

Northern Lights

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Anglican Diocese of
Yukon
Winter 2008*



*The Northern and Southern
Hemisphere Meet in Uganda*

Thank you for Praying



Day 1 & 16

Whitehorse: Christ Church Cathedral.
The Most Rev. Terry and Blanche Buckle. The Rev. Mary Battaja, (Associate Priest, on leave). Lino Battaja & family. Licensed Lay Minister: Ellen Zimmerman

Day 2 & 17

Fort Nelson: St. Mary Magdalene.
Toad River, Alaska Highway, mile 150-506
Rev. Dawn McDonald and Rev. Neville Critchlow. Lay Minister: Don Thompson and family

Day 3 & 18

Watson Lake: St. John the Baptist
Lower Post, Swift River.
Telegraph Creek: St. Aidan.
Dease Lake; Glenora.
The Rev. Lesley Wheeler-Dame, Eric Dame & family.

Day 4 & 19

Carcross: St. Saviour's.
The Rev. David Pritchard and family
Tagish, Johnson's Crossing
Teslin: St. Philips
The Most Rev. Terry Buckle and the Ministry Team

Day 5 & 20

Communities of: **Carmacks, Keno, Faro and Ross River.**

Day 6 & 21

Atlin: St. Martin.
The Rev. Dn. Vera Kirkwood & family.
Licensed Lay Minister: Dorothy Odian.

Day 7 & 22

Clergy in secular employment holding Bishop's License for ministry in the Diocese of Yukon:
The Rev. Martin Carroll..

Day 8 & 23

Haines Junction: St. Christopher's.
Beaver Creek: St. Columba.
Alaska Highway: mile 918-1202
The Ven. Dr. Sean Murphy
& Lay Ministry Team.

Day 9 & 24

Whitehorse:
Church of the Northern Apostles.
The Ven. Dr. Sean Murphy (Archdeacon of Liard)
The Rev. Dn. Sarah Usher, Len Usher & family

Day 10 and 25

Mayo: St. Mary with St. Mark.
The Rev. Susan Titterington. and the Lay Ministry Team
Pelly Crossing: St. James the Lord's Brother.
Licensed Lay Minister: Betty Joe.

Day 11 & 26

Dawson City: St. Paul's. **Moosehide:** St. Barnabas.
The Klondike Creeks; The Dempster Hwy.
The Rev. Dr. Lee Titterington, The Rev. Dn. Percy Henry. The Ven. Ken Snider (Honorary Assistant) and Aldene Snider. Licensed Lay Ministers: Mabel Henry; Shirley Pennell, Betty Davidson.

Day 12 & 27

Old Crow: St. Luke's.
The Rev. Susan Titterington, The Rev. Dn. Marion Schafer, Esau Schafer & family. and Lay Ministry Team.

Day 13 & 28

The Rev. Dn. Sarah Usher: Diocesan Administrative Officer.
Members of the Diocesan Executive Committee..
Diocesan Prayer Partner: Diocese of Fredericton.

Day 14 & 29

Pattie Tetlich, Yukon Apostolate:
Bishop's School of Yukon Ministries.
PWRDF Diocesan Representative:
Diocesan ACW President: Gloria Hockley and all ACW members.

Day 15 & 30

Those retired from Missionary Service:
The Rev. Ben Hall & Nancy Hall.
The Rev. Dorothy Thorpe.
The Rev. Bruce Aylard & Audrey Aylard.
The Rev. Don Sax & The Rev. Dn. Lee Sax.
The Rev. Dr. Ellen Bruce OM.
The Ven. Ken and Aldene Snider.
The Rev. Canon Geoffrey & Rosalind Dixon
The Ven. Arthur Privett
The Rev. Canon David & Alice Kalles
The Ven. John & The Rev. Dn. Carol Tyrrell
The Rev. Fred & Marcia Carson.
The Very Rev. Peter & Barbara Williams
Marion Carroll.
Licensed Lay Minister: Edith Josie.

Day 31 and daily:

The Most Rev. Terry Buckle, Blanche Buckle & family.

From the Archbishop

Dear Friends:

The year 2008 is drawing to a close. A new church year has begun. 2008 has been a year to remember. The Lambeth Conference in July/August of this past year had a significant influence on much of the Anglican Communion. I am writing well in advance of this present Advent season and perhaps by the time that you read this there will have been a response to the reflections and proposals of the Lambeth Conference from the Canadian House of Bishops. What this response will be at this time of writing remains to be seen. There is much that we might prayerfully consider as we seek to be faithful disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ in our day and age. For us in the Diocese of Yukon we are challenged in our mission context just as many others are challenged in the various parts of the Anglican Communion around the world to be faithful followers of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Lambeth Conference 2008 caused me to reflect seriously upon the importance of being the Church in the world today. With that reflection came the realization that being “together” in Christ matters both for the Church in its purpose and for the world in its need. As I worshipped with fellow Anglicans from around the world, as I shared in Bible study with fellow Bishops and as we prayed together it was very obvious to me, as it has been now for some time that Jesus is the meeting place for all of us. It is in Him and through Him that we are one body. It is in Him that we find the way, the truth and the life because



He is that to us and it is in Him that we are united in God as one family of God.

The emotional response to the experience of the Lambeth Conference for me ranged from sadness to joy, from confusion and uncertainty to hope and possibility. I have come away from the Lambeth Conference aware of my own need to discover more deeply the meaning of personal repentance in my relationship with Jesus Christ the Lord of the Church and to honour Him more fully as such in my life for His glory and for the strengthening of His Church in our world today.

We are soon to celebrate the birth of Jesus who has come to us as the Saviour of the world. What better way to honour Him than to offer ourselves to Him in faithful and obedient discipleship. He is both Lord and Saviour. God bless you and yours this Christmas.

Glory to God, Whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.

Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

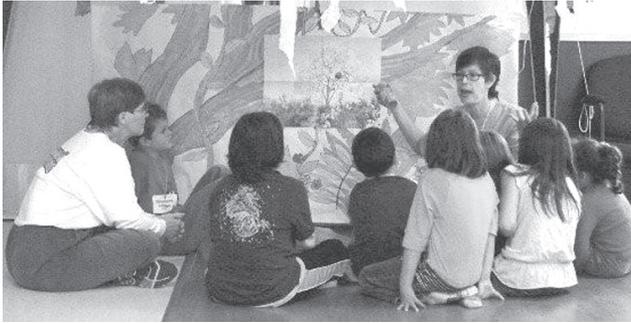
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VBS News from Mayo and Dawson

After a very successful VBS in Dawson we packed up everything and headed down to Mayo for more fun, games and bible stories. We had between 6 and 9 young people each day who really enjoyed their visit to the Rainforest. On the last day, the children held a Tea

Party for family members who joined us to play games, watch the stories on the DVD, and enjoy a performance of the program music under Betty Davidson's leadership. The performances included instruments such as homemade rainstick shakers and the more traditional drums, tambourines and triangles.



"Mustard Seed" Teaching in Mayo

Rainforest Adventure hits Dawson City

For five afternoons (Aug. 4-8, 2008) the Richard Martin Chapel of St. Paul's Church in Dawson City was converted to a rainforest for a vacation Bible school. Streamers were strung to resemble vines, murals were painted to show jungle-scapes and stuffed animals were gathered to help set the stage. For the first time in at least twenty years and quite possibly longer than that, the parish of St. Paul's

church played host to between 18-20 children, (aged 5 – 11) each afternoon. Through the Rainforest Adventure



Vacation Bible School Curriculum the children learned about sharing and caring for their family, friends, community and the world. We praised God who gave us all that

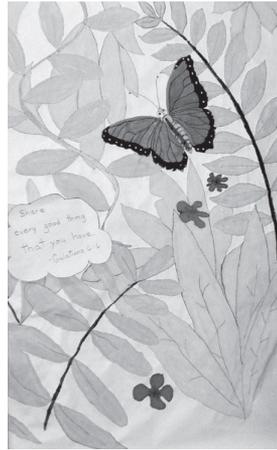
is good. We had songs, Bible stories, games, science, crafts and lots of fun! There were monkeys and butterflies

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and even a visit from a real life parrot named Chester.

The response from the children and their parents was phenomenal. We have already had parents asking to sign up their children for next year. What was also interesting is the community response from people not normally associated with the church. "What an awesome idea!" "This is great and is really needed here," were just two of the very positive comments heard.

For me the best outcome was the amount of volunteer leadership and assistance involved in the delivery of the program. There were seven adults



Youth Group Volunteers Butterfly Poster, Dawson City

who helped to deliver the program, organize the games, and lead craft activities. We were further assisted by three members of our youth group and many other people contributed baking for the event. All in all, this was a true circle ministry program! Many participated to share their gifts.

Rev. Lee Titterington
Priest-in-Charge
St. Paul's, Dawson City



Under the Rainforest Canopy

Christmas Greetings from Old Crow

Rev. Deacon Marion Schafer

Greetings to all from the parish of St. Luke's, Old Crow. The ladies have been doing a wonderful job in volunteering in the weekly church clean up and fund-raising. In the summer the men worked at keeping the grass cut. We have more people coming out to volunteer which is good.. Now that it is wintertime, we are having

to light the fire again in the church and the men help by getting the wood We appreciate all the help from Rev. Susan Titterington and enjoyed the visit by Archbishop Terry Buckle when he came to St. Luke's and confirmed three young ladies. (see summer issue - Editor) May God richly bless you and we send you our Christmas greetings from Old Crow.

Peace on Earth

Farewell to Dean Peter and Barbara

Cozmo Ace Malzerby



On Wednesday evening, 20th August 2008, the parish of Christ Church Cathedral said farewell to its 25th Rector & 4th Dean of Yukon, The Very Rev. John “Peter” Williams & his wife Barbara. They came to Whitehorse in December 2002 and their last service was on the 31st August – Peter has been in the ministry for thirty years.

The MC for the evening was The Rev. David Pritchard, Priest-in-charge at St. Saviour’s Anglican Church in Carcross & a member of the vestry of the Cathedral. Other Anglican clergy in attendance were The Most Rev. Terry Buckle, The Ven. Arthur Privett, a former Rector of the Cathedral, the retired Archdeacon of the Klondike; the Ven. John Tyrell, & former Rector of St. Paul’s Pro-Cathedral residing in Dawson City; The Ven. Sean Murphy, Archdeacon of Liard & Rector of the Church of the Northern Apostles, The Rev. Martin Carroll; The Rev. Deacon Sarah Usher. The Rt. Rev. Gary Gordon, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Whitehorse, plus the retired Pastor David Taegar and his wife from the

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Whitehorse.

The evening was hosted by the vestry with help from the ACW, with desserts, fruit trays and drinks available. During the evening, 70+ parishioners and visitors came to say their farewell to Peter & Barb Williams. Before the presentations and speeches began, Rev. Pritchard declared “Let the Roast Begin”.

The first in the ‘hot seat’ was Barb for all her dedicated work to the parish and working in the parish office. Gifts were given to her by the Parish and ACW representatives Blanche Buckle and Mary Merchant. Veronica Malerby presented a memory book for the two of them, which contained numerous photos of their ministry in Yukon. Gifts were presented to the Dean, who was given an actual purse, which contained a check inside from the parish. This was presented by the Rector’s Warden, Scott Gilbreath – who will also be leaving Whitehorse in the near future. On behalf of the Diocese of Yukon, Archbishop Buckle presented Peter and Barbara with a plaque of thanks and some paintings by artist Ted Harrison. Thanks were expressed by Peter and Barbara to the parish and diocese.

Upon the departure of The Very Rev. Peter Williams, Archbishop Terry Buckle will assume the direct charge of the Cathedral, assisted by the Ministry team, until such time a new Rector & Dean is appointed.

Cozmo Ace Malzerby is a member of Christ Church Cathedral. Sorry, no other photos available for this article. (Editor)

Reflections on Generation 2008

Betty Davidson

On June 9, travellers began wending their way to the “Generation 2008” Conference in London ON, held at Huron College. Some came from big cities, some from inner city churches, some from street ministries, some from camps, some from small rural parishes, some in their seventies, some in their late teens - all united by a zeal and a concern for Youth ministry. Rev. Susan

to each other, learning new strategies and teaching others. From the games, the music, the new liturgies, the jembe drumming to sessions on preaching, communicating, educating, networking, worshipping, and personal reflection, all participants were interacting, growing and developing their talents and determination to make our Church more inclusive of youth and to accept its mission to reach out to young people everywhere.

Highlights of Generation 2008 included:

- meeting our Primate Fred Hiltz for the first time
- being involved in the music group and learning lots of new music to bring back to my home Church of St. Paul’s in Dawson City
- experiencing an example of an emergent Church in which participants spent 20+ minutes singing, praying, drawing, acting, modelling their expressions of worship.
- attending a session on preaching which has helped me to organize my thoughts in this area
- experiencing the fellowship within our church throughout Canada
- walking the labyrinth - an amazing, meditative and calming experience
- listening to Prime Minister Stephen Harper’s apology to the indigenous peoples of Canada for the hardship and abuses experienced at the Residential Schools. Our entire group sat silently together watching this momentous event. Our Indigenous Bishop Mark MacDonald was present at Generations



Titterington, Georgianna Lowe and myself travelled from Whitehorse to London, representing the Diocese of Yukon. The theme for “Generation 2008” was to Empower, Renew, and Equip our church to engage in Youth ministry.

More than 160 people attended this week long multidimensional experience. Our days were busy from 7:00 am to long past midnight. Everywhere, people were asking questions and listening

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North Meets South as Form Equator in Ug The Rev. Canon Geoffrey

Greetings to you from the Southern Hemisphere! Instead of being minus thirty degrees - there are days when it is plus thirty degrees. We are now into October and it is difficult to imagine that winter is starting in the North!

Uganda is a beautiful country with generous and friendly people. We are here for three months and are kept quite busy.

We are working with Africa Community Technical Services, whose headquarters are in Comox on Vancouver Island, British Columbia. The main ministry of A.C.T.S. is providing fresh, clean water for people in the rural villages and working with HIV/AIDS people. Uganda is a very poor country and we in Canada and the Western world have

little to complain about. Yet in the midst of the poverty (and we see this particularly in the rural areas), there is a vibrant and deep joy in the lives of the Christians we meet. For many people there is only one meal a day; many homes are made of mud with a dirt floor and maybe some

furniture. For the most part, people walk or bicycle everywhere and it is not an uncommon sight to be on the "road" and see numerous people walking to

wherever they need to go. Many of them walk for miles, sometimes starting out very early in the morning to get to their destination.

We are in a camp in tan area called Rubingo. This is our working base for the Discipleship training which we are doing with Church Leaders, who will then carry on this teaching for new Christians after we have returned home.

Every Thursday 22 men gather at the camp and we spend the whole day teaching. Many of these men set off in the morning at around 6:00 am to



arrive the camp by 9:30 am. Then they have to walk or cycle home when the day is done..

We are enjoying doing these training

ner Yukon Couple cross the anda! & Rosalind Dixon



sessions very much. Geoffrey has preached every Sunday in different churches since being here. The Rubingo Church has a fellowship meeting on Wednesdays and we also attend and speak at that.

The minister at the Anglican Church in Rubingo travels by bicycle to the seven different churches under his care! We

hope to raise some money for him to have a small motor bike.

Life is very different here to what it is in the North and the rest of Canada. One realizes how materialistic Western society is when we are surrounded by so much poverty. Just recently the Diocese of Ankole had their Jubilee celebrations and the theme was: "Jesus is Enough" and these people have certainly shown us that when they know Jesus and are living for Him, their needs will be met because they know that Jesus will not let them down.

The worship services we attend are a joy to be involved in. The praise and worship is alive and vibrant. People will clap, raise their hands and yes, DANCE

as they worship! We have much to learn from the Church of Uganda. As I sit typing this article I can look out of the camp office window and see the beautiful hills and numerous banana plantations that are all around us. It is certainly a beautiful spot. We had a few days off last weekend and were able to go to a Safari Park. We did not see any lions but we did see a large number of other wild animals that usually one only sees in a zoo in Canada. I would personally like to thank everyone for sending me their submissions for this issue of Northern Lights, much earlier than usual, so that I could get the magazine ready and to you before Christmas! My husband joins me in sending you our greetings for Christmas and the new year. May you know His presence with you always.

JESUS IS ENOUGH!!

God bless you all.

Photographs:

Top Centre: Geoffrey and Rosalind

Left: Perez, Geoffrey, Patrick and Rev. Elly

Below: Rosalind with Ugandan child



Rosalind G. Dixon

Northern Reflections

NOYHRYN BRYHCHYONZ

*A collection of the late Dean Desmond Carroll's Bulletin Devotions
Compiled by Marion Carroll. Paintings by Ted Harrison*

On Sunday, June 15th, 2008, a new book was launched at the Old Log Church Museum in Whitehorse. Marion Carroll, wife of the late Dean Desmond Carroll was present and read excerpts from the book she has compiled of Desmond's weekly bulletin devotionals when he was Dean of the Cathedral from 1985 - 2001.

This small book is presented in a very attractive way and is enhanced by the paintings of Ted Harrison, an artist who lived in Yukon for many years and a friend of Marion and her late husband, Desmond.

Taryn Parker, Director/Curator of the Old Log Church Museum said this about the new book. "Even for someone with no familiarity with Desmond and his writings, such as myself, this collection is a gem. They can be read like a daily or weekly devotional. The insightful and inspirational writings give the reader an escape from a hectic and busy life."

Half the profits from the sale of this book will go to the Ted Harrison Artists' Retreat Centre and the other half to the Old Log Church Museum.

As Marion spoke at the Book Launching she spoke of how the book came together. "All the bulletins were laying around the apartment. Really, it was a tidying up process at home. I thought I should put them in a folder, then it grew



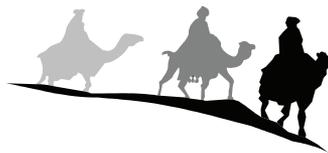
into a booklet and then a book."

Northern Reflections is available from:

*The Old Log Church Museum
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Travelling with the Archbishop

Blanche Buckle

This time of traveling with the Archbishop beginning on July 9, took me by airplane to Vancouver, over to the International part of the airport where I never usually go and onto a much larger airplane traveling for the next 10 hours, flying into the night and arriving in the morning at Heathrow Airport in London England. Onto another airplane, much smaller, flying for another hour, arriving at Newcastle where we were met by Archdeacon Nick Barker. Finally we reached our destination in England, what a thrill. We stayed with Nick and his wife Katherine for a few days.

We were invited to Auckland Castle, the home of Bishop Tom Wright and his wife Maggie. We had a tour of their beautiful home with dinner and a very touching and inspiring evening service in the chapel. It was a very special time of prayer especially for the Lambeth Conference. We were in Durham with 5 other couples, from Losota Africa, Manyoni Tanzania, Taipei Taiwan; Bunbury Australia and Santiago Chile. It was wonderful to get to know these Bishops and their Wives and to hear their stories.

On July 15th, we travelled by bus to Canterbury and the Lambeth Conference. First was registration, then finding our residence on the campus of the University of Kent, getting lost, greeting people and finding friends. Several of the Canadians were in the same residence which was great. Bishop Ron and Jan Ferris were right beside us in the residence which was a real extra bonus for us having them as

neighbours.

The Conference was a time of very, full days and many special happenings. There was a huge blue tent called "The Big Top" all 1500 people met together for two church services most days. After breakfast, the bishops and their spouses would separate and go to Bible Study followed by Plenary Sessions; lunch and then we would have a choice of many, different activities that spouses could take part in while the bishops attended meetings. Tours were provided by the Conference to many wonderful places, I went to Hiver and visited the castle which was the childhood home of Anne Boleyn.

There were invitations to lunches from The Prayer Book Society and The New England Society which supports many of the Northern Dioceses. There were many fringe events to attend such as International Anglican Woman's Network, a candlelit pilgrimage of Canterbury Cathedral, an Alpha Course, African Voices, and too many other events to mention. There was something for everyone.

In our plenary groups we had many speakers and spouses who shared on a theme that was carried out over the days of the Conference. Some of these themes were, "How To Tell Our Stories", "Who Are You And What Have You Left Behind?", "Family Life", "Married Life", "My Life and Vocation" (part one). The next day we shared part two of "My Life And Vocation", as well as "Stewards Of God's Earth", "Charged To Be God's Peacemakers" plus many

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other topics. Our Bible studies were such a highlight for us as they were for many at the Conference ten years ago: we met in groups of eight for these studies. In our group we had five ladies from Tanzania, one from England and two of us from Canada. The theme was "I Am", journeying with the Gospel of John through Lambeth. Our group shared in so many wonderful ways. We read the scripture readings, the commentary, answered the questions and shared so many stories recounting the blessings that the Lord had given us and continues to give us as we strive to live for him and to help others to know his love and help for them. The stories from the African women were especially incredible. As Canadians it made us very humble as we recognized the need to be so much more thankful for the country we live in. We learned a great deal from each other!

Worship services, held twice a day at 7:15am and 5:45pm, were led by different countries with Canada taking the morning Eucharist on July 29th. These services were well attended and our time together was most encouraging and worshipful. As we met in a tent with hundreds of people singing together, saying the Lord's prayer in different languages, hearing the Word preached by people from so many different countries, sharing the peace with people from all over the world, it was overwhelming, and, at times, very emotional.

Our day in London began with a bus ride to Whitehall at 7:15 am. We then walked in the City to Lambeth Palace with the Archbishop of Canterbury in support of the Millennium Development

Goals. At Lambeth Palace we heard speeches from the Prime Minister and other dignitaries. We then went into the beautiful gardens where all 1500 of us sat down in a huge white tent for a lovely lunch. Afterwards we strolled in the gardens, visited with each other and then boarded the bus for our drive to Buckingham Palace. Once there we went through the palace to the garden where we strolled around, had a lovely cup of tea and goodies.

After a short while, the Queen joined us in the garden. We formed two lines with the Queen and Prince Philip walking down either side speaking to people along the way. The Queen looked wonderful, and never seems to change. It was a beautiful sunny day and it felt so special and a privilege being at a garden party at Buckingham Palace. I enjoyed looking from the garden back to the palace, seeing all the many doors and windows, just thinking of what a special place the palace must be.

A memory I will have forever was a talk given at our spouses plenary by the Melanesians from the Solomon Islands. This was a wonderful story of how they were Christian Peacemakers on the island, living a wonderful life when in 1999 a militant group came and everything changed, resulting in seven of their young men being killed. The story was breathtaking as it unfolded with pictures flashing on the screen behind the speaker.

On the last evening of our conference, at a service in Canterbury Cathedral the Melanesian Missionaries took the names of the seven modern day martyrs and processed up into the

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A Christmas Day Memory

Rev. Susan Titterington

It is a quiet winter day, the sun is very low on the horizon and I will lose daylight in a few hours. It's Christmas day and I am driving home to Dawson after a wonderful Christmas Eve and early morning service in Mayo. Lee and I have an invitation to join Deacon Percy Henry and his wife and family for Christmas dinner at their house.

It is cold and my Jeep carries me along the winter road slowly and surely. There is no one else traveling but I don't mind. It gives me a chance to reflect on the past few days in Mayo.

I see something on the road ahead. It is a moose with a calf just standing there so still in the middle of the road. I slow down and eventually stop. They watch me and I watch them. All is still. I do not want to startle her and her calf, so I sit and watch. It is a beautiful sight

with the hoar frost on the trees and the new snow all around, just the three of us on this cold winter day.

After enjoying this wonderful scene for a while, I begin to wonder if they will move soon so that I can get to that wonderful dinner that I know is waiting. I don't want to be late but I don't want to break the stillness of the moment with the honking of my horn – it seems so out of place in this still and quiet day.

I eventually notice that soon I will be quite late for dinner so I get out of the Jeep to dial my Satellite phone to try to call home. When I speak, it is as if the moose hears me and she decides to move her calf along – I can drive safely by now. We pass on the road and the two of them go into the bush. I feel so privileged to see such sights as this.



Canadian Lutheran Youth Gathering in Whitehorse

Youth Sent Forward With A Call to be Leaders in their Communities and a Light of Christ in the World .

As 1000-plus youth joined together singing the poignant words to "Holy Moment", the 2008 Canadian Lutheran Youth Gathering (CLYG) concluded its four days among the picturesque backdrop of the mountains in Whitehorse, Yukon. During the gathering, youth from across the country came together for fellowship and a time of reflection and left the gathering with a call to action to be leaders in their communities and a light of Christ in the world.

CLYG, organized by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC) took place August 14-17. Speakers, vignettes, music and forums throughout the gathering built on the CLYG theme "Travel Light". Keynote speaker Rev. Fred Ludolph shared personal stories and reflections during all six of the large group gatherings. Ludolph offered Biblical and environmental reasons for youth to be more conscious of the burden being imposed by unsustainable lifestyles. "Why do I do weird things?" he asked rhetorically to participants. "I do it

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'08 and was a part of the group in Ottawa.

- watching the presentation given by Georgianna Low, Primate Fred Hiltz and the Rev. Susan Titterington, who shared a little of the hurt felt by First Nations people. It was a time of learning and awareness for many participants at the conference.
- drumming and dancing with the jembes outside in the big tent
- being inspired to work hard to effect change in our approach to young people
- being inspired by the many excellent talks both public and private
- seeing and meditating in the beautiful chapel at Huron College

Reggie Blount presented a most informative and inspirational message. He said " Young people are susceptible

to rash decisions and dangers... they yearn for loving relationships with adults...they have a desire for conversation for the reasons for life ... by the time they have reached puberty many have experienced some form of brokenness, they long to be made whole again... Those in youth ministry are water-bearers for our young people." Generations 2008 provided water to revitalize, encourage and provide a purpose for the youth workers of our Church. Those attending this conference could not help but come away from Huron College with a renewed sense of determination to pull back our young people from the brink of disaster that our increasingly secular society draws them towards.

Betty Davidson is married to Dan and they attend St. Paul's Church in Dawson City

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cathedral singing in their language as they moved into the far end of the Cathedral to place the names of these men in the book of remembrance. As they advanced farther and farther away into the far reaches of the cathedral their singing became fainter and fainter and finally could hardly be heard. A very emotional moment for many of us.

After the conference was over we travelled to Peterborough where Archbishop Terry and I stayed with the Rev. George and Bonnie Rogers and their daughter Erin for a week. We enjoyed wonderful fellowship with the Rogers family, delicious meals together, sightseeing, church services, and a morning with the Children's Holiday Club at the church, we would call it VBS. There were about 250 kids

attending and what a great time they were having.

We arrived back home in Whitehorse on the evening of Aug. 12th, very thankful for the privilege of having attended Lambeth Conference 2008. I was thankful too for all that I experienced and for all that I learned about the many, people in our Anglican Communion, and more aware of the need to pray for our Anglican people worldwide.

Joy to the World



Books! Books! Books!

Marjorie Almstrom is a long-time parishioner of Christ Church Cathedral in Whitehorse had to move into a Senior's Facility last December, due to ill health. She has an extensive library of books including many on theology, Church history, etc. As Marjorie is not able to read as prolifically as she once did, would like to avail themselves of these books if interested.

If you are interested, or you know someone who would be, please contact the Diocesan Office at (867) 667 7746 or email at synod@klondiker.com

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because I feel a call that there must be change." Quoting Mahatma Ghandi, Ludolph challenged youth to be the change they wish to see in the world. For many youth this was far from their first youth gathering. Many attend gathering after gathering moving on to become Home Team Leaders in Training after they pass the age limit for attendees. For Freya Martin, 22, from Winnipeg, this was her fourth time at CLYG. "It keeps getting better year after year," she noted. Honouring the true meaning of the gathering theme "Travel Light", Martin left her iPod and cell phone at home as a test. "I feel like I have no baggage," she remarked on the absence of the electronics. "I will definitely be rethinking my usage when I get back home." Synodical Bishops were involved at many points throughout the gathering. Bishop Michael Pryse of the Eastern Synod thanked youth during his presentation, "for including us. You guys have given us hope. Hope for the church. Hope for the world." National Bishop Susan Johnson

preached during the closing worship service, which was also the final large group gathering, and asked participants to do a little homework on their journey back home, "I want you to go with a mandate and with great joy to take a new path," she said. "Keep your eyes open to make sure what you are doing on the path is indeed bringing great healing. I see in you great hope. Hope that comes from your passion in your faith.

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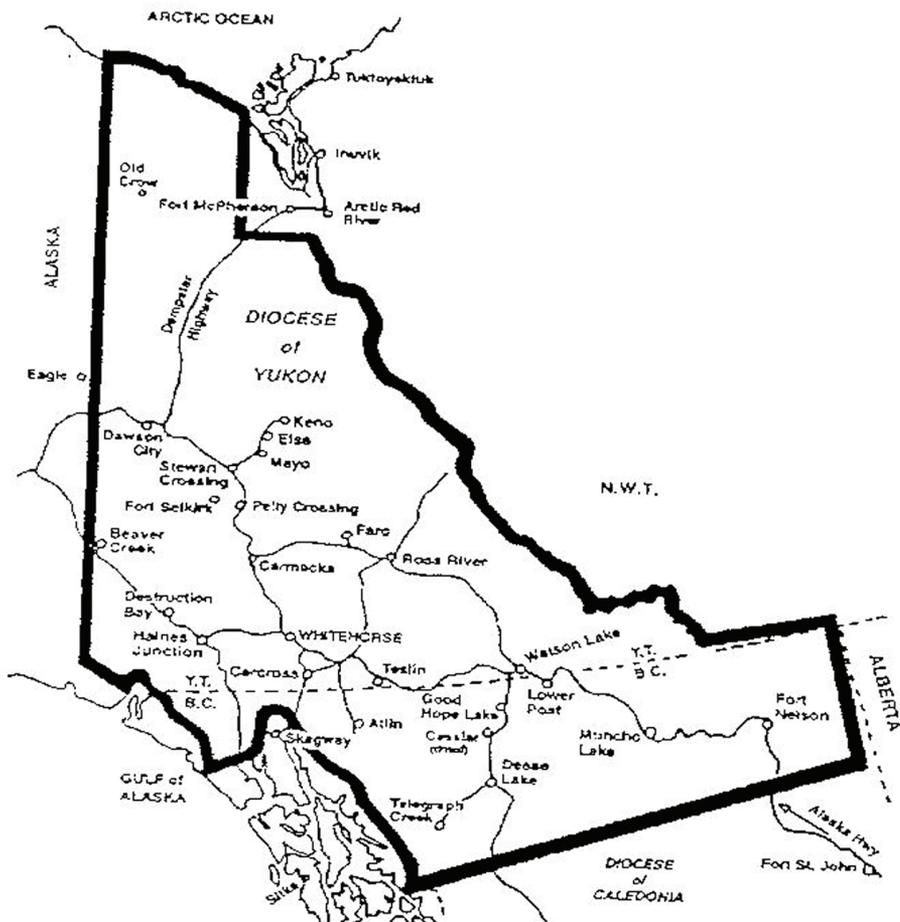
CLYG is a national gathering which takes place every two years and is aimed at youth ages 14-19 and includes Lutherans and Anglicans from across Canada. A big thank you to all volunteers (many not belonging to Trinity Lutheran Church) that worked long hours at the Lutheran/Anglican Youth Gathering. The Salvation Army van and the Whitehorse Baptist bus helped transport youth from the airport to church basements a couple days before the Gathering actually started. There were volunteers who helped during the event from many churches in Whitehorse. Many compliments were received from people all over Canada.

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