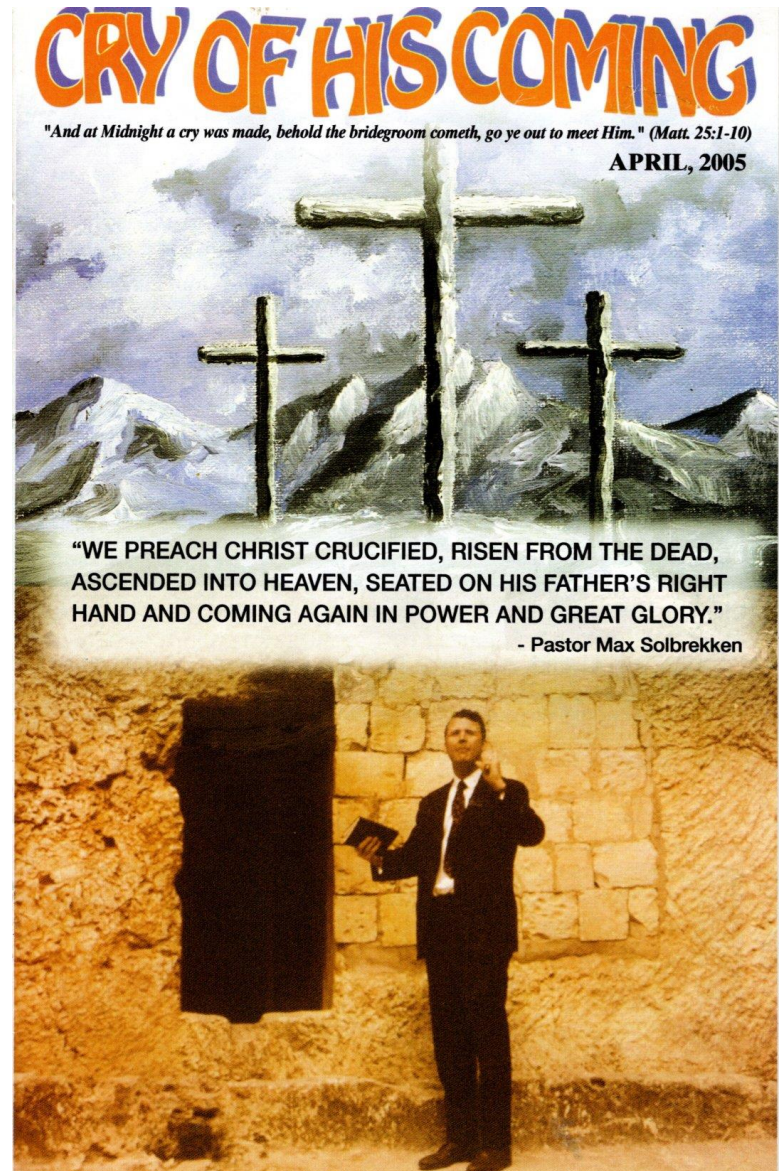
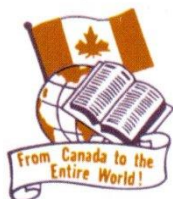




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Dear Christian Friend,

April, 2005

I greet you in Jesus' precious Name at this wonderful time of the year.
Praise be unto our crucified and risen Lord!

Thank you my friend for your fellowship in the Gospel, your prayers and financial support for this End-time Ministry!

Without your help, we would be unable to reach as many people for Christ as we have been able to, for His honour and glory. **During our Brazil Crusade - Oct. 18 to Dec. 19, 2004 - Donna and I travelled 8,000 kil. by automobile and I preached 62 times, by God's grace!**

Two months away from Canada, paying for our own travel, publishing and printing thousands of my book '**Back to the Basics**' in Portuguese, has almost depleted (about \$20,000) our Missions Bank. **We really need your financial help this month, my friend!**

Also pray for our continuing support of Native pastors and churches in India. There are presently **113 churches and pastors in Kerela**, that we are helping to support on a monthly basis! Any help you can share with us on their behalf would be greatly appreciated!

God willing, I preach at the large Brazil Assemblies of God Convention (**6000 pastors**), April 17-23. The final day will be held at the Brazil Park, where they are expecting one million people! Please pray and write us SOON!

Your servant for Jesus' sake,

Pastor Max Solbrekken



Pastors of Philadelphia Church of God in India!

Resurrection of JESUS CHRIST

& the Rogue Theologians!

by Pastor Max Solbrekken, D.D.

*EACH SPRING AROUND EASTER TIME, THE SUN WARMS THE EARTH,
GRASS TURNS GREEN, BIRDS BEGIN TO SING...AND THE BUGS COME OUT!*

Not very many of us even notice the bugs. We are too busy looking at the earth coming to life, with grass turning green, flowers, trees and plants pulsating with new energy!

Usually, only the gardener or green thumb notices the bugs!

And each year around Easter, with everyone focusing on the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, the spiritual bugs also come out. Usually only Bible scholars take any note of the modern day agnostics and liberal rogue theologians, who grovel in the dirt of unbelief, skepticism and atheism!

The last few years, however, with a print media - who are mostly spiritually dead - looking for a controversial headline, have been swarming to the likes of the apostate self-proclaimed judges of God's Word, called the 'Jesus Seminar'. Well, last year they got pre-empted by Mel Gibson's '**Passion of the Christ**' avalanche! **THE 'JESUS SEMINAR' GOT BURIED!** Thank God!

The little spiritual bugs who claim to know more than *Moses, Isaiah, Elijah, Daniel, Jesus Christ, Paul, Peter, Augustine, Martin Luther, John Wesley, John Bunyan, William Booth* and *Billy Graham*, got trampled by the amazing turn around across the world, as tens of millions rushed to theatres to see the depiction of the horrible sufferings of Jesus Christ for our sins!

I hope that the apostate theologians - who have been totally discredited recently - will repent of their gross sins, and also see the beauty and fragrance of the Gospel of Christ with the green grass of faith, the warm sun of truth and the exciting chirping of hundreds of millions of Christians across the world rejoicing in the love, power and grace of the **RISEN CHRIST!**

My dear friend, I pray that that you will place your total trust in the Eternal God our Heavenly Father and receive His forgiveness, peace and joy through Jesus Christ our Lord!

OUR SAVIOUR IS WAITING to forgive you, fill you with His precious Holy Spirit and heal you from your diseases! Remember, Jesus said: **"Come unto Me all ye who labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest."** (Matt. 11: 28). Even now, He is knocking on your heart's door. Please don't keep the Lord waiting! **Ask Jesus to come into your heart and He will!**

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WHY SEEK YE THE LIVING AMONG THE DEAD?

By Pastor Max Solbrekken, D.D

After the crucifixion of Jesus, the Chief priests and Pharisees went to Governor Pilate, saying: "Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, After three days I will rise again. Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night, and steal him away, and say unto the people, he is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first.

"Pilate said unto them, Ye have a watch; go your way, make it as sure as ye can. So they went, and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch." (Matt. 27: 63-66).

SOLDIERS NO MATCH FOR ANGELS!

Here is the amazing story of how God's power radically changed the scene: "In the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre. And behold there was a great earthquake: **for the angel of the Lord descended from Heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it.**

"His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow: And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men. And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that you seek Jesus, which was crucified.

"He is not here: For He is risen, as He said. Come see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly, and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead; And behold, he goeth before you into Galilee; There shall ye see Him: Lo I have told you.

"And they departed quickly from the sepulchre with fear and great joy; and did run to bring His disciples word. And as they went to tell His disciples, behold, **Jesus met them, saying, All hail.** And they came and held Him by the feet, and worshipped Him. Then said Jesus unto them, **Be not afraid: go tell My brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see Me.**" (Matt.28:1-10).

JESUS FORETOLD HIS RESURRECTION!

The Sanhedrin condemned Jesus to death because He made Himself equal with God! The High Priest challenged our Lord: "**I adjure thee by the living God, that thou tell us whether thou be the Christ, the Son of God?**" Jesus answered: "**Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of glory.**"

The High Priest rent his robes, saying: "**He hath spoken blasphemy; what**

further need do we have of witnesses? Behold now ye have heard his blasphemy. What think ye? **They answered and said, he is worthy of death.**" (Matt.23: 63-66).

Jesus gave His disciples ample proof of His divinity during His three years with them and also after His death and resurrection! That proof is anchored in the Holy Scriptures of the Old Testament, namely the *law of Moses*, the *Prophets* and the *Psalms*!

The Bible says: 'From that time forth began Jesus to show unto His disciples, **how that He must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and raised again on the third day.**' (Matt. 16: 21).

After His resurrection, Jesus appeared to two of His disciples on the road to Emmaus, after His resurrection and said: **"O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken: Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into His glory?"** And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, **He expounded unto them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself.**" (Luke 24: 25-27).

The Bible states: "And they rose up the same hour of the night, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them. Saying, **The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared unto Simon.** And they told what things were done in the way, and how He was known in the breaking of bread.

RESURRECTION PROVES CHRIST'S DIETY!

"And as they thus spake, **Jesus himself stood in the midst of them,** and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit. And He said unto them, **Why are ye troubled? And why do thoughts arise in your hearts? Behold My hands and My feet, For it is I Myself: handle Me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see Me have.**

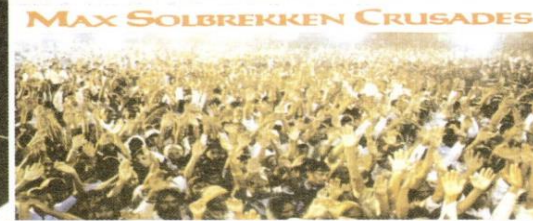
"And when He had thus spoken, He showed them His hands and His feet. And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, He said unto them, **Have ye here any meat?** And they gave Him a piece of broiled fish, and of an honeycomb. And He took it and did eat before them.

"And He said unto them, **These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning Me.**

"Then opened He their understanding, that they might understand the Scriptures, And said unto them, **Thus it is written, and thus it behooved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day:** And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And ye are witnesses of these things."



Above - 1987 National Assemblies of God Conference where Max Solbrekken was evening speaker (5,000 Pastors)



(Luke 24: 33- 48). **St. Paul** declared: “Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel...For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, **how that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures; And that He was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the Scriptures.**” (1 Cor.15: 1- 4).

“Concerning His Son Jesus Christ our Lord, Which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh; **and declared the Son of God with power, according to the Spirit of Holiness, by the resurrection from the dead.**” (Rom. 1: 3-4).

RESURRECTION GIVES ASSURANCE!

Dr. Hyman Appelman, who preached in our church (1971 & 1983) stated: “On Christ’s resurrection, the authenticity of the Bible stands or fall. The Old Testament predicted it. Christ witnessed it. The disciples testified concerning it. Paul the apostle preached it.

“Christ’s resurrection is the ground of our standing, the certainty of our state. It gives assurance of eternal life. It shows that believers are justly justified. It gives the saints an accepted Intercessor. It secures the resurrection of those who put their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.”

Dr. G. Campbell Morgan made this powerful declaration: “The living, risen Christ is the centre of the Church’s creed, the Creator of her character, the inspiration of her conduct. His resurrection is the clearest note in her battle song. It is the sweetest music amid all her sorrows. It speaks of personal salvation. It promises the life that has no end. It declares to bereaved souls that “them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him”; and, therefore, the light of His resurrection falls in radiant beauty upon the graves where rests the dust of the holy dead.”

Arthur T. Pierson uttered these powerful words of liberty and truth: “The greatest event that ever happened on this planet thus far is the resurrection. The greatest miracle ever wrought was the resurrection, including all smaller ones. The focal point towards which prophecy points, is the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The greatest demonstration that He was the Son of God was the resurrection.

RESURRECTION: CENTRE OF CHRISTIAN CREED!

“The greatest theme of preaching is the resurrection. The great complement of the redemption on the cross is seen in the resurrection, that event which intervenes between His crucifixion and His coming again. It is a plentiful assurance to all children of God that they shall thus rise from the dead and shall bear the likeness of their glorious Lord. It is a demonstration of the fact that Christ was really deathless, that though He submitted voluntarily to death, it was impossible that He should ever be holden of it. It was the preparation for the descent of the Holy Spirit. It is the greatest assurance to every believer that in Jesus he has the Messiah of the Old Testament, and the Jehovah, the Sovereign Lord of all.”

CHRISTIANITY BOASTS AN EMPTY TOMB!

All but four of the major world religions are built on mere philosophical propositions. Of the four that are built on personalities, only Christianity boasts an empty tomb for its founder!

Abraham, the father of Judaism died and was buried about 1900 B.C. The ‘*Mahaparinibbana Sutta*’ states that Buddha died with “the utter passing away in which nothing whatever remains behind”. History records that he was cremated and his ashes divided into eight parcels which were sent into various parts of the earth!

Muhammed died June 8, 632 A.D. at the age of 61, at Medina, where his tomb is visited annually by millions of devout Muslims. Professor Childers says, “There is no trace in the ‘*Pali*’ scriptures or commentaries of *Sakya Muni* having existed after his death or appearing to his disciples”.

“All the millions and millions of **Jews, Buddhists and Mohammedans** agree that their founders have never come up out of the dust of the earth in resurrection”, states Childers.

Theodosius Harnack says, “Where you stand with regard to the fact of the resurrection is in my eyes no longer Christian theology. To me Christianity stands or falls with the resurrection”.

Theologian Michael Green emphasizes, “Christianity does not hold the resurrection to be one among many of its tenets of belief. Without faith in the resurrection of Christ, there would be no Christianity at all.

“The Christian Church would never have begun. The Jesus-Movement would have fizzled out like a damp squib with His execution. Christianity stands or falls with the truth of the resurrection. Once disprove it, you have disposed of Christianity.”

Green states: “Christianity is an historical religion. It claims that God has taken the risk of involving Himself in human history, and the facts are there for you to examine with utmost rigor. They will stand any amount of critical investigation”.

ANCHOR IN A WORLD OF UNCERTAINTIES!

It is good to know that our eternal destiny is secured by the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ Himself. The Saviour is our anchor in a world of uncertainties! He is our Rock of Defense in the storms of life!

St. Paul, writing to the fledgling Church in Rome, declared: **“He that spared not his own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?”** (Rom.8:32). He is alive, making sure that we receive what He died to provide for us! And since the Holy Spirit is the Executive of His Will, we will not be short-changed!

Jesus said: “For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth (gives life) them; even so the Son quickeneth whom He will. For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son. That all men should honour

the Son, even as they honour the Father. He that honoureth not the Son honoureth not the Father which hath sent Him.

“Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth My Word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

“Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live. For as the Father hath life in Himself; so hath He given to the Son to have life in Himself;

“Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear His voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.” (John 5: 21-29)

In this Scripture, our Lord is inviting sinners who are spiritually dead -in their sins - to hear the voice of God (His Word), and believe in Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour. Whoever receives Him will pass from death unto life and be saved by the precious blood of Jesus!

And secondly, there will be a **time of judgment** when all the dead in their graves, will hear the voice of God and be resurrected to face “Him Who sits on the throne” for Judgment! (Rev. 20: 10-15).

Jesus said: “I am the resurrection, and the life; he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die...” (John 11: 25, 26)

JESUS THE CHRIST: SON OF THE LIVING GOD!

By Pastor Max Solbrekken, D.D.

“Of all these messianic claimants, only one - Jesus of Nazareth - so impressed His disciples that He became their Messiah. And He did so after the crucifixion, which should have refuted His claims decisively. But it was not Jesus' life, which proved beyond question that He was the Messiah, the Christ. It was His resurrection.”

--Ellis Rivkin, history prof. Hebrew Union College

Who is Jesus Christ? Without question, He is the ‘Son of the Living God’ and the only ‘Saviour of the world’! He was God the Son, Who was incarnated in human flesh so that He could save us from our sins, through His vicarious, sacrificial death for us on ‘the cursed tree’!

The Bible says, **“And (Jesus) declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead:”** (Rom. 1:4). The Resurrection of Jesus Christ confirms and ratifies our justification. The Bible says, **“But for us also, to whom righteousness shall be imputed, if we believe on Him who raised up Jesus from the dead; who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification.”** (Rom. 4:25). The word justification signifies a gracious act of God, whereby He pardons and accepts

sinners on the account of Christ’s righteousness imputed to them, and received by faith. (Rom. 5:16, 18).

THE MAN WHO STILL LIVES!

After his much-publicized conversion to our Lord Jesus Christ, **Malcolm Muggeridge** - former Marxist, celebrated writer, broadcaster and actor poured his time and talents into writing Christian apologetics, which portray a living Saviour!

In his book, *The Man Who Lives*, Muggeridge writes: **“That the Resurrection happened, and that in consequence of it Jesus' followers who had scattered drew together again, and resolved to go about their Master's business, seems to me indubitably true.**

“Likewise Jesus' claim to be the light of the world, and His related promise that through Him we may be reborn into new men, liberated from servitude to the ego and our appetites into the glorious liberty of the children of God...

“If the story of Jesus ended on Golgotha, it would indeed be of a Man Who Died, but as two thousand years later the Man's promise that 'where two or three are gathered in My Name, there I am in the midst of them' manifestly still holds, it is actually the story of a Man Who Lives!”

Muggeridge's counsel to a troubled world is worth listening to. He writes: **“Christ is the only answer to an insane world...they will not understand that the trouble with the western civilization is not economics, but more - good and evil! They are thinking they can make things work by policies, inventions, but man will never live on this planet without God!”**

Newsweek (3/29/99) carried this account: **“Art and science, the self and society, politics and economics, marriage and family, right and wrong, body and soul – all have been touched and often radically transformed by Christian influence.**

“Nearly a third of the world’s population claims to be His followers. The first Christians were Jews who preached in the name of Jesus. ...As Jewish monotheists, they believed in one God – the Father to Whom Jesus was obedient to death. But they also worshiped Jesus as His ‘only begotten Son’, conceived through the power of the Holy Spirit. ...

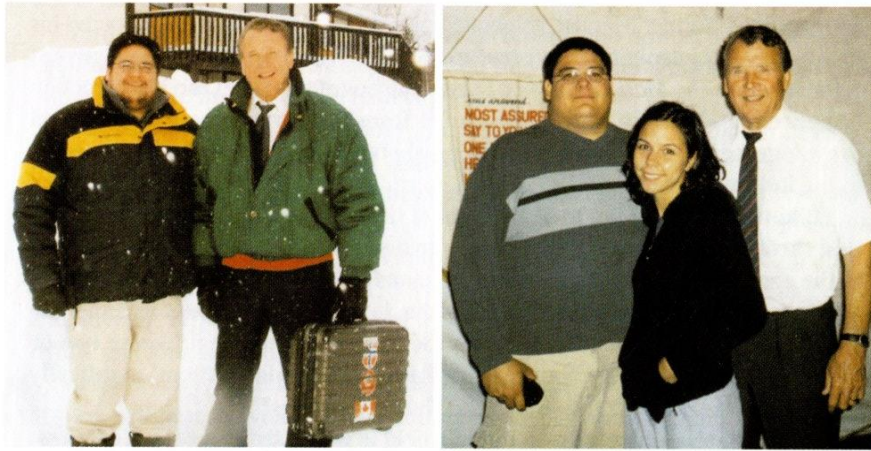
“The doctrine of the Trinity says that even the divine reality in all its incomprehensible mystery is intrinsically relational. In short, Christianity bequeathed to Western culture a God Who revealed Himself definitively in the person of Jesus, and Who continues to redeem the world by the work of the Holy Spirit.”

A recent poll in the USA found that over **88 percent of Christians** responding said they believe that Jesus rose from the dead, and a surprising **32 percent of non – Christians** said they also believe He did!

Jesus Christ said: I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No man cometh unto the Father but by Me.” (John 14: 6). **“Come unto Me all ye who labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest.”** (Matt.11: 28). Amen.

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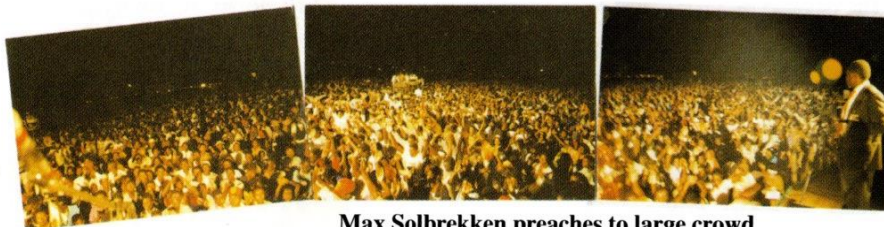


Max Solbrekken with Pastor Kevin & Kyla Quesnel



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Max Solbrekken preaches to large crowd
At the Muslim Park, Kampala, Uganda.

PASTOR KEVIN & KYLA QUESNEL: TROPHIES OF GOD'S GRACE & POWER!

By Pastor Max Solbrekken, D.D.

By the grace of God, we had a powerful 3-day New Year's Revival in Pine House Lake, SK, where Rev. Kevin Quesnel is the pastor! **He and his wife, Kyla, are trophies of God's grace and power!**

Kevin and Kyla know the pain and suffering that comes with being from broken homes, and are ideally suited to heal the wounds of **Canada's Native Indian and Metis people!** The staggering miracles of salvation and restoration which have taken place in Pine House Lake during the past seven years is of Biblical proportions!

Pastor Mark Ramshaw had taken his Gospel Tent into that solid, Roman Catholic, alcohol-bound, sin-sodden northern Saskatchewan village for a week of preaching. Revival broke loose and he stayed for one month. The entire local dance band was converted and a Bible Church established!

Out of 1500 people, an estimated 400 have given their lives to Jesus Christ! In a village where on most nights there was drinking and inebriation in every home, to see and hear hundreds of glowing testimonies of forgiveness, healing and living praise to our Lord Jesus Christ, is wonderful indeed!

Kevin gave his life to Jesus in a *Full Gospel Church* in Ontario as a teenager, and worked as a youth leader there until he attended the Bible College at Caroline, Alberta, founded by **Rev. Clifford Stalwick**. While there he met **Kyla**, who had been nurtured by her loving foster parents, **Pastor Ernie and Faith Slopianka** of the *Evangel Pentecostal Tabernacle*, Valleyview, Alberta.

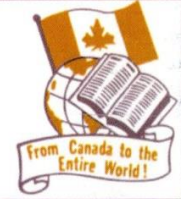
I first heard about the 'Pine House Revival' from **Pastor Frank and Neva Merasty** of the *Full Gospel Native Church* in Meadow Lake, SK. a number of years ago. They travelled there for several years to help stabilize and grow the work. And I have had the privilege of preaching in that village several times over the last few years!

The work of Mark Ramshaw, Frank and Neva Maresty, Clifford Stalwick, Ernie and Faith Slopianka and others unknown to me, have all had their influence in shaping the lives of **Kevin and Kyla Quesnel**, who are faithful and astute shepherds of God's growing flock in Pine House Lake! And incidentally, they will be having their first baby in June! God be praised!

At one time this beautiful little village was called '**Snake Lake**', but many years ago it had a name change: From the *Serpent* to Pine House, the Evergreen Tree! You could say: "FROM THE SERPENT TO THE TREE OF LIFE."

The serpent who beguiled Eve had been beguiling the people of that village for a long time, but through the ministry of **Mark Ramshaw, Frank Maresty and Kevin Quesnel**, more than 400 people there have had a name change. Now they are now called, '**The Believers and Christians**' of Pine House! Ω

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