

# The Signal

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#### 331 CBS Highway

## Perspective

#### ABC'S

It's as simple as ABC. Sound familiar? The phrase is often used to inspire us to attempt even the most difficult task. Why does it work? Because we know that in order to accomplish anything we have to start at the beginning; the basics.

September is a month of new beginnings for a number of people; the excited kindergarten child, the teenager facing the challenges of high school, new graduates discovering the possibilities of colleges and careers.

The bottom line is that we begin at the beginning, acknowledging the fact that we need to learn. The more we learn, the more we discover how little we really know.

The Scriptures also teach us the ABC'S.

A. Acknowledge our need of a Saviour (Acts 3:23)

B. Believe that Jesus is our only Saviour (Acts 3:26)

C. Confess our sin and claim His blessing (1 John 1:9)

Get back to the basics! This is a great time to start learning and growing.

Major Cora Dodge

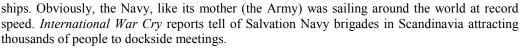
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# The Salvation Navy in Newfoundland

In 1885 a flotilla of 13 vessels in the North Sea, off the shores of Scotland, flew the Army flag on their mastheads. The fishing boats tied together so that nearly 100 seamen could take part in a meeting when eight souls "got ready for the Golden Shore". That night the Salvation Navy was born.

In June of 1886 Orders and Regulations for Officers dealt with behaviour and meetings on



Meanwhile, across the Atlantic Ocean, William Booth's vision of a Salvation Navy was riding a high tide too. In 1894 the *Glad Tidings* was ploughing the icy waters off Labrador



as the crew, led by Captain Bowering, "held prayers" with Newfoundland fisherman. Later that same year the 32-ton *Salvationist* (Photo above, built by Frank Warr at Roberts Arm, Green Bay, for \$1,700.00) headed towards the Labrador too and another new vessel, the *SS William Booth*, sailed in and out of ports around the Great Lakes.

After he retired from teaching, Envoy Roland Abbott, from Musgrave Harbour, constructed a model of *The Bramwell Booth. (Left photo)* He later donated

it to the Army's Territorial Archives in Toronto. Envoy Abbott was Promoted to Glory on January 6, 2012 at the age of 96.

If my source of oral history is correct, Captain Arthur Parsons built the boat while training to be an officer in 1925. His first appointment was captain of *The Bramwell Booth* on which he and his crew would lead "hallelujah meetings" around Newfoundland. That same year *The Founder* was launched, doubling the fleet.

A few newspaper and *War Cry* reports about the impact of The Salvation Navy in the bays and coves of Newfoundland and Labrador may be read in Dr. Gordon Moyles' book, *The Salvation Army in Newfoundland.* (See chapter five and page 185.) Reports are so vivid you can almost see the officers and converts struggling until after midnight to "get souls to plunge into the fountain".

Ira E.Barrow

## **NEW BIBLE STUDY**



Beginning Tuesday, October 1, at 8:00 PM, at CBS Corps, Major Lorne Pritchett will conduct an exciting 8 week Bible study. The series will give a bird's eye view of what the Bible is all about from Genesis to Revelation. The format will be a 30 minute video presentation, by Chad Hovin, followed by a 30 minute reflection on the content. Everyone is welcome. If desired, an optional study guide may

be purchased for \$15.00. You are invited to come and sign up at the Church. It is a fast paced fun study for the new Christian, long term Bible student and for those with inquisitive minds.

# **From Your Corps Officers**



'The Lord Is My Shepherd...he leads me in paths of righteousness' Ps 23.

om was 89 and had been bedridden for a few years but had a very strong mind. She had raised eleven children and had known many burdens throughout her life. To add to it all, my father died when he was 59, leaving her with 3 children yet to raise. Mom took in boarders, baked bread to sell, took in foster children and baby sat to augment her meager income while her family helped out as much as they could. Fortunately, when my brother Brian became old enough, he went to work and was a steadfast support to mom throughout her life.

One night, a few months before she died I was sitting with her and I asked her, 'Mom, it is well known that you had your share of challenges throughout your almost 90 years. Was there ever a time when you felt that you had come to the end of the road and that passage through 'this' was impossible?'

She looked at me and smiled. 'Many times. There were days when I believed this was the end of things for me. There was no way forward. I could not see a way around, out or through. But here I am tonight – almost 90 and lying in my own comfortable bed. I am now able to look back at those times and see that God always saw me through in a way I could not have imagined.'

Mom died with a smile on her face, surrounded by her family as we sang about heaven, telling her to 'Look for me for I will be there too.'

You may be in a situation today that you feel has robbed you of any chance of a good future. Let me tell you my friend, God always has His Hand of grace extended. Reach out and take it today. He knows the way forward. Often it is a way you could never see. Take it and He will lead you in paths of righteousness to a future you could not have imagined.

Major Barb and I remain committed to serving you. Please call on us anytime.

God bless you!

With Love and prayers

Lorne and Barb Pritchett

Majors

### Get Smart and Ride Safe



At the present time, over 60,000 ATV's (All Terrain Vehicles) are registered in Newfoundland and Labrador. Therefore safety and responsibility are two major concerns for members of AVTRAC (Avalon T 'Railway Corporation). As stated in their promotional material, President Rick Noseworthy and their members seek "to develop and promote the T 'Railway for responsible multi - use activities". In the coming months, more and more people will be enjoying the outdoors, and riding these trails has become a very popular sport. So, before you operate an ATV, it would seem obvious that education and training need to be a priority.

Rick and Junior Howlett (left to right in the photo) are licensed ATV Safety Instructors and would welcome opportunities to share their experience and advice through planned training session.

Operating since 1999, AVTRAC endeavours to promote the following safety issues when using an ATV machine:

- 1. Always wear a helmet.
- 2. Never ride alone.
- 3. Ride in an approved area.
- 4. Respect other people.
- 5. Respect the environment.
- 6. Never drive under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- 7. Always have a plan. Let someone know where you are going to be.
- 8. Wear appropriate clothing that is visible.

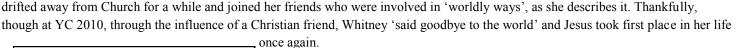
Briefly stated, ACTRAC members encourage all riders to 'Ride safe', 'Ride Smart', and 'Get Trained.' If you have any questions or require more information, you may contact Rick at 697-1181.



## **Testimony—Whitney White**

The Salvation Army in CBS is very proud of the number of talented young people who support their musical ministries. Among the group in recent months has been Whitney White from Gambo, who attended our Corps, while she was a student at Academy Canada College. Although her parents were associated with another Church, they decided to have Whitney dedicated to God at The Salvation Army. They were very pleased about the opportunities for after school programs, and instruction in Christian living. They continue to give her support in every way they can. Her Godly grandmother also influenced her life as a young child.

Eventually, Whitney became a Junior Soldier and was a member of the Singing Company, the Mime Group and Junior Band and she truly loved Jesus. In fact, she was called 'Churchie', and was often bullied and made fun of because of her Christian witness. She survived this torment though, because she was convinced in her heart that one day she would become a Salvation army Officer. However, in her early teen years, Whitney





onna Pritchett, one of our newest soldiers proudly accepts her commission as the Corps Secretary for CBS Corps. Corps Officer, Major Lorne Pritchett made the presentation. Donna will use her administrative skills in this position, as she already does in the preparation of the weekly Corps bulletin. CBS Corps is very thankful for such skilled and committed workers.

Months later, she was diagnosed with severe social anxiety, which she had tried to battle for a number of years. She found it very difficult to leave the safe, familiar environment of her home. During this time, she met a Christian young man, Dylan and very soon, they made a commitment to each other. Sadly, however, just a month later, Whitney was devastated to hear that 17 year old Dylan was diagnosed with a very rare cancer of the liver, It was a very difficult time for both of them. Just a few weeks after his high school graduation, Dylan passed away.

Before his passing, Whitney sat by his bedside, praying and reading her Bible and began to realize how much she had learned in such a short time about her walk with the Lord and His will for her life. She was assured of the hope that she and Dylan will meet again. "Life is so short", Whitney shares, "and I want to surrender everything I have to Jesus, because I want heaven to be my eternal home". One of Whitney's favourite Bible verses is Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you", declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a new future." Whitney shares her faith through music and singing and is allowing God to lead her in the way He would have her go.





Congratulations to Alonzo and Sylvia Baird who celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on September 15<sup>th</sup> with family and friends. They were married at St. Thomas Anglican Church in St. John's in 1953. Lon was born and grew up in Long Pond, while Sylvia was born in St. John's. Following their marriage, they made their home in Long Pond, and have enjoyed a wonderful life together.

For a number of years, Lon has been making a daily visit to a mountain side near his home. He takes time to pray, as he kneels at an old rugged cross, which he has erected there. He was recently asked if he still makes his daily walk to pray. His response was the words of a little verse he had composed earlier.

"I go to the mountain day after day.



I go to the mountain to sing and to pray.

Jesus is with me all of the way,

and at night when I'm sleeping, He won't go away,
the One Who was born in a stable with cattle and hay.

And when you get saved, He won't go away, because He is with you, day after day."

Congratulations Lon and Sylvia and may God bless you both.







## **Summer Fun Youth Activities**

A fun filled summer included an Indoor Beach Party (Left) a well attended Vacation Bible School (Right) and Rally Day. Bouncy Castle, Face painting, races, games, delicious BBQ, Special Cake and an outdoor Gospel sing, complete with campfire, was enjoyed by all.

## Samaritan's Purse



On October 6, (AM service), Coralie Dodge (Local Coordinator for Operation Christmas Child,) will share her experience about a recent distribution of shoe boxes in Uruguay. Boxes may be picked up at that time, so you can have them ready for the ingathering on November 3. Last year, 309 boxes were collected from our church family. Can we do more this year? Think about it. Pray about it. Help to share the

message of hope. You can help to bring a smile to the face of a child. If you have any questions, call 834 -2756.



## **Congratulations**

Parents Peggy and Derek Brace proudly stand with their son, Benjamin, who recently graduated from the RCMP Training Academy in Regina, Saskatchewan. Constable Brace is now posted to High Prairie, Alberta. Best wishes to Ben from family and friends at CBS and his grandparents, Majors Sidney and Rachel Brace.

## **ACCEPTING GOD'S CALL**



Cadets Keith and Charlene Barrett with their children Sarah and Philip, have arrived in Winnipeg to commence their studies at the College for Officers' Training. They have responded to God's call and join with 12 others from across Canada as members of the Heralds of Grace Session.

They were a great asset to CBS Corps and will be missed by everyone. Our love and prayers go with them as they adjust to new surroundings and prepare to do God's work.



ongratulations to
Luke Kennedy
who won 1 bronze
and 4 silver medals for
swimming in the
Provincial Special
Olympics competition for
2013. Good job Luke!



Congratulations to Zack Marshall who recently received the Johnson's Horizon Scholarship, valued at \$1200.00. To qualify ,Zack submitted a resume, highlighting his outstanding volunteer work and extra curricular activities and also composed an essay on the definition of leadership.

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