

Meditorial

By Rev. Jim Paul

There is an interesting story told about a minister who pulled into a gas station on a day that marked the beginning of a holiday weekend. A long string of cars lined up, causing quite a delay. When the attendant finally got to the preacher, he apologized, "I'm sorry. It's like this every holiday. People always wait until the last minute even though they've known about the trip for weeks". "I understand", replied the pastor. "I have the same trouble in my business."

The preacher's message comes through loud and clear. Many who attend church, and even those who don't, are fully aware that someday they'll be going on a journey not a mere trip in a car, but one that will take them into eternity. Excuses pile up without end as to why one neglects his or her relationship with God. Teenagers falsely bargain with God by saying to Him, "I'll have fun now while I'm young and when I'm old I'll give my life to You and prepare for death". However, this is dangerous bargaining because the date of our trip into eternity is unknown. Often, young married couples and middle aged people are bound in a similar state of spiritual procrastination. Their united cry secretly goes up to God—"Just let me pay off my house and enjoy life a little more, before I give my life to You and prepare for death."

What about you? Are you ready for that last great journey? Have you made sure heaven is your destination? If you have never received Christ as your personal Savior do it now. The bible clearly directs us to "seek the Lord while He may be found, and call upon Him while He is near". (Isaiah 55:6)

Castor Valley Baptist Church



Minister—Rev. James Paul, ph. 821-2144
Meeting in the Russell Public School
9:30 a.m.—Family Worship Service
Nursery and Children's church provided
10:30 a.m.—Coffee and Conversation
11:00 a.m.—Family Bible School

Sunday Dec. 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the Kenmore Church there will be the Official Recognition Service of the Castor Valley Baptist Church by the Ottawa Baptist Association.

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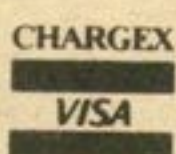


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Festive Fruitcake

From Ina Kincaid



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| 1 lb. cut mixed candied fruit | |
| 1 cup light raisins | |
| 1 cup dark raisins | |
| 1 cup chopped nuts | |
| 1/2 cup flour | |
| 1/2 cup sugar | |
| 1/2 cup lightly packed brown sugar | 1 cup flour |
| 1/4 cup butter | 1/2 tsp. salt |
| 3 eggs | 1/4 tsp. baking soda |
| 1 tsp vanilla | 1 tsp cinnamon |
| 1/4 cup strong coffee | 1/2 tsp. cloves |
| 1/4 cup apple sauce | 1/4 tsp. nutmeg |

Grease a 9 x 5-inch loaf pan. Line foil and grease again. Combine candied fruit, raisins, nuts, in bowl. Add 1/2 cup flour and mix well to coat and separate fruit.

Cream sugars and butter together thoroughly. Add eggs one at a time and beat well after each addition. Add vanilla. Gradually add coffee and applesauce. Mixture will look curdled. Combine flour with salt, baking soda and spices. Add to creamed mixture and mix just until mixture is well dampened. Add floured fruits and nuts. Mix well with wooden spoon. Spread batter evenly in prepared pan. Bake at 275°F for 2-2 1/2 hours or until toothpick inserted in centre comes back clean. Remove from oven. Lift out cake and cool on rack. When thoroughly cooled, wrap in foil and keep in refrigerator. Allow to ripen for several weeks for best flavor. Makes one 9 x 5-inch loaf.

ORTIE HARRISON— He'll be missed

Orton Harrison, a widely known and respected Russell resident, died in hospital and has been laid to rest in North Russell cemetery following an illness of several months. Rev. L.S. Woolfrey officiated at the service held in the Lafleur-Robert parlours which were filled for the occasion.

Mr. Harrison is survived by his widow, the former Millie Fetterly, his sister, Mrs. Willard Carlyle and a number of nieces and nephews.

"Ortie" Harrison was born and spent most of his life in the Russell area. In his early youth, he went west to the harvest. For much of his adult life he was a farmer and also worked for many years at the old Russell brickyard. He was employed by Morewood Homes and other businesses in various lengths of time.

"Ortie" was a craftsman and handyman of high reputation. In his garage workshop he had a varied assortment of tools for every purpose. to the uninitiated eye, the overwhelming note seem-

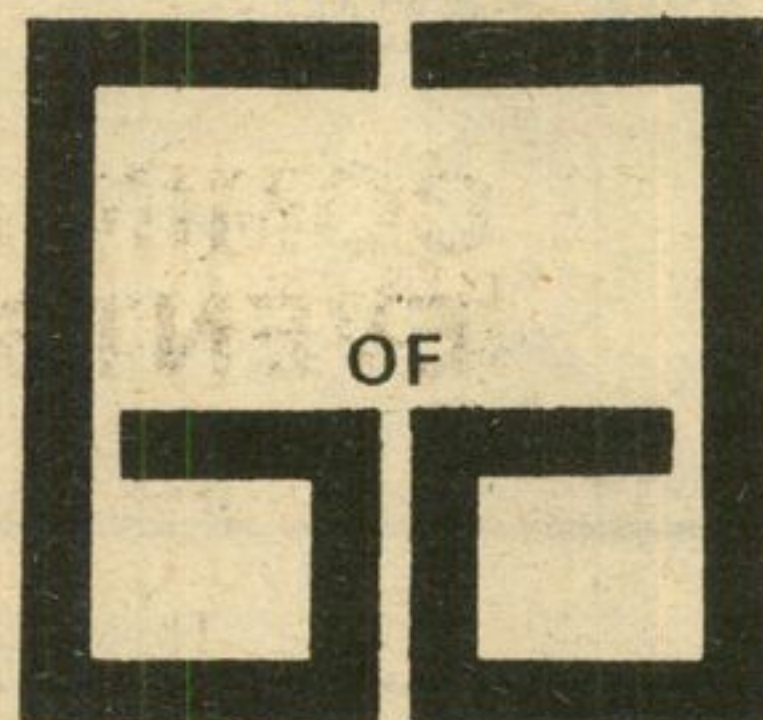
ed to be one of uncontrolled chaos; but "Ortie" knew were everything was, down to the smallest nut. His hand would dive into the rubble and come out with precisely the item he wanted.

He was always ready to lend a helping hand to young or old and was a familiar figure at the intersection of Mill street and Concession in downtown Russell. A few years ago, he and his wife Millie celebrated their fiftieth anniversary in the presence of friends and well-wishers who filled the United Church basement to overflowing.

As Rev. Woolfrey said in his touching eulogy, "He will be missed".

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A sincere thanks, on behalf of the Russell Village W.I., go's out to the teachers for their cooperation, to the parents who made sure that the children took their boxes, and, last but not least, to the children who cared enough about the needy children of the world and made a little sacrifice in carrying their boxes while trick or treating.

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