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CBA's Golden Jubilee!



### Where Truth and **Grace Meet**

by BILL MARKHAM Co-Host, The 700 Club Canada



I recently read, "Loneliness is the new silent killer—more deadly than smoking, more destructive than obesity, and it's spreading faster

than any pandemic we've ever faced." This reality highlights the urgent need for action. What can we, as followers of Jesus, do about it? The Bible provides a powerful answer in Psalm 68:6 (NIV): God sets the lonely in families. Jesus established the church to be that family—a place for belonging, support, and growth.

First, Jesus established the church to build authentic relationships. Acts 4:32 says, All the believers were one in heart and mind. The church is meant to be a safe, united community where people connect deeply, share struggles, and form lasting friendships.

Second, Jesus established the church to provide support and care. Acts 4:32 also tells us, No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. This radical generosity ensures that everyone's needs are met, creating a robust safety net.

Third, Jesus established the church to encourage growth and accountability. Acts 4:33 states, With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. The church is where truth and grace meet, fostering spiritual growth.

As a result, Acts 4:33-34 shows, God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all that there were no needy persons among them. When we unite, we are stronger.

To be part of the solution, actively engage in your church community (remember, you are the church), pray for unity in the church in Canada, and ask God how you can extend His love to the lonely around you today.

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# The Season of Change

by Carolyn B. Fraiser

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Autumn is my favourite season. I love the brilliant colours, the sound of dry leaves crunching beneath my feet, and the smell of apples with cinnamon. The air turns crisp and cool—a promise that change is coming. In autumn, our focus shifts to thanksgiving, and I look forward to a new year, anticipating what God will do next.

But God invites us to come to Him with worship and gratitude all year long. Psalm 100:4 reminds us to enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! It is important enough that it should be the first thing we do when we approach Him. I believe He longs for us to express it to Him.

Paul writes in 1 Thessalonians 5:18 that we should give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God. That is hard—especially when we are facing difficulties and challenges. God's will is for us to approach Him with a spirit of gratitude even when we feel pressed on every side and desperate for our circumstances to change.

Why? Because God ushers seasons of change through thanksgiving. Expressing our gratitude for Him and what He has done for us opens the door for God to work in us. He shifts our perspective and reminds us of who He is. All we have to do is trust Him through our situations.

So no matter what we face throughout the year, remember to be thankful. Our season is changing. God is bringing something new. We just need to keep our eyes focused on Him. Scripture is quoted from the ESV.



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# CBA's Golden Jubilee!

by Andrew Burditt

s our partners and regular readers will know, 2024 marks the 50th anniversary of The Christian Broadcasting Associates, Inc. It has been a wonderful time of celebration, and we thank God for His faithfulness and express our gratitude for the support of so many that have made this ministry successful. Even as 2024 has progressed, we have been able to celebrate this milestone on *The 700 Club Canada* throughout our publications, online, and on social media. In February, we moved into our new offices, and Emily James began as the new host of *The 700 Club Canada*. In September, following some renovations in the office, we were thrilled to see the reopening of the Ministry Centre. We have so much to be thankful for!

Earlier this month, CBA took some time to gather with many of its partners and friends to truly celebrate this momentous occasion. **CBA's Golden Jubilee** featured food, fellowship, praise, and special guests who spoke about the powerful work that God can do through each of us when we follow the path He has laid out for our lives.

Terry Meeuwsen, co-host of *The 700 Club*, joined us as a featured speaker; Deliah Williams from Oshawa blessed those in attendance with her beautiful voice and powerful witness through the gift of music. The evening was hosted by *700 Club Canada* personalities Emily James and Bill Markham.



The Bible is full of examples and passages that speak of God's faithfulness to His people, and 2 Thessalonians 3:3-6 is among them. In Paul's letter to the Thessalonians, he says, **But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen you and protect you from the evil one.** We have confidence in the Lord that you are doing and will continue to do the things we command. May the Lord direct your hearts into God's love and Christ's perseverance (NIV).

There is a great temptation to sit back, relax, and think about the wonderful successes of the past, and while we continue to celebrate, we must also look ahead and focus our eyes on what is yet to come. God will equip us and lead us as we continue to share the transformational, life-changing story of the Gospel.

As we commemorate 50 wonderful years and build on the foundation of God's love, our vision for the future of this ministry will focus on these four ministry pillars:

- Prayer
- Humanitarian Service
- Superbook
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It is also so important to thank each and every one of you for your ongoing support, both through prayer and in practical ways. What we do would not be possible without you, and it is in that partnership that lives are changed through a relationship with Jesus Christ.

We pray that God will continue to be at the centre of your lives and that the light of His love will shine brightly across this wonderful country.

I will give thanks to you, LORD, with all my heart;
I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.
I will be glad and rejoice in you;
I will sing the praises of your name, O Most High.

Psalm 9:1-2

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### God, Our Provider

by EMILY JAMES
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As we head into the Christmas and holiday season, financial strain can often weigh heavily on our minds. But

God promises to meet our every need. In Scripture, He's called our Provider, Sustainer, and Portion.

It's easy to think of God's provision as limited to our physical needs—money, food, or a job—but it goes much deeper. Philippians 4:19 says, and my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus (ESV). This means God provides according to His perfect will, not just to fulfill our wants.

In Luke 5, Simon Peter fished all night without success, but when Jesus told him to try again, he obeyed—and caught more fish than he could handle. This wasn't just about fish; it was about recognizing Jesus as his true source. The abundance was more than Peter needed, allowing him to call his friends to share in the blessing.

As we receive God's provision in our own lives, we're not meant to hold onto it. Just like Peter, we're called to share the overflow. This Christmas season, as God meets our needs, we can bless others—whether through financial help, encouragement, or simply offering a helping hand.

God's supply is always abundant and meant to be shared. Trust in His provision and look for ways to be a blessing to others during this season. When we do, we project His love and generosity to those around us.

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## BROKEN VETERAN FINDS PEACE

The atrocities Jeff witnessed during the war in Iraq had shattered him. Suffering multiple injuries, he turned to prescription drugs—but it was depression that eventually led to a suicide attempt. However, his story wasn't over yet! Don't miss his incredible transformation.



#### UNBELIEVABLE FINANCIAL BREAKTHROUGH

Penilopee had always been in debt. Tired of having a "pocket with a hole in it," she decided to start tithing and trusting God with her finances. That was when everything changed. You will be shocked at all the ways God provided for her!



#### SURPRISING CONSEQUENCE OF FORGIVENESS

A lifetime of abuse left Cornelia hurt and distrustful. She coped with her pain through alcohol and other destructive habits. But with the help of her husband, a church, and a prayer service—she discovered something that changed her completely.



### BELIEVING FOR A MIRACLE

When Billy crashed his plane, he feared for the worst. His back was broken in four places, yet he had confidence that God was going to heal him. His doctor didn't believe him, but an MRI had something surprising to show. This is one story that must be seen to be believed.

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Hosted by Lorne Jackson

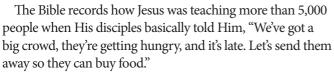
Nearly 60 percent of families do not have a Will in place, but there's still time. Do you have a Will, and if so, is it current and complete? Have you selected a trustworthy executor who's ready for the responsibility? Have you explored ways to pass on your assets to your children or heirs in a mutually beneficial manner? What about the tax implications of your registered assets? Have you made plans for those? Have you considered including charitable gifts in your Will? Have you discussed your decisions with your family and made sure they understand your wishes? Our partners at Advisors with Purpose are hosting a 45-minute webinar for retirees who want to ensure they've covered all the bases, allowing them to enjoy life without the stress of crucial decisions looming over them.

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# GIVING MULTITUDES THE BREAD OF LIFE



by GORDON ROBERTSON
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I love His answer in Mark 6:37: "You give them something to eat."

Today, we are His disciples, and He is speaking this to us. How many people don't have Jesus, the Bread of Life? Is it a multitude, more than we can number?

Are we going to answer, "God, send them somewhere else"—or perhaps, "Lord, send the angels to help them"? God didn't want to do it that way; it brings Him glory to use us.

He has given us the Gospel, and 2 Corinthians 5:19-20 says: In Christ God was reconciling the world to himself ... entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us.

He is reaching out to the world and telling us, "You give them something to eat."



When the disciples heard Jesus say this, they asked if they should go buy bread. But He replied, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." And when they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish" (Mark 6:38).

Then God, the great giver, multiplied what they had and fed the multitude. The disciples simply needed to obey.

You and I need to do the same thing in order to achieve what God has commanded us. We must take what we have and say, "God, only You can multiply this. We can plant and water, but only You can give the increase."

So together let's pray, "Lord, You've commanded us to go and feed Your sheep, and we want to obey. You have shown us the need and given us the strategy, and we agree in faith that we can do it. Now we ask You for the increase and trust You to bring a mighty harvest for Your glory, in Jesus' name."

God bless you!

Excerpted from a teaching at CBN Staff Chapel. Scripture is quoted from the ESV.

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