



Spirit Renewal Ministries

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Newsletter

We are pleased to share some of our ministry activities for 2010 as well as several initiatives for the new year - this is a ministry of soul care!

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Shishya Society

Read about the amazing ministry of missionaries Ken and Frieda McRae in Dehradun, India.

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Curaçao Mission

Learn about Zadok Ministries ongoing ministry support work in Curaçao as well as SRM's partnership with Zadok Ministries for the 2010 Mission trip in November.

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Book Signing Events



Visit an upcoming book signing event to get your copy of *What God Has Promised You*.
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Local Ministries

SRM offers a full range of ministries to individuals and churches: pastoral care, leadership training, bereavement services, weddings, training for church leaders and ministers.

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How You Can Help

SRM is seeking volunteers to serve in administration, the official board, and in overseas missions.

Learn more!

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Kenya Mission

"You planted a seed of evangelism and our people have begun to evangelize to others to an extent that we have experienced growth that is unbelievable."

Pastor Vincent Opondo, Kenya.

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Called to Serve

Then he said to them, as you go into all the world, proclaim the gospel to everyone.

(Mark 16:15)

This newsletter shares highlights from our past year's ministry and outlines some of our ongoing ministry initiatives. We have also identified several areas where the ministry needs help, and perhaps you or someone you know may be the right person to assist. Please consider how you might help. Any amount of support you could provide would be a valued contribution. Every gift of time, talent, or financial resources is appreciated *(Mark 12: 41-44)*.



"Let nothing disturb you; let nothing dismay you; all things pass; God never changes. Patience attains all that it strives for. Those who have God find they lack nothing; God alone suffices."

St. Teresa of Avila (1515 - 1582)

Ministry Activities

We were blessed this year to participate in many life celebration events with families and individuals: weddings, memorial services, worship services, and gatherings at homes, public gardens, community centres, and churches in

rural and urban settings. We supported many churches with pulpit supply and short term interim ministry needs. We also provided teaching sessions to many groups in churches and non-profit organizations for bible study, faith development, as well as sharing news about our overseas ministries. We were especially privileged to receive invitations to serve in several continents. We undertook mission trips to India, Africa, and the Caribbean. We continue to receive requests to partner with ministries to undertake training for leaders and clergy.

Spirit Renewal Ministries works with local and international partner ministries to teach, train, empower, and encourage their leaders, clergy, and members. *This year, we will be offering several local training sessions for clergy and church leaders in areas of leadership, evangelism, and church renewal.* --- Rev. Dr. Stephen McAllister



Mission Ministries Update - 2010

Kenya



Spirit Renewal Ministries was invited to participate in a pastor and leaders conference in Eldoret, Kenya in August 2010. Host Pastors include Rev. Daniel Chelagat, Senior Pastor of *Pioneer Community Church* in Eldoret, Evangelist Nathan Onyango, *Pioneer Community Church*, Pastor Chriss Barasa, National Overseer, *Word of Life Harvest Church, Kenya*, and Rev. Peter Franz, *Gospel Fire International*, of Germany and Kenya.

We worked with local pastors to teach, train, support, and empower their ministries. Subjects included leadership, discipleship, mission, and evangelism. Other teaching sites included the towns of Moisbridge, Matunda, and villages in Nyanza province. We also visited an orphanage and local congregations. We travelled to remote areas where we provided leadership training for pastors and leaders.

Contact SRM for a DVD of the Kenya 2010 Mission.

India



SRM spent time with the *Shishya Society* in Dehradun, India, where we visited a school, orphanages, as well as the Doon Youth Centre, an internationally recognized training and care centre.

The *Shishya Society* began its first outreach and development project in 1979 under the leadership of Ken and Frieda McRae, a husband-wife team from Canada/USA. They responded to God's call to care for orphan children in India. The motto of the school is, "living in love." Volunteers come from all over the world and spend a minimum of six months serving in Shishya's school and orphanage.

Shishya is currently expanding its school to accommodate 1,000 students, and there is an immediate need for two additional busses! *Wexford Heights United Church* of Scarborough recently assisted Shishya in purchasing a new bus. Can you help?

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Curaçao



In November, we returned to Curaçao with a team under the leadership of *Zadok Ministries International* from Toronto. We shared in worship services, prayer meetings, community events, and interviews on local radio stations to restore and empower local ministries and churches. A community prayer breakfast was held, providing an opportunity for local churches and individuals to network, and to learn more about the vision for future ministry initiatives and partnerships in Curaçao.

SRM spent time with Pastor Wilbert Blanc and his congregation, *La Iglesia de Dios* in Willemstad. We continue to pray for this church as many of the congregation are from Haiti, who lost family members and friends in last year's devastating earthquake.

We are thankful for the wonderful hospitality of our friends in Curaçao. To learn more, contact Pastor Lovelace St. John, **Zadok Ministries**, 416-299-7930.

Weddings

Each wedding service reflects the needs of the bride and groom and their families, and special attention is paid to the religious and spiritual aspects of the ceremony. Reserve your date today!



Interim / Supply Ministry

We provide interim and supply ministry services to churches during times of pulpit vacancy, or while the congregation searches for a new minister. Call today about availability.



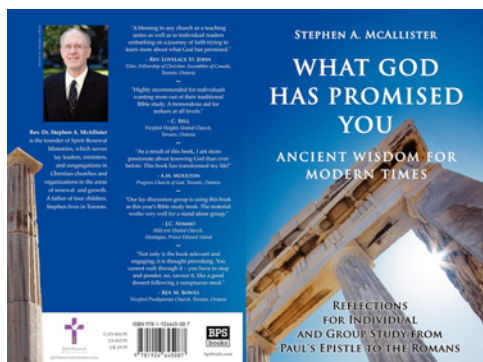
Bereavement / Funeral Services

An important part of Spirit Renewal Ministries' local ministry is providing compassionate pastoral care to families during times of loss, grief, and bereavement.



A Great Addition to Your Library

Many churches and individuals are using the book as a bible study / meditation resource. Get your copy today!



Now Across Canada!

Edmonton, AB

- Blessings, 9058 51 Avenue

Toronto, ON

- Crux Books, 5 Hoskin Avenue
- Faith Family Books, 45 Milner Avenue
- The Presbyterian Book Room, 50 Wynford Drive
- The Canadian Bible Society, 10 Carnforth Rd.
- Broughton's Religious Books, 322 Consumers Rd.

Nepean, ON

- Salem Storehouse, 1558 Merivale Rd

Campbellford, ON

- Kerr's Books, 39 Bridge Street

Uxbridge, ON

- Blue Heron Books, 62 Brock Street West

Kingston, ON

- Queen's University Bookstore, Queen's Campus

Montreal, QC

- La Lumière Librairie Chrétienne, 271A boul Saint-Jean, Pointe Claire

Fredericton, NB

- Westminster Books, 445 King Street
- Lighthouse Family Resource Centre, 60 Bishop Drive

Book Signing Events

Invite your friends and family to one of these events.

Please support local booksellers!

Chapters, Kennedy Commons

20 William Kitchen Road, Scarborough

Friday, Feb. 25, 4:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Faith Family Books

45 Milner Avenue, Scarborough

Saturday March 5, noon till 5:30 p.m.

Kerr's Corner Books

39 Bridge St., Campbellford, ON,

Saturday, Feb. 26, 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

What God Has Promised You

We are excited to tell you about our book on Romans entitled, *What God Has Promised You*. The book is an easy-to-use resource designed for individual or group study and reflection. We have been encouraged by feedback from many pastors, churches, and individuals in Canada, USA, England, Africa, India, and the Caribbean.

*I have read your book
What God Has Promised You.
I was tremendously blessed!*

Pastor In India

Available Online

Amazon Canada
Chapters / Indigo Canada
Amazon USA
Barnes & Noble USA
Amazon UK



Ongoing Ministry

Canada

- ~ Pastoral ministry, bereavement and counselling services
- ~ Weddings
- ~ Ministry training conferences
- ~ Interim and supply ministry to churches

Overseas

- ~ Preparation for ministry training conferences in the Caribbean, India, and Africa
- ~ Clothing for orphans in Kenya
- ~ Kenya Mission, October, 2011
- ~ Provision of bibles, study books, and teaching materials for pastors and churches

In Appreciation

With the dawning of a New Year, it is time to think about the promise for the year ahead, and to express our thanks to our board members, friends, family, ministry colleagues, and partners who have helped us in the past year. Thank you!

We have been privileged to serve many people at home and overseas through worship services, counselling, funerals, weddings, and teaching conferences. We are truly blessed to have the support of many individuals, organizations, and churches.

You Can Help!

Just as it takes many hands to feed the hungry and proclaim good news to the nations, so it takes many people to ensure that a ministry functions well.

Please consider giving of your time, talent and money to support our ministry both at home and abroad.

The Ministry Needs

- A volunteer to work part time in the office.
- Persons to join the Official Board to offer guidance and support.
- Volunteers (lay and clergy) for overseas missions.
- People to establish local support committees in various regions of the world.
- Financial support.

Pastor Vincent, Kenya

Pastor Vincent (top left), constructed a small church on land owned by his forefathers in a



remote village in Nyanza Province. Since our teaching conference last year with his congregation, elders, and regional clergy, his church has greatly increased in numbers and they are now expanding their worship centre. We give thanks for the faithful witness of Pastor Vincent and his congregation as they grow in faith.

SRM Stewardship Goal - 2011

- ▶ Ten people to make *significant annual donations* to **expand the capacity** of our ministries in Canada and abroad.
- ▶ Fifty people to make *quarterly donations* to enable the ministry to support **overseas missions**.
- ▶ Two hundred and fifty people to make small regular *monthly donations* to ensure a strong **foundation** for SRM.



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