# Omnitation!

# Ever wonder why you are carrying a heavy load?

You lost your job. You were in a car accident. Your daughter ran away from home. A loved one just died. Your spouse has been diagnosed with cancer. Your best friend is getting a divorce. . . the list is endless.

Adversity affects us all. None of us can avoid life's challenges. Life is hard, but God is good! How we handle heavy load set before us profoundly impacts those we love. Consider:

Brenda was a young woman who was invited to go rock climbing. Although she was scared to death, she went with her group to a tremendous granite cliff. In spite of her fear, she put on the gear, took hold on the rope, and started up the face of that rock.

Well, she got to a ledge where she could take a breather. As she was hanging on there, the safety rope snapped against Brenda's eye and knocked out her contact lens. Well, here she is on a rock ledge, with hundreds of feet below her and hundreds of feet above her. Of course, she looked and looked and looked, hoping it had landed on the ledge, but it just wasn't there. Here she was, far

from home, her sight now blurry. She was desperate and began to get upset, so she prayed to the Lord to help her to find it.

When she got to the top, a friend examined her eye and her clothing for the lens, but there was no contact lens to be found. She sat down, despondent, with the rest of the party, waiting for the rest of them to make it up the face of the cliff.

She looked out across range after range of mountains, thinking of that Bible verse that says, "The eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth." She thought, "Lord, You can see all these mountains. You know every stone and leaf, and You know exactly where my contact lens is. Please help me."

Finally, they walked down the trail to the bottom. At the bottom there was a new party of climbers just starting up the face of the cliff. One of them shouted out, "Hey, you guys! Anybody lose a contact lens?"

Well, that would be startling enough, but you know why the climber saw it?

An ant was moving slowly across the face of the rock, carrying it.

Brenda told me that her father is a cartoonist. When she told him the incredible story of the ant, the prayer, and the contact lens, he drew a picture of an ant lugging that contact lens with the words, "Lord, I don't know why You want me to carry this thing. I can't eat it, and it's awfully heavy. But if this is what You want me to do, I'll carry it for You."

If we wonder why we are faced with a heavy load of adversity, I think it would be good to learn to say, "God, I don't know why you want me to carry this load. I can see no good in it and it's awfully heavy. But, if you want me to carry it, I will." You can do it! God will help you - if you let

To learn more about turning your stress into a success, visit a local church this week. Consult the directory below for service times and locations.

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

824 THOMPSON RD. S., MILTON

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MARCH BREAK SCHOOL FOR KIDS

8 a.m. to 5 p.m. - March 14 - 18

Call to register - (905) 878-3358

## BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO HAVE NOTSEEN AND YET

A 'Docu-Drama' Musical Production

Friday, March 25 at 5:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. Sunday, March 27 at 6:30 p.m.

### FREE ADMISSION

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#### New Life Church

824 Thompson Rd S., Milton ~ (905) 878-3358 ~ www.newlife-milton.org

Haster Services Palm Sunday - March 20 at 9:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Good Friday - March 25 at 10:00 a.m. Easter Sunday - March 27 at 9:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

#### KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

170 Main St. E., Milton 905-878-6066 Minister - Rev. Joseph Gray Director of Music Ministries - Sonja van de Hoef Director of Discipleship & Family Ministries - Jim Lagnese You're invited! Join us at Knox for worship during Holy Week

PALM SUNDAY, MAR. 20, 10:30 AM An intergenerational service with palms and songs celebrating the Lord's triumphal entry!

MONDAY, MAR. 21 - THURSDAY, MAR. 24 Ecumenical Noon HourServices 12:05 pm Followed by a free lunch. Nursery care provided.

GOOD FRIDAY, MAR. 25, 10:30 AM A service to reflect upon the love of God displayed in the cross of Christ.

EASTER SUNDAY, MAR. 27 Easter Breakfast 9:00 am • Worship Service 10:30 am

To Advertise in the

Church Directory please

call Colleen Gorman at

905-878-2341 ext. 228

Christ is risen! Come celebrate the good news! Wheelchair access and washrooms provided so that all may come and worship. Access off Mary Street.

#### Milton (Next to Town Hall) www.milton.biblelight.org

THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Milton Dawn Christadelphians

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Sunday March 20th, 2:00pm

(God Willing)

Hugh Foster Hall

55 Brown Street

# CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

Worship & Communion 11:00 am

**Thursday Bible Study** 7:00 pm

**Minister Steve Corbett** 



Join us Sundays at 200 Main Street 10:30 AM Coffee & Conversation 11:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

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SENIOR PASTOR - Jim DEMARSH . Youth Pastor - Mark Strickland 905-876-3586 www.MiltonBibleChurch.ca



2850 Derry Rd. E. PO Box 332. Milton, On L9T 4Y9 905-878-5664

# Sunday Worship

Every Tuesday @ 6:30pm - Safari (Gr 6-8)

#### 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

And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld his glory, as of the only of the Father - John 1.14



WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY & SUNDAY

#### GRACE ANGLICAN CHURCH

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

#### 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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# 7:30 P.M. MILTON CHURCH

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## ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH

123 Main St. E., Milton

ONE CONGREGATION. 2 GREAT SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES at 10:30am Sunday March 20, 10:30 am

PALM/PASSION SUNDAY Guest Speaker in Graham Hall: Glen Soderholm With band "Moveable Feast Resources".

Church School, Youth Programs & Nursery at 10:30 am Church School Open Session today

#### Friday March 25, 10:30 am GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE "No Other Lamb"

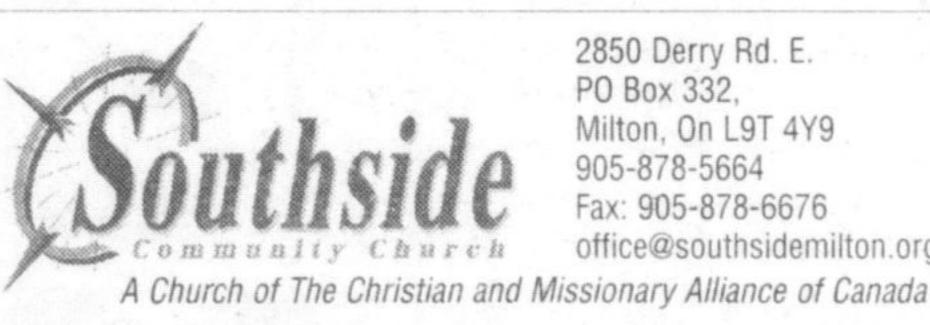
Music, Readings an Drama presented by the St. Paul's Choir

#### Sunday March 27 EASTER CELEBRATION

9 am worship supported by music from the In Spirit Worship Band, with Communion 10:30 am worship supported by music from the St. Paul's Choir, Communion in the Pews

> Nursery available at 10:15 am No Chuch School on Easter Sunday Come worship with us!

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



# 10:30am - Worship Service

"Spiritual Awareness is found in taking risks" Pastar Jack Ninaber

Special Guest - Lois Belsey

Every Wednesday @ 7:00pm - Jungle (Gr 9-12)

#### GRACEWAY BAPTIST CHURCH 103 Martin Street

905-878-1629 Alle's Pastor Walter H. Isaak 10:00 a.m. - Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship 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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