

# Abundant Living Crusade

Evangelist Ralph Jutham will be in Terrace Bay for an Abundant Living Crusade from Thursday April 7 - Sunday April 10. The week-night services begin at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday at 11:00 a.m. and will be held at Terrace Bay Gospel Assembly and are open to everyone. Special music will be provided at each service as well as special activities for children from four to eight years of age. The following interview was conducted with Rev. Jutham through correspondence.

**Interviewer:** Isn't the concept of the travelling evangelist rather outdated in Christian churches today? At least in North America?

**Rev. Jutham:** Historically there have always been evangelists. The Bible teaches that they are one of God's gifts to the Church. It is true that you will find more churches in North America than in any other place on earth. However less than 5 per cent Canadians subscribe to any church attendance.

**Inter:** What is the role of an evangelist?

**Rev:** The evangelist is someone who has an important message to bring. The word evangelist means "someone who brings good news." That is something we all want to hear today, isn't it? The evangelist is also to help the pastor in training other Christians to be more effective in their faith.

**Inter:** With so many people using the electronic media for evangelism, why should people come out to hear an evangelist in person when they can listen to a variety in their own home, with the flip of a switch?

**Rev:** I thank God for the many media ministries today. However we must realize that not everybody in churches are a result of TV evangelism. Statistically only a small percentage of converts can be attributed to media ministry. The rest is a result of both one on one, and crusade evangelism. When a person comes to a crusade meeting, he has the benefit of having someone counsel and pray with him personally. I call it the "human touch factor." There are also less distractions in a service than if a person were in his home.

**Inter:** Many people accuse the flashy TV evangelists of being phonies. What is your opinion of these TV personalities?

**Rev:** It is not my place to judge another man's ministry. As I said, I am thankful to God for these ministries and people are being reached. I must be aware of my own motives for ministry. The Bible says that every Christian will stand before God and give an account for the things he has and has not done.

**Inter:** What about those who always seem to be out for money? If God is really behind their work, wouldn't He support

them without continual appeals for more funds?

**Rev:** To be honest, I too am offended by any organization that uses pressure tactics, whether on the air, or through correspondence, to obtain funds. Perhaps more wisdom is needed in this area. And to answer the second part of the question: God has always used human instruments to do His work and support His work. The Bible also says that if a man is living by the ministry, he should receive due support. Finally, without being supported by commercials, how else is a Christian television program to be financed?

**Inter:** Evangelists are usually noted for being extremely poor or extremely rich. Where

does your support come from?

**Rev:** I receive support through the free will offerings of the people I am ministering to. Sometimes a church has a special fund for evangelists and I receive support that way.

**Inter:** It was common in the New Testament Church for miracles to take place during evangelistic outreaches. In the present day people report that they have experienced healings of some sort, or other supernatural miracles in their lives. Are these claims valid? Do such things still happen today?

**Rev:** I don't believe there is any reason to think these accounts are not valid. Most cases are investigated by compe-

tent physicians to determine their validity. As to the second question, it is interesting to note that in the days of the early church, miracles were happening in an age where people said "God doesn't do those things anymore." Today we have people saying the same thing. But I don't believe God changes from century to century. The Bible says "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever."

**Inter:** Have you seen people receive healing and other supernatural manifestations in your own ministry?

**Rev:** Yes, I have.

**Inter:** What can God do for someone who seems hopelessly addicted to drugs or alcohol or someone who is depres-

sed all the time, even to the point of wanting to commit suicide? Can God really offer any sort of present hope to someone who can find no hope in living?

**Rev:** In describing His own ministry, Jesus said, "I am come to preach the Gospel to the poor, to heal the broken hearted, to deliver those in captivity, to heal the sick and to preach the acceptable year of the Lord." He still does the same today through His servants. It matters not what the condition may be: God is no respecter of persons. Jesus came to give all of us an abundant and fulfilling life with meaning and purpose. He said, "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."

**Inter:** Yes, but what does the Gospel have to offer someone who really doesn't have a lot of problems, is fairly self-sufficient, has a good job, nice home, nice family and is satisfied with life? Maybe he even believes in God, but doesn't feel the need for religion?

**Rev:** I have found that there comes a point in a person's life when he finds that not all the possessions or things he is doing will be satisfying. He will begin to search for more. Jesus told even a learned religious leader that he needed more. Jesus didn't come to bring religion. He came to offer us a relationship with the Father through Himself and out of that relationship would come the satisfying new and abundant life for which everyone ultimately seeks.

**Inter:** Why are you coming to Terrace Bay-Schreiber?

**Rev:** As I said before, an evangelist comes with a

message. I am coming with a message of good news. News that there is

hope and meaning to life no matter what situation a person may be in.

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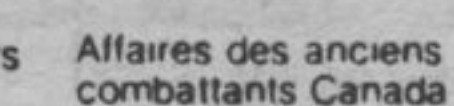

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## Remains of first provincial legislature unearthed

A four-by-eight foot hole in a downtown Toronto parking lot is yielding a treasure-trove of Ontario's history, including the remains of the first provincial legislative buildings.

The hole is the work of ministry of citizenship and culture archaeologist Roberta O'Brien, who has unearthed evidence from three distinct time periods dating back to the early 1800's.

"It's an honest-to-goodness, authentic archaeological find," says Allen Tyyska, supervisor of the ministry's archaeology conservation branch.

The beauty of the site is the ease with which it can be dug and the prime condition of the artifacts and foundations it contains, he added.

In the first layer below the gravel-based parking lot are remains of freight structures built by the Canadian National Railway in the 1920's. Archival material shows it is the next layer of material that contains the remnants of the buildings occupied by our political forefathers.

Those buildings, ac-

ording to the documents used by the ministry for research, housed the Parliament of Upper Canada from 1823-41; the United Parliament of Canada from 1849-51 and the first session of the Legislature of Ontario from 1867-92.

Artifacts have been found in the third layer which date back to the early 1800s.

"It's an absolutely fascinating site that has potential for community involvement and education in every stage of

discovery," archaeologist O'Brien said.

The land is owned by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, and is leased to the parking lot's operators.

The excavation process began after the ministry's archaeology branch was asked to study the nearby site of Toronto's new convention centre. During that study the interest was generated by maps showing sketches of the old buildings. Calculations were made and exploration began.

### Terrace Bay Ringette Club

**"Whut-Not" & "Whut-Ever" Sale**  
Saturday, April 16, 1983

Conference Room, Recreation  
Centre, Terrace Bay  
Door opens at 12 noon & sale  
will run for about 2 hours.

## Immunization Clinic

offered by the Thunder Bay District  
Health Unit

### Terrace Bay Clinic

(McCausland Hospital)  
April 26

2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

### Schreiber Clinic (400 Scotia St.)

April 27

1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Anyone interested in updating their immunizations are encouraged to attend these clinics. Please bring your immunization record if available. For further information please call 824-2413 weekday mornings.

## TERRACE BAY MENS CURLING CLUB



### Semi-Annual Meeting

April 20/83 at 7:00 p.m.

In the Curling Lounge

#### Agenda:

- Presentation of prizes for the Mens & Mixed Curling Leagues.
- Election of Officers
- Financial Report
- Entertainment to follow

Members are urged to attend.