

## SEMINARS

### FRIDAY 4:30 P.M.

#### **Newcomer Integration from a Biblical Perspective** *Shoab Ebad; Lounge*

Canada plans to welcome an unprecedented 1.45 million immigrants over the next three years as it looks to step up efforts to curb a chronic labour shortage by welcoming more newcomers. We already see thousands of Afghans, Ukrainians and other ethnicities in our communities. Churches, mission agencies and followers of Jesus have a huge responsibility to help newcomers in their integration process to a local Church, and to our communities. I will share personal stories and challenges during our integration from a biblical perspective.

#### **Men – The Critical Necessity** *Howard Pike; Classroom 3*

Men are essential to the growth of the church, yet around the world, men seem less involved. Covid accelerated this. Join us for a discussion of how ministry to men can reengage this critical resource. Men and women are invited to attend.

**Please Note: 9910 Centre Classroom is upstairs and is only accessible by stairs.**

### SATURDAY 9:45 A.M.

#### **Return to Sender. Why Missionaries are Coming Home and The Changing Strategy in Missions** *Ted Seres; Sanctuary*

Missions in Africa and Asia today are moving more and more towards empowering and equipping local people to serve in their own communities. Since 2009, OneBook has facilitated locally led Bible translation, literacy, and community development projects in minority language communities. Where do Missionaries fit in to this model as “localization” is becoming more popular? We will share stories of the joys and challenges of pioneering this model and explore how it may continue to impact carrying out the Great Commission into the future so that we may all worship “*in one accord*”.

#### **Bringing Hope and Healing to Persecuted Women and Girls in Nigeria**

*Greg Musselman; Lounge*

As the attacks and violence against Christians accelerates in Nigeria, many women and girls have been traumatized. Find out how we can bring hope and healing to these sisters in Christ!

#### **Would Jesus React or Respond?**

*Juanita Hebard & Samuel Lin; Classroom 3*

In society’s changing cultures today, and moving forward to the future, we will reach people for Christ depending on our reactions or responses.

### FRIDAY 7:45 P.M.

#### **The Outstanding Success of the Gospel Among the Orinoco Tribes**

*Russell Stendal; Lounge*

How Canadian Missions and Missionaries – after being forced out 25 years ago – are making an astounding comeback to serve and aid multiplied tens of thousands of native believers who are coming to Christ faster than we can provide them with Bibles in their respective languages.

#### **Informing, Interacting & Interceding for Indigenous Missions**

*James Eagles; Classroom 3*

A look at Indigenous Missions and the 10/40 Window and how we can be active partners at home and abroad. Reviewing the exciting history, growth and development of national missionary movements with a close-up view as to how their work pertains to reaching unreached people groups.

### SATURDAY 11:00 A.M.

#### **What Does it Take to Become a Successful Missionary?**

*Russell Stendal; Sanctuary*

The essential requirement to be able to effectively serve God is so incredibly simple – it might surprise you. In fact, regardless of your age, your educational background or your financial options you may qualify.

#### **Befriending Sikhs in Order to Share the Good News**

*Ralph, Jake & Fred; Lounge*

The team of presenters will give a brief history of Sikhism and a brief explanation of what Sikh’s believe. Secondly, the impact of Sikhism on Indian culture and Sikh’s daily lives. Thirdly, principles of ministry for befriending Sikhs with examples.

#### **Discipleship Leads to Missions**

*Mark Kroes; Classroom 3*

Discipleship is the process of moving followers of Jesus from simply being disciple-makers. Disciple-makers are required for missions. Therefore, more disciple-makers here means more potential disciple-makers for the nations. So, can we do a better job of discipleship here in Edmonton, in Alberta, in Canada?

#### **Equipped and Ready to Serve - The Gifts That Keep on Giving**

*Scott Gillespie; 9910 Centre Classroom*

We all have been given a variety of gifts and abilities by God that He wants us to use for Him, and bring Him glory. Find out what gifts and abilities you have to use for God and be challenged to go out and use them.

## SATURDAY 1:30 P.M.

#### **Come Before Winter... Before Its Too Late.**

*George Harrison; Lounge*

The doors of opportunity are wide open! We will assist you with some tools that will help defeat one of the largest problems facing Missionaries today, procrastination. You will leave encouraged to listen promptly to the promptings of the Holy Spirit as He guides and directs you.

#### **Why Short-Term Missions?**

*Les Peters; Classroom 3*

We will get you thinking about the role of short-term missions, offer tips and pointers, and prepare you to lead for long-term impact.

#### **Leveraging Technology for Gospel Purposes**

*Brian Dyck; 9910 Centre Classroom*

Brian will share how businesses can enhance and support the spread of the gospel. You will be encouraged to hear different ideas about how others have gotten involved.

## SATURDAY 4:15 P.M.

#### **The Impact of Christian Media in Global Crisis Zones**

*Shoab Ebad; Sanctuary*

How can Christians use media to positively impact places around the globe facing devastation and war? Square One World Media uses culturally relevant television, radio, streaming service and print media to share the Good News of Jesus with nations around the world. These include hot spots such as Ukraine, Afghanistan, Central America, Russia, and the Middle East. Session participants will learn how media can be used to bring the Gospel to places where feet cannot go and bring hope to a hurting world.

#### **Healthcare as Missions, Sharing Christ through Word and Deed**

*Annette Lievaart; Classroom 3*

What does it look like to serve God in a mission hospital. exploring the Why, Who, What, When Where how of medical missions.

#### **A Census Was Taken: Opportunities for the Church Created by Recent Immigration to Canada**

*Rick Love; 9910 Centre Classroom*

Data from Statistics Canada’s 2021 Population Census shows changing immigration patterns in Canada. This creates opportunities for churches to develop pathways to Jesus for new Canadians in our neighbourhoods.

## SUNDAY 3:30 P.M.

#### **Technology and the Gospel. How Technology is Changing How We Reach the Least Reached**

*Ted Seres; Lounge*  
People around the world emerged from Covid-19 lockdowns more familiar with technology than ever, and daily life now included a new focus on using it to connect with people around the world. This is also true in the mission field. Technology, audio and video scripture resources, Bible Translation apps and online literacy classes continue to connect people in minority language communities with God’s Word.

#### **Strengthening the Serve of Your Missions Committee!**

*Rob “Mags” Magwood; Classroom 3*

THANK YOU to mission committees striving to serve your churches well! This interactive presentation includes practical pointers to help build your vision, unity and impact.

#### **Freedom and Love: Is My Creativity Aligned with God’s Purposes?**

*Rick Maxwell; 9910 Centre Classroom*

Jesus calls us to deny ourselves, take up our crosses daily and follow Him. He only did what He saw His Father doing. Does this mean that to be a committed Christian puts a cramp on artistic creativity? As creatures made in God’s image, redeemed by Christ, we are free. How will we use our freedom? Come prepared to consider your own creative pilgrimage.

## SEMINAR PRESENTERS

**Keynote Speakers Bios**, see 2023 Keynote Speakers

**Dyck, Brian** and his wife, Ruth, have a heart for the Lord and missions, when he got an opportunity to manage a farm project in South Sudan, he didn’t want to miss an opportunity that the Lord had clearly called him to.

**Eagles, James** is President of Intercede International and an ordained minister located in Fort Erie, ON. He has served with Intercede for over 42 years.

**Gillespie, Scott** has been involved in full time ministry for 40 years. He has a passion for missions and encouraging others for missions.

**Harrison, George** After several years of pastoring, George has become a seasoned missionary with over 30 years in cross culture experience.

**Hebard, Juanita** Missions calling at 9 yrs old. Teen Challenge 15 yrs., Domestic violence/homeless shelter chaplain, street & prison ministry, international missions admin and 15 yrs Executive Director of Ray of Hope, Taiwan.

**Kroes, Mark** is the Executive Director of OMS International – Canada and is on the Coordinating Team of the 24:14 Network in Canada.

**Lievaart, Annettes** As a Respiratory Therapist she felt the call to serve God abroad providing medical care, and showing Christ’s love to staff, patients and their families.

**Love, Rick** is the Director of Love New Canadians, Pastor of Intercultural Min. at Foothills Alliance Church in Calgary and has worked cross culturally for 28 years.

**Magwood, Rob “Mags”** With experience in short-term missions, church-planting, and theological education, Mags serves with the Global Missions Podcast, the Sending Collective (Canada), and SEND International of Canada.

**Maxwell, Rick** Born in Colombia, SA to missionary parents, then grew up in small town Alberta. He felt called to dedicate his life to God and His work, thinking this meant missionary. Served 15 yrs in South America and now promotes missions in Canada.

**Musselman, Greg** has interviewed hundreds of persecuted Christians to share their heartbreaking yet powerful testimonies and remind them, they are not forgotten!

**Peters, Les** is founder and field director of Impact Ministries in Guatemala, which has hosted hundreds of short-term missions teams over the past 20+ years.

**Pike, Howard** serves as the President of CSB Canada and of Christian Service Brigade - a men’s ministry to the boys and young men of the local community.

**Ralph, Jake and Fred** have served in cross-cultural ministry overseas and locally.