



Children Have a Right to Expect - 4

Before we end this series, perhaps it should be noted that love toward children is not expressed by giving them everything they may want and never restricting their activity or freedom of “self-expression”. Parents who want to be sure their child/children are not deprived of “all the things I missed as a child” and therefore give in to every “want” of the child/children make a big mistake.

This type of “parenting” can result in selfish, self-centered individuals who feel that the world owes them. Consequently, they are unprepared for the challenges of living on their own in a world where their wants are not always provided for by others but where they must work to fulfill their needs and wants. Selfish and self-centered people make life difficult in every relationship in their adult life and, this attitude, has been the destroying factor in many marriages. To simply hand children everything they want is to do them a real disservice and may lead to really hard times for them in the future.

One other thought about love is that true love requires discipline, sacrifice and hard work. Sometimes, it is not easy or pleasant to have to restrict children’s activities or to deny them something they desire. What parent, trying to administer loving discipline by placing some restriction on spending or activity, has not heard the refrain, “but everyone else has one or is doing it or is going...”! The loving parent knows that this must be done in spite of these cries of “unfair”, “unfair”. Restrictions may make for tension in the short term but often may for greater maturity and family happiness in the long run.

We need to say something about single parent families. It is a sad reality that many children do not have the advantage of having a mother and a father who are living together, loving and supporting each other while sharing in the duties of raising the children in the Lord. This can be the source of some real special challenges for single parents. Of course, it is one of the real opportunities for the family of God to support and help to build strong character in children by encouraging and “holding up the hands” of the single parent in this task. We must stand ready to help encourage and bear the burden of the single parent as the opportunity and need arises. May we, as the family of God, never leave the support needed by single parents to “Big Brothers /Big Sisters”, though these are good organizations. We have the responsibility of supporting and strengthening the members of the body...our brothers or sisters...in the maturing of their children. Indeed, the “village” needs to stand ready to help all its members grow and mature in the Lord.

May God richly bless your family each day.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible School 9:45 AM
Worship 11:00 AM
Worship 6:00 PM
Spanish Worship 3:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM

ELDERS

Peter Dwomoh
Steve Gill
Marvin Johnson
Jean Volcy

DEACONS

Kwabena Akuoko
Ed Brown
Gerald Ellis
Moises Velasco

EVANGELISTS

ENGLISH
Max Craddock
Marlon Molina
SPANISH
Santiago Molina

2010 Theme:

“Walking in the Light - 1 John 1:5-10”



*But the wisdom
that comes from heaven
is first of all pure;
then peace loving,
considerate,
submissive,
full of mercy
& good fruit,
impartial & sincere.*

James 3:17



THURSDAYS 7:30 a.m.
The Grace TV
Rogers - Channel 241
Star Choice - Channel 399

FRIDAYS 8:30 a.m.
The Vision Network
Rogers - Channel 60
Star Choice - Channel 394
Bell ExpressVu - Channel 65



WELCOME

It is good to see everyone this morning. Welcome and pray that you will be spiritually enriched as we try to bring honour and glory to GOD, our Heavenly Father through our songs, praises and worship. To our visitors, we hope to see you again soon.

SPEAKERS TODAY:

Max will be at the pulpit for the morning and evening services.

OSHAWA: Steve Gill is speaking there at **am** and **pm** services.

STATS FOR LAST WEEK:

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| Sunday AM/PM : | 220/27 |
| Wednesday: | 23 |
| Contributions : | |
| Congregation: | \$ 3318.00 |
| Key: | \$ 270.00 |
| Missions: | \$ 160.00 |

Scheduled to Serve

August 1, 2010

- PRESIDER:** Steve G
- PRAYER:** Terence C
- READER:** Liong T
- CLOSING PRAYER:** Kofi D
- SONG LEADER:** Eldon B

Passing emblems in August:

- Osner J, Jun D, Eino R,
- Koduah D, Terence C



Hymn Sing: At **Oshawa** on August 6 beginning at **7 PM**. Come and enjoy a time of fellowship and

worship in song. The church building is located at 566 Simcoe St. North, Oshawa.

We welcome **Gilrita Tangcalagan** to the Strathmore family. She recently moved to the area from Ottawa.



WELCOME!

Also, we are happy to have **Ruby Suresh** join us as well.

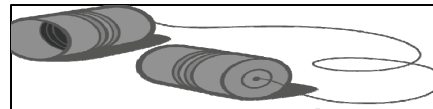
Sonia Rosales wife of Rafael Rosales in **El Salvador**, has been suffering with stomach cancer for several years. She is now in life support and not expected to live. Rafael and Sonia were with us here a few years ago. If you wish to contact Rafael his e-mail is uncleralph_1@hotmail.com or through his father's e-mail Otoniel Peña Rosales otito143@yahoo.com

Greg Walcien had a round of chemotherapy this past Thursday. He seems to be tolerating it well. Pray for God's blessings on Greg, Sonia and their families during this time of medical crisis.



TODAY! Following the morning service there will be a short **"annual meeting"**

Financial Report report of the financial statement for 2009.



Spread the Word

Sharpening the Sword at Camp Omagh will be this coming Saturday, **July 31**, beginning at 1100 with wrap up late Sunday afternoon, August 1. The cost for the programme is \$30.00 per person.

Canadian Churches of Christ Historical Society 2010 annual meeting is set on Saturday, **August 14**, 10 am to 3 pm at Tintern Church of Christ building in Beamsville area. For more information visit www.ccchs.ca or contact ccchs1@gmail.com ; 1-519-885-3702.

Owen Sound Ladies Renewal : September 17, 18 and 19. Theme : "In Everything by Prayer" ; Speakers are June Heuston, Margaret Hibbard and Michelle Toohey. Cost : \$35.00 per person, \$10.00 for a daughter in high school. See bulletin board for details.



PRAYER FOCUS **Victoria Montano**, daughter of **Victor and Leticia**, who is undergoing medical treatments + **Lowe Ulep, Judy Ulep's** husband, is in hospital in the Philippines after a heart attack this past Monday + **Marie Volcy's** boss, **Jordan** and his family especially his son **Zev**, who is currently hospitalized + **Ada and Brendan Lawrence**, in Calgary with Bob for the next several weeks + **Santos Molina** is to have a heart valve surgery in the near future + **Mrs Finni Sr.**, mother in law of Kim Rentola Finni, had a fall requiring stitches in her lip and chin and also cracked her wrist + **Mrs Ravindram**, a parent from Three Fishes Christian Elementary School with health problems requiring surgery + **Florentina Valenzuela**, having some health problems and is not able to get around very well + **Greg Walcien** was in hospital but is back home and feeling better + **Joey Kearns** + **Joseph Lee's mother** is having health problems + **David Noble**, a nephew of Karen, a friend of Cledith and Max, who is having cancer treatment + **Sophie**, less than 2-y.o. child of Pauline's friend, who is diagnosed with leukemia + **Maxine**, sister of Anne Marie, for health problems + **Daisy Verceles**, mother of Joanne Untalasco, undergoing cancer treatment + **Hildebrando Rodriguez** + **Jenn**, a friend of Julia + **Ellen David** + **Blanche Maddeaux** + **Maggie Lim**, Swee-Teen's mother + **Mavis Stonefield** + **Erasto Fuentes**, May Razon's father + **Deirdre Etienne**, and her mother + **Miram's family** + **Pranvera Bimbli**, and her daughter, **Linda Laurasi**