

# MINUTE-MAN NEWS



(left) Missionaries who give out the Word appreciate taking it in at Conference; (bottom left) Missionary Venus Cote (New Brunswick, r.) shares with



Shereen, wife of conference speaker, Pastor Russ Worrada; (bottom right) Tom Cnossen (Alberta) & Carl Sonnichsen (Labrador) discuss ministry.

## SPREAD OUT & WIDELY SEPARATED!

Nehemiah's Old Testament description of the workers being "widely separated" (4:19) fits NCEM's ministry, too. And that's what makes our staff conferences so special.

Many of our missionaries serve far from fellow NCEMers. Most years we hold "field" conferences, but in late August we held a "general" conference where our entire Mission staff and their families gathered.

***"Conference is essential to keeping us united, motivated and on task"***

As you can imagine, a lot of travelling was involved. This time Pinawa, Manitoba, was the location (close to the geographical centre of Canada), and our missionaries enjoyed four days of fellowship, corporate worship and Bible teaching.

But it wasn't just about "enjoyment." Conference is essential to keeping us united, motivated and on task in reaching First Nations for

Christ. We shared reports, discussed ministry matters, and prayed together about the challenges that lie ahead ... while thanking God for the work He is presently doing among First Nations in Canada.

Your Minute-Man gifts to Call #146 helped make it possible for our missionaries to attend this conference, and we thank you. When it was announced

at conference that one-quarter of the total cost for the conference was supplied by our Minute-Man supporters, there was

spontaneous applause!

These donations may not be for actual frontline missionary work, but we believe that they are closely connected to it, and greatly contribute to reaching Canada's First Peoples for Christ. ●

## HELPING TO "PREPARE" & "DISCOVER"

To be as effective as possible in church planting, "Preparing" and "Discovering" are two initial steps in our "Worldview" action plan. Your gifts to Calls #140 & 143 have contributed!

Minute-Man donations have helped cover the costs of ongoing missionary training. In order to communicate the Gospel clearly, we need to study the culture, language and worldview of the host people – this, of course, with much prayer and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Along with learning from experienced Christian workers, one of our missionaries has enrolled at a First Nations University to help understand the mind-set of younger First Nations – who make up a large portion of Canada's Native population.

Besides gaining insights, it has provided ministry openings. Class discussions sometimes give opportunity to share Biblical perspective, and during class breaks there's opportunity to build relationships with classmates.



One classmate told of growing up in a Christian environment, but that the teaching of Aboriginal Spirituality at university was undermining her faith. She said that having our missionary there made her "miss God."

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# MINUTE MAN • CALL

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Dear Minute-Man Friends,

Our missionaries have just returned to their ministry locations after a very profitable week at our annual workers' conference (covered in part by Minute-Man Call #146 – see “News” on other side). It was a blessing to meet together as a Mission family.

Our most recent Minute-Man Call (#147) was designated firstly for *Field Ministries*, which we are using to assist our field missionaries. These Minute-Man donations help pay for related resources and field directors' visits for member care, ministry evaluation and strategizing.

*Personnel Recruiting (PR)* was the second part of the last Call, presently a top concern in NCEM. Our missionaries, David & Joanna Bouck, have moved to southern Ontario to start “PR” ministry this fall. In November we are planning a two-day meeting at our Headquarters for those involved as “mobilizers.” Call #147 will help cover the costs of these meetings (travel being the major cost).

Thank you for your support for the ministries represented in this recent Call ... \$53,543.14 has come in.



This new Minute-Man Call (#148) is designated for various projects, most of them focused on our Bible camps. We rejoice in another summer of profitable camp ministry, and this particular Minute-Man will help us serve better this coming year. The following Bible camp projects are part of this Call:

- A **tractor** for Big River Bible Camp (SK).
  - Completion of **renovations** on the main lodge at Arrowhead Native Bible Center (NB).
  - New **dishwasher**, and **archery & riflery** upgrades for Pine Ridge Bible Camp (SK).
  - Upgrade **out tripping equipment** for Higher Challenge Wilderness Adventures (AB).
- We also need to **rebuild the engine** on one of our Cessna aircraft. We continue to use aircraft in our ministry to northern First Nations, and we need to keep our planes maintained to Transport Canada standards. This particular engine will cost around \$30,000 to rebuild.

Together in His service,

Albert B. Heal  
General Director NCEM

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