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Sod turning for Markham Missionary Church

Markham Missionary Church

In anticipation of beginning building its new church on Major MacKenzie Dr. east of McCowan Rd., the congregation of Markham Missionary Church have planned a Sod Turning Ceremony for Sunday, Aug. 24, 6:30 p.m.

A time of fellowship will be held, following, at the present building, 313 Main St., Markham.

St. Andrew's United

Slides of Haiti will be shown once again in the Lower Hall on Aug. 27, 7:30 p.m. All are welcome. St. Andrew's United is located on Main St., Markham.

Unionville Baptist

Unionville Baptist anticipates three new programs for boys and girls in addition to the regular Sunday School, 9:50 to 10:50 a.m.

Adventure Time II is scheduled for August 25 to 29, 10 to 11:30 a.m. for children ages 5 to 12. These meetings will feature Bible Stories, games, lots of fun, and The Treasure Chest.

Beginning in September, the

Church Focus

Judith Gooding 294-6035



Pioneer Clubs will include the new Scooter division for boys and girls, ages 4 and 5.

Also in September a Pre-school program (Nursery and Kindergarten) will begin. This is available mornings and afternoons, Monday to Friday. Registration is still open, but rapidly filling up. Call 479-0949.

Stouffville Missionary

All are welcome to attend the showing of the film, A House Divided, Sunday, Aug. 31, 7 p.m., at the church 159 Main St., Stouffville.

The film purposes to underline the need for all Christians to put God first in their lives, to illustrate how the complexities of life can blind us to our own weaknesses, to challenge to commitment.

Unionville Alliance

The Family Under Fire, Part 4 of the six part film

series by James Dobson, Turn Your Heart Towards Home, will be shown Sunday, Aug. 24, 6:30 p.m.

Unionville Alliance meets at Unionville Public School, Main St., Unionville. All are welcome. For more information call 477-1104.

Mennonite Churches

Mennonites in Ontario, a Bicentennial portrait, has been released to celebrate the 200th anniversary of Mennonites in Ontario.

The coffee table style book, portrays Mennonites, Amish and Brethren in Christ in Ontario from both a contemporary and historical perspective.

Mennonites In Ontario sells for \$29.95, and is available at The Care and Share Shop, Main St., Stouffville, or from Mary Lou Reesor, 640-3391.

Markham Pentecostal
Summer Sunday morning worship services begin at 10:30 a.m. Sunday School, not held during July and August will resume Sept. 7, 9:45 a.m.

Sunday, Aug. 24, 10:30 a.m., Pastor Skinner will speak.

At 6 p.m., the film, Never Ashamed, will be shown. Never Ashamed, voted by Christian Films Distributors as the 1985 Best Film of the Year, Best Evangelistic Film, Best Youth Film, presents the classic struggle between being the 'salt of the earth' and living a separated life.

Its purpose is to challenge youth and adults into a fresh new commitment for Jesus Christ.

Visitors are welcome to view the film in the 300-seat, air conditioned auditorium of the church, located on 16th Ave., east of McCowan Rd.

Living On Purpose

Dave Petrescue



Never alone

John had come home after work one day, to an empty house. His wife of thirteen years and their two children were gone. So was all the furniture.

Sandra has been a single mother for three years now. Her entire life has been turned upside down since her husband took off. She has never heard from him. Friends she thought she had, no longer call. Financially — it's disaster.

Desertion: "The act of forsaking, abandoning, quitting, leaving, departing from in defiance of duty." It's no longer just a dictionary definition or a SOAP series. It is today's terrible tragedy.

Parents desert their children, Husbands desert their wives, Women walk away from home Leaving broken lives.

Words are inadequate to describe the trauma, the hurt, the agony of soul that ensues. Self esteem is called to the stand, tried and sentenced to death. Hope is overtaken by despair. Fear wraps its tenacles around the heart and squeezes out life and energy. Loneliness feeds on the remains. Darlene was such a victim. Left

to raise five boys on her own, she too, wondered if there was life after desertion. Today she says "The key to my strength, recovery and joy was being able to lean on the one who promises he would never leave me or forsake me — my lord Jesus Christ."

Do you sometimes feel forsaken — All alone, with none to care, When the burden on your shoulders Seems too great for you to bear?

Are you wearied with the journey And the sorrows you have known? Talk it over now with Jesus You are really not alone.

Let your fainting heart take courage, And your restless fears be still. He has promised not to leave you, And He never, never will. There is an oasis in the desert of desertion, and He's so much more than a mirage. Dave Petrescue, Senior Pastor of Unionville Alliance Church.

Rooted in His Word
Growing in His Spirit
Building People

UNIONVILLE ALLIANCE CHURCH
477 1104
Pastor Dave Petrescue

SUNDAY AUG. 24
"Film #4
THE FAMILY UNDER FIRE:
Confronting the issues
(abortion, pornography, etc.)
that war against the family."

All Services at
Unionville Public School
300 Main Street

MARKHAM BAPTIST CHURCH
110 Church Street
(opposite High School)

Pastor: Rev. Douglas Sherwood

SUNDAY AUG. 24
11:00 A.M.
MESSAGE
OUR COMMON PROBLEMS

ALWAYS A WARM WELCOME

Affiliated with the Baptist Convention of Ont. & Que.

MARKHAM MISSIONARY CHURCH
313 MAIN ST. N.
294-5081

PASTORS: GRANT SLOSS
MYLES TOOP

SUNDAY AUG. 24
11:00 A.M.

Pastor Sloss Preaching
6:30 P.M.

Sod Turning Service on
Major MacKenzie Dr.
(East of McCowan Rd.)

You Are Invited To Be
Part Of A Friendly Caring
Church

CENTENNIAL BAPTIST CHURCH
8252 McCowan Rd. South
Pastor Harvey Peters
Asst. G. Thorogood
294-1147

SUNDAY, AUG. 24
11:00 A.M.
Pastor Harvey Peters
Sermon: He Is Precious
7:00 p.m.
Pastor Harvey Peters
Sermon: Haven't You Read?

proposed new building

UNIONVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH
243 Main St.
479-0942

Pastor: Dr. Ray Reed
Asst: Brian Morris.

SUNDAY
11:00 a.m. Dr. Ray Reed
6:40 p.m. Dr. Ray Reed

Boys and Girls
Don't forget "Adventure Time"
Starts on Monday (Aug. 25th)
10:00-11:30 a.m.
We had a great week in July.
The treasure chest is full again.
Bring your friends.
The end of your search
For a friendly, air conditioned church

UNIONVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Of the Presbyterian Church in Canada

9:30 A.M.
Morning Worship
Nursery Care
Church School
William Berczy Public School
120 Carlton Road

Rev. Jost Kreplin 475-6233
"A WARM WELCOME AWAITS YOU"

"THE VILLAGE BAPTIST CHURCH"

New Location:
John XXIII Catholic School
125 Krieghoff Ave.
Unionville

10:30 a.m. Sunday
(Nursery and Junior
Church to age 8)

Pastor: Rev. Ralph D. Neil,
B.Sc., B.D.
479-0765

Affiliation: Canadian
Baptist Federation

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of Unionville

Come worship the LORD with us

11:00 MORNING WORSHIP
Heritage Centre
(17 Anna Russel Way)

REV. MICHAEL W. GOHEEN
477-7497
Nursery Provided