



Rev. Stan Johnston, formerly of Keswick, is the new pastor at Churchill Baptist Church. He will be inducted into the pastorate at Churchill, Nov. 1.

Rev. Stan Johnston Personal goals set by pastor

By Jim Thomas
CHURCHILL.—If a congregation grows, the minister deserves the credit. If membership declines, the pastor must shoulder the blame.

This is the responsibility Rev. Stan Johnston places on himself as he takes charge at Churchill Baptist Church. Induction service is Nov. 1.

"Outreach" and "family" are two key goals. To accomplish the first, he plans to visit every home in the community. To attain the second, he intends to place strong emphasis on the importance of total involvement in the church and by this he means, mother, father, sons and daughters.

"The Almighty God has given us a job to do, it's up to us to let people know we're here," he stated firmly. He also stresses the fact that breakdown in the family leads to breakdown in society.

Rev. Johnston is a native of Belfast, Ireland. He visited Canada in 1962, then returned to stay in '64. He and wife Marilyn have two children, Paul, 11 and Tricia, nine. They're expecting their third in the spring. They reside near Zephyr.

A licenced electrician, Stan enrolled at the Central Baptist Seminary in Toronto and graduated in 1972. He was ordained the same year. For a period of seven years, he ministered

at Maple Hill Baptist Church and later, at a new complex in Keswick, saw the congregation grow from 100 to 200 and the Sunday School increase to almost three hundred.

Last summer, he had occasion to address an open-air service in Cedar Beach Park, Musseman's Lake. The pulpit committee at Churchill maintained contact and extended an invitation when a replacement pastor was required. Worship times are 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Rev. Johnston believes the rural church has a role to play in a community, particularly a community like Churchill where sizeable build-up, is occurring to the west at Ballantrae and with an excellent farming area to the north.

"I've seen country churches filled to the doors; I've seen others dying on the vine," he said. The size of the sanctuary or the 'label' outside means very little, he claims.

Again, Rev. Johnston placed the responsibility for church growth on the minister, noting that no one is obliged to attend a public service. "He can stay home and worship via T.V.," he said.

With this thought in mind, he's established his own personal goal. "If I'm not successful after five years, I'll honestly admit I haven't done the job."

Adoptive children are now available

By Myra Hurst
On July 1, 1975, the Children's Aid Society of the Regional Municipality of York announced to the people of York Region, a temporary suspension of applications to adopt healthy, problem-free children under five years of age. We promised at

that time to keep the public informed of any changes in that situation. It has taken until the present to reduce the backlog of applicants and thereby enable us to re-open our intake. From Nov. 1, 1979 until Nov. 20, 1979, or until we receive two hundred and fifty (250) applications, we will accept applications from those people in York Region who wish to apply to adopt healthy, problem-free children under five years of age. We are projecting this number of applications with the assumption that the present number of children available for adoption will continue. All applications must be in writing - no telephone applications will be accepted.

(2) Where there has been a marriage of at least three years' duration;

(3) Where both applicants are in good health;

(4) Where the younger applicant is at least twenty-one (21) years older than the child to be adopted, and the elder applicant is not more than forty (40) years older than the child to be adopted;

(5) Where all the necessary fertility testing has been, or is in the process of being conducted, or where a health problem prevents or makes reproduction a risk;

(6) Where both applicants are residents of the Regional Municipality of York.

All those who apply must meet all six of the following criteria for their application to be considered:

(1) Where there is currently no more than one other child in the family;

For those who do meet all six criteria, please apply in writing to: Joyce Taylor, Adoption Co-ordinator, The Family and Children's Services of the Regional Municipality of York, 85 Eagle Street West, P.O. Box 358, Newmarket.

Special services

VIVIAN — The congregation of Vivian McCormack Memorial Church will celebrate their anniversary with special services this Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Rev. Walter Gawa, the church's new pastor will be in charge with music by Joan Henwood. Sunday School will meet at 9:45 a.m.

At Youth Centre — On Sunday evening, Oct. 28, Elaine and Bruce Stacey from "100 Huntley Street", will attend a gathering at the Stouffville Youth Centre and tell of the work being done through this popular television program. The Centre's location is on the south side of the south side of the Stouffville-Gormley Road, east of Kennedy Road.

Church bazaar — The Stouffville United Church is holding a bazaar on Sat., Nov. 3 from 1 to 4 p.m., featuring home-baking, knitting, crafts, afghans and quilts.

School performance — St. Roberts School, Leslie Street, south of Hwy. 7, is presenting "A Man For All Seasons" Nov. 29, 30 and Dec. 1. Tickets are \$3, \$2 and \$1 for students. Several of the participants are from the Stouffville area.

Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville

Notice of PUBLIC MEETING

Tuesday, November 6th, 1979 at 8:00 p.m.

In the Municipal Building, 19 Civic Avenue, Stouffville

A public meeting will be held by the Planning Committee of the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville, as noted above, to discuss the following proposed OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT, whereby it is the intent of Council to:

"Consider proposed Amendment No. 19 to the Official Plan of the Township of Whitchurch, now in the Whitchurch-Stouffville planning area, which amends the development policies of the Estate Residential land use designation by deleting the policy which prohibits Estate Residential development adjacent to Regional Forests.

This Amendment applies to all lands within the former Township of Whitchurch planning area, now in the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville.

You are invited to attend the meeting and to state your support or objection to the proposed amendment. Should you be unable to attend, written submissions will be received up to the time of the meeting. The amending document may be examined at the Municipal Building, 19 Civic Avenue, Stouffville during regular business hours. (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)



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Church Services

STOUFFVILLE UNITED CHURCH
34 Church St. N. Minister Rev. J.L. Carder B.A., B.D. October 28, 1979
11 a.m. 126th Anniversary Service
Speaker: Miss Jessie MacLeod, B.A., M.R.E. Division of Mission in Canada
7-9:00 p.m. CONCERT by METROPOLITAN Silver Band-Free Will Offering Sunday School
11 a.m. - Nursery, Kindergarten, Primary & Jr. classes
Mon. 7 p.m. - Explorers. Mon. 7:30 p.m. - C.G.I.T. "You Will Be Welcome"

MARKHAM MISSIONARY CHURCH
313 Main St. N. Rev. G. Peck-Minister Sunday, Oct. 28, 1979
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School 11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
7:00 p.m. - Evening Service Information 294-5081

GORMLEY MISSIONARY CHURCH
Rev. Cecil Rosenberger Sunday, Oct. 28, 1979
9:50 a.m. - Sunday School Classes
11 a.m. - "Here I Stand" 7:30 p.m. - Bob & Lavera Ross - Our Missionaries from Sierra Leone. Wed. 7 p.m. - Family Night

UNIONVILLE GOSPEL HALL
2nd Street, at Hwy. 7 LORD'S DAY
Breaking Bread 9:30 Sunday School and Bible Class 11:30 a.m. GOSPEL Meeting 7 p.m. Wed. Prayer - Bible Study 8 p.m. All Heartily Welcome

ALTONA MISSIONARY CHURCH
Pastor - R. Kennedy Sunday, Oct. 28, 1979
10 a.m. - Sunday School 11 a.m. - Morning Worship
7:30 p.m. - Worship Service Wed. 8 p.m. - Prayer Meeting

MEMORIAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Main-Stouffer Rev. J. Small Oct. 28, 1979
10 a.m. - Sunday School 11 a.m. - Worship 7 p.m. - Fellowship Weekly Youth Programs Information 640-3257

ST. JAMES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Sun. Oct. 28, 1979
9:30 a.m. - Layman's Sunday - Ecumenical Service - Stewardship Presentation Church School 11 a.m. - 12 Bible Study. NURSERY SERVICES PROVIDED WORSHP WITH US IN OUR CENTENNIAL YEAR

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SPRINGVALE BAPTIST CHURCH
Gormley-Stouffville Rd. At 6th Conc. (Kennedy Rd.)
Sunday, Oct. 28, 1979
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service 7:00 p.m. - Evening Services Wed. 7:15 p.m. - Family Night Skyforce Children's Program. ALL WELCOME

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Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. - Family Night

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