

Encouragement

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**POWER Team's purpose is "to connect and encourage our 'retired' Pastors and International Workers".**

Our theme this month is

**ENCOURAGEMENT**

The picture above was a slide used by our National Coordinators Gerald & Dorothy Hogenbirk in a short presentation at the Saint Lawrence District Retreat recently; "Think **POWER**"

### Encouraging Words:

Philippians 4:8 encourages us or straight out tells us: (ESV) ***Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.***

**I've always said that I will never let an old person into my body. That is, I don't believe in 'thinking' old. Don't program yourself to break down as you age with thoughts that decline is inevitable." ~Wayne Dyer (Author)**

**My physical body may be less efficient and less beautiful in old age. But God has given me an enormous compensation: my mind is richer my soul is broader and my wisdom is at a peak. I am so happy with the riches of my advanced peak age that, contrary to Faust, I would not wish to return to youth." ~Robert Muller (Psychologist)**

**Aging is not lost youth but a new stage of opportunity and strength." ~Betty Friedan (Writer)**

**Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. 2 Cor. 4:16**



## Encouragement to Love as Instructed in the Word

Do not gratify these desires. Rather, live and be 'led by the Spirit' (v.18). If you choose to live by the Spirit, you will not follow the lusts of the flesh that continually tempt us. Instead, you will produce the fruit of the Spirit: 'love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control' (vv.22–23).

Michael Timmis wrote, 'The way I define love is by using the fruit of the Spirit, which starts with love. I believe that ....

- ..joy is love rejoicing,
- ..peace is love at rest,
- ..patience is love waiting,
- ..kindness is love interacting,
- ..goodness is love initiating,
- ..faithfulness is love keeping its word,
- ..gentleness is love empathising, and
- ..self-control is love resisting temptation.'



Saint Lawrence District Retreat was opportunity for **POWER Team** National Coordinators Gerald & Dorothy Hogenbirk to be encouragers to those who are now of the age they could retire and those who have transitioned into this season of their lives.

## Saint Lawrence District **POWER Team** gathering at their District Retreat

**POWER Team** SLD members Michael & Darlene Gagnon demonstrated that love is not just for the young.



So, this is what goes on in the SL.District Retreat?



Back Row: Al & Judy Hack (**POWER Team** Coordinators of the SLD), Michel Houle, Serge Roy, Shawn & Elizabeth Sun.  
 Front Row: Michael Gagnon, Judith & Douglas Tabah, Lise Houle, Gerald Hogenbirk, Elizabeth Martin, Dorothy Hogenbirk, Jean Martin.

Do pray for the SL District as a high percentage are of **POWER Team** vintage and there needs to have the passing of the baton to the next generation. Younger pastoral leadership is needed

### Encouragement from a District Superintendent to all **POWER Team** members



The mission of the Alliance Canada can be summed up most succinctly in the phrase: "multiplying disciples everywhere."

You, as our **POWER TEAM** retired workers, have given your lives to help us fulfill this mission both here in Canada and among least reached peoples all around the world. It is always a joy whenever I get to hear one of your stories, and I can only imagine all the extraordinary 'story-telling sessions' we will have around the banqueting table of the Lamb. What a party that will be! We will celebrate together all the untold or unheard stories of 'multiplying disciples' that expanded exponentially as a result of your love for Jesus and commitment to His mission: the stories of how God took your investment in one person and multiplied it to reach countless others with his love. And it won't just be 'telling' stories - the people from the stories will be there personally as living evidence! Men and women from every tribe and tongue, people and nation - all interconnected in this great story of God in one way or another - will be there

sharing in each awe-inspiring moment when the sacrificial acts of each one of YOU will be on display, all to the glory of our beloved God and Saviour.

Dear friends, thank you for so many years of faithful 'story-creation.' I'm grateful for the stories I've had the chance to hear, and I can't wait to be amazed in His presence by all the ones I haven't. I'm also grateful that you are still incredible partners with us on mission to multiply disciples everywhere.

Your ongoing generosity through prayer and service in a variety of ways continue to make a huge difference in the fruitfulness of our mission (that will only be fully measured when these stories are freely shared on that great day).



Thank you! May the richest blessings of joy and affirmation from the Father be yours in abundance.

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**Thanks for:** Faithful years of service  
-Incredible partnership  
-ongoing generosity -prayer/service

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## Encouraging remembrance of a church, a pastor and associate pastor that Encouraged new missionaries

- a Church -10<sup>th</sup> & Ontario Alliance Church, Vancouver
- pastor – Willis & Florence Brooks
  - associate pastor – Gordon & Eleanor Fowler
- Missionaries -Don & Elma Dirks
- writer -Garth Hunt with material passed on by Donald Dirks (new missionaries back then)

Don Dirks says: These days I have a new habit. Whenever I have some slack time, I am downsizing and trying to eliminate the accumulation of "things," stuff that I can't take to heaven with me. I don't know if I am making progress but I keep trying. So, a few days ago I came across a printed page that had the name Brooks in my handwriting at the top of the page. So, I sat down to read it. It was written by Garth Hunt to describe his last visit with Mr. Brooks. That reading touched my heart and jogged my memory so I went to my computer and wrote these lines.



The year was 1959 in late June. Elma and I were spending a few weeks with my parents in Chilliwack, BC. In a few days we would be saying goodbye to them and leaving home to begin our missionary journey.

One day Rev. Willis Brooks called me to ask when we were leaving for Africa. When I told him the date that we would be taking the train for New York he quickly responded. "Then you must come to my church in Vancouver (The 10th and Ontario St. Alliance) to share your testimony and calling." He concluded by giving me an invitation for the following Wednesday evening, for the weekly Bible Study and prayer meeting time.

At that meeting I was given the full time to share God's leading in our lives and the burden of our hearts to go and share the deathless story of redeeming love in Jesus Christ. To close that service, he proceeded to mark that hour with a commissioning prayer but he also had a word from the Lord. He quoted John 5:35: [Jesus] speaking of John the Baptist "**He was a burning and shining light.**"

As Elma and I stood before the congregation, several prayers were offered as many laid their hands on us and then Pastor Brooks commissioned us, with prayer to go in His Name and to be a burning and shining light in Gabon.



Fast forward the tape. About three months later, Elma and I had been in Paris since mid-July and were already deeply entrenched in our French language study program. Then one day our telephone rang. I immediately recognized the voice, it was Mr. Brooks and it sounded like he was in the room next door.

Imagine my surprise when he shared that he and his wife were in Paris and were lodged in the luxurious Hotel du Louvre in downtown Paris. Then he asked if Elma and I could accept an invitation to come that evening to have dinner with them in the outdoor restaurant at their firstclass hotel. We were delighted to accept the invitation.

Surprise. During that dinner (French cuisine is some of the best in the world) they shared a fascinating story with us. They were on a world Tour offered to them as a gift from their church which they had started and pastored for over 20 years. This was their first stop. And we got in on it. (photo - The Hotel Louvre restaurant today)

As they gave us more details which they were obviously excited to share, we were caught up in the narrative as we enjoyed the delicious meal. They told us how the church Board had come to them to propose that they should make a tour of the world and visit missionaries as they travelled. But they were reluctant to accept such a gift mainly because the church was into a big building program and their church had a large annual budget for Missions giving for that year. They felt that the church could not afford to fund a special project like the one that was being proposed.

Eventually the church Board came up with a plan: they would propose this plan to the congregation and ask them to donate as they were able but not to neglect the building Budget or the annual Missions budget. When the plan was exposed to the pastoral family, they agreed that the Board could proceed but with one condition. If when the time came to leave on this world Tour, if there was a shortage in the building budget or in the missions giving the trip would be called off and the monies added as and where needed. So, the project was launched and detailed travel plans were made.

Another surprise. Remember we are still enjoying a multi course meal in a sidewalk restaurant on a warm summer evening somewhere in the heart of Paris.

As the story unfolds, the Vancouver Alliance Church had become a significant church in the city. One day a pastoral letter was written to the shut-in members of the church. That letter included a kindly expression from the writing pastor that said: "We do **not** expect you to support the church." But in the process of typing that letter a typographic error was made: the letter that was sent out actually said: "We **do** expect you to support the church."

One of the dear saints of the church received that letter and became convicted that she had not been doing her part to support the church. So, she called her Counsel and instructed him to change the wording of her Last Will and Testament to include a bequest of her entire estate to the Alliance church of which she was a member.

As the date for the Brooks Tour drew near all the funds received were carefully counted and all three funds were solidly in the black. The Brooks could leave knowing that the building program and the funds for Missions were adequate. To coincide with that event just in time, a letter came from a lawyer to share that a Bequest had been left to the church and was ready to be paid. The church should indicate where the payment could be made.



Don & Elma Dirks

When the letter was read with care, the amount of the Estate came to exactly the same amount as what the Board had set as a Budget for the Brooks World Tour, plus \$30 dollars. At that point in the story Mrs. Brooks opened her purse and took out an envelope and handed it to Elma. When Elma had opened the envelope there was a sum of \$30.00 which she said that she and her husband wanted to donate for our soon to be born baby. Elma was one month away from giving birth to our son Robin.

Enter the Fowlers. Gordon was at that time serving as the Associate pastor of the 10<sup>th</sup> and Ontario St. Alliance Church, and was an experienced leader and capable to assume the leadership of the church temporarily. Gordon and Eleanor were there in person to enjoy this experience. But they helped make that tour possible by caring for the Brook's children during the three months that they were gone.

Fast forward again: In 2007, I attended a celebration in the 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue Alliance Church in memory of 70 years since Rev Brooks started his ministry as lead pastor of the Vancouver Alliance Church.

At the close of the ceremony, I walked to the front of the church to where Mr. Brooks was seated on the front row. I sat down beside him and asked him if he remembered me. He nodded and then he spoke my name without a moment's hesitation. So, I asked him, do you remember the message that you gave Elma and me as we were leaving for Africa. He said that he could not remember so I shared with him the words of commission and prayer that he had made. With that, tears came into his eyes and he thanked me whole heartedly for reminding him. I thanked him for his investment in my life.



Rev. Brooks died in 2002. From The Vancouver Sun you can read much about his life. [Willis BROOKS Obituary \(2002\) - The Vancouver Sun \(legacy.com\)](#)

It closed off with "All those who were privileged to know him have been left a legacy of what a selfless and God-filled life should be. ".as for me, my contentment is not in wealth but in seeing you and knowing all is well between us. And when I awake in heaven, I will be fully satisfied, for I will see you face to face." Psalm 17:15 (LB)

**This is the article written by Garth Hunt:**

They said, "She's just a new believer". Willis' response was "Hey, I'm not looking for an old one! I'm quite happy with a new believer becoming my wife."

Three days before he passed away, I had my last visit with my dear friend. His son, Alyn, wasn't sure if Mr. Brooks would know me or how the visit would go. Let me tell you about my last moments with him. I asked, "Do you know me?" He blurted out, "Sure—you're Garth Hunt." That's all he said.

I sat in quietness for a few moments, then asked him. "Have you been watching any hockey?" Again, he said, "sure".

I waited again, then said, "One of these days you're going to see Mrs. Brooks, your old friend Mr. Skitch, and so many of your friends." He nodded.

Then I read a couple of Scripture verses to him. He said, "Pray." At the end of my prayer he said, "Praise the Lord."



**Garth Died March 2019**

Then I got up to leave, and told him. "You and Mrs. Brooks are 'the true nobility' (Luke 9:41 LB). You have had a great ministry. You have influenced so many of us. You are my hero!"

He leaned forward a bit and with deep intensity said, "No, no. I am nothing, nothing."

I said, "You became nothing so that Christ could become everything. You held Him high for everyone to see. We are all indebted to you."

All this time I was holding his hand. Now I moved toward the bedroom door and through my tears said, "Goodbye Mr. Brooks".

He lifted his arm and said, "One minute". I returned to the side of his bed and then he began quoting Scripture:

*"Bless the Lord oh my soul and all that is within me. Bless His Holy name. Bless the Lord O my soul and forget not all his benefits."*

He continued to quote most of the 103<sup>rd</sup> Psalm.

I said, "You have a great memory".

He replied, "Not as good as it used to be," and then I said goodbye again.

Mr. Brooks was truly a remarkable man! He was a pioneer, a church planter, a preacher, a teacher, a radio broadcaster, a film producer, a missionary pastor, and a world traveler. But more than anything, he was a man of God who cared for people.



**-may this be an encouragement to all POWER Team members**



**Encouraged by those who have run the race and have kept the faith.**

## **Ernest Regier *March 5, 1930 - October 22, 2022***

We celebrate the life lived by Reverend David Ernest Regier,

Ernest was married to Helen Regier (nee Dahl) who predeceased him in 2009. He is survived by his three children: Marlon, Lowell, and Sheri and their families.



The service is available to view online via livestream

link <https://www.faithproductions.ca/october2022>

Ernest Regier was born March 5, 1930 south of Swift Current SK, the third child of eight born to Mennonite farmers.

Hard work was a given on the Regier's small farm, especially during the Great Depression years. Ernest loved working and was soon admired for his ability to analyze mechanical and logistical challenges on the farm and invent creative solutions.

It is with amazement and admiration how he applied those skills later in life, with house and church construction and a myriad of other ways in which he supported his family and church

community.

Ernest came to faith in Christ at Bible Camp in his teens. That step impacted the rest of his life, both personally and professionally. In the 1940s he attended both Swift Current Bible Instituted and Grace College of the Bible in Omaha, Nebraska. During that time, he sensed a call to pastoral ministry.

In 1957 the district superintendent of the C&MA asked Ernest, then living back in Swift Current to support a small group of people wanting to start a new Alliance Church in Shaunavon Sk. He initially took up that leadership role part time (doing the farming on the side). Soon the Shaunavon congregation realized the ministry needed his full-time attention, so began 40 years of pastoral ministry.

Ernest soon met a sparkly, quick-witted gal named Helen Dahl. She caught his attention and they married October 8, 1960. That began a lifelong partnership in home and ministry.

In 1965, Ernest and Helen answered a call to help launch a second church congregation in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. Thirteen years in PA were full and productive. During the summer of 1966, Doug Wiebe, Betty (Stewart) Kerr and Lois (Downey) Westerlund were a great encouragement to the Regiers in assisting this new congregation. August 19, 1967, Ernest performed his first (ecumenical) wedding in a Presbyterian Church with United Church people, he being an Alliance Pastor. This was the wedding of Wayne & Betty Kerr.

Two more church plants were in Ernest's future. The next one was in 1978, when the family moved to Saskatoon to start what became the Lawson Heights Alliance Church. Then in 1986, the Regiers crossed the Saskatchewan River on the east side of Saskatoon to plant the Erindale Alliance Church.

As a pastor, Ernest was much loved. His humility and pragmatic leadership (combined with his down-to-earth sense of humour) helped to nurture strong and growing congregations.

In the 1980s and 1990s, the 3 Regier children left home for university and start families of their own. Grandpa Ernest was forever inventing some new toy or gadget with which to entertain his grandchildren.

In 1997 Ernest officially retired from full-time ministry, yet continued to provide pastoral support to the congregation in various ways at Erindale. In the early 2000s he shifted his ministry attention to focus on caring for Helen who had developed cancer. His humble devotion to her was an inspiration. Helen passed in 2009.

Ernest remained engaged in church and family life following Helen's death. In 2019, Ernest experienced a fall that marked a significant change in his cognitive capacity necessitating his move to Circle Drive Special Care Home. Though his mental condition deteriorated quickly he was able to find words for prayer to the very end of his life. He graduated to glory October 22, 2022 with his three children present.

At the memorial service, DS Bernie Van de Walle expressed the significant church planter role of Ernest that is rarely seen. We thank Ernest for modelling a true pastoral heart that is an example to be passed on to the next generation and all who will follow.



## **Encouragement to give to Alliance Ministries as the year comes to a close.**

**2022** is quickly coming to a close and donations to every kind of charity is bombarding us to give. All of these are good causes. So often the "squeaky wheel gets the grease" and so when many churches are not having the offering being part of their weekly liturgy or worship, many of us hear a much louder the cry for the needy. Let us not forget that generally, only Alliance people give to support our IWs and district ministries and local churches. Many of our IWs are trying to meet their financial obligations to continue serving. Don't forget our GAF and the new ACF.

**CONNECTOR encourages** all our **POWER Team** members to consider following the legacy that the Regiers lived and also left for the following generation. Give the editor here some grace. I have noticed that Ernie encouraged people to give to The Alliance Missions Fund in lieu of flowers. This is seldom expressed but it is something all of us could consider as we update our Wills and see the on-going ministry of our denomination move forward. We connected with the National Office and want to pass on to you the following:

# ALLIANCE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

Future-minded Charitable Giving



## Global Advance Fund --Alliance Charitable Fund

### WHY IS GAF IMPORTANT?

The **Global Advance Fund (GAF)** enables all the work of the Alliance.

A *Ministry Partner Fund* supports specific projects by an IW.

A *GAF Partner Fund* supports the living costs of an IW (car, local clothing requirements, etc.).

Other approved special funds may be set up for a group of IWs. Compensation is from GAF.

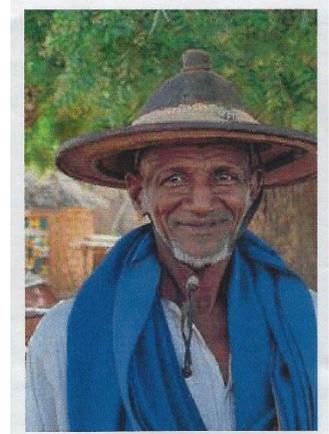
GAF also supports the infrastructure of managing a denomination. Less than 6.3% of the GAF budget goes to administration. That means all of the NMC staff and leadership, New Ventures, Envision, Indigenous Ministries, Networks (Chaplains, CCACA, etc.) Justice & Compassion and Defend Dignity are supported by a small portion of GAF.

Funds such as Jaffray are specific for an initiative such as the South Asia project right now. That is a directive fund and does not share any part with GAF, just like directive donations to a local church.

### WHAT CAN BE DONE WHILE ASSURING GAF CONTINUES FOREVER?

The **Alliance Charitable Foundation (ACF)** offers a unique opportunity for you to steward your finances wisely today, while ensuring that the work of The Alliance Canada continues for generations to come - until all have heard the Good News.

The ACF's wise combination of Foundation giving, life insurance and regular monthly annuity payouts offers a unique opportunity for you to provide long-lasting support to the work of the Alliance in Canada, while offsetting unexpected expenses for **the rest of your life**. In retirement, this is an opportunity to support The Alliance in Canada while addressing your own financial security.



### HOW DO I START WITH THE ACF?

The ACF accepts donations of any kind and provides a charitable tax receipt. That's it.

The pooled fund of the ACF grants a minimum of 3.5% to GAF every year. The ACF investment returns tracks very closely to the Alliance Retiral Fund (ARF) so the pooled fund will never shrink.

Check this link for clarification: <https://vimeo.com/manage/videos/759933964/cc56766a11>

For more information contact:

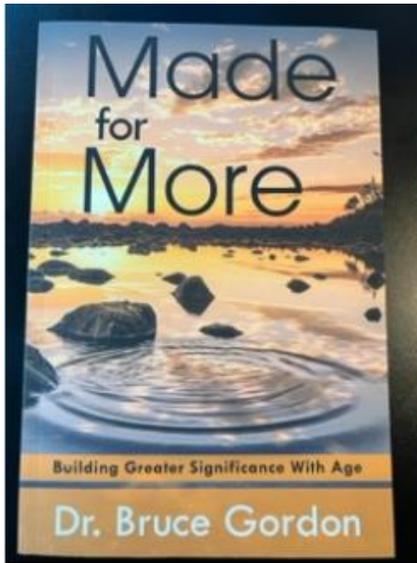
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# Encouragement from our newest POWER Team members.

(this includes a free offer)



CP District Coordinator for **POWER Team**. Brian Thom wrote: "I keep on adding to the CPD Power Team member list. . .now at 157. The latest members are Bruce & Denise Gordon."

Bruce & Denise have been married for 51 years and have 3 married sons and 5 grandchildren.

Bruce has been involved in many Organizations in ownership and Senior Administrative positions. Here are just a few: 1990, he accepted the position of President of Tyndale College & Seminary, Toronto. In 1995, he became the President of Focus on the Family, Canada. In 1997, he taught in the Department of Business of Trinity Western University (TWU).

Denise is also a Mentor & Coach to Women in Leadership Positions and actively consults along with Bruce.

The Gordons established **Mentor Matrix Services Inc.** [www.mentormatrix.com](http://www.mentormatrix.com), in 2001, with the mission "To assist organizations manage development and growth through maximizing the effectiveness of their people and other resources, thus achieving their mission / vision." Their heart and passion are to be a resource on Leadership Development, Teambuilding and Executive Coaching to Senior Leadership, especially for those organizations, which are in change and transition.

Bruce currently consults with Senior Leadership Teams within many Organizations. He is a Master Certifier for The Birkman Method.

Bruce & Denise have served as Transitional Leaders to help churches which are in a leadership transition. It has become a specialty, using 6 Key Objectives to Successful Transition. He is credentialed through the Christian & Missionary Alliance Denomination.

Bruce serves in a part time capacity on the Lead Pastoral Team of Peace Portal Alliance Church, South Surrey. Denise is a Co-Director for Women's Ministry. The Gordons reside in Vancouver, British Columbia

Bruce is the author of his recent book for the 55+ demographic, as they transition in life, **As Long As I Have Breath**, published through Focus on the Family and Tyndale Publishing, a book on leadership transition, as well as **Made For More, and Strategic Cheriths**. The Gordons have a passion to speak into the 55+ demographic to resource them for the unique issues we face.



**CONNECTOR** adds: Notice his book mentioned in this previous paragraph "As long As I Have Breath". That fits into our **P.O.W.E.R Team Step #1 Preparing Our Workers Entering Retirement**" (or **R= Re-assignment, Re-alignment, Re-Treading** etc) [As Long as I Have Breath: Serving God with Purpose](#)

[in the Later Years: Gordon, Bruce: 0700001001258: Books - Amazon.ca](https://www.amazon.ca/dp/0700001001258) You may be interested in this one as well.

Brian Thom had time with Bruce on the golf course and told Brian: "I would be willing to make my second book **MADE FOR MORE: Building Greater Significance With Age**, available (free) to any **POWER Team** member across Canada." (the hard cover book or electronic copy)



To wet your appetite, this is a portion of one chapter called "**Getting Old**".

It reads: **GETTING OLD**

**I have a couple of strong beliefs about getting old.**

**I believe that aging matters, to use the title of a book on this theme.**

**Our society has insidiously influenced our thinking that youth matters more. Aging means you are to enjoy life and at long last you can have freedom, though I wonder what Freedom 55 really means! We make too much of youthfulness and too little of age.**

**I also believe that God is not limited to age. There are many examples of where He directs someone in what we would refer to as the Autumn or even Winter season of their life and they then have the greatest impact they have ever known. Of course, Abraham at 99 is an example.**

**I was reading recently about the 400 names compiled of the most noted people the world has known. The stats are astounding, for the research went on to show the following:**

- **Thirty-five percent were between 60 and 70.**
- **Twenty-three percent were between 70 and 80.**
- **Six percent were over 80.**

**To sum this up, over 64% of these leaders had their greatest impact and achievement when they were over 60. What does this mean for you? I want to both challenge and encourage you to focus on Philippians 4:13: I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.**

**This is not age restrictive. It is not health restrictive. It is not financially restrictive. It is not position restrictive.**

**Lastly, I believe that if we truly ask God to use us in ways which we cannot even fathom, He will. I believe He wants to.....**

**My Friends, your greatest days can be ahead of you regardless of age**

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**CONNECTOR adds:** This is a 52 week devotional book. Gordon endeavors to address the 55+ in **Building Greater Significance With Age**.

We encourage our **POWER Team** members to consider obtaining the book or receiving it as an electronic copy. This is not only for personal devotion and growth but also very much suited to a small group of 2-3+ people for interaction and application.

To obtain an electronic copy or a hard copy of Made For More in this season of your life, email your request to....



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-for an electronic copy send it to (give your email address) \_\_\_\_\_

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-to have a hard copy mailed to you free, give full name and address. \_\_\_\_\_ -



## Encouragement and Christmas Greetings from your POWER Team leadership



Your team is working at connecting and encouraging you in this season of life. Maybe you could take the time to connect with them and encourage them in this season as we all approach the New Year.

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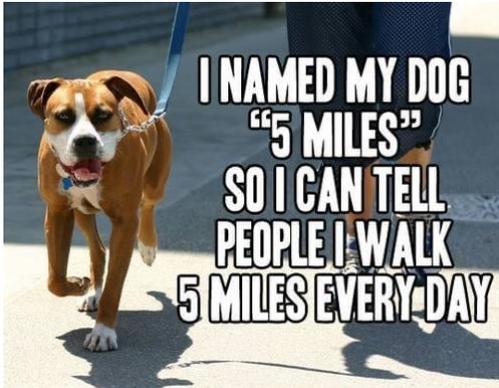
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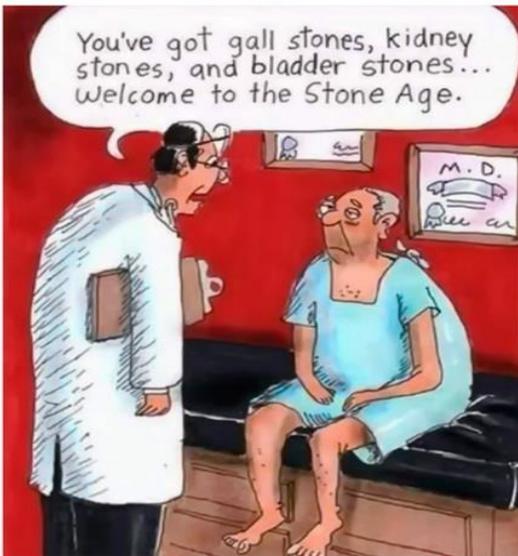
## Have a Joyous and Fruitful New Year as you Put Christ on Display



# Encouraging you with a smile.



The police just pulled me over and said, "Papers?" I said, "Scissors, I win!" and drove off. I think he wants a rematch - he's been chasing me for 45 minutes!

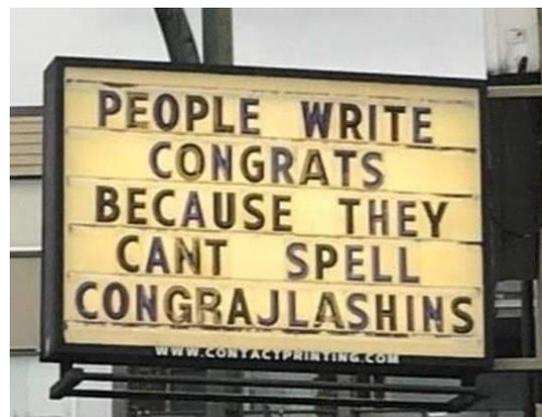


Been shortages everywhere and late shipments. Walmart just got a shipment from 1973.



I went to the psychiatrist today. She told me I had a split personality and charged me 160 dollars.

I gave her 80 dollars and told her to get the rest from the other idiot.



## Encouragement!-----No Joke!

**November 22<sup>nd</sup>** it was announced: "Most Alberta families will get \$600 for each child and senior citizen as part of new affordability package." No SID (Seniors in Denial) **POWER Team** members in Alberta today!!!