# Wholeness Through Christ General Newsletter



### A Word from the Vice-Chair

I've been reflecting on the long, dry, hot days this spring and then the welcome of the rain and cooler weather that has brought refreshment again. Entering these first days of summer I witness the life and beauty of colourful growth where the rains have replenished what was dry and brittle. The regrowth and re-rooting of good plants after a season of dryness or devastation, as in the case of wild fire, is always a reminder to me of re-birth and restoration. The amazing wild flowers that quickly grow in places where fire has scorched the landscape can remind us that life comes forth again as God the sustainer of life brings back the necessary balance.

The need to seek God's balance for life to flourish has again been evident for the WTC board as we met this June. The work of ministry, caring for family, transitioning, grieving, losses, jobs, and other concerns all highlight the need for soaking in God's presence once again. God is so good to bring what is needed after times of victory and weariness as we concentrate our attention to worship and delight in him. From these sacred times of soaking there is the invitation for the seeds of rest, restoration (healing), and re-growth to sprout again. He prepares the soil of our lives even through times of difficulty and devastation. When the rain comes and the sun begins to shine again there is nothing holding back the seeds that are ready to sprout. One of these seeds we were reminded of is from Galatians 5:6 - "The only thing that counts is Faith expressing itself in Love." This stands out in direct opposition to religiosity and legalistic ways of living. From those entanglements our Creator, our Shepherd and King leads us into life-giving green pastures for restoration of place and purpose to prosper and live again.

To be freed from deceptive cords that entangle, steal, kill and destroy is to:

- Take up our Lord Jesus' shepherd's staff of authority over darkness.
- To grieve the losses and acknowledge the pain before God.
- To recognize and confess the sinful patterns that trap us and others.
- To turn from the broken relationships and willingly be restored and re-rooted into healthy and right relationships in those green pastures.

This is a place bathed in His provision, protection, and comfort.

My prayer for WTC and each of us is to continue to step into this place of life with our Creator God, our Lord and King, who knows every thought, struggle, and joy. He loves us enough to restore His DNA into the fabric of our beings, making us more like his son Jesus.

On a personal note, I love the WTC ministry and plan to continue being involved in various ways as the Lord leads. In this season of my life, however, I hear the call to step down from the board to transition and enter more fully into the new community my husband and I have moved into. I have been so blessed with my time on the board and I thank you all for the opportunity to serve in this way. I pray God will continue to provide and prosper this ministry, and that we all grow in hearing his voice more clearly, to follow his leading in our lives, for our families, and in ministry, no matter the current season or landscape of our lives.

In Christ's love and blessing,

Myrna Wilson (Exiting Vice Chair)



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## **Upcoming Events**

### A Taste of Wholeness

September 23, 2023 Online, 10am to 4pm Central Time

### **Prayer Ministry Courses (PMCs)**

October 18-22, 2023 Calgary, AB (Entheos Retreat Centre)
January 12-14, 2024 Online (see below for details)

### School of Prayer Ministry (SPM)

October 18-22, 2023 Calgary, AB (Entheos Retreat Centre)

### Fees and Details:

Online "Taste" Event \$50 up to an including September 10

\$75 September 11-21

Entheos Retreat Centre

\$775/person

Single Room Fee Early-bird discount \$50

for on-site events
Late Application Fee

\$50 (apply 3 months ahead of dates)

\$100 (for applications received within

30 days of the on-site event)

Online PMC (Jan 12-14) Online PMC (Jan 12-14) \$300 for teaching only \$400 with personal Prayer Ministry Appointment (PMA)

### A Taste of Wholeness

Whether you are looking for an introduction or a refresher on Wholeness Through Christ teachings and principles, this day will present an overview on the basics. We're powering through the six hours with only brief breaks, so please have ready-made meals prepared to sustain you! Also bring Communion elements for a shared time of remembrance and worship. There are a limited number of spots available.

Our **Online PMC** schedule for January 2024 is still being developed, but the general layout is listed below. The event will be planned on a Central Time schedule.

Friday, January 12 Saturday, January 13 Sunday, January 14

Evening teaching sessions All-day teaching sessions

day, January 14 Prayer Vigils

January 15-19 Personal Online Prayer Ministry
Appointments (Limited availability)

The final size of the on-site PMCs and SPM will be determined by the number of applicants as well as the number of available team, so if you or someone you know are interested in attending, <u>please</u> submit your application as soon as possible.

### **Our New Website!**

We are pleased to announce that our new website will be up and running the beginning of July! Check it out at www.wholenessthroughchrist.com. If you happen to notice any errors or "dead ends" as you browse, please let us know, as this is a work in progress! Email administrator@wholenessthroughchrist.com.

### **Intercessor Coordinator**

Karen Hummelle has transitioned from the Intercessor Coordinator to the Online PMA Coordinator, Please forward your prayer requests to intercessors@ wholenessthroughchrist.com. For the present time, our Administrator will be handling these requests and required actions.

If you have attended a WTC Prayer Ministry Course, School of Prayer Ministry, or a retreat or workshop and would like to continue the adventure in prayer with the Lord in conjunction with the WTC ministry, please email your inquiry to intercessors@wholenessthroughchrist.com.



Are you skilled with Zoom? We are looking for some people to help as Zoom host support for upcoming online events. Please contact our Administrator if you are interested in hearing more.

 ${\it Have\ questions?\ Email\ adminstrator@wholeness through christ.com}$ 



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# **Spring 2023 Events**

### Prayer Ministry Course in Yellowknife, NWT

In April a team of five were invited to lead the first Prayer Ministry Course in Yellowknife for clergy participants from the Diocese of the Arctic. The thirteen participants traveled from parishes in the Yukon, Northwest Territories, Nunavut, and Quebec. It was a joy and delight to hear familiar worship tunes sung in a variety of languages; we had a taste of what worship in heaven might be like when people of every tribe and tongue lift their voices in song!

### Prayer Ministry Course near Calgary, Alberta

Six team members and eight participants attended the beautiful Entheos Retreat Centre outside Calgary in May for a Prayer Ministry Course. Although the attendance was smaller than typical, what the Lord ministered was deep and significant.

Following the personal Prayer Ministry Appointments (PMAs), participants are encouraged to write down a short phrase of praise or testimony. Those that gave permission to share wrote the following:

- Hallelujah
- I forgive myself
- A new ♥ for freedom
- The lord has set me freeeee!!
- Given a new heart, released from bondage
- God is in the driver's seat! He has given my identity.

To read what others have shared about the impact of the ministry, visit "Your Stories" on our website.

Please pray for the participants from our spring events, that their new-found freedom and healing would become deeply rooted and bear rich fruit in season.

## **Financial Update**

### As of June 24, 2023:

Bank Balance	\$6,866.01
Fee Assistance Fund	0.00
Special Offering Funds	3,046.92
Other Designated Funds	3,750.00

Thank you for your ongoing faithful support of the ministry. Thanks, also, to those who donated to our special offering for Yellowknife. The total collected was just \$233.69 short of covering the team's airfare.

Donations can be made by cheque and mailed to 72 Bowkett Drive, Richmond Hill, ON, L4E 0J6, or e-transferred to treasurer@ wholenessthroughchrist.com. Please send an email to the treasurer advising her of the donation and any designation, along with your full name and mailing address for year-end receipting purposes.

### Thanks from the Chair

I want to pass on a heartfelt thank you to Myrna Wilson for the time she has served the Lord and the ministry as a board member. She brought a fresh outlook and perspective, along with a deep well of wisdom and discernment. Myrna was one of the significant contributors in the development and facilitation of our online Intercessor Gatherings that began during the pandemic, as well as being a support and lead with the intercessors in general. Her openheartedness, generosity, and her gift of hospitality is evident wherever she serves. We will greatly miss her presence on the board! We pray for God's restoration and direction as she enters a new season in a new location with her husband.

- Liesel Spicer -

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