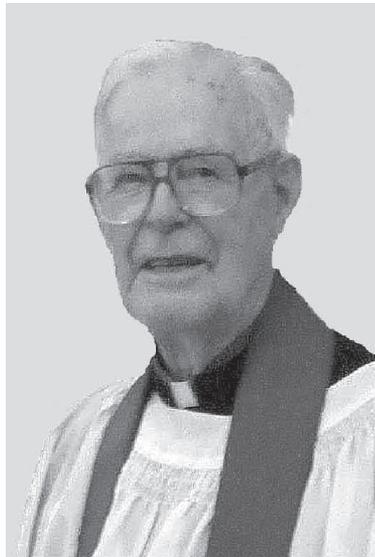


Northern Lights

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*The Journal of the
Anglican Diocese of
Yukon
Summer/Fall 2009*



*Archdeacon Arthur Privett
1914 - 2009*

Thank you for Praying



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 1 & 16

Parish of Whitehorse: Christ Church Cathedral.

The Ven. Dr. Sean Murphy; The Rev. David Pritchard & family; Rev. Martin Carroll, Ruth Carroll & family; Licensed Lay Ministers-in-Training: Gaya Tiedeman, Beverley Whitehouse, Elsa Cheeseman, Anne Bernard

Day 2 & 17

Fort Nelson: St. Mary Magdalene.

Toad River, Alaska Highway, mile 150-506

Rev. Dawn McDonald and Rev. Neville Critchlow. The Rev. Dn. Don Thompson, Lana Thompson and family; Licensed Lay Minister: Glen Gough

Day 3 & 18

Watson Lake: St. John the Baptist

Lower Post, Swift River.

Telegraph Creek: St. Aidan.

Dease Lake; Glenora.

Licensed Lay Minister: Tim Liverton

Day 4 & 19

Carcross, Tagish, Johnson's Crossing

St. Saviour's. The Rev. David Pritchard and family

Teslin: St. Philips

The Most Rev. Terry Buckle and the Ministry Team

Day 5 & 20

Communities of: **Carmacks & Keno,**

Day 6 & 21

Atlin: St. Martin.

The Rev. Dn. Vera Kirkwood & family.

Licensed Lay Minister: Dorothy Odian.

Day 7 & 22

Communities of Faro and Ross River

Day 8 & 23

Haines Junction: St. Christopher's.

Beaver Creek: St. Columba.

Alaska Highway: mile 918-1202

The Most Rev. Terry Buckle and Lay Ministry Team

Day 9 & 24

Parish of Whitehorse:

Church of the Northern Apostles.

The Ven. Dr. Sean Murphy (Archdeacon of Liard)

The Rev. Dn. Sarah Usher, Len Usher & family

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

Patti 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. Geoffrey & Rosalind Dixon

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.

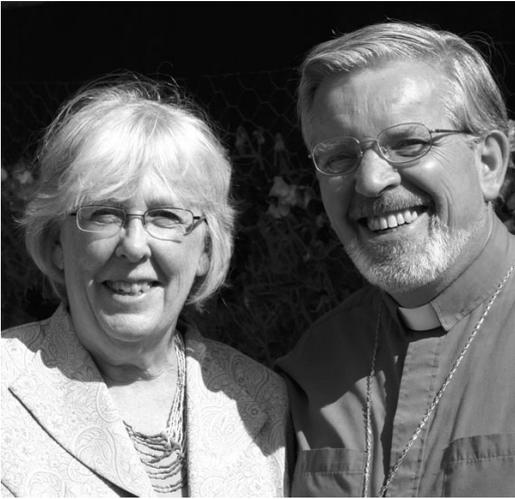
The Rev. Mary & Lino Battaja

Licensed Lay Minister: Edith Josie.

Day 31 and daily:

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

From the Archbishop



I write to all of you in the peace and love of our Lord Jesus Christ. This issue of the Northern Lights again has stories and pictures of the work of the Anglican Church in the Diocese of Yukon. We seek to be faithful in proclaiming the Gospel of our Lord Jesus. We are challenged to live out that wonderful Good News Message in ways that will speak to the hearts of people in our Yukon communities. The days are long past when on a Sunday morning the church bell rings and people flock to church. Now we are faced with the reality of today's world in Yukon and Northern British Columbia and the question that comes to us: How do we effectively present that Gospel message to the people of our land? Our answer to that question perhaps can be described in four words-pray, train, equip, and send.

We pray with that kind of prayer that I describe as "on your knees from your heart kind of prayer." Prayerfully

we ask our Lord to establish our thoughts, direct our paths and enable us in ministry and witness. We train and equip our people for ministry and witness because we know that all of us in Christ are to represent Him to the world around us. We must work hard at this in the enabling strength of the Holy Spirit. Finally we prayerfully send our people out to serve our northern communities and congregations in the love of Jesus and in the enabling strength the Holy Spirit so readily given to those who trust

and obey our Lord. It is in this way that we seek with God's help to demonstrate His Kingdom, intentionally making known the Good News message of Jesus our Lord. In faith we anticipate these results, namely, Glory to God and the strengthening of His Church. Your prayerful intercession on our behalf unites you with us in this Yukon ministry. We deeply appreciate your on-going prayerful support.

Yours in His Service,

Archbishop T.O. Buckle



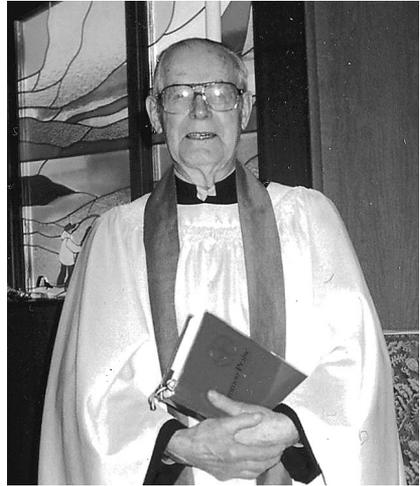
Yukon Says Farewell to the Ven. Arthur Privett: S.Th. 1914 - 2009

On a warm, sunny Friday evening, 29th May 2009, the Anglican Diocese of Yukon lost one of its most faithful and longest serving clergy when The Venerable Arthur Leonard Privett, S.Th., retired Archdeacon of the Klondike, passed away peacefully with his family and friends at his side

On Saturday, 6th June 2009, the funeral for the former Archdeacon of the Klondike was held at his former parish, Christ Church Cathedral, Whitehorse. The church was full with many family, friends and fellow clergy of the Diocese of Yukon. The Service was led by The Most Rev. Terry Buckle, and The Ven. Dr. Sean Murphy, interim Rector of the Cathedral. The Eulogy was read by long time member of the Anglican Church, Mal Malloch: Archbishop Terry preached. At the graveside service, one of Arthur Privett's sons, The Rt. Rev. John E. Privett, Bishop of Kootenay, read the committal for his late father, who was laid to rest beside his wife Muriel.

A reception followed in Hellaby Hall, hosted by the ACW members of the Church of the Northern Apostles and Christ Church Cathedral. There was a slide show and a few displays, featuring many photos of the life of the late Archdeacon, including other items such as his life-long interest in gardening and his research.

Arthur Privett was born in Toronto. He had various jobs before becoming a commissioned Canadian Church



Army Captain, serving at a mission near Kirkland Lake in Northern Ontario. It was in this region where he met his future wife Muriel. He returned south in 1944 to attend Wycliffe College, Toronto, graduating with a Scholar of Theology in 1946. He was ordained Deacon in Sault Ste. Marie the same year and later that year he married Muriel at her home church in Sioux Lookout, Ontario.

He was Curate and later, Minister at the church in Garden River, Ontario and ordained as a Priest the following year. After five years in this parish, he moved to Saskatoon where he was the Rector of St. Mark's Church and its companion congregation of St. Luke's. In 1957, Rev. Privett was thinking of a change when he became aware of a vacancy in the Diocese of Yukon. A short time later, he packed up his family (wife and two sons) into their Austin car and moved north to Whitehorse, where

he became the 19th Rector of Christ Church Cathedral, being inducted on the 7th July 1957 only a few days after arriving.

In 1962, he became a Canon and three years later, in 1965, he became the Archdeacon of the Klondike. During his time as rector he was one of the founding members at the now inter-denominational Braeburn Lake Christian Camp. Just under thirteen years later, in June 1970, he retired from Parish life. After his retirement, he took up a new challenge, and worked for the territorial government, looking after youth for three years.

In January of the following year, he was re-issued a license and for a time was the Honorary Assistant in the Cathedral. In 1973, he was re-instated as the Archdeacon of the Klondike and made regular trips down to Cassiar and region, looking after those parishes. Later that year until his retirement in 1979, he took charge of the parishes north of Whitehorse along the Alaska Highway, including building St.

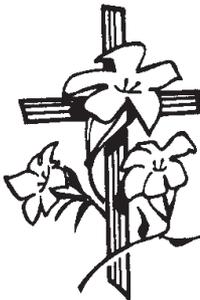
Columba's Chapel in Beaver Creek.

The year before his retirement in 1979, he was the Commissary for the Diocese of Yukon while Bishop Frame was on a sabbatical holiday. On this retirement, he again became the Honorary Assistant in the Cathedral, serving approx. twenty-seven years, gradually giving up clerical work only in the last couple years, when he was 92 years old.

In July 2007, he celebrated his 50th Anniversary since his arrival in Yukon and becoming Rector of the Cathedral. He has the honour of being the longest serving clergy (as both Rector and Honorary Assistant) at the Cathedral, and also has the longest serving clergy service & connection to the Diocese of Yukon.

Well done, good and faithful servant! Farewell Archdeacon Privett until we see you again, from all who knew you. We will never forget you.

Article/Photos by: Cozmo Ace Malzarby.



Archdeacon Arthur Privett on the celebration of the 50th anniversary of his ordination in July 2007; pictured with Dean Peter Williams

Christ Church ACW at Mary House, Vancouver



*Back row left to right
Goodie Sparling, Pat Ellis,
Beverley Whitehouse,
Blanche Buckle.*

*Front Row Left to right
Muriel MacMorine, Olive Patton,
Mary Merchant*

On Easter Monday we had the honour of hosting the ACW monthly meeting of Christ Church Cathedral, Whitehorse Yukon. After the meeting we shared the Easter traditions of the Madonna House Apostolate. We talked about our psyanky eggs and the traditional Easter bread which we call Koolitch and the very rich, almost cream cheese spread we call Paska. Of course the

tea following was tasting the Koolitch and Paska. It was a delightful time and we were able to view a short video on Madonna House. I think a good time was had by all.

Kate, Director of Mary House



Farewell to Ellen

A special cake and coffee time was held for Lay Minister Ellen Zimmerman on her last Sunday (April 26, 2009) at Christ Church Cathedral. Ellen, along with being a Lay Minister wore many other hats, including being Envelope Secretary for a number of years. She has moved to Hinton, Alberta and is missed here at the Cathedral. We pray that she is happy with her new home and church family.



*Dean Peter Williams
and Ellen Zimmerman.*

Photo: Beverley Whitehouse



*Confirmation and Baptism in the
Anglican Parish of Whitehorse
The Ven. Dr. Sean Murphy*

The Anglican Parish of Whitehorse (APW) held a wonderful Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion Service May 24 at The Church of the Northern Apostles. Christ Church Cathedral



cancelled its Service for that morning and the two Churches of the APW joined together for the event. Two young people were baptized and eleven people were confirmed, including nine youth, and seven among those baptized or confirmed received their First Communion. Nine First Nations folks were among the confirmands. Laurie Munro, our summer student intern from Wycliffé Theological College, was commissioned for her ministry among us. (Laurie is studying to be an Anglican presbyter). Archbishop

Buckle was our Celebrant and Preacher. Non - First Nation and First Nation folks took part in the Service. A number of clergy and other Church leaders from out of town participated in the Service and many guests were in attendance in a large congregation of around 115 people. A pot - luck reception was held after the Service. It was truly an all round glorious event in which a number of people took an important step in Christian discipleship and in which God was praised and glorified.



*Photos:
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Ace Malzarby*

The Anglican Par

The Rev. Dr.

The Rev. Sus



In response to changing times and diminished budgets, the Anglican Church in Yukon has been restructuring the ways in which it carries out its mission.

In the northern part of the territory this has taken the form of discussions about what is being called the “Anglican Mission to the Klondike”, a mission which is taking on the form of a team ministry led by ordained clergy Lee and Susan Titterington. While Lee was formally in charge of Dawson and Susan in charge of Mayo and Old Crow, their posting has been evolving into a regional ministry which they share.

As part of this evolving mission, Lee has been making pastoral visits to the Episcopal congregation in Eagle, Alaska.

Yet even that is not entirely accurate as a description of how things work. In all three Yukon communities there is a base of licensed lay ministers and other people who are able to contribute to the life of the churches there, and who carry on whenever the Titteringtons are

absent or in one of the other churches.

Lay ministers and other members of the congregation

are taking more services as they are trained and feel comfortable. Others are tackling preparing sermons and



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Lee Titterington
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these are being shared around the region by means of email: the modern version of the epistles making the

rounds of the early churches.

Discussions are taking place which might see some of the administrative and business functions in the various churches handled centrally, in order to give members more time to concentrate on the life of the congregations.

Archbishop Terry Buckle believes that one function of the clergy should be to “equip and raise up those who feel called to serve” and this is our attempt to answer that call.



*Klondike Parish Churches:
Top: St. Mary with St. Mark, Mayo.
Bottom left: St. Paul's, Dawson City.
Bottom right: St. Luke's, Old Crow*

The Travels of Mr. & Mrs. Yukon *Archdeacon Ken and Aldene Snider*

Ken and Aldene Snider were honoured this year by being made 'Mr & Mrs Yukon 2009' by the Yukon Order of Pioneers and the Sourdough Rendezvous Society. The announcement was made at an event where the Queen contestants were being made known.

They received their sashes on February 16, at the Yukon Order of Pioneers, Woman's Auxiliary meeting at the Golden Age

Building, amid an assembly of previous holders of the title and Sourdough Rendezvous CanCan Dance troop. They stayed at the Westmark hotel in Whitehorse, and went to a number of social events that were generally part of the Queen's qualifiers. They visited the Copper Ridge Facility to meet many friends and acquaintances. On Sunday they were part of the wind-up Parade under the banner of the Pioneers "Mr & Mrs Yukon 2009". They wore their turn-of-the-century clothes to all the events.

On April 4 they were guests of honour at the Vancouver Yukoners Banquet at the River Rock Casino Resort. This is a get-together of exYukoners. Eighty people from the Yukon flew down for this event via Air North. Paul and his daughter Rachel came from Saskatoon to help Mom and Dad from getting lost! Ken and Aldene each gave a brief



speech at the event.

As Ken is on the panel of people that make recommendations on candidates for special awards at the Transportation Museum in Whitehorse, Ken and Aldene went to the special awards presentation as 'Mr & Mrs Yukon'. Bob Adair, from Mayo Bus and Taxi got an award for his company. Mr. Jim Quong who spent his whole career with the

Northwest Highway system (Alaska Highway) as the Engineer specifically for bridges. Forty-six in all are identified as built under his supervision. Don Douglas was presented with the Order of Polaris, for his constant help in working with the government on the importance of northern considerations and the contribution this has made to flying in the north.

The next day we were invited to a Senior's Tea sponsored by the City of Whitehorse Mayor and Council at the Convention Centre. We had the privilege of sitting with the Commissioner, an old friend from parish ministry days in Dawson, when we first came to Yukon. Following this event we went to Hellaby Hall, to a Tea held in Memory of Diamond Quong, while her family were in Whitehorse for the presentation the night before. These last three events were held on

Mr. & Mrs. Yukon continued.....

2nd and 3rd of June,

Close to our hearts was our being guests of honour at the Commissioners Tea, held at their residence on June 13, the 111th birthday of Yukon as a separate Territory. The residence is a National Historic Site. In the evening was the Commissioner's Ball, held at the Palace Grand Theatre where we were in the Receiving line. Both these events were in period costumes,, and it was especially humbling to receive a request from the crowd assembled outside to come and pose for photographs and cheers!

We were asked to be part of the team for the hosting of the Western Premier's Conference being held in Dawson City, this year, and also be part of the entertainment segment with the Spouses present: there were two spouses, one from Edmonton, and one

from Whitehorse. Ken was asked to say grace at the public dinner hosted by the event. This event was held on June 18 and 19.

On June 20 Ken dressed up to go to the Dawson Bands' Aboriginal People's Day of Celebration, while Aldene worked at the Thrift Shop!

On July 1st we went to Whitehorse for the Canada Day Parade, and met many people and got photographs galore taken. There were many contacts made with people. On our way home we stopped for dinner at Stewart Crossing. A couple came in and said to Aldene "were you in the Parade in Whitehorse yesterday?" They were on their honeymoon trip and were from South Carolina, so they came and joined us. It was nice to visit with people who have so different experiences of life.



On a recent trip to Vancouver, regarding "Mr. & Mrs. Yukon", they took a trip to the W.A. Memorial House to thank the people who have put together the 'bales' for northern churches. Ken did this as a retired Archdeacon of the Klondike and as a father of beneficiaries of their generosity. The Diocese provided the plaque, and Ken and Aldene presented it.

They also presented a personal gift, crafted by Ken, of a cross made from Purpleheart wood from South America. It had attached to it a dove, with a blade of growth in its beak, symbolising peace, as something achievable.

They were given a tour of the facility and were thankful for the work that



*The plaque bears the following inscription:
Presented to*

*The Anglican Church Women
of the Diocese of New Westminster
W.A. Memorial House*

*in loving appreciation and thankfulness for
their many, many years of faithful and dedicated
service to the Diocese of Yukon.*

the women from the Diocese of New Westminster do to help isolated and far away people.

Lee Titterington Travels to Eagle, Alaska

Eagle Village, a Native community in Alaska, was completely destroyed by the flood and ice this spring. The church in the village is gone, and most buildings damaged or destroyed. There has been a huge outpouring of support and assistance from Dawson City. Other groups such as Samaritan's Purse and the Mennonite building mission are also on site.

The Native Village has been in the process of slowly relocating away from the river's edge but several homes, the old community hall and the Episcopal Church were still located along the river.

Not sure where he'd be sleeping and knowing that all had been lost in the flood, Lee packs tent, sleeping bag, booklets for service including hymn books, bibles, communion vessels and supplies, and vestments for Sunday service for the Episcopal/Anglican residents of Eagle Village - the first since his visit last fall. Eagle is a small remote community on the Yukon River



The Yukon Queen - owned and operated by Holland America has been offering free passage to the Anglican clergy in Dawson and has now extended this free passage to anyone who is going to Eagle to assist with the rebuilding efforts.



just across the US Canada border. The Native community of Eagle is connected to the Native community of Dawson - both Han nations.



Stayed tuned for a full account of Lee's visit to Eagle, in our Winter issue!. Editor

Wheel in Motion

Beverley Whitehouse & Blanche Buckle

Christ Church Cathedral was honoured to host the Church Army Travelling Wheel on its 'Wheel Of Mission Tour' for the 80th Anniversary of Church Army in Canada. This event, for us, fell on Palm Sunday. The wheel arrived in the Yukon from Victoria, BC by air freight. The wheel was originally part of a trek cart pulled by a team of Church Army Captains



on mission treks, through all kinds of weather and over rough roads and pathways, as they sought to spread the Good News of our Lord.

Archbishop Buckle preached on the text Mark 15: 1-47, that wheels speak of movement. Mission, like a wheel, is all about movement, about coming and going. "Come follow Me", "Go and

make disciples of all nations". This has been the desire of Church Army in Canada for 80 years.

Some Church Army Captains who have served in the Diocese of Yukon, as either ordained clergy or Captains, are: Bishop Tom Greenwood, Archdeacon Arthur Privett, Archdeacon Ken Snider, Captain Norwood Cairns, Captain Rick Sanberg, Captain Perry Cooper, Captain Jason Haggstrom, and Archbishop Terry Buckle.

It was a special honour to have had Archdeacon

Arthur Privett, a very faithful and devoted servant of the Lord, worship with us at this service. Archdeacon Privett had served over 50 years in the Diocese of Yukon when he passed away, at the age of 92, on May 29, 2009.



Two events coming up in 2010 to mark on your Calendar:

Christ Church Cathedral, Whitehorse will celebrate 50 years of ministry in the present building on January 17th, 2010. Watch for more details in the Winter issue.

In April 2010 there will be a Women's conference at Christ Church Cathedral, with Archbishop Terry Buckle as the special preacher. Keep a look out for more information!

Find the Right Direction and Keep Moving

Dan Davidson

It took a lot of running around to keep the kites in the air at this year's version of the St. Paul's Ascension Day and Pentecost Potluck and Kite Flying celebration on May 31st.

The idea of having a potluck lunch and a joyous ecumenical romp in the field behind the Commissioner's Residence took shape four years ago with the thought that it would be a whimsical way to celebrate the post-resurrection ascension of Jesus Christ.

The Christian Church doesn't mark Ascension Day on a Sunday, but the closest Sunday after the Thursday seemed to fit



Jonathan Viney manages to find a bit of lift

well.

Except that sometimes other events get in the way, so last year and this year the event got rescheduled to the next Sunday, which happens to mark the ancient Jewish festival of Pentecost, a day which Christians interpret as being the birthday of the church.

The potluck went very well, but the wind was not cooperating this year, and so the kites only flew when the people holding them were running, and only then when they were running in the right direction.

There's probably a parable for a sermon in that experience somewhere.

Nevertheless, the members of St. Paul's and some guests from the Community Gospel Chapel had a lot of fun on this hot sunny day and enjoyed the refreshing ice cream that is always part of this event.



Emma Tom Tom has a big smile as her kite takes off!



It's up: well for a few minutes at least!!

Photos:

Dan Davidson

Dan lives in Dawson City with his wife Betty, where they attend St. Paul's Church

Retired Theoretically But Not in Reality!!

On May 31st 2009, the following announcement was made to the Diocese of Cyprus and The Gulf:



“The Bishop in Cyprus and the Gulf, the Right Reverend Michael Lewis, is pleased to announce the appointment of the Venerable John Tyrrell, formerly Archdeacon of the Klondike and Rector of Dawson City in the Diocese of Yukon, Church of Canada, and latterly a locum and interregnum chaplain in the Diocese of Gibraltar in Europe, to be Dean of St Paul’s Cathedral, Nicosia, Cyprus.”

From St. Paul’s, Dawson City, to St. Paul’s Nicosia! From buildings made of wood to buildings made of stone. From a church that used to be a cathedral to a current cathedral. Retired Archdeacon John Tyrrell and Rev. Deacon Carol Tyrrell will be moving to Nicosia in October and John will be installed as the Dean of St. Paul’s Cathedral Nicosia on Saturday evening, November, 21st.

Please keep John and Carol in your prayers as they make the move and for their ministry in Nicosia.

August 29th is the departure date for the Rev. Geoffrey and Rosalind Dixon (formerly of St. Christopher’s, Haines Junction) to Uganda once again. After spending three months doing Discipleship Training there last year they now return to carry on the work they began.

They will be living in a Safari Tent at a camp in Rubingo, a village about 40 miles from the town of Mbarara.

Geoffrey and Rosalind work with A.C.T.S. (Africa Community Technical Services) out of Comox B.C. This Christian organization’s initial ministry was to provide good, clean water to remote villages in South Western Uganda. The ministry has expanded to include Education, Health Care, HIV/ Aids ministry and Agro-Forestry. Last year Geoffrey and Rosalind’s visit, saw the beginning of the Dicleship Training Program. Your prayers for Geoffrey and Rosalind will also be appreciated.



DEADLINE

The Winter issue will be prepared in Uganda, once described by Winston Churchill as: “The Pearl of Africa”

