## HITTING A "GRAND SLAM" IN CANADA!

Baseball fans know that one of the most spectacular, yet rare plays in baseball is the grand slam. With three bases loaded, the batter hits the ball over the fence, scoring four runs all at once.

1 Corinthians 13:13 is like a scriptural grand slam. It says, "And now abide *faith*, *hope*, *love*, these three; but the greatest of these is love. "With these "bases" loaded in our lives, the Holy Spirit steps in and activates His anointing through us, scoring a "grand slam" of transformed lives. Let's look at these three "bases":

## **FAITH**

With a federal election looming in Canada, we must realize that, no matter which party leads our nation, it cannot change the hearts and souls of people. Change must come individually, from within. As I minister week after week, I preach the transforming Gospel message, and I also challenge believers to activate *faith* in every area of their lives. Faith moves mountains. Faith changes the atmosphere. Faith sees the potential of our nations when His people arise and shine!

During our **SUMMER OF MIRACLES**, I saw *faith* in action! The *Ministry Updates* section of our website, <a href="https://www.bpea.com">www.bpea.com</a>, is filled with testimonies of transformed and healed lives, and believers committing to "stand on guard" for Canada to be saved.

## **HOPE**

Some people think *hope* is similar to *luck*. Real hope is a supernatural assurance in our spirits that causes us to move forward in God's purpose. Hopelessness among Inuit youth is the very reason the **ARCTIC HOPE PROJECT** was birthed. In spite of the establishment of the Gospel in Nunavut for many years,

some serious issues of the heart as well as pain from past abuses have never been adequately addressed. They need *hope* that only Jesus can give.

Steven and Becky Carleton are spearheading BPEA'S Arctic Hope Project, beginning in Cape Dorset, NU. Young people participate in an intensive series of counselling, delivering prayer, and teaching to confront the enemy's lies. From this place of healing they spend time with godly elders and leaders to discover ways to use their talents and give hope and purpose to others in their community. Steven is thrilled to report that the youth who participated in the spring AHP are profoundly changed and have initiated youth prayer and worship services each week! They are influencing and impacting other youth, and are turning hearts from the prospect of suicide to abundant life!





Hope is building in Arctic Hope participants

The second series of the 5-year AHP in Cape Dorset is about to begin. It is designed to minister to first-time participants, plus build on the foundation laid in the initial sessions. Many youth are clamouring to attend because of the transformation they have seen in the first group. They are discovering what real *hope* accomplishes!

BILL PRANKARD EVANGELISTIC ASSOCIATION PO BOX 7007 STN V | OTTAWA, ON | K1L 8E2 1-888-344-6333 | WWW.BPEA.COM **ARCTIC RUSSIA** was also a focus of our summer mission efforts. Our Russian team, led by Igor Bogomol, revisited the isolated little Inuit communities where we established the Gospel over the years. The spiritual, social and practical needs and despair in the villages has only one antidote – *hope* – through knowing Jesus.

Igor showered the poverty-stricken families with generous supplies of food, clothing and finances, including a mother with many children who was desperately trying to survive after the death of her husband. Other children whose parents languished in drunken stupors were trying to fend for themselves. These acts of kindness opened their hearts to hear the Gospel, and receive the greatest gift – hope! The team was also thrilled to visit families whom we'd previously reached, continuing to faithfully serve the Lord, and leading other family members and friends to Christ. At the conclusion of his mission, Igor sent us a message saying, "Thank you so much, dear partners, for sending me to the north and for everything you do for the precious people living in the north. God bless you!"



Children thrilled to receive toys as well as food and clothing



Generous aid delivered to poor families



Many elderly appreciate Igor's visits



The team endures horrendous road conditions



Passionate believers worship in their homes

## **LOVE**

1 Corinthians 13:13 tells us the star player on this team is *love*. According to this scripture, *love* can do even more than *faith* and *hope*! Love breaks down the strongest barriers. Love connects those who feel rejected by an unloving world. Love heals the deepest hurts. Love forgives what seems unforgivable. The reason? God is *love* incarnate, and he invites us into an intimate *relationship* with Himself!

Love is the motivating factor that caused us to establish the ACTIC HOPE CENTRE in Naujaat (formerly Repulse Bay), NU. Our friend, Jeff Fransky, graciously gave his entire summer to spearhead the construction of this wonderful facility that will not only be a place of worship for the local believers, but will serve as the headquarters for the Arctic Hope Project. Jeff not only laboured; he also demonstrated Christ's love for the people and connected to them at a heart level.



Jeff Fransky with Steven Carleton in Naujaat

In August a wonderful outreach team from Selwyn Outreach Centre in Peterborough traveled to Naujaat, along with Steven Carleton to conduct ten days of special meetings and outreaches. God had given one of them a vision of a waterfall flowing from Naujaat to the rest of Canada. Spurred on by this vision of revival, they demonstrated genuine *love* for the people as they conducted outreaches for the children, youth and adults. Steven reported, "The Kids Camps (with up to 50 children ages 7-12 attending) were held at the church after school. We sang songs and played games centred on God's love and purpose for their lives. The church looked like it was in a child-revival! Also, over 30 teens and young adults came to the drop-in night we hosted at the community hall. We had fun playing with them and loving on them. We had five powerful family services at the church as well, and many were refreshed and injected with vision and fire for their community. During Sunday morning communion service, the Lord's presence fell heavily over the congregation, and many felt like God was sitting in our midst. We were able to pray with many people in the church, including the pastor who had been in a serious skidoo accident in the spring. "

During the team's time there, they worked on the new building with Jeff, completing all the exterior work, and began construction on the interior walls. Jeff returned to Peterborough with the outreach team, but plans to return to Naujaat at a later time to help with the completion of the work. Naujaat residents saw *love* tangibly demonstrated through Jeff', and through the lives of each team member.



Young Inuit men helping to complete the building



Steven said, "The Inuit told me the construction of the new building, which can hold up to 300 people, is giving the community fresh hope and excitement in their spirits as they see God doing something so incredible. We believe God will fill that building with people who will encounter His love, and youth who will become community leaders."

Once the building is completed, I believe we will see an acceleration of our vision to see young people delivered from suicide, and equipped to impact their own communities. We will be able to bring youth to Naujaat from communities where it is not feasible to conduct long-term Arctic Hope Projects. These youth will receive the same ministry and training that we are presently doing in Cape Dorset, then they will take the healing *love* they experienced to their own communities, and help others move forward with vision and purpose.



Revival, reformation and renewal in Canada is possible! But it will not just "happen". It will come when passionate, committed believers activate 1 Corinthians 13 in their families, neighbourhoods, schools and workplaces. It will happen when we activate our *faith* by reaching out to others, by claiming our loved ones and communities for God, and by sowing our finances into the work of His Kingdom.



It will happen when our *hope* in God's purpose for this nation are so ingrained in our spirits that we will do all we can to support and encourage the rising generation to whom the future will be entrusted. It will happen when Agape *love* so permeates our lives that we become the hands and feet of Jesus to this hurting world. The lost and sick in Canada, and the north's broken youth will come to experience *faith*, *hope* and *love* through us, His Body!

Please help us as we introduce them to the Giver of *faith, hope* and *love*.

As Steven prepares to go to Cape Dorset for the second series of the Arctic Hope Project, I want him to go with assurance that partners throughout Canada are standing with him. These are costly souls, but worth everything we invest in them, as they arise as leaders for God's glory in their generation. Canada shall be saved!

Yours in Him,

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