

# Voice of Bethel

By Pastor Howard

Minaker  
On several occasions of late I have watched the activities of many Stouffville citizens on Main Street, or the Plaza. Each seems to have a particular purpose in being there. Probably at the top of the priority list is shopping for food - with other items falling in varied categories below.

As I look at each person, there are certain things I know about them. I know they must breathe air, must eat food, drink water, have sleep and shelter in order to stay alive. We are also told that the inherent desire to propagate our kind is next strongest to self-preservation.

was given life by the command of the Creator that the earth should bring forth each after his kind. But God formed man from the dust of the ground and breathed His own breath into his nostrils and he became a living soul.

Indelibly impressed on the person of every human is an insatiable desire for the unknown, the unseen and the impossible! This inborn quest for a knowledge of his Creator keeps the human heart searching continuously for true peace. In our sinful condition, we are

estranged and alienated from God. There is a better chance for a known assassin to be presented to the Queen, than for this wicked rebel to approach a just and Holy God.

However, the Eternal God who said, "Let us make man", also mercifully made provision to redeem him. "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." He alone can give beauty for ashes, joy for sorrow and life for death. Is it any wonder the angel described this Gospel as "good tidings of great joy to all people."

## Parkview Home

### Resident pastor leads in worship

STOUFFVILLE — With Rev. van der Bent, pastor of Parkview Home, on vacation, Rev. D. J. Jeffrey is providing leadership for the Monday Bible Studies and Tuesday evening meetings.

Parkview residents enjoyed the slides of Lebanon, shown Aug. 9 by Charles Rätcliff.

On Sunday evening, Rev. Glen Brabaker of Cedar Grove Mennonite Church, rendered two vocal solos. He also

brought the gospel message.

Mrs. Kathy Bridges of Stouffville led in a fellowship meeting for several Parkview residents, Aug. 8.

Parkview residents appreciate the time spent by folks in the community in providing entertainment and spiritual blessing, week by week.

Recent visitors to Parkview include:

Gord and Isabel Overload of Kingston visited with Mr. Train. Mrs. D. Koens visited with Mrs. Pollard. Mrs. Mabel Powell of Markham visited Mr. and Mrs. Lou Allen. Susan Duck of California visited with Mrs. McNair. Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Kenny and Dieter Hoos all of Oshawa enjoyed a pleasant visit with Mrs. Kenny and Miss Joyce Kenny. Albert and Alma Cober, St. Petersburg, Florida visited with Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Winger and Miss Ella Cober. Jean Beare and Molly Sinclair visited with Mrs. Nancy Hiltz.

Rev. and Mrs. John Colley of Peoria, Illinois visited with Mrs. Fred Pugh. Edna Leigh of Kleinburg had an enjoyable visit with Mrs. Darlington.



First entry wins first prize

Nothing ventured, nothing gained said 13 year old Marilyn Dodge of 4 Hamilton Hall Drive, Markham, when she placed this entry in the Horticultural Show at Fenelon Falls, Aug. 4. To her surprise, this 'lady bug', made from

half a cantaloup, carrots, a radish, an apple and raisins, won first prize. Marilyn and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dodge, were vacationing in the area at the time. Michael Gerhardt.

## Editor's Mail

What kind of justice is this?

Your paper (August 9) reports that homeowners in the proposed Cedarwood City area who may be able to re-purchase their properties sometime after expropriation, will be subject to Capital Gains Tax, if the provincial government doesn't make up its mind soon enough after acquisition and re-purchase - even if they have never left the property?

Presumably, this same kind of 'justice' will also apply to homeowners in the proposed Airport area who were foolish enough to sign away their properties before legal negotiations.

The possibility of the Airport ever being built is rapidly fading. Must the property owners who were promised that they could re-purchase their homes - now be further punished by paying Capital Gains Tax to get them back?

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## Editor's Mail

### Consumer cause high food prices

Dear Sir: Consumers have only themselves to blame for spiralling food prices.

For too long, the customer has been 'feather-bedded' and the farmer reduced to scraping a living. Few politicians or shoppers cared that farmers paid high taxes for their land, or took notice when they started to sell prime agricultural properties for various building developments.

How many even care that 42,000 acres are destined to be paved over in the future for an airport that no-one seems to think we need, and for a city that will be nothing more than a bedroom suburb to an already sprawling metropolis? For the most part, these are food producing areas that will be lost forever to the Canadian market.

It's surely absurd for the provincial government in the Speech from the Throne on March 20 of this year to state "My government will take steps to ensure proper policy co-ordination of initiatives involving land use controls where agricultural lands are concerned, so that good

farm land may be retained for agricultural purposes", and to promptly take steps to allow already acquired land to lie fallow and propose to expropriate the rest?

If the consumer really cares about high prices for farm goods she must start an out cry against these neighboring and other developments, that do exactly the op-

posite to the government's promise and help to make food more scarce. Anne, M. Wanstall, R.R. 2, Claremont

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