

**southern york region  
scheduled events**

**Information needs  
Thornhill rep**

MARKHAM — Information Markham will hold an annual meeting Feb. 28 at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church on Main St. at 8 p.m. The group is looking for a board member from Thornhill for help in providing that area of the town of Markham with information about community services.

Last year Information Markham answered more than 6,500 requests through its offices at Markham Centennial library.

For more information call 297-3459, Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Blood donor clinic Feb. 7**

THORNHILL — A Red Cross Blood Donor Clinic will be held Feb. 7 from 2 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Thornhill United Church on Dudley Avenue.

**Chorale concert at church**

GORMLEY — The Emmanuel Bible College chorale of Kitchener will present a concert Feb. 12, 8 p.m. at the Stouffville Missionary Church. All are welcome.

**Which way Quebec?**

TORONTO — Professor of Canadian Studies at McGill University, Daniel Latouche, will discuss the quiet and not so quiet revolution, Feb. 10 at York University's Glendon College, 2275 Bayview Ave. at Lawrence.

The lecture, part of a series entitled "Which way Quebec-Which way Canada" will be given in English at 1 p.m. in Rm 204, York Hall. All are welcome and admission is free.

**Reid exhibit opens**

TORONTO — The Art Gallery of Glendon College, York University will be exhibiting sculpture and drawings of Ontario artist, Dan Reid. The exhibit continues until Feb. 24.

The artist will talk about his work Feb. 10 at 2 p.m. in the gallery.

Gallery hours are Monday to Thursday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Friday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free.

**Women's series at Seneca**

WILLOWDALE — Seneca College will hold a women's series seminar as part of its 10th year celebration.

The seminars will include a look at how women get into different kinds of work, their problems at work and topics that are particularly relevant to women in today's society.

Fee for all eight sessions is \$20 or \$3 per session. For more information call 493-4144.

**Resident artist show**

DOWNSVIEW — The exhibition of resident artist, Krzysztof Wodiczko at York University's IDA Gallery will be the setting for a public seminar, "Art without Ideology" conducted by the artist, Feb. 10 at 3 p.m.

The gallery is located in the Fine Arts Phase 2 Building at 4700 Keele St. Gallery hours are weekdays noon to 5 p.m.

**"Natural High" discussed**

WILLOWDALE — "Creating the Natural High" will be the topic for discussion, Feb. 11 at the Alfred Adler Institute Rm N204, 252 Bloor St. W. at 8 p.m. Admission is free for Institute members, \$2 for non-members. Guest speaker will be Dr. Walter O'Connell who will be teaching an Encouragement Lab outlining techniques for developing positive behavior. The course registrants will participate in the process of encouragement Feb. 12 and 13 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuition is \$30 for members and \$35 for non-members.

**400 Models at Car Show**

TORONTO — Over 400 different makes and models have been assembled for display and available for sale at Auto Show '77 set to open its doors Feb. 4 at the International Centre on Airport Road.

The show will run for 10 days and cars from \$2000 to \$8500 will be on display, represented by 27 manufacturers and 200 dealers.

**Clark painting on show**

AURORA — The York Fine Art Gallery at Snowball Village Boutiques on Wellington St. will present an exhibit of paintings by Joanne Clark. Preview is Feb. 3 at 8 p.m. and includes wine and cheese. The exhibit will continue until Feb. 13.

**Church burns mortgage**

WILLOWDALE — Yorkminster United Church, 395 Old Yonge St. will hold its mortgage burning ceremony Feb. 6 at 3 p.m. in the church sanctuary.

Rev. H. Edgerton Young, the church's first minister will be the guest speaker.

**Health talks continue**

DOWNSVIEW — "Suicide-It's Killing" is the third in Central library's Health Lecture series to be held Feb. 7 at 1:30 p.m. at 5126 Yonge St. between Sheppard and Finch. Guest speaker is Dr. Diane Seyer.

**Nursing seminar Feb. 10**

SCARBOROUGH — "Evaluating Nursing Personnel" is the theme as well as the title of the third seminar in the series for Nursing Personnel, being presented by Centennial College. It will be held at the Holiday Inn, Don Valley, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Feb. 10.

For further information, please call Debby Banks, 694-3241, Ext. 256.

**Christianity's struggle -  
more than religion**

by  
Marilyn McDonald

One word plagued Rev. Shafik Farah when he first came to Canada from Jordan two years ago. The word was budget.

Farah had years of experience to offer a Canadian church — in the ecumenical movement, in Christian education, and as an ordained minister since 1953. His last posting, before leaving Jordan, was at the Church of the Redeemer in Amman, the largest in the Middle East.

Over and over he was assured there was work to be done, but "the budget" couldn't fit him in.

"In the Middle East when there is no money," said Rev. Farah, "we say this has to be done and we go ahead and the money comes."

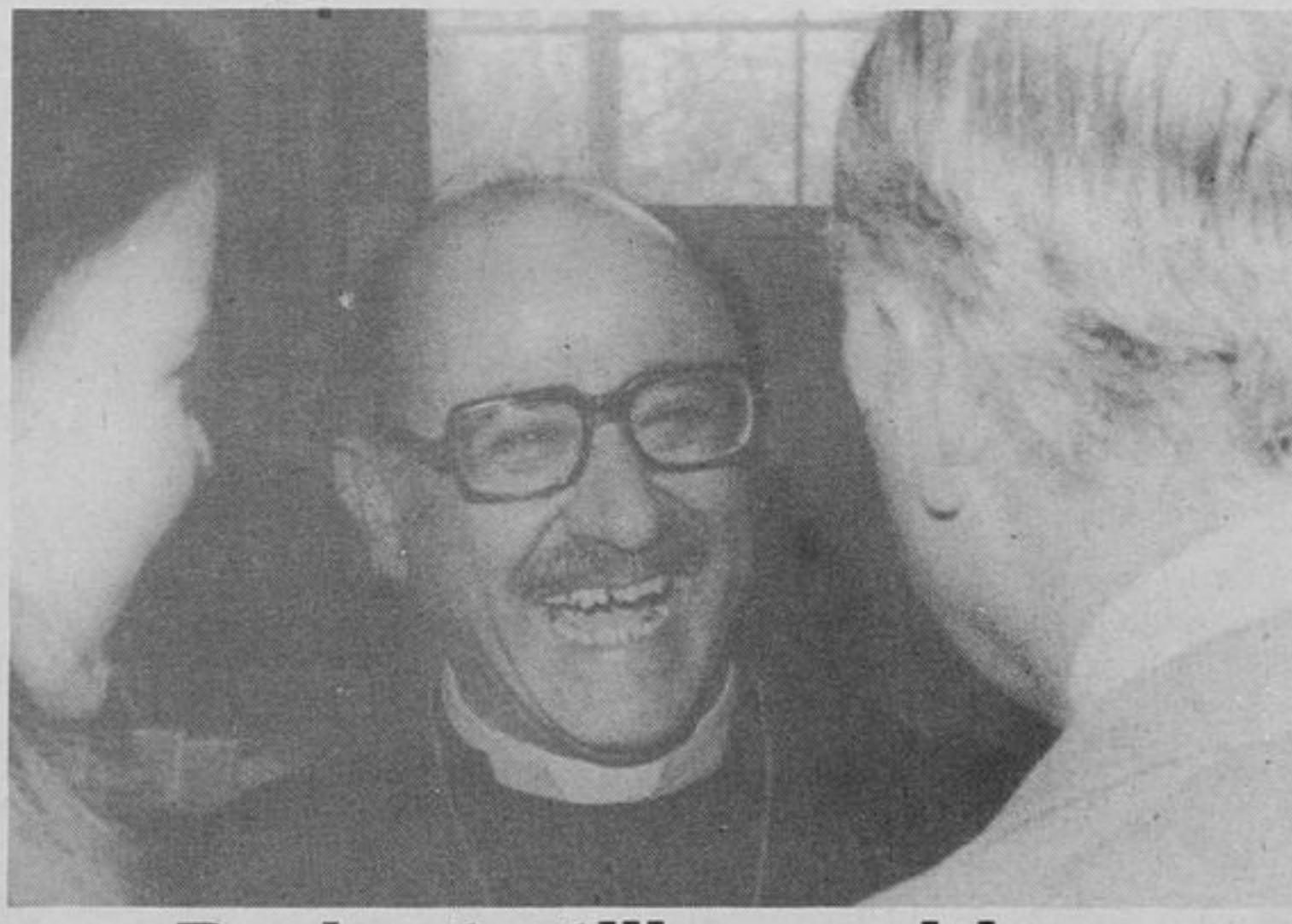
One of the projects for which there was no money was a centre for the mentally retarded.

At the time, Farah was minister at All Saints Anglican Church in Beirut, Lebanon.

The centre was started in a rented building and the money came in.

Oxfam was the first to help. The Anglican Church Women in Beirut provided the furnishings.

Today, St. Luke's Centre for Mentally Retarded children occupies a modern church-owned building.



**Budget still a problem**

Reverend Shafik Farah chats with parishoners at Holy Trinity Anglican Church after describing the struggle to maintain Christianity in the Middle East. Rev. Farah came to Canada from Jordan where he says the church budget hasn't benefited from the oil revenues enjoyed by Middle Eastern countries.

Rev. Farah also actively participated in the creation of a hospital, three high schools and centres for the deaf and the aged.

The Palestinian native, born in 1923 about seven miles from Nazareth, was speaking recently to an overflowing congregation at Holy Trinity Anglican Church.

Speaking in clear, precise English, Farah outlined the history of Christianity in the Middle East.

"Jerusalem, Antioch, Alexandria, Rome and Constantinople were the main Christian centres until the 12th century," recounted the minister.

**Split develops**

When a liturgical split developed between the Christian church in Rome and Constantinople, the areas east and south of the Mediterranean remained under Constantinople's eastern orthodox influence. The language in that part of the world became Arabic after the seventh century Islamic invasion and the creation of Islamic empires.

"Under Turkish rule, the Christian church became so involved in civil affairs it lost sight of its purpose," Farah said.

The crusades from England during the 14th century, ostensibly to free the Holy Land from non-Christians, were no help.

"They brought everything with them but the gospel," contended Farah.

War was the order of the day.

During the 16th century Reformation period "the church again woke up to its mission in the world."

In 1841, the first Anglican bishop was sent to help the struggling Christian churches in the Middle East.

**Denomination created**

"Although it was not the intention to create another Christian denomination in the Middle East, it happened."

The Anglican Church established church, school and hospital facilities in Egypt and Palestine.

"Before you got your medicine," laughed Farah, "you had to take a little religion."

After 1948, with the upsurge of Zionism and the takeover of Palestine to create the new state of Israel, the Christians were "pushed out" and the church leaders scattered.

"It took 10 years to regain strength," said Farah. A new church headquarters was established in Beirut, Lebanon and today there are 15 Anglican parishes in 5 church districts — Egypt, Jordan, Sudan, Lebanon and Syria — all directly responsible to Canterbury.

During questioning by the congregation, Farah was asked if there was not a similarity between the situations in Ireland with the Protestant-Catholic strife, and Lebanon where there is conflict between Moslems and Christians.

"I'm not exempting Christians, but there's more to it than that," he replied. "It is a political, social and economic problem."

"Most rightists are Christian and well-to-do. Most Moslems are leftist and not as well off."

**No benefits from oil**

Explaining that only about 10 per cent of the total population in the Middle East is Christian, Farah said the church does not benefit from oil revenues.

In the countries where oil is most abundant — Iraq, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait — the population is predominantly Moslem.

"Most of the revenue goes back to the major oil-buying countries, such as the United States and France, to purchase weapons."

Vast sums also are spent on technological know-how, equipment and services.

Although he is Arabian and unable to take up permanent residence in Palestine because it is now Israel, Rev. Farah made it clear in a later interview he has no desire to make judgements for or against any political faction.

"I am not a politician and I don't want to be giving political statements."

"I would like to see Jews and Arabs live together, but how I don't know."

Farah feels that Arabs are beginning to accept Israel as a "de facto situation."

"Egypt has made some kind of agreement about boundaries and they are going to Geneva to discuss the problem under the umbrella of the United Nations in order to see how they can accommodate the Palestinians somehow. Perhaps on the west bank, which is still under occupation."

Farah names Syria, Lebanon, Jordan as "interested to arrive at some kind of peaceful solution."

"I'm against war myself, I don't believe in war."

"Of course, I believe that one has to defend a cause."

**Home to Church Every Sunday**  
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Rev. Bernard Barret 884-1394  
Rev. Fred Jackson 884-2418  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1977  
8:00 a.m. - Holy Communion  
10:30 a.m. - Services  
Kindergarten, Nursery  
7 p.m. - Evening Prayer  
First Sunday each month  
Wednesdays  
10:00 a.m. - Eucharist  
7:00 p.m. - Eucharist

**UNITED**

RICHMOND HILL  
UNITED CHURCH  
Yonge & Centre Streets  
884-1301  
Sunday, February 6th, at 11 a.m.  
Induction of new Board members  
Theme: "Equipment for Ministry"  
Infant Nursery and Church School for  
ages 3-13 years coincides with  
worship  
7:30 p.m. - Teen Youth Group  
Visitors and New Residents -  
warmly welcomed

**Pentecostal**

Formerly Langstaff  
Baptist Church, Langstaff Rd.  
Thornhill  
Pastor F. Bond  
851-0358  
(Aff. with the Pentecostal Assemblies  
of Canada)  
10:00 a.m. - COOKIE'S BIBLE HOUR  
• Lively singing  
• Puppets and quizzes  
• Scripture chorus  
• Bible stories  
11:00 a.m. - PRAISE SERVICE  
7:00 p.m. - CHARISMATIC SERVICE  
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669-2784  
SUNDAY SERVICES  
11:00 a.m. - Bible Study and  
Morning Service  
7:00 p.m. - Communion Service  
WEDNESDAY  
8:00 p.m. - Bible Study  
SUNDAY 12:30 p.m.  
Watch "The Herald of Truth"  
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889-5931  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1977  
8:00 a.m. - Holy Communion  
10:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer  
Church School, Kindergarten and  
Nursery School  
Wednesdays  
10:00 a.m. - Holy Communion

**LUTHERAN**

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN  
10131 Bayview Avenue  
J.S. DAUPHINEE, PASTOR  
9:30 a.m. Sunday Church School  
11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
ZION LUTHERAN  
(2 miles south of Maple)  
Rev. James S. Dauphinee  
Vice-Pastor - 884-5264  
9:30 a.m. - Worship Service  
10:30 a.m. - Sunday Church School

**Other  
Denominations**

BETHEL CANADIAN  
REFORMED CHURCH  
148 Thornridge Dr.  
Thornhill  
Minister  
Rev. D. VanderBoom  
M.Th. - 889-5225  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1977  
Service at 10:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

THE  
MISSIONARY CHURCH  
GORMLEY  
Rev. Cecil Rosenberger  
887-5846  
9:50 a.m. - Family Sunday School  
11 a.m. - Morning Worship  
7:30 p.m. - Evening Inspiration  
Wednesday Night 7:30 p.m.  
Family Night  
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**BAPTIST**

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Rev. B.T. McSpadden  
Pastor - Phone 884-7859  
10:00 a.m. - Bible School Classes  
for all ages  
11:00 a.m. - Morning Service  
7:00 p.m. - Evening Service  
Prayer meeting Wednesday  
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Rev. William Wallace  
884-1831  
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Mr. Richard Phillips  
11:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

RICHMOND HILL  
FREE  
METHODIST CHURCH  
212 Hillview Dr.  
884-5029  
Rev. Robert C. Quick  
884-6629  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1977  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11 a.m. & 7 p.m. Family Worship  
"A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU"

RICHVALE  
BIBLE CHAPEL  
24 Oak Ave., Richvale  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1977  
9:30 a.m. - The Lord's Supper  
11:00 a.m. - Family Bible Hour  
11:00 a.m. - Sunday School  
Kindergarten to Grade 6 Bible  
School for Grade 7 and up  
7:00 p.m. - Evening Service  
TUESDAY  
8:00 p.m. - Bible School and Prayer.

THORNHILL  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
271 Centre Street  
889-5391  
The Rev. J.B. Burns, M.A., B.D., Ph.D.  
SUNDAY, FEB. 6th, Septuagesima  
Adult Bible Class 9:30 a.m.  
Divine Service 11:00 a.m.  
(Children in Church with Parents)  
Presbytery 12:15 p.m.  
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.  
VISITORS WELCOME

ST. JOHN'S  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
75 Oxford Street  
(Member Baptist Convention  
of Ontario and Quebec)  
Rev. Dana H. Lamb  
B.A. B.D. Minister  
SUNDAY  
9:45 a.m. - Church School  
For Bus. Ministry call 881-2818  
11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship

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MAIN STREET, NORTH, UNIONVILLE  
REV. ROBERT KUGLIN  
WELL TRAVELLED CANADIAN EVANGELIST.  
Sunday Services  
Feb. 6th, 13th, 20th.  
11 a.m. and 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  
Feb. 8, 9, 10 and 15, 16, 17th  
7:30 p.m. Services

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**THE YORK COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
AREA # 4  
REGISTRATION OF  
Kindergarten Children for September 1977**

Children who have not already been registered and are eligible to enroll in kindergarten in September 1977 should be registered in the schools serving the area in which they reside during the week of February 14th.

All children whose fifth birthday falls on or before December 31, 1977 are eligible to attend kindergarten, beginning in September 1977.

**PROOF OF AGE IS REQUIRED FOR EACH CHILD  
AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION**

Parents should contact the principal of their local school in order to secure details regarding registration.

Baythorn	W.T. Higginson	889-7993
Bayview Fairways	H.D. McCaw	889-1858
Bayview Glen	G.H. Fisher	889-2448
Franklin Street	L.J. Abernethy	294-3562
German Mills	D.G. Maunder	889-8776
Henderson Ave.	W.S. Caldwell	889-3132
James Robinson	N. Davison	294-3484
Parkview	R. Stover	297-2172
Reesor Park	J. Peters	294-6558
Roy H. Crosby	J.L. Canning	294-2910
Royal Orchard	E.N. McFadden	889-6272
E.J. Sand	W.T. Cober	889-2753
Stornoway Cres.	D.W. Painter	889-9535
Thornhill	J.T. Martins	889-1566
Unionville	D.J. Young	297-1824
William Armstrong	A. Boynton	294-1262

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