Religious Service Directory

Building a Better Community

Once upon a time, two brothers who farmed adjoining pieces of property fell into conflict. It was their first serious rift in forty years of farming sideby-side, sharing machinery, and trading labour and goods as needed, without a hitch.

When their longtime collaboration fell apart, it began with a small misunderstanding and grew into a major difficulty! It exploded into an exchange of bitter words and was followed by silence.

One morning, there was a knock on Farmer John's door. He opened it to find a man with a carpenter's toolbox. "I'm a handyman-carpenter looking for work," he said. "Perhaps you would have a few small jobs around here that I could help with? Would you like to hire me?"

"Yes," said Farmer John. "I do have a job for you. Look across the creek at the neighbouring farm. It's where my younger brother, Joe, lives. A couple of weeks ago, all that divided us was a meadow. But then, he took his bulldozer to the river levee, opened it up and now there is a creek running right between us. He never talked to me about it! In fact, I think that he may have done it purposefully to spite me, ow, Farmer John's eyes popped out of John.

but I'll do him one better."

Pointing towards his barn, farmer John continued, "See that pile of lumber over there? I want you to build me a fence ... an 8-foot high fence ... so that I won't need to see his miserable place, or his ugly face, anymore!"

The handyman-carpenter said, "I think I understand the situation. Show me where you keep your nails. All I'll man/carpenter, however, he saw his need is a post-hole digger and I'll be younger brother, Joe, the neighbour able to do a job that pleases you."

Farmer John helped his newly hired handyman-carpenter find the building materials he needed, made sure that he was ready to do the job and then left for town to attend to some pressing business. His responsibilities in town kept him busy for the majority of the day. He returned to the farm just after dinner.

He was greeted by his handymancarpenter who had worked feverishly hard all that day - measuring, sawing, and nailing. "Let's go look at your work!" Farmer John exclaimed, "I want to see how much progress you made! Let's hurry - the sun is about to

his head. His jaw dropped. He could not believe what he saw. His handyman- carpenter had not built a fence at all. Rather, he had built a bridge ... one that stretched from one side of the creek to the other! It was a fine piece of work, but not what he wanted at all! Farmer John was fuming mad!

Before he could chasten his handynext door coming towards him. He stopped on the other side of the bridge and shouted, "I can't believe you! You are quite a guy, a fine brother! After all that's happened and all that's been said and done, you've built a bridge back to

The two brothers stood on opposite sides of the bridge looking at each other in disbelief, then choking back tears ran to meet each other in the middle. When they met, they embraced and asked each other for forgiveness for all the bad thoughts and bad words.

Then, they noticed the handymancarpenter hoist his toolbox onto his shoulder and began to walk away. "No, wait! Stay a few days. I've a lot As they walked towards the mead- of other projects for you," said Farmer

"I'd love to stay!" the handymancarpenter said with a smile as he walked on, "But I have many more bridges to build!"We build a better community by building bridges towards our neighbours. Let's make Milton the most desired place to live in the GTA. It all begins at home!

To learn more about building bridges and productively resolving conflicts with people, visit a local church this week. Learn about the power of forgiveness. Service times and locations are published for you in the Religious Directory below.

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

CHURCH OF CHRIST

1412 Britannia Rd. West, Milton, On L9T 2X8 905-875-2939

> **Sunday School Classes** 10:00 am

Worship & Communion 11:00 am

Thursday Bible Study 7:00 pm

Minister Steve Corbett

Sunday, October 10 10:00 a.m.

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

Milton Bible Church

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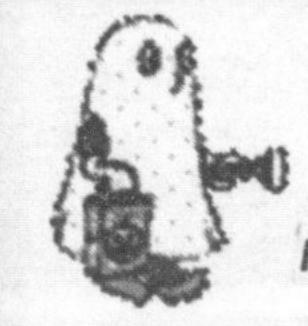
Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada Rev. Dan Rogge Senior Pastor Natalie Rogge Children Assistant/Worship Esther Kessler Clinton Kruger

Interim Youth 9 a.m. - Early Worship Service 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages 10:45 a.m. - Second Worship Service

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Sunday Worship

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Pastor Jack Ninaber

Tuesday October 19th Safari (Gr. 6-8) Wednesday October 20th Jungle (Gr.9-12)

10:30am- Worship Service

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103 Martin Street 905-878-1629

Pastor Walter H. Isaak 10:00 a.m. - Sunday School 11:00 a.m. - Morning Service 6:00 p.m. - Evening Service

Thursday

7:00 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer Captain's Crew for Children (ages 6-12)

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11:45 a.m. - Sunday School

6:30 p.m. - Gospel Service Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Prayer and Bible Study

"There is one God,

and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus"

1st Timothy 2.5

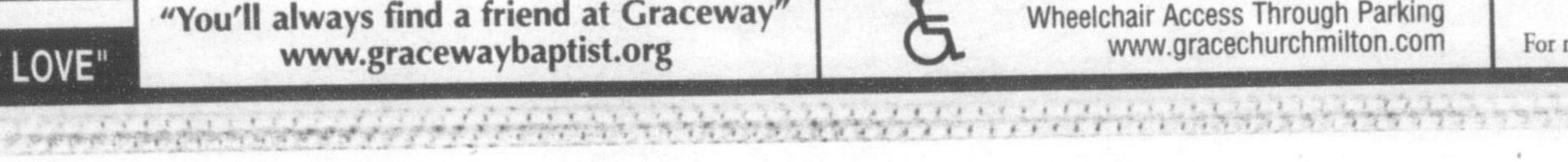
Clergy: 317 Main St. E Rev. Dr. Mark the Church on the Hill McDermott 905-878-2411 Rev. Carole Langlotz Father Mark Curtis

KIDS'

Services

8:00 Holy Communion 10:00 Sung Eucharist followed by coffee hour

Thurs. 10:00 Holy Communion followed by Tea and Sharing



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For more information about our service and program, please call.