

Dateline

Friday Jan. 17

Wellspring Halton Peel — Cancer Support Centre, 2545 Sixth Line, in Oakville offers the **Drop-in Relaxation and Visualization** session from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. For information, call (905) 257-1988.

The Milton Community Resource Centre hosts a **youth dance** at the Milton Leisure Centre from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. The dance is open to youth in grades 5 to 8. Tickets cost \$10 and can be purchased at the resource centre, 917 Nipissing Rd., Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For information, call (905) 876-1244, ext. 13.

Milton Concert Presentations presents 'The

Galaxy Trio' at St. Paul's United Church, 123 Main St., at 8 p.m. Doors open at 7:15 p.m. The concert features violinists Moishe Hammer and Lenny Solomon and pianist Bernie Senesky. Tickets cost \$25 or \$20 for seniors and students. To reserve seats or for information, call (905) 878-2432.

Saturday Jan. 18

The Halton chapter No. 280 of the Order of the Eastern Star holds the **Robbie Burns Dinner** at St. Clair Masonic Hall, 6321 Regional Road 25, at 6:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$18 and can be purchased by calling Lynda at (416) 744-2251, Barb

at (905) 878-5102 or Evelyn at (905) 689-6940.

Grace Anglican Church, 317 Main St., presents **'The Life of David'** at 7:30 p.m. Jason Hildebrand brings to life 23 characters, each with their own dialect, mannerisms and emotion. The event is free.

Monday Jan. 20

Learning Disabilities Association of Halton holds a **parent support group** meeting at 337 Kerr St., in Oakville from 7 to 8 p.m. The association discusses tips for parents on helping children with handwriting difficulties. For information, call (905) 844-6905.

Milton District Hospital holds a **breastfeeding clinic** from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. with a certified lactation consultant. To make an appointment or for more information, call (905) 878-2383.

The **Milton and District Horticultural Society** welcomes existing members and newcomers to its monthly meeting at the Royal Canadian Legion, 21 Charles St., at 7 p.m. For more information, call (905) 875-0406.

The Halton branch of the Canadian Mental Health Association presents a 10-week education and **self-help program for recently separated men and women**. Topics include stages of • see more **DATELINE** on page 30

Religious Service Directory

WHAT DOES GOD HAVE TO DO TO GET YOUR ATTENTION?

A farmer had a mule for sale. He claimed that this donkey would obey any command it was given.

One prospective customer was somewhat leery of this claim and decided to put the farmer and his old burro to the test. So he said to the mule, "Sit down." But the mule just stood there.

"Sit," the customer yelled. But nothing happened.

He turned to the farmer and said, "You claim this mule will do anything it is told, but I can't get the mule to sit down."

The farmer just smiled. He reached down and picked up a two-by-four, then walked over and hit the mule in the head. "Sit," he whispered in the mule's ear. And the old burro sat right down. Turning to the shocked customer, he said, "First, you have to get his attention."

I am afraid that many of us are like that old mule. We get so caught up in our own activities and busy schedules that we lose sight of God. Often, the only way He can get our attention is by allowing adversity into our lives.

In the New Testament book, Acts, the conversion of the Apostle Paul best illustrates this principle. He was totally committed to doing what he believed was right—stamping out the existence of the church. He had heard the truth of Jesus preached on several occasions. No doubt, he had seen the signs performed by the followers of Christ. But that did not get his attention.

He had witnessed the stoning of Stephen. He stood there and watched as Stephen prayed for those who were casting the stones. It is likely that he was one of those who noticed the angelic aura of Stephen's face. But not even that was enough to get Paul's attention.

In the ninth chapter of Acts, Luke records the incident that finally got the attention of the apostle Paul, who was at that time still called Saul of Tarsus. He was on his way to Damascus to seek out and arrest any men or women who were followers of Christ when God got his attention.

In one unforeseen moment, God gained Saul's undivided attention by striking him down with a blinding light. Blinded, this man of

prominence and prestige was more than ready to listen to what God had to say.

"Why are you persecuting Me?" the Lord asked. Saul had not thought about what he was doing from that perspective. He never imagined that he was persecuting Jesus. Jesus was dead! Or was He? As the truth settled in, Saul realized his error and changed his ways. A few days later, he was proclaiming the truth of Jesus in the synagogues.

Consider the value of adversity. If it took temporary blindness and humiliation to get Paul's attention, it was certainly worth it, for through him the gospel was preached in many nations and strong churches were planted. But what about you? What could God accomplish through you if He had you undivided attention and loyalty? Make plans to visit a local church this Sunday. Service times and locations are published in the directory below.

Submitted by Rev. Dan Rogge, Senior Pastor of New Life Church, Milton

Milton Bible Church

Meeting @
Milton District High School
10:00 AM Bible Discovery Trail
11:00 AM Worship Service
A New Church for a New Generation
www.miltonbiblechurch.ca
(905) 876-3586



MILTON SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

Invites you to our weekly Sabbath services at
Hugh Foster Hall, 43 Brown St. Milton
Sat. 9:30 a.m. - Sabbath School
Sat. 11:00 a.m. - Divine Service
FREE BIBLE SCHOOL
Discover the amazing Bible answers to life's perplexing questions,
and the secret to a happy life.
For FREE BIBLE LESSONS, write: P.O. Box 23012,
55 Ontario St., Milton, Ont., L9T 5B4.
On the INTERNET, http://www.vop.com and,
www.amazingfacts.org/bibleschool/schoolmain.asp
PASTOR: AJ DaCosta 519-835-8301
For more information about our service and program, please call.

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

170 Main St. E., Milton 878-6066
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Nursery
Sunday School Age 3 - Grade 6
10:30 a.m.
Youth Class Grades 7-12
9:30 a.m.
"Called to Serve the Lord"

Wheelchair access and washrooms provided so that all may come and worship.
Access off Mary St.



Milton Baptist Church

900 Nipissing Rd.
(905) 875-1626
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- for all ages
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
Sermon Title:
Overcoming those insecurities
All are welcome!
Rev. Greg Macaulay - B.A., M.Div.

NEW LIFE

6620 THIRD LINE, MILTON
"Only 1/2 km South of Derry Road"
Phone: (905) 878-3358
Church Affiliated with the
Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada

Senior Pastor Rev. Dan Rogge
Children Mrs. Natalie Rogge
Worship Mrs. Esther Kessler
Youth Mr. Tim Stevens

9 a.m. - Early Worship Service
9:30 a.m. - Sunday School for All Ages
10:45 a.m. - Second Worship Service
AGAINST ALL ODDS
6:30 p.m. - Sunday Night LIVE
Large screen movie presentation
TWICE PARDONED II

Supervised Nursery & Dynamic Children's Programs available during all services!



CAPTIONING PROVIDED FOR DEAF/HARD OF HEARING EVERY SUNDAY AT 10:45 AM

LADIES' COFFEE BREAK

Tuesdays from 9:30 - 11 a.m.
THE BATTLE IN THE MIND
Website: www.newlife-milton.org



"ENLARGE YOUR CIRCLE OF LOVE"

SOUTHSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH of The Christian & Missionary Alliance

2850 DERRY RD.
Phone 878-5664
Pastor: Greg McCombs
Pastor of Youth Ministries: Jack Ninaber

10:00 A.M. SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE & "ADVENTURELAND" for kids 3 - Gr. 6 (Nursery care provided up to age 2)

** For more info on our regular weekly ministries, please call the church office.

Grace Anglican Church

317 Main St. E., Milton
the Church on the Hill
Tel. 878-2411 Fax 878-3005
www.gracechurchmilton.com

Rev. Dr. Mark McDermott
Rev. Amy Cousineau
SUNDAY SERVICES
8:00 am - Holy Communion
10:00 am - Sung Eucharist Church School & Coffee Hour

THURSDAY

10:00 am Holy Communion



Wheelchair Access Through Parking Lot Doors

MILTON GOSPEL HALL

306 Ontario St. N. • 878-3873
10:00 a.m. - The Lord's Supper
11:45 a.m. - Sunday School
6:30 p.m. - Gospel Service

Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
Prayer and Bible Study

Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world.
John 1.29



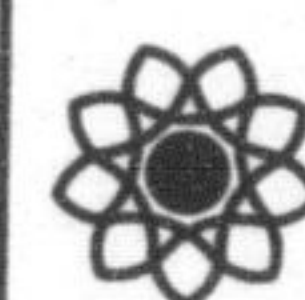
We welcome you to...

ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH

123 Main St. E., Milton
Sun. Jan 19
9 a.m. ALTERNATIVE WORSHIP
10:30 a.m. WORSHIP
Heaven's Gate Church School @ 10:30 a.m.
Theme: **Jesus: A Child Like You & Me**
Baby & Toddler Nursery

Weekly Children's / Youth Groups, Youth, Men's & Senior Choirs & more! Call us or drop in for details!

Rev. John Benham & Rev. Gerry Hofstetter
Church office: (905) 878-8895
www.stpaulsmilton.org



BAHA'I FAITH

Multifaith Devotions & Breakfast:
10 - 12 am, Sun., Feb 9.
Learn of The Baha'i Faith and Its Teachings
8 pm, Wed., Jan. 22. Informal Discussion
Baha'i Vision TV:
Monday, Feb. 3, 12:30 and 10:30 pm, Ch. 37
For local information: 905-875-2923
Recording 1-800-433-3284

www.bahai.org

GRACEWAY BAPTIST CHURCH

103 Martin Street
905-878-1629
Pastor Walter H. Isaak

9:50 a.m. - Family Bible Hour
11:00 a.m. - Morning Service
6:00 p.m. - Evening Service

Thursday

7:00 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer

"You'll always find a friend at Graceway"