (leading)..."

Bill Brown, FCFI Area Leader



Bill Brown

Our relationship started 20 years ago, when Wayne and Edith Clark attended the Fellowship of Christian Farmers Conference, hosted by our local chapter at Morrisville College in NY. A couple of years passed, and we were called to take on the responsibility of helping grow FCFI in the North East. Being close to Canada, I can be across the border in less than two hours, and having family in Ontario, it seemed like a good fit for expansion. The International Plowing Match being held in Elora was our choice. Letters were sent out requesting help at the match.

Finally, a call from Quebec asking if we still needed help. We sure did. And, the story of 20 years of faithful service began. Fellowship of Christian Farmers – Canada was formed, leadership put in place and after about 5 years George Gardner, then board president and myself, sensed the real need to appoint an Executive. Director. We met Wayne and Edith at 6AM at a Tim Horton's. Not one to waste time, we both felt the Clarks were the couple to lead the FCFC. The Holy Spirit certainly guided us and them as they accepted after much prayer. We simply asked them to consider taking on the responsibility.

As the saying goes, "The Rest is History." Good history. FCF-Canada has grown across your great country! **"Let us not grow** weary of doing good (leading) for at the proper time we will reap a harvest, if we do not give up." Galatians 6:9. In 1st Samuel 16:7 "The Lord looks at the heart."

Wayne and Edith have always had a desire to share Christ as it should be done, not compromising but to the point and, also a heart for the people of Quebec. Together we exhibited at our first event in that province, a small tractor show.

Roy T. Bennett puts it this way "Success is not how high you've climbed but how you've made a difference in the world." My friends, I cannot thank you enough for allowing Kathy and I to take this journey with you. What a blessing it's been, and we wish you both the very best. Of course, we in no way think your work is done!

Membership Fees

Effective August 2019: \$75.00 per person, \$90.00 per couple

Fond Memories

By Wayne Clark

It is with sad hearts that we received news of the passing of two dedicated volunteers this past fall. Both men presented their Saviour in a very gentle, loving way, yet with much clarity. Both loved meeting people and made them feel at ease.

I remember sitting near Berwick in the FCFC tent (grassy floor) at the plowing match in Earlton. Each new group of visitors was greeted with a smile and the words "Welcome to my office - sorry for the mess - I ordered a new carpet last week but it hasn't got here yet." The visitors were immediately at ease!



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Mike, with his broad smile and lovely Dutch accent, also put visitors at their ease and caused them to be very attentive to what he said. His friend Bert Visscher expressed how we all feel:



"Mike had a love for the Lord that flowed from his whole being and countenance. What a wonderful example of how to share the Lord's love. We praise God for his homecoming but he will be sorely missed." Mike volunteered with the Trillium Chapter and Berwick with the Lanark Chapter. Both were well known at the IPM outreaches and Mike was very much part of the team in Verner last September. Berwick was the speaker

on Sunday morning of the 2014 FCFC Conference. From comments received from both young and old in the weeks following, all listened and understood that when reading the Old Testament, we need to look for Jesus. Our sympathy goes out to families and friends left behind.

"Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever." Psalm 23:6



The Fellowship of Christian Farmers Canada is a national organization which shares the Good News through person to person contact with more than 100,000 people across Canada each year. It also distributes thousands of New Testaments.

We are seeking to fill the following positions:

- **Executive Director** full-time position, bilingual
- Field Representatives in various areas of Canada

For details, check out our website at www.fcfcanada.org

Called to be His Witnesses

By Wayne Clark

Welcome to the 21st year of FCF outreach in Canada! It was in the year 2000 when Bill Brown set up a 10x10 booth in one of the commercial tents at the International Plowing Match in Elora, Ontario. Edith and I were invited to join in. Crowds flocked around to get a free walking stick and hear the gospel message. Vendors in neighbouring booths complained to management because the crowd lining up for our booth was blocking the entrances to theirs. Management came to see us and agreed we could set up outside to alleviate the problem. We were struck by how willing people were to listen attentively to the message, and some responded. My thoughts: if this method of evangelism works here, what about the thousands of other public events in Canada?



Wayne Clark

2001 brought the IPM to Navan, eastern Ontario, an area where many francophones live. Volunteers were found to translate the tract and other materials. After volunteering with FCF at the International Farm Show in Toronto that year, our pastor, Bruce MacCallum was onside. In February, in a sermon on Acts 1:8, he made reference to Navan being our Judea and encouraged the church family to get involved. We had drawn up a budget and 25% of the cost was for a 20x40 tent. An out-of-town visitor to the church that morning wrote a cheque to cover the cost of the tent! One of many confirmations that if we say we will go, the Lord will provide.

Even when our plans do not work out, God's plan is better. In 2014 because of health problems, I ended up in a Calgary hospital. Unable to continue a flight to BC where, with Sylvain Couture, we planned to have FCF booths at three events. I had a suitcase full of New Testaments which didn't make it. Without Bibles, Sylvain got in touch with the local Gideons and that was our first contact with Henry Janzen. You know the rest of the story – six years later Henry is still very much involved.

One of the wonderful things is that bond that connects (*"Blest be the tie that binds"*). We have had the opportunity to meet many wonderful people. Many have invited us into their homes, fed us and given us a bed. The fellowship has been terrific. Unity of purpose is precious. Unity can best be achieved when we focus on Christ and not on our teachers (even though they be apostles) as Paul explains why to the church at Corinth in the first chapter of 1 Corinthians.

If we are to have a team spirit, we need to respect others and those in charge. Romans 12 is a good place to start on this subject. And on a personal note, I ask you to forgive me where I have failed. Because of uncertain health I have submitted my resignation as executive director in January. I am still available to help as health permits. Pray that God will send someone to fill this position. Lord willing, I'll see many of you at the FCFC conference in Grenville, QC, April 17-19. God has promised to fulfill our needs and He can equip us.

Now may the God of peace, ... equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen." Hebrews 13:20,21 (NIV)

Chatham-Kent Chapter News

By Sherman Smith



Sherman Smith

FCFC ministers of the gospel - Thank you all for your valuable support of the "Chatham-Kent Chapter", in service, prayer, finances, and feedback. We are blessed to be allowed to serve the Lord in a progressive ministry like FCFC. We collectively, with the help of the Trillium Chapter in Exeter Ontario at the Brigden Fair handed out approximately 4000 walking sticks over the four days of the event. Total walking stick count is somewhere around 7,000 for the year. The Chatham-Kent Chapter witnessed to maybe 20,000 people this past year, what a blessing! And among those were a number who accepted salvation, glory to God! We are so thankful for this eternal benefit to witness and make a difference in the lives of the people who received the seeds of the gospel.

I am responsible for what I know and what I do and even for what I don't do. It occurred to me one day that heaven will not be complete until I do what I'm supposed do, and that is to witness to everybody in my path. Whether that be a kind word, some assistance or using the name of Jesus in a positive way. The thing is, will I step up to the plate and do what I should or what I've always done, that which is comfortable for me, and didn't help anyone. I feel like I've wasted most of my opportunities to witness. I could have done so much more for the Fathers' Kingdom. Father forgive me for my selfishness. I tell myself that I wasn't trained how to witness, so I'm not totally responsible for my poor performance. The truth is I need to take full responsibility for what I've neglected and also for what I did.

This is probably why I think so highly of FCFC. What an amazing group of loving and caring people who love God and people and recognize their calling to evangelize Canada and beyond our borders. There are not words in the English language to express my gratitude to the Father in heaven, and the people who have paved the way to develop this ministry to where it is so effective today. I'm hooked on this ministry! I highly recommend that everyone get involved in this ministry. I don't think there is another like it, that is so effective, there is no higher calling. I'm sure every Christian would agree.

I declare that 2019 was a very successful year, especially for those that invited Jesus to guide their lives. We were able to purchase a new eight foot aluminum trailer to transport and store our materials in. That is story in itself worthy of praise to our Heavenly Father. When we started talking about purchasing a trailer, a gentleman offered to lend us the money to purchase a new trailer until there was money in the bank to pay him back. What a blessing, that need has been met and now we are talking about a pop-up tent for our events. This expense is all in addition to the supplies that we give out, and costs of events. We are so grateful for all who have supported us in all these necessary ways. It is so much easier to have a successful ministry with adequate resources, so we can put our efforts in the right places. I see volunteers as the most needed resources. Most of the people who help are overworked and I'm convinced that if people were

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to invest themselves, they would see the importance and pleasure it is to share the gospel. It has a short learning curve and is so worthwhile eternally. Jesus is offering this vital ministry to you. If not you, who? If not now, When? What will your answer be? We all know that there are ingredients to success: prayer, action, money, planning, faith and the leading of the Holy Spirit, and they are all needed to work together. We have great expectations for 2020 and this gives us a clear view. I see multiple "Chapters" all over Southwestern Ontario, covering every local event, from Windsor to Niagara Falls, from Learnington to North Bay. I'm sure this dream will expand with time. It will take people and resources and it is doable because it is in the hands and hearts of the people in these areas.

So folks let me encourage you to listen to The Spirit within you and follow. Will you make this your dream too? I didn't do a lot in the first two-thirds of my life for the Kingdom, so I want do what I can now. I want to hear someday in the future, "well done you good and faithful servant", not, "well, you're done". The Kingdom work is in your hands and depends on you and what you do with these thoughts.

There is a powerful verse that spurs me on:

For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach except they be sent? Romans 10: 13 - 15

Outreach in British Columbia

By Henry & Carol Janzen

Penticton Wellness Fair, Oct 2019

The Fraser Valley Chapter was formally invited to bring our "free walking sticks" and to book a booth for our first time in this show. When we get an invitation to do a show without our having to search for it, it tells us that we are becoming better known in British Columbia.

This was a fairly small show with much less traffic than we had envisioned. We had 347 guests visit our booth. Every one of them heard the gospel shared in a one-to-one conversation. So as the scriptures say, "they are now without excuse" of never being given the opportunity to respond to an invitation from the Holy Spirit. Praise the Lord, there were some guests who did

respond in a positive way and are now brand-new believers, Born Again in Christ!

One of those new believers was a very frail man in his mid-eighty's, who when asked the closing question, "If you were to pass away tonight, where will you spend eternity?", he lowered his gaze with some real tears welling up in his eyes. His entire countenance seemed to drop. He said that he had been very troubled about that thought for quite some time and it caused him a lot of worry. When I told him that God had given us His written guarantee that we could all enjoy eternity in heaven with Jesus, he became very interested. So I quoted to him. "These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life,



Carol sharing the gospel with the ladies at Wellness Women's Day, Nanaimo BC

and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.". 1 John 5:13. I told him that was God's promise to all of us but we have to do it God's way. And God's way is for us to tell Him that we are all sinners, and that we have messed up somewhere in our lives. If we confess our sin and are willing to leave our sinful lives and just trust and follow Him by asking Him to forgive us, then we shall be saved and given the assurance from the inside out that we have that eternal life in Christ.

He immediately began to pray the sinner's prayer. After which I asked him, "Tell me where is Jesus right now?" He replied as he held his hand to his chest, "He's in my heart." Why? I asked. "Because I asked him in" was his reply.

"No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draws him." John 6:44

The Women's Expo (Feb. 8th 2020)

This would be one of our first shows where we did not have a church to work alongside and our Great God was fully aware of our dilemma, as we had just got started when a wonderful Christian lady visited our booth. Upon further conversation she informed us of her gospel preaching "Oceanside Church". So for the rest of the show we invited everyone including our new converts, now interested in finding a good church for themselves, to attend that venue. All by faith that God had provided the answer to our prayers.

Due to health issues, two volunteers had to cancel early that morning. So that left just the two of us to set up at 8:30 am, then tie all our sticks and to share the gospel with a steady flow of guests until our 5:30 take down was done. We were both tired and hungry after going non-stop without any coffee breaks or lunch all day long. But it was truly a thrill to have shared with nearly 250 guests, which included new converts and some very convicted individuals who committed to pray to receive Christ later that night on their own.

Among those new believers was a lady of about 30 years who said she had tried going to church but found it was too boring. She said she sat in a large auditorium where someone on the platform read something out of a book and then they all went home. "Boring" was her repeated comment of the whole experience. We had a good conversation and were able to answer many of her questions and tried to whet her appetite of what a good church service should look like. She then admitted now that she had just become a new believer and was very interested in finding more answers. She said she would be open to trying again provided we could find her a church or a Bible Study in her nearby Parksville area.

Once again, a local Christian was able to offer a few suggestions and to help us with that, so we will now be able to follow-up with our visitor.

In conclusion, we would say that this was truly a satisfying and worthwhile trip, when considering the new believers and the new exciting connection we now have with a truly spiritual church in the centre of Vancouver Island.

West Coast Christmas Show & Artisan Market

This would be our third consecutive year to enter this show. Our booth had much less traffic than the two previous years, with only 420 sticks handed out. However, with every stick given away, we were able to share the whole Gospel message, one-on-one, and the response was terrific. We witnessed conversions plus many more who committed to pray to receive Christ as Saviour & Lord when they returned home. Our 19 volunteers spread over three days were "on fire" and shared from their hearts. In addition to the volunteers in our booth, we have no idea how many friends and family members at home were faithfully lifting us up in prayer. We know there were many as we were very aware of all God's blessings upon us! <u>So</u> thank-you everyone for your valued partnership with us. As with all our events, we had many opportunities to hand out countless Gideon scriptures to eager guests.

Pacific Agriculture Show, Jan 2020

This was our third consecutive year to enter this large Western Canada farm machinery show. Traffic was slow. However, we had the privilege of sharing the gospel with an estimated

622 individuals. The good news is that we had the joy of leading individuals into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ as their Lord & Saviour.

We believe that our responsibility is to just scatter the seed and then wherever possible to introduce folks to the Lord, then after they have received Jesus into their hearts, the Holy Spirit's continued work will be to address any unholy relationships and other practices.

Then we pointed out the fact that it was no coincidence they had come for a free walking stick today. We told them that someone must have been praying for their salvation. As soon as we said that, a young man in his mid thirties admitted right away that he already knew exactly who that someone was. So we encouraged him to tell that person of his decision to follow Christ before the day ended. We assured him that his news would make that praying loved one very happy! He confirmed that he would and promised he would be at church the very next Sunday.

Here is another witness story from one of our faithful volunteers and Chapter Vice President:



Carol & Henry walking stick ready at Wellness Women's Day, Nanaimo BC

"At an agricultural show last year I brought a nice man in his 40's to the Lord. He was rather quiet about the whole process but very open to accept the Lord. We did this same show again this year and the young man made a special effort to find me. He told me he now attends a Baptist Church in his area. He also brought another young man with him who told me that he was also a believer. They both had great wide smiles; you could see the excitement on their faces. I gave them some of our supplies and encouraged them to spread the word about Jesus. They sure put a smile on my face and a glow in my heart that day as you see fruit from your faith." Robert (Lyn) Stevenson

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News from Quebec

By the FCFC Quebec provincial team led by Jessynia Théagène, coordinator

"Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!" Isaiah 6:8 (NIV)

In 2019, the Fellowship of Christian Farmers was present at 56 events in Quebec, which represents 164 days of evangelism! Thanks to the participation of around 300 volunteers from more than 100 churches, we were able to share the gospel, using the five colours, with more than 50,000 visitors! We give all the glory to God for the 2019 evangelism campaign! We ask you to pray for the 2020 evangelism campaign which started this past January.

Metaphysical & Spiritual Show, Montreal

The gospel message was presented to more than 500 people. This show attracted a

significant number of young people aged around 30. We were the only Christian booth there and the organizers told us several people had asked if Christians were going to be present.

Many of our volunteers said this event was the most memorable for them, not in terms of quantity, but in receptivity. People were open and wanted to read the Word of God, wanted to talk about it, wanted to give their name to continue their research, wanted church names. Some willingly agreed to pray with the volunteer to accept Christ as Saviour.



"For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." Eph 6:12



'Heart of Wellbeing & Spirituality Show', Saguenay

"We were pleased to learn that an evangelical church in Jonquière had received a visit from a woman who came to our booth during this event. Pray for the rest of her journey that she can continue to attend this church and grow in faith. We had many meaningful conversations with people. We must never forget and keep in mind that there is a spiritual fight, especially in places like this. Let us continue this battle

with wisdom, because we are called to fight."

New Coordinator Apprentice for Saguenay Lac-St-Jean Region

"I want all of Quebec to hear and understand the gospel." René Déziel



René Deziel

René has been involved in FCF for several years. He explained how he got involved as follows:

"I was responsible for evangelism at the Shawinigan Christian Assembly. When FCF started a chapter in the Mauricie region this did a lot to unite the churches. I have been involved in the FCFC as well as my church. The other churches in the area have participated with us in small and big events which has helped to create links. I had the opportunity to go to Notre-Dame du Nord in Abitibi for two years in a row. I assembled all the necessary equipment and acted as a kiosk manager during the event. Following this, the Abitibi became a chapter.

When the doors opened for the Saguenay region, I was present with Sylvain and Émilie to present the ministry to the Saguenay church. That's when I met Marie-Josée who became my wife. We concluded that God was calling us to the Saguenay for several reasons: God wanted to use us to start evangelizing in this area and to unite the churches to work together, and FCFC is a very good way to help that.

Since my arrival in Saguenay, I am president of the district, I go to various events to share the gospel, to present the ministry to Christians, to answer their questions and to promote the ministry.

The FCFC is important to me for many reasons. I want all Quebec to hear and understand the gospel and the unity of the churches. I am a proud ambassador for this

ministry. I am always amazed at how many people come to the booth. We have the opportunity to talk to all kinds of people, unbelievers, distant believers and believers who do not know God.

I wish to continue to be a faithful ambassador for the work of God through the FCFC and if

I can participate and act as coordinator of this region with my abilities and limitations, I will be happy and proud to do so."

Saint-Hyacinthe

On December 13, the Saint-Hyacinthe Chapter was present to share the gospel during the distribution of Christmas baskets at the Evangelical Baptist Church of Saint-Hyacinthe.

Thank-you to everyone who came to share the Good News on this cold day of the year!



Quebec City - SIMAQ

From January 29 to February 1, we were present at the Quebec Industry & Agricultural Machinery Show (SIMAQ) for the second consecutive year. The gospel message was presented to more than 500 visitors, thanks to the participation of 20 volunteers from 10 churches located in Quebec City, Saint-Georges, Granby, Lévis and Montreal! Thankyou to all the volunteers and to the Capital City Chapter committee.

Testimony: A father and son approached the booth with a smirk. They asked us, "What is the Fellowship of Christian Farmers?" It was the end of the show and most of the visitors had left. So we had a good conversation



about the history of the church, the faith, the biblical canon ... After a while, the son asked one of our volunteers: "Why do you believe in Jesus?" The volunteer replied that the Bible was a book to trust. The son insisted, "OK, but why do you believe in Jesus?" After the volunteer shared his testimony with him, the son agreed to take the Gideons New Testament that the volunteer offered him. The father told us that he believed that God existed and that God himself had protected him at several times in his life.

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SPRING & SUMMER 2020 FCF CANADA EVENTS

This is not a complete list. Check with your local chapter for shows in your area.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

<u>Fraser Valley Chapter</u> The Health and Wellness Show, Abbotsford – March 14-15, 2020

ONTARIO

<u>Ottawa Valley Chapter</u> Ottawa Valley Farm Show, Ottawa, Mar 17-19

Chatham-Kent Chapter

Chatham Retrofest - May 22-23 Canada Day Celebration, Glad Tidings, Blenheim Bothwell Car Show – August 7-9, 2020

Bancroft Chapter

Coe Hill Agricultural Fair – August 28-29 Madoc Agricultural Fair – September 18-20

South Central Ontario Chapter Orangeville Home and Garden Show, April 2-5 Downtown Milton Street Festival, June 6

Peterborough Chapter

Castrol Victoria Day Speedfest – May 15-17 Apple Blossom Tyme Fest, Colborne - May 30-31 Stouffville Strawberry Festival – June 26-28 Quinte Rib Fest – Aug 7-9 Hastings County Plowing Match – August 19-20,

QUEBEC

Salon au Coeur du Mieux-être et spiritualité Chicoutimi – March 14-15, 2020

Metaphysical and Spiritual Show Ottawa/Gatineau – March 21-22, 2020

District du Bas St-Laurent

Exposition Agricole de la Matapédia, Amqui June 12-14, 2020

Festival country-western de St-Gabriel July 22-26, 2020

Exposition Agricole de Rimouski July 29-August 2, 2020

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Good News! What is the Message?

It is not a message based on our opinion, nor a church's, nor a certain group's opinion, but what Almighty God said. It is not <u>a</u> way but <u>THE</u> way.

The reality is that we are all "terminal" and Jesus said when He left this world that He was going to prepare a place for His followers and would come back for them. (John 14:1-3) The Bible calls this place heaven and it is the sinless, wonderful place where the streets are described as paved with gold. Rev 21:21

You need to look at yourself. You are not the only one who feels empty and messed up. In the Bible, in the book of Romans, chapter 3, verses 10 and 23, we read:

"There is no one righteous, not even one" and "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God".

Romans 6:23 says: "The wages of sin is death".

Admit to God that you are a sinner, and then look at the remainder of Romans 6:23: "...but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Christ died in agony on the cross to pay the penalty for your sin. In other words, the blood of Jesus can wash away your sin.

Have you repented (turned to God)? Only God is able to make a lasting change in your life. Ask Him to forgive you, but this means that you will turn away from your sin as well.

Many people want to receive God's gift of salvation but they want to keep doing it their way. No prayer is a good luck charm. It is a case of surrendering to God and then asking

Him to do what you are incapable of doing. If you are not sincere about turning to God, don't bother praying for salvation.

Believing is not just putting something in your head. It is with your innermost being (your heart) that you realize that you are a sinner and Jesus died for you. And your mouth is also part of the deal. Romans 10:9 says to

"... confess with your mouth 'Jesus is Lord""

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because God knows that this is a practical way to put all this into focus. You can pray something like this:

Dear God, I admit to you that I am a sinner. I believe that Jesus died for my sin on the cross, and was raised from the dead for my salvation. Lord Jesus, I pray that you will forgive me and wash me clean. I want to receive you now as my Saviour and Lord. Amen.

If you sincerely believe that Jesus died in your place, then you are a new person in Jesus Christ! Your sins no longer have colour but are washed white as snow.

This is not the end but the beginning. From now on, decisions should be based on His word and will. Pray, read, and study the Bible. Fellowship with others in a group where Christ is at the centre, and tell others the Good News. This is called growing to know God and is represented by the green bead on the bracelet The message is real. The message is simple. The message is from God, and the message is needed in this world.

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Jesus answered, "I am the

way and the truth and the

life.

No one comes to the Father

except through me."

John 11.6 (NIII/)