

# Voices & Prayer Warriors

## Summer 2023

## Testimony of God's Saving Grace

BY ROSE ANDRUSHKO

### FAMILY LIFE WOMEN'S MINISTRY & CHRISTIAN SCHOOL PROGRAM

Hi, my name is Rose. I grew up in Nelson House, MB until I was 16 years old. In 1988, the Lord brought me to Winnipeg with my sister Sandra and her family. She was attending Faith Baptist Church and was coming to the ladies meetings at Family Life Centre.

Through Sandra's faithfulness, I came to hear about God and His saving grace. I believed there was a God but I did not know that you could have a personal relationship with Him. Sandra had a tract in her home and I read it. I realized that I was a sinner and that I would go to hell if I did not receive Jesus as my Savior. I prayed and confessed my sins and I received God's saving grace.

When I came to Winnipeg, I started coming to the Ladies Day at FLC with my sister. I was also enrolled in Faith Academy through the UGM Christian School Program. There I caught up on my education and learned more about God. I did not graduate from Faith Academy because I made choices that were not honouring God. I began living with my future husband, Parry, and our second child was on the way when I cried out to God for forgiveness. Then Parry got saved and we got married. God is faithful to forgive our sins if we confess them.

The Lord has blessed my husband and me with 13 children. UGM's Christian School Program made it possible for my children to get a Godly education at Faith Academy. Five of them have graduated from Faith Academy, while



the younger ones are still attending. My middle daughter is now working at Family Life Centre with the Children's Ministry.

I have had opportunity through the years to volunteer with UGM, at 320 Princess and at FLC. My husband has also volunteered with the boys club in the past. Recently I have been able to come back to Bible studies and Ladies Day at FLC. It has been a joy to get to know the ladies here as well as the women and men who bring the Word of God.

It is amazing to learn more of God's love and the love He has for the ladies at FLC. It is an awesome feeling to know that God has been with me throughout my failings and my heartaches. I am thankful to UGM and the work that they do in the North End of Winnipeg. The Lord is so generous in providing our wants and desires if we would just follow Him. As He continues to work through my life, I am encouraged that He would use me to testify of His love.

**"And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him." 1 John 4:16**

## ADULT EDUCATION

BY LISA SCHAU, TEACHER

On June 29th, Faith (Adult) Learning Center celebrated the end of the school year with a party! Gerald, our school principal invited all staff and students to his home, where teachers and students just had fun together – diving competitions in the pool, 4-on-4 soccer in the yard and shooting pool downstairs. Gerald invited his friend Andrew Micklefield (who happens also to be the MLA for Rossmere) to share some thoughts with the group as the BBQ lunch was being prepared.

Andrew, who has participated in six graduation ceremonies so far this month, shared that while the messages typically shared at these events of "Keep Learning", "Find your path", "Follow your dreams" all have some good truth in them, the absolute most important thing for students to do is to stay close to the LORD. The LORD is the one constant who will never change; He is good and has good plans for each person. Life will have surprises, some pleasant and some very difficult, but the LORD is the One we can trust. If we stay close to His Word and keep in touch with other believers, we will come to know Him better and see just how good it is to walk the path of life with Him. As we start our summer break, this was an excellent message for all of us to hear.

This has been a very full year. Since two of the three staff here (Gerald and Lisa) were new to Adult Education when we joined the staff here in

October, there has been much to learn. Many hours have been spent sorting through supplies, locating and organizing curriculum and resources for the courses we are currently offering, and updating our systems of reporting on student achievement. We have relied on Leah, the continuing staff member, to help us understand the processes and policies that have been in place up until now. Through our daily interactions and morning prayer times, we have grown together as a staff. Together we have started thinking and dreaming about the future – new courses that we could offer that would be of interest and of practical use to our students in preparing for meaningful and God-glorifying ways, to make contributions in their communities. Undergirding all of our discussions and plans is the understanding that this ministry belongs to our God. His plans for Faith Learning Centre are the ones we want to follow. We must be constant in prayer, listening for His guidance, remaining daily in His Word, so that we will not stray from His command.

Faith Learning Center is closed to students during July and August. The administrative work will continue throughout the summer as we prepare for the new school year beginning on Sept 5th. Would you pray that the LORD would protect, guide and direct our students (former and prospective) through the summer months – to clean living, positive relationships, a desire to spend time in His Word and to grow in their relationships with Him.

## Gospel Flights for Faith Learning Centre!

BY GERALD DAHL

PRINCIPAL – FAITH LEARNING CENTRE

Faith Learning Centre missionary teachers are dedicated to doing whatever it takes for the gospel to take flight in the hearts and minds of our students. A recent field trip including parking and lunch was sponsored entirely by a loving teacher!





I sent this picture to a former student who had relapsed, and her response was immediately call me for a chat. I said how much we missed her and prayed for her. God has miraculously allowed her to live with her grannie in northern Manitoba; she also enjoys visiting rights with her son. In addition, the couple she rents from also happen to be believers who welcome her for coffee regularly – praise God she attends their church! Please pray for Mandy as she begins her new job and for surrender/victory/on-going newness in Christ for this summer and every season going forward.

Please pray for the impact of our chapels – even for those students who only attended a few of them. Pray especially for habits and challenges from those chapels to take root in the lives of FLC students.

I am encouraged by a recent coffee break sponsored by North End Church of the Rock – thanks Pastor Andrew for sharing coffee and muffins with us on June 22! Andrew asked the students to introduce themselves and one student responded with a testimony of freedom and purpose from Christ that had endured in his life like nothing else over the course of the last half decade.

Two students (also newcomers to Canada) who work full time happened to be with us that day and praise God, they heard firsthand from Marcel, that Jesus was stronger than gangs, drugs, and prison and that His love was greater than guilt, shame, doubt, or fear.

At that same chapel, another student who had been relatively silent all year stated that he was a Christian and that he prayed with his grandmother. He also expressed a strong desire to have superpowers (a not uncommon fantasy seen constantly in the media these days). **Please pray Mark 9:24 for MJ: 'I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief'!** Pray also for Marcel to see answers to prayer and for strength as he works throughout the summer and continues to single-parent his children. Pray for GK and KK as they process God's call on their lives as it was shared to them.

Chapels in September will pick up with 11 closing books of the Bible we have yet to cover. Please pray that students will visit [www.next95.neocities.org](http://www.next95.neocities.org) and that God will impress them with random snapshots of truth from Titus to Jude. I suggested they spend at least 95 seconds a day absorbing gospel truth from this site on their

phones or computers, so that they would be ready for the start of school again. Please pray that next95 is a success – that students would be blessed by God's word all summer long.

Pray that our first class of the new school year on September 5 at 10:00 am is the beginning of greater flights for the gospel for many students at Faith (Adult) Learning Centre. Please pray for committed students to re-register and for new serious students to join us. God bless us, everyone!

Please pray:

- For all students to be blessed with Godly friends/fellowship
- For them to read God's word daily this summer
- For them to desire to complete courses toward graduation

Please pray for students currently registered for the Adult Ed courses in the fall term:

- Marcel
- Felicia
- Chantel
- Guy (new student)
- Jayden
- Ahmed (help to upgrade PR to citizenship)
- Gurpreet
- Kamaljeet
- Tanisha
- Amber
- Jeremy
- Sebastian (possible new student)
- Milburn (possible new student)

## FAITH ACADEMY, SCHOOL TO OUR ADOPT-A-STUDENT PROGRAM

### Praise

Praise God for the fruit of Christian education! Recently UGM Princess Street was blessed with the visit and volunteering of the grade 6 students from Faith Academy. What a delight they were and how blessed was the Mission by the children's enthusiasm, excitement and application to work for the Lord. So many of the students were moved by their experience that they expressed their reaction by sending us artwork and notes of encouragement (see some examples in photo). A celebration of their volunteering, so valued by all of us!

### Prayer

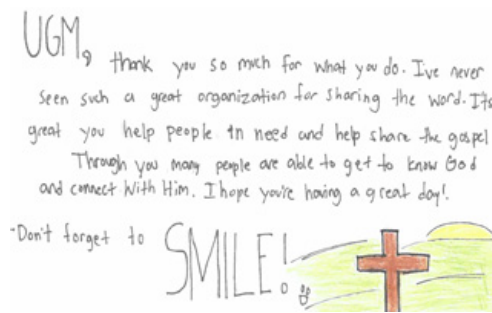
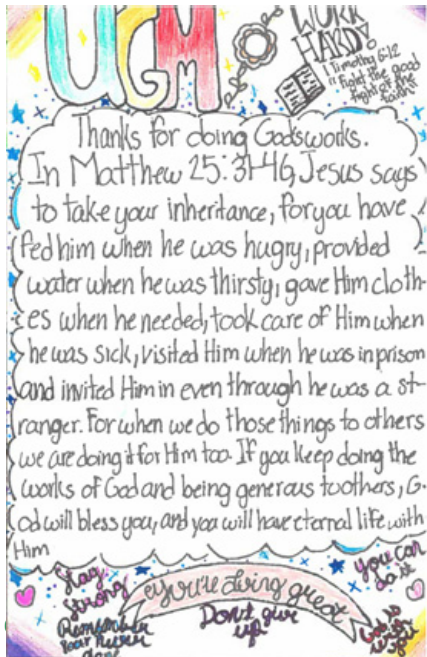
Talking of children, we are increasingly aware of the enemy's attacks on their innocence and development. Social media is full of coverage showing mocking and taunting people chanting and even singing their mantra "we are coming for your children". Increasingly parents are turning to home schooling. In addition, there is an increasing awareness of child sex trafficking and organ harvesting of babies. What does Jesus say? **"Let the little children come to Me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven."** Matthew 19:14

As we see more and more of the depravity of man, the more able we are to understand the enormity of life without Jesus. We see an increasing number of addicted and lost men



and women. Is it any wonder that they have turned to drugs, sex and alcohol to bury the pain of childhood abuse? Is it any wonder that they have little idea of raising children when their own childhood was marked by abuse and/or constant placement in different foster homes? If the Lord tarries beyond the day you read this, please pray for all children's protection from the wiles and wicked ways of the enemy. We pray that the children will indeed "come to Me", that Jesus commands, rather than fall into the grips of evil agendas.

The impact of Christian schooling, our Adopt-a-Student Program and your constant prayers, has never been in sharper focus. Thank you for caring. Thank you for praying, for not only Christian schools, but for all schools and educators. All children's lives matter! Nobody but Jesus can redeem what is lost and prevent the challenge to His command for the lives of all children.



## WOMEN'S ADDICTION PROGRAM

BY FREDA, CHARIS CHAPLAIN

**"Getting wisdom is the wisest thing you can do!" Proverbs 4:7a**

As I meet with residents I usually ask them what they would like prayer for. Many ask for prayer for their family, or their health, or that they can get their kids back. Recently one of our youngest residents stopped to think about the question I presented to her and then answered, "For wisdom." I was struck by this young person who could have asked God for anything and yet chose to ask for wisdom so that (in her words) "I would have my eye's opened to know what's right and make the best decisions." I responded by telling her that she had reminded me of a person in the Bible called Solomon who was also young and who also could have asked for anything, but realized he did not know it all, so asked God who did, for wisdom. I shared God's response to Solomon from 1 Kings 3:10-14; that God was pleased that Solomon had asked for wisdom and that because he asked for wisdom instead of all the other things he could have asked for like a long life, riches and the end of his enemies that He would also give Solomon riches and fame.

I am always encouraged when a young person demonstrates humility and wants to be wise, to stop going down the destructive path they were on and to know how to make right decisions. Readers, would you please pray along with me that God would indeed grant this young woman wisdom and that she would experience the blessing of Solomon because of her request and humility in knowing she does not know it all, but knows that God does!

Pray for the women at Charis addiction recovery program:

- Danielle, Amber, Darlene, Daphne, Angelina (baby Jireh), Delima, Samantha, Vanessa, Vanessa, Marlene, Melanie, Jackie, Anne

Pray for:

- Upcoming graduates: Darlene & Daphne
- Casual RSW's and weekend cook
- Health of missionaries

## People on the Street

**"He was despised and rejected of men, a Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief and we hid as it were our faces from Him, He was despised and we esteemed Him not. Surely, He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken by God and afflicted. But He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His wounds we are healed." Isaiah 53:3-5**

Her name is Margaret. About 6 months pregnant. Addicted. Friday, July 7th 2023, she found herself outside our Family Life Centre on Pritchard Avenue. Pastor Gil takes up the story.

"I was just winding up the week and preparing for our community soup ministry. A glance outside told me there was a young lady in deep distress. I rushed out and was confronted with a person whose beautiful face had been pulverised and was covered in dried blood. Her bare feet revealed one foot badly swollen and one toe green, likely gangrenous. Very pregnant and very out of it, emergency was called. Police, fire department and paramedics showed up but could do little for an unwilling but clearly obviously needy and distressed individual who was rejecting help. Tears were forming in my eyes and I asked the young lady if she would accept prayer at least. She said yes. She shared her name and our Lord Jesus was called upon. He answered immediately. Margaret said 'thank you', and the emergency teams could start to serve her needs. Praise God. But who or what could have treated this child of God, this precious creation, with such evil disdain and such bullying consequences?"

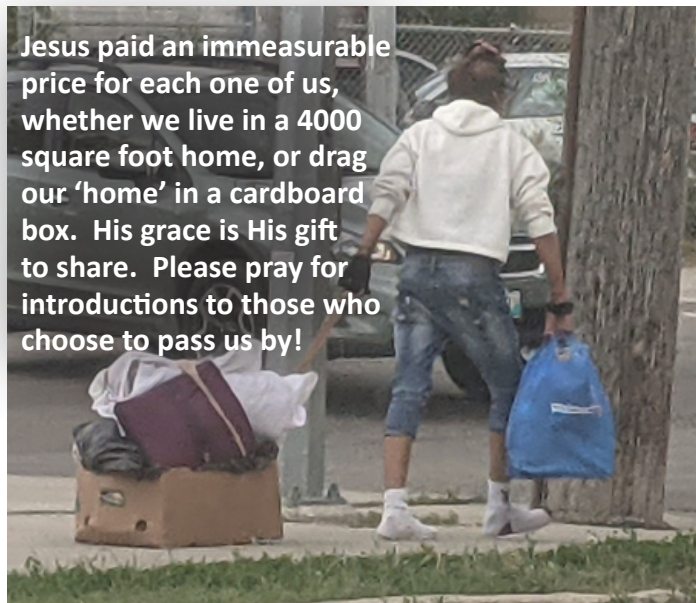
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Her name, we don't know. Thursday, July 6th her body was found on the sidewalk of Henry Street. She was found on her side, face down, with one arm behind her back. Likely drugs but we do not know. Did she have identification on her? Is there a



child or are their children, wondering where mom is? Is there a husband or a brother, a father or a mother, a boyfriend or a relative, missing what was a life just a few short hours before the terrible discovery? Will those she loved and those who loved her, ever know of her passing? How many people had walked by her corpse? Could she have been saved? The media coverage was subdued [non-existent], yet for the Creator of the world, our Saviour, He valued her life, the unnamed, that had led Him to lay His life down for her.

It was our responsibility to tell her about Jesus. How she didn't need to resort to drugs to mask the pain of trauma and the past we can only imagine and now never truly know. We hope this lady knew Jesus. People slip up. With addictions, a slip up can be fatal. Did she flirt with death as so many addicts do? We have heard over and over "if I don't wake up from this next needle, then I won't have to face the pain that life is for me", beyond shocking. Dear church family, the need to share the Gospel, the need to serve others in the name of Jesus, the need to serve Jesus, is getting ever more urgent!



**Jesus paid an immeasurable price for each one of us, whether we live in a 4000 square foot home, or drag our 'home' in a cardboard box. His grace is His gift to share. Please pray for introductions to those who choose to pass us by!**

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Thursday, July 6th, at the Misericordia Hospital in emergency was a beautiful young lady. From one side her face was pure and fresh, but when she turned, the other side was severely bruised and swollen and the eye could barely be seen. Beaten. Who are these bullies, who are these people, who are these men who would inflict such brutality on a precious life? Sadly, Jesus tells us, Scripture tells us, that we all have the capacity for the most grievous of sin. The good news is, that we all have capacity to bring the hope of Jesus to all people, with His amazing Gospel of grace and mercy.

Please keep praying. The battle for lives is very real!

## Prayer at the bubble! (or ... 'on the double'!)

The "Bubble" is the name we affectionately call our small reception office, located at our 320 Princess Street location. Here is the first point of call for many who live on the streets of Winnipeg, whether homeless, addicted, maligned or lost (or any combination of each) and when in need of water, food (pastries, bread, fruit), clothing or other requests. The "Bubble" is manned 24/7.

Monday morning Chapel for staff and residents takes place from 9:00 to 9:45 am. This affords some office missionaries a turn in staffing the Bubble and serving our guests who have needs and come to our door. We take names and prayer requests from all who are willing to share with us. From time to time, we note ethnicity. This knowledge may help us to encourage a parent or grandparent that we have possibly seen a loved one, "and can we pass a message on, should we see their loved one at our door again". (We are aware of privacy, even at the most desperate times in a person's life.)

Recently an addict was sharing an incident in his personal life. He was tempted to try what he called "white down". A drug laced with fentanyl. Within moments of taking it, he said "my heart beat really fast, I was being crushed; fortunately what saved my life was violently throwing up!" He then went on to share that earlier

in June, two people he knew had a different experience and a tragic outcome. They were an uncle and his niece. They had both booked to go to detox simultaneously. The uncle went ahead with his appointment but the niece bailed. Ten hours later and after using white down, the niece was dead.

When we serve the people at our door, when we serve Jesus, it is crucial that we do so in our Lord's love. Whilst we will always be able to serve Jesus, the particular image bearers of God, whose names we may or may not know, may never be seen by us again. So vulnerable to death are the addicted. So critical are your prayers.

Here follows a recent list from a couple of Monday morning chapels that missionaries on duty put together.

- J.J. – Young tattooed Caucasian, carrying skateboard & polite. Wanted prayer for his Dad, Michael, in hospital with head injury and seizures. J.J. returned a few weeks later, saying his dad still needs prayer, but is recovering. PTL!
- "Trojea" – Not a happy lady. In a hurry she said, then hung around outside for 5 minutes.
- Frank – Riding a bike. Refused prayer but clearly disturbed.
- Phil – Homeless, out all night. Says he will come for lunch. Not entirely with it!
- Rob – Not wanting to engage.
- Cameron – Clearly has not bathed in a long while. Wanted prayer for family and friends, although looked like they were not in his life right now.
- Rain – "Just need to survive".

- Bobby – “Just to get by, is my prayer.”
- April – A First Nations lady... scared of all the hatred and fighting on the streets. In her early 40’s would guess.
- Shan – First nations. Shoeless and high. Needed some size 7 shoes. Likely early 20’s.
- “Kalistous” - Probably West African. Needed socks and water. He did not want to share prayer needs and English was a challenge.
- Stuart – Caucasian... in his 30’s my guess. “Am in hell” but will not talk about it, other than ask for condemnation to the ‘B’s” that ‘put me here’. Angry.
- “Anon” Caucasian – “My name is not important”, ‘But it is to me’, (even more to Jesus). These last 4 words were left unspoken as he walked away. (My bad, Jesus is who we represent!)
- Candace – Another shoeless Caucasian and 2 Caucasian anonymous guys who wanted prayer “for us to know Jesus... but not right now”. One needed socks, “but might be dead by the time drop-in starts”.
- Chad and Michael – Caucasians. Desperate looking. Took water. Wanted sandwiches.
- April and Brian – Pray for safe place to live and for Brian’s health.
- Jason Kennedy – Girlfriend Shauna gone missing. Pray for her safety.
- Keegan – Young homeless man.
- Glen – Pray for life to improve.
- Darryl – Rejected prayer,

- but God know his need.
- Ray – Pray for guidance.
- Marla – in distress and angered.
- James – Pray for a life.
- Clayton – Pray for healing, help & direction.
- Alan – On way to treatment, but starts a job tomorrow, part time at a pool company. Feeling very apprehensive.
- Angela – Pray for help with coping.

It occurs to me that we may never see these people again, unless we get on our knees and earnestly pray. They need deliverance and healing... above all, they need “Nobody but Jesus”! N.B. It is worth noting that 80% of the time, those we serve are polite and grateful. In fact, sometimes the demeanour of a person can change in a heartbeat. Faces can become beautiful and eyes express a kindness or love, even though the owner of the face is the one in such dire need. It is almost as if for a fleeting moment, we are given a glimpse of the image bearers potential! At all of our ministries, we see Jesus at work. Nobody but Jesus!



Monday to Friday lunchtime prayer at 320 Princess Street.



## The Parking Lot and the Prayer Under the Cross

BY DANIEL GLAWATZKI,  
OPERATIONS MANAGER

Just the other day, I was pulling into the parking lot in the morning before work. I saw two gentlemen standing on the sidewalk. I recognized them both from our recovery program. The one was still in our program. I felt like not disturbing them, as it seemed to me like a holy moment. The one bowed his head and the other lovingly put his hand on his shoulder while praying for him. What was so beautiful about this scene was the care and love the one was showing for the other who was hurting. It felt appropriate to take a quick picture with the cross above them. It was like Jesus saying through the praying one to the broken soul: “I love you and I care for you.

I died for all your shame and sins. Please come back to the cross and put your burden down. You have a family at UGM”.

I was very moved by this lovely picture before my “shift” even started.

It was indeed a caring scene under the cross, which spoke more than 1000 words!

### MEN’S ADDICTION PROGRAM

## The Lord is Doing Some Transformation

BY BEN ARSENAULT,  
RESIDENT SUPERVISOR

The outings for the men in residence at UGM’s addiction recovery program are proving to be God blessed events. God is producing healing in residents’ hearts.

Many residents are coming out of the cave they have created for themselves during their addictive days. One resident who always isolates himself, was engaged with another who also isolates and were doing a bible study together. It was a pleasure viewing this, as one can sense the Holy Spirit at work. They were very open and attentive to each other’s views.

This also occurs during our meal times at the Mission. These two men actually eat together now, where in the past they would dine alone, as far away from people as possible. This is so encouraging!





**“I am the Living One; I was dead, and now look, I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.” Revelation 1:18**

Pray for the men in the Addiction Recovery Program:

- Greg, Kelly, Cory, Joshua, Dale, Clark, Ken, Marc, Chris, David, Luke, Kirby, Rob, Ed, Abram, Joe, Justin, Raymond, Matthew, David

Prayer Requests

- Justin – Pray for a quick operation on his thumb
- Clark – Pray that he finds a safe and suitable place to move into

Pray for the residents to grow in their relationship with Jesus to overcome addictions with the Lord’s strength.

## A Redemptive Story

At 13 years old, he took a gun and shot himself. He failed in his attempt to end the misery of his life to that point, but his hurt was real. The youngest of four children, Clark’s dad ruled the home with brutal fear. The imbibing sounds of a bully in action haunted Clark for years. The repeated sound of a strap smacked on to the flesh (Clark’s), and the heavy sound of angry keys slamming on the family’s kitchen table to announce that dad was home, were nothing compared to the silent sobs and cries of a mom, physically abused and verbally attacked. “Mom would pretend not, but I knew she was gas lighting. I saw through it. I could hear it in my head.”

Surviving the gunshot, Clark found other ways to deal with his pain. He found himself drawn to older and stronger boys and did their bidding by breaking & entering homes. The ‘fruit’ of stolen property was largely enjoyed by the older boys. Clark was ‘good’ at it, but not so ‘good’ to avoid several times of arrest, ending in time spent at the Manitoba Youth Centre (MYC) in Winnipeg. This was basically a prison for youth. While there, “I was signed over to government care. My dad was officially disowning me.”

During this time at MYC, Clark found himself being diagnosed by a psychologist and referred to a 9 month stay at the now closed Agassiz Youth Centre in Portage la Prairie. Here Clark was in a community where Positive Peer Pressure (PPP) was encouraged and sought after. (Find those who would make for good influencers.)

In addition to this, Clark was exposed to the three “C’s”: Check, Confront and Contain. Living in proximity with others brought a community of awareness. The start of an attitude towards something or someone may result in self-awareness. Check. If the attitude started to escalate, others would see it in you and Confront. If the attitude erupted, then you would be surrounded by your peers and Contained!

For Clark, it all failed, and at 18.5 years old, he found himself in Headingly Jail. The sentence was for 7 months of ‘pure hell’, carried out in the Remand Facility. Such was the time in jail that Clark resolved never to return. Nearly

4 decades later, that resolve has stood strong.

However, his natural inner strength still was to give way to drugs, drink and women, all the while working hard to play hard. Years followed years.

Cynical about working life and the employer / employee relationship, Clark finally decided to deal with his addiction to opioids and entered UGM for the first time, about 12 years ago. Here he met Jesus and had his first encounter with the Holy Spirit. It was a ‘new high’ for Clark and for a time, he had hope. Hope that mattered, finally. Sadly, between then and now, in the intervening years, Satan got ‘his claws back into me, that’s until a few months ago’.

A trip to a crack house where a lady he knew was selling fentanyl, ended when Clark awoke in hospital 3 weeks later from a coma. Clark had been robbed as he overdosed on the fentanyl. Unbeknownst to him, his brothers and sisters at UGM were praying hard for his recovery and his life. He was spared, praise God! Now, about 3 months after hospitalization and coma, Clark is working out physically and spiritually. He is hungry for more of Jesus and is happy to share his experience to a) honour God, and b) to encourage others.

Please pray for Clark as the Spirit leads. Please specifically pray that he will have the opportunity to be the father to his one child, son Clayton, that until now he has not been. Clark

wants to break the generational curse of selfish and ignorant fatherhood. He is leaning into Jesus. Clark shares his favorite verse, **Philippians 4:6 “Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.”**

## Practicum at UGM

BY GWEN, VOLUNTEER

I have been delighted to be involved with UGM about half-time as a volunteer for the past several weeks. UGM graciously welcomed me to do a placement as part of my education. I am studying in a Master of Divinity program. I am spending some of the time at 320 Princess, some of the time at Charis Centre, some of the time at the Family Life Centre. I feel very honoured to be serving individuals and families in these programs. Jesus loves everyone so much and some of His children don't know that He loves them.

Something that has really moved me has been getting to know the missionaries here. The staff are called missionaries because that is what they are. They have a mission. Each one I have asked has told me a remarkable story about how God called them to Union Gospel Mission and to the particular role they have here. I am inspired by their faith, their commitment and their passion for this work. Each one is crazy about Jesus. It's encouraging just to hang around them.

At the Princess Street location, I was surprised to find that I really enjoy helping in the drop-in. Before this experience at UGM, when someone on the street would ask me for money, I might give them some because I want to help and I hate to disappoint the person, but I knew that bit of money would not do any lasting good, so it would leave me feeling conflicted. In the drop-in, I actually have something to offer, even if it's a day-old bagel. But it's really much more than that. We offer the love of Jesus. I can offer to pray with a person. There is an option open to guests to listen to Christian music or to watch old Billy Graham sermons.

At Family Life Centre, it's a different feeling. Many of the women have been participating in the Wednesday program there for years, and I feel that it is the highlight of the week for many. It's an honour to hear a bit of a person's story. Many have complicated, difficult lives, but are walking through it with Jesus. The other week we rejoiced with a woman who had been baptized the previous Sunday. It was very special!

At Charis Centre, I greatly admire the women in the addictions recovery program for their courage in being there and working through their trauma. I have been involved in leading a few classes with the women. We are all learning to rely on Nobody but Jesus!

## Rest in the Lord

BY FRANK ULRICH,  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**“Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.” (Matthew 11:28-30)**

This time of the year when I look out of my second storey window of my office on Higgins and Princess, I see men and women sitting or laying down on our grass under the trees. This may not sound appealing because if you know the corner, it is very busy with vehicle traffic, including large vehicles. It is not a quiet, private place to retreat to like my backyard, which I am enjoying, in northeast Winnipeg. Having said this, the reason why the grounds are utilized in this way is because it is one of very few greenspaces in downtown Winnipeg. The other reason is, people feel safe as they are close to our building, where staff and volunteers are present, and we have cameras outside of our building.

We preach the gospel message everyday in our seven ministries so that if people are willing to receive the free gift of salvation, then they can have rest for their souls which is far more important than a few hours of physical rest for their bodies on our grass.

## Nobody But Jesus

June 14th & 15th was UGM's opportunity to boast in the Lord for a combined 24 hours. Christian Radio Station, CHVN 95.1 FM set up a studio at 320 Princess Street and a procession of witnesses testifying to the goodness of God, sat in the 'hot seat' for interaction with the radio hosts Colleen Houde and Vanessa Friesen.

Our overwhelming desire was to bring glory to God. Did we succeed? Were you able to tune in? Please drop us a note or e-mail to [martin.chidwick@gospelmission.ca](mailto:martin.chidwick@gospelmission.ca) and share your observations. Meanwhile, to the 35 of you who we prayed with, we are so grateful to you for sharing your needs, praise and thanks. To those who donated funds, thank you so much. To Nobody but Jesus, be all the glory!

*The joy of sharing Nobody but Jesus at our June Radiothon!*





# Fall events

## **Winnipeg Youth Night**

**Friday, October 13th at 7:00 pm**

**North Kildonan MB Church, 1315 Gateway Rd.**

**Call to register your children or youth group:**

**204-943-9904 ext. 226**

## **Winnipeg Banquets**

**Saturday, October 14th at 12:00 pm and 6:30 pm**

**North Kildonan MB Church, 1315 Gateway Rd.**

**Call for your free tickets: 204-943-9904 ext. 226**

**Watch for news updates for Gladstone, Altona and Winkler area events.**

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