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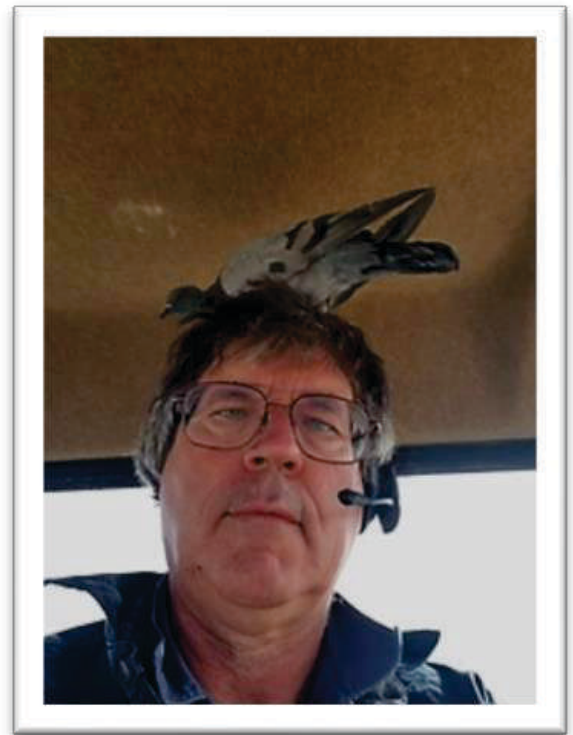
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# TESTIMONY OF ROB SHIELDS

BY ROB SHIELDS



## Do it Now! Not tomorrow!

The first thing I remember about God is going to Sunday School at PAOV Church in Oyen, AB. Grandma and Grandpa Shields always took me. So, from a young age I knew about God. Mom and Dad would see that I went when Grandma and Grandpa were not around, however I do not remember Mom and Dad taking me to church at a young age. I do know that I did not want to go because I thought it was a waste of my Sunday morning. As soon as I was old enough to get my own way (around ten or twelve) I did not have to go. I was very happy.... or so I thought!

I was possibly the worst student in school. My marks were always between forty and fifty percent in school studies which I thought were pretty good since I didn't want to be there, anyway. I was always in some kind of trouble and was definitely not one of the teacher's favorites! At twelve years old I started doing a lot of farm work, cutting hay, summer fallowing, helping with the swathing, all the work that I loved and still love.

Around the time I was about sixteen, Uncle John Shields gave me a copy of the Christian Cowboy New Testament for a present. I did not read it - I just left it lying around the house for years gathering dust. But my Dad started to read this little paperback book. Guess what? "Faith comes by hearing and learning the Word of God." After reading for a while, Dad gave his life to the Lord.

Dad started out teaching Sunday School, which led to speaking to people about getting saved. He became a real Evangelist until the time of his death in 2004. His best friends, The Fellowship of Christian Cowboys did most of the funeral. That was quite a change from the way he started out his life to the way it ended for him.

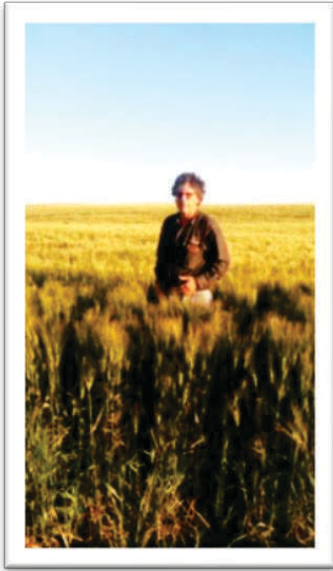
I never read that little bible, at some point Grandma Shields gave me a Revised Standard Bible. When I was twenty or so I started reading that Bible. I started in Revelation, which I know makes no sense at all, but I finally started reading Genesis all the way through to the back of the book. Still didn't make a lot of sense. Around this time an old farmer by the name of Jim Gilbertson gave his life to the Lord - I thought it would be a good idea if I did the same because I was starting to get interested, but not desperate. Between him and Grandma Shields, Uncle John, and most important God himself kept drawing me in.

In March 1983, I got saved in the Missionary Church in Oyen at a prophetic seminar. I had always heard about Pre Trib-Rapture and always knew when it happened I would not be going up and that thought tormented me for many years. Now when I look back I can really see the importance of the Rapture message.

So Now I'm saved but having lots of doubts if I am saved. I kept thinking about Romans 10:9-10 "That if you confess with your mouth, the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." After a few years, that is what it took, I fully believed I was saved.

Two years into being saved, Baptized by the Holy Spirit with evidence of speaking in tongues, another critical part of being a Christian is this experience gives you a lot of confidence in witnessing to other people. Then the unbelievable happened - I thought I should go back to school! "Unbelievable!!!" In January 1985 I attended the Christ for Nation Institute in Dallas, Texas where I met all kinds of people with all kinds of different beliefs. There I met my wife; Sherrie and we were married in November 1985. Not always a rosy relationship, but the Lord has held us together.

# TESTIMONY Con't



Being a farmer, you have a great need for God to provide for you - no frost from the middle of May to the second week of September - that is a miracle in itself, hot drying weather from mid-July until the end of harvest and safety from all the moving parts on the big heavy equipment.

I have tried to learn over the years to discern what His work for my life on a day to day, hour to hour basis is. Very important - He is the omnipotent, omnipresent God who knows all. So, we

should listen to what he has to say! He doesn't need too much input from me on how to run the Universe!! But I need lots of input from Him! "For without me you can do nothing."

One day I was going uptown to buy some parts. As I turned by the UFA I had the idea to go to the Nursing Home and talk to this senior lady. Of course, I was greasy and very dirty from fixing equipment, so I said not now. However, it was a very persistent thought, so I said to myself, "OK, I'll go." I walked into her room; she was resting. I pulled up a chair to visit. I asked her, "How is it you know all the old hymns that we sing?" She said, "My parents took me to a Pentecostal Church when I was a child. I said, "Oh good, you must have gotten saved". She said, "NO!", quite indignantly, "My parents always wanted me to get saved, but I did not want to get saved." I questioned her about Jesus and God. She had all the correct doctrine, just did not get saved. I asked her another question, "Would you like to get saved now?" I was thinking it was quite pointless because she was so opposed to the Gospel. She said, "Yes I want to get saved now, please ask Jesus to save me." She had gone eighty years with the correct knowledge but had not asked or submitted her life to Him until that afternoon.

Two weeks later she left this earth to go on to her appointment with God. 2 Cor 5:10. I started going to nursing homes and lodges in 1985 and found that this is a group of people who love to visit, listen to the songs and listen to you tell them about the Lord. Many people are there waiting for you to come and lead them to the Lord. If not you? Who?

After six or eight years of reading scripture I came across this verse in 2 Cor 5:10 -

"For we must all appear before the Judgement of Christ, that everyone may receive the things done in his body according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad !!"

Since that time, I find myself talking to people about that time in my future when this verse will come to pass. Very sobering thought, we will stand before that judgement seat. What will the reward be? Good or bad? We can't decide when we are standing there.

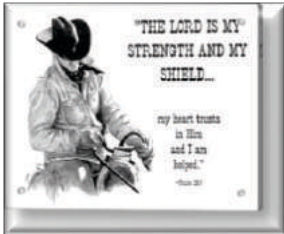
So, make a choice now to be obedient to the call that is in your life today. If you need to change your ways, do it. If you need to get saved, do it. Need to start a ministry for Christ, do it now, not tomorrow.

Thank you for reading my testimony

Rob Shields



# PRESIDENT'S REPORT



I cannot believe we are still dealing with all the complications and restrictions of COVID-19. The media and the Gov't are making every effort to keep the fear going, whereas we as Christians should have peace. Their argument is science .... I'm not sure what science they are

using? I looked it up in an old dictionary and this is what it said, science is knowledge based on observed facts and tested truths. I think it's all about Gov't control and how far people will accept and bend to their new protocols.... I will leave it at that.

1 Chron 12:32, *"Of the sons of Issachar, who had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do."* Do we as the church today, know what we ought to do? What a time for the church to bring the message of Christ, when people are looking for peace and hope.

Luke 15 tells us of a story of a young man (Most of you will know this one, even with my paraphrase of the story). This young man was living in the kingdom under his father's rules, but he wasn't happy. So, he took what he could from his father and went to find a better life in the world (so he thought) ... far away from his father and all he had known. It wasn't long before things started to turn sour, and he realized that his father's servants were living much better than he was. (Kinda sounds like the way a lot of folks act .... we get enticed away from God's word and His plans, thinking we know best until something comes along that brings us back to the Lord). He repented and turned from the ways of the world and headed home. Every day, his father was out watching and praying for his safe return and welcomed him back into the kingdom with wide open arms. *"Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness"*, as it states in Matt. 6:33.

Next thing we ought to do is to understand, the secret of the Lord is with those who fear Him, and He will show them His covenant, Ps 25:14. The secret here is referring to having a close, intimate relationship with the Lord where He confides in us and gives us salvation. Ps 25:4-5, *"Show me your ways O Lord, teach me your paths, lead me in your truth and teach me for you are the God of my salvation. On you I will wait all day."* We ought to know the Lord is our shield and He will defend us as stated in Ps 5:11-12, *"But let all those rejoice who put their trust in You. Let them ever shout for joy because You defend them. Let those also who love Your name, be joyful in You. For You O Lord will bless the righteous with favor, You will surround us with a shield."* And what we ought to make as the new normal comes from Heb. 10:25, *"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some*

*but exhorting one another and so much more as you see the day approaching."* Let's be an encouragement to those who need understanding of the times we are living in. It can be a fearful time if you do not know Christ and what He has already done for us.

As far as ministry in Manitoba, things have been really slow as there really hasn't been any rodeos and such happening. The High School Rodeo Association has gotten permission to proceed with some of their rodeos. Heath Butler (and his congregation) made use of the opportunity and provided ministry through a free breakfast and church service as part of the Roblin rodeo.

I came across a few pictures of our Spring branding. A much smaller crew than the previous years as there were just three of us roping and only one on the ground. I called it a ranch branding because one of us had to tie off then get down to apply the brand. Despite all the chaos that's been going on, the hay crop was amazingly good, and the farmers got all their crops off and managed to get some fall work done... this hasn't happened for a least a couple of years... PTL.



Also, I wanted to share that a good friend and member of FCC who has sat on the board, has passed away. Rick Wiebe was a man of character who loved people and God. He had the heart of an evangelist and would use horses to share the message of Christ. He, along with his family, has put on the Rocking W Ranch Horse Sale for 31 years. Our blessings and prayers go out to his family.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,

Terry Baker

# REPORT

## FROM JOHN FITZHERBERT

### Hi Folks.



As I write this column, it seems like years since I wrote one. It was a wonderful year for the farmers and ranchers, lots of early rain then a hot summer with no rain giving them fabulous hay crops with no rain on them. I talked to some farmers who said they had never seen such a good

crop for years and they had good combining weather to get it all done. Since Thanksgiving, it has been a different story with small amounts of rain and snow. Right now, we have about three or four inches of snow in High River with a temperature of -10C. I guess that's winter.

When I wrote last time COVID-19 was just getting started as you know. We had a worldwide shut down with everything canceled except essential services. It sure took a slice out of the world's economy. Many businesses are no more, many have no income, but the expenses keep on coming in. Governments have provided millions of dollars to save people. This backfired as lots of workers can get \$500.00 a week to stay home so they won't go back to work. I believe this is the start of Socialism. Our Federal Government narrowly escaped a national election, but I am sure the Liberals would have won because of the free money they had been handing out. One of the planks in their platform is the guaranteed annual income for all Canadians, which sounds good, but this is just the start of Communism.

We have tried it all over the world and it always ends up with bloodshed and starvation, among other things. Last year I worked with a man who grew up behind the Iron Curtain. It was almost unbelievable the way those people were treated and how they lived their lives filled with fear.

Things opened up a bit in the summer, but now we have higher numbers of people with the virus than ever before. This is because we have so many more testing stations than we had earlier in the year. My solution to the problem is one I said at the start of this pandemic, "Open everything up and let the virus run its course and then we will be done with it.

If we keep on testing and quarantining this will go on for a long time. One thing we have learned is that a few people can control the world, and that is what will happen when the Antichrist comes

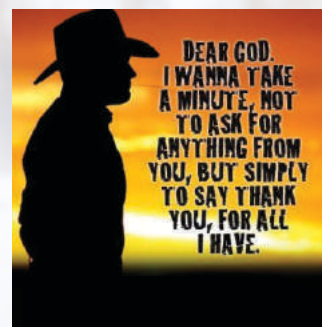
on the scene. But before he can come, Jesus has to come back and take us (those who are born again) to the place that He has prepared us. John 14:1 and 1 Thess 4:15. Praise the Lord.

It has been a long summer with no rodeos and no Cowboy Church. For the past forty years, I have gotten used to traveling all over Alberta to put on Cowboy Church. What a change, no hospital services, nothing at our senior centers, and no team roping.

We did our first rodeo service of the year on Oct 18th at a Senior Pro Rodeo in Claresholm. It was cold in the arena but to my surprise; we had a great turnout of people, they even let us go longer than planned!!!! I preached on Psalm 33:12—Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, and the people He has chosen as His own inheritance. The Holy Spirit took over after I read that scripture. I said things I had not even thought of. People received it gladly. The usual crew did the music, and it was great considering they all had chilly hands. Praise the Lord.

Something else that has happened with no rodeos or gatherings is that we haven't met people like we usually do, and our financial support has really dropped off. We have a few faithful supporters who continue to tithe and give, so the bank account is OK. We didn't have the expense of Trophy Bibles, Buckles, Rope Bags, etc., this year so it has balanced out.

For some of us when things get tight we stop tithing Matt 3:10 tells us what to do, so keep tithing to your church or ministry that you support and you will be blessed.



### God's Blessings on You

John FitzHerbert

# The Benefits of Giving

By John FitzHerbert



This time we will look at the life Hezekiah, one of the Kings of Judah. Beginning in 2 Kings 18, Hezekiah served the Lord, which seems strange because his father Ahaz did not. Ahaz made his son pass through fire, meaning that he sacrificed his child to a pagan God. Hezekiah did right in the sight of the Lord by destroying the high places and the idols which people used to worship other Gods. Moses had made a bronze serpent which the people looked at and it healed them of plague when they were travelling in the wilderness waiting to go into the promised land. Generations later, people still worshiped the bronze serpent, so Hezekiah smashed it. He trusted in the Lord and kept his commandments like no other King before him. The Lord was with him and wherever he went The Lord prospered him. Hezekiah defeated the Philistines people who had bothered Israel for years.

We all have weak points and Hezekiah had one when he tried to make peace with Sennacherib, the King of Assyria. Sennacherib demanded a lot of silver and gold from Hezekiah, so he stripped gold from the temple of God and gave it to his enemy. We all know that you don't deal with your adversary, it won't work and it didn't work for Hezekiah. Hezekiah then prepared for a war that he knew was coming by making weapons and shields in great number, he gathered an army together and one of the most amazing things he did was make a conduit from a spring so that Jerusalem would have water when the enemy surrounded the city. This conduit was about eighteen-hundred feet long and big enough for men to work in. They buried it one-hundred and fifty feet below the surface of the ground, which was solid rock. Inside the city he made a pool called the Pool of Siloam. It too was solid rock and about ten by thirty-feet long. John 9:7-11 tells us that Jesus covered a blind man's eyes with clay and then sent him to the pool to wash off the clay. The man was healed.

## THANK GOD FOR THE GIFT OF POWER HE HAS GIVEN US.

Sennacherib sent a large army to attack Jerusalem, he also sent messengers to put fear in all the people of Jerusalem. The messengers told the people they were doomed because nobody could defeat Sennacherib's army. They said Hezekiah would tell them to trust in The Lord God to deliver them, but that would be useless because no other God had withstood them. They even lied and said the Lord had told them to go to this land and destroy it.

When Hezekiah was told the words that the messengers said, he tore his clothes and covered himself with sackcloth and went to the house of the Lord. They made sackcloth from goat's hair, which is very coarse. They wore it as a sign of mourning or deep affliction. He sent elders to Isaiah the prophet who sent word back, "Do not be afraid because of the words you have heard with which the servants of the King of Assyria have blasphemed me. I will put a spirit in him so he shall hear a rumor and return to his own land. I will make him fall by the sword in his own land." Sennacherib sent messengers again to Hezekiah and the people of Jerusalem, telling them that there was no hope. He would defeat them, even though Hezekiah was telling them God would protect them. Sennacherib said God was not powerful enough to defeat him. He even wrote this in a letter.

When Hezekiah read the letter he went to the house of the Lord, spread it out before the Lord and prayed that God would deliver them from the hand of the enemy. Isaiah got a long word from the Lord. At the end, he said, "Therefore says the Lord concerning the King of Assyria. He shall not come to this city or shoot an arrow there, neither shall he come before it with a shield, nor throw up a mound against it. By the way that he came, by the same way he shall return and he shall not come to this city, declared the Lord. For I will defend this city to save it for my own sake and for my servant David's sake." That night the angel of the Lord went out and killed 185,000 soldiers in the camp of the Assyrians. Sennacherib went home in defeat. When he worshipped in the house of his God Nisroch, some of his own family killed him with the sword.

This story once again tells us of His faithfulness, how He hears our prayers and answers. God has not given us a spirit of fear but of power and love and a sound mind. 2 Tim 1:7. We need to remember this as we see a world gripped with the fear of COVID-19. Remember what He said in Hebrews 13:5 "Let your conduct be without covetousness, be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said I will never leave you or forsake you." So we may boldly say, "The Lord is my helper, I will not fear. What can man do to me?"

Thank God, for He has given us so many promises.

## More next time

John FitzHerbert

# Me, God, and My Guitar



Till the storm passes over  
Till the thunder sounds no more  
Till the clouds roll forever from the sky  
Hold me close and let me stand  
In the hollow of your hand  
Keep me safe till the storm passes by

On the second day of summer I was involved in what can only be described as a self-inflicted accident and ended up bending a bone farther than it is intended to bend and therefore have limited use of my left arm.

This has shut down my guitar playing and for a while caused me to miss those precious moments when it was just me God and My Guitar. Those moments when He was so close that you could feel the radiance of his glory. I don't know if it was just not being able to play or not being able to help with church services at rodeos or trying to attend church by watching a service on a phone screen, but life just seemed dry.

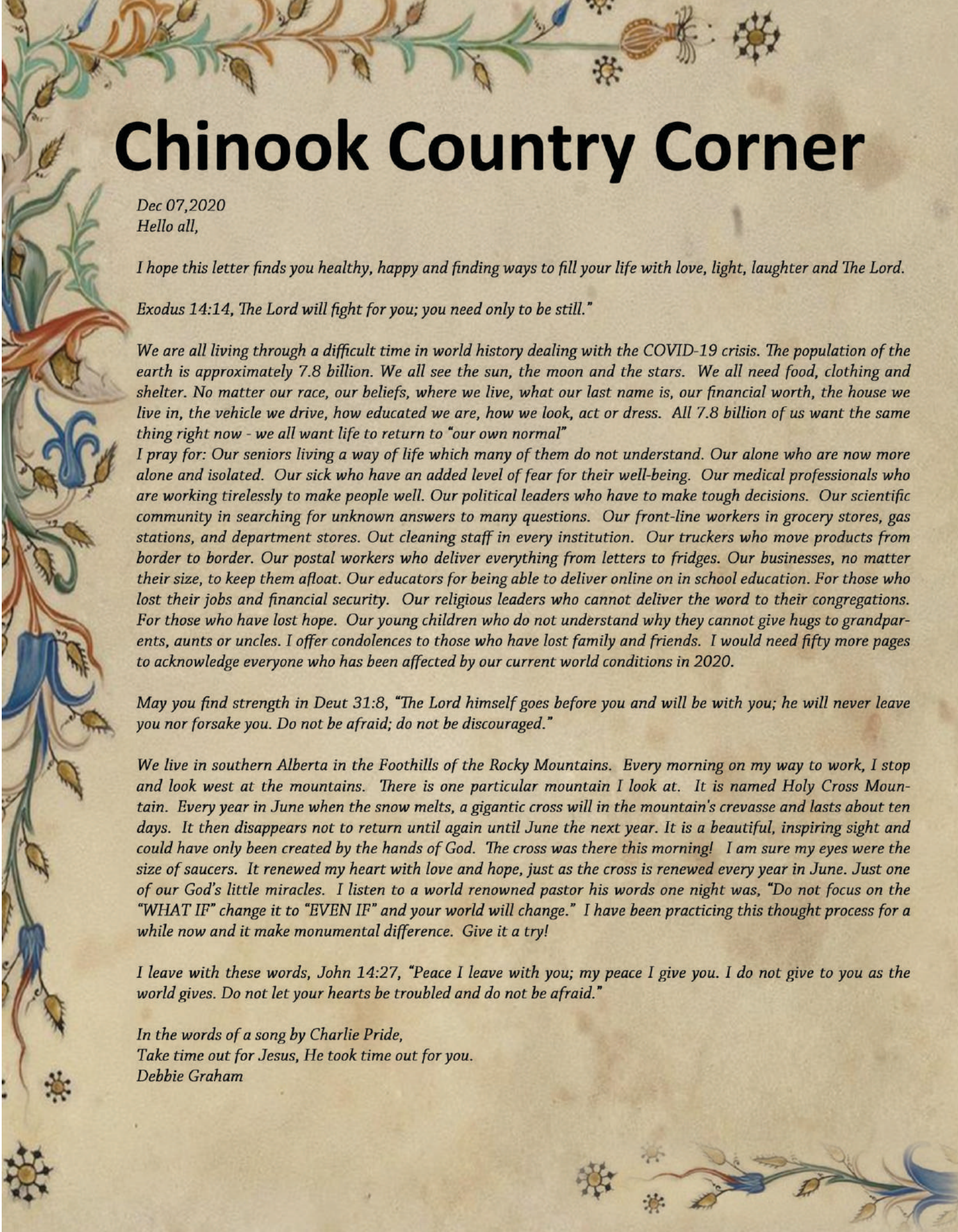
I was thankful. I live in the country, my work hasn't been affected, my wife and kids work hasn't been affected, we're all staying healthy, but somehow I lacked joy until one morning early when I was highballing south on Highway 22 with a load of feed and I came out of a dip and topped a place that is the highest for miles around. The sun had just topped the eastern horizon and the trees and bushes and grasses glowed like each one had little lights in them. The reds and the yellows and the oranges. There must have been forty shades of green.

My heart flooded within me. To think that God would put on this light show just for me as I came over that hill. I again can find Him in the things about me. Not just a thankfulness but joy. Joy in a sunrise, joy in a job well done, joy in the clasp of a grandchild's hand or a hug or a kiss, joy at sitting in a room with my wife at the end of the day, joy in being alive, joy in my Saviour.

Meh. 8:10 tells us that the joy of the Lord is our strength, which means that if I'm not joyful I'm weak. That's what I was going through. I was letting circumstances affect me.

The above song has become my "COVID 19 Theme Song." Yes, Lord keep me. Keep me from this disease, unless there is a purpose in my having it, keep me from fear because my hope is in you, and most of all keep me steadfast because there's a lot of people out here who do not have hope, and Lord please help me to let my light shine.





# Chinook Country Corner

Dec 07, 2020

Hello all,

*I hope this letter finds you healthy, happy and finding ways to fill your life with love, light, laughter and The Lord.*

*Exodus 14:14, The Lord will fight for you; you need only to be still."*

*We are all living through a difficult time in world history dealing with the COVID-19 crisis. The population of the earth is approximately 7.8 billion. We all see the sun, the moon and the stars. We all need food, clothing and shelter. No matter our race, our beliefs, where we live, what our last name is, our financial worth, the house we live in, the vehicle we drive, how educated we are, how we look, act or dress. All 7.8 billion of us want the same thing right now - we all want life to return to "our own normal"*

*I pray for: Our seniors living a way of life which many of them do not understand. Our alone who are now more alone and isolated. Our sick who have an added level of fear for their well-being. Our medical professionals who are working tirelessly to make people well. Our political leaders who have to make tough decisions. Our scientific community in searching for unknown answers to many questions. Our front-line workers in grocery stores, gas stations, and department stores. Our cleaning staff in every institution. Our truckers who move products from border to border. Our postal workers who deliver everything from letters to fridges. Our businesses, no matter their size, to keep them afloat. Our educators for being able to deliver online on in school education. For those who lost their jobs and financial security. Our religious leaders who cannot deliver the word to their congregations. For those who have lost hope. Our young children who do not understand why they cannot give hugs to grandparents, aunts or uncles. I offer condolences to those who have lost family and friends. I would need fifty more pages to acknowledge everyone who has been affected by our current world conditions in 2020.*

*May you find strength in Deut 31:8, "The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged."*

*We live in southern Alberta in the Foothills of the Rocky Mountains. Every morning on my way to work, I stop and look west at the mountains. There is one particular mountain I look at. It is named Holy Cross Mountain. Every year in June when the snow melts, a gigantic cross will in the mountain's crevasse and lasts about ten days. It then disappears not to return until again until June the next year. It is a beautiful, inspiring sight and could have only been created by the hands of God. The cross was there this morning! I am sure my eyes were the size of saucers. It renewed my heart with love and hope, just as the cross is renewed every year in June. Just one of our God's little miracles. I listen to a world renowned pastor his words one night was, "Do not focus on the "WHAT IF" change it to "EVEN IF" and your world will change." I have been practicing this thought process for a while now and it make monumental difference. Give it a try!*

*I leave with these words, John 14:27, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."*

*In the words of a song by Charlie Pride,  
Take time out for Jesus, He took time out for you.  
Debbie Graham*

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# Events and Information

## Alberta Cowboy Church

### Teepee Creek Hall

2nd Sunday of the month – 10:30 am  
Barb and Kevin Quist  
780 568 3510

### Community Cowboy Church

Niton Junction Hall  
Every Tuesday – 7:00 pm  
Ron Deleeuw  
780 728 9088

### Mighty Peace Cowboy Church

Eureka Hall  
1st and 3rd Tuesday of the Month – 7:00 pm  
Ginger Patton 780 834 6551

### Viking Auction Mart

Viking, AB  
Last Friday of Each Month – 7:30 pm  
Terry Leslie  
780 376 3599

### Seasons

High River, AB  
660 7 Street High River, Alberta  
4th Sunday of Each Month 1:00 PM  
John FitzHerbert 403 652 1377

### Ponderosa City

Alder Flats  
Every Sunday  
Pancake Breakfast 10:00 AM  
Service 11:00 AM  
Kevin Rowland 780 898 1721  
info@ponderosacity.com

### The Medicine Tree Manor

Last Sunday of the month 7:00 pm  
815 - 9 St. SW  
High River, AB  
John FitzHerbert 403 652 1377

## Saskatchewan Cowboy Church

### Diamond C Cowboy Church

208 Sidney St  
Maple Creek, Saskatchewan  
Every Tuesday Night- Music starts at 7:15  
Ross Pollock 306 662 3431  
<https://www.facebook.com/Diamond-C-Cowboy-Church>

**Please check events before attending them  
for COVID-19 rules or cancellations**

### *Silent Night*

*Silent night, holy night  
All is calm, all is bright  
'Round yon virgin Mother and Child  
Holy infant so tender and mild  
Sleep in heavenly peace  
Sleep in heavenly peace*

*Silent night, holy night!  
Shepherds quake at the sight!  
Glories stream from heaven afar;  
Heavenly hosts sing Al-le-lu-ia!  
Christ the Savior is born!  
Christ the Savior is born!*

*Christ the Savior is born!*

*Silent night, holy night  
Son of God, oh, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face  
With the dawn of redeeming grace  
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth  
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth  
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth*

### "Silent Night"

(German: "Stille Nacht,  
heilige Nacht")

is a popular Christmas carol,  
composed in 1818  
by Franz Xaver Gruber,  
to lyrics by Joseph Mohr in  
the small town of  
Oberndorf bei  
Salzburg, Austria. It was  
declared an intangible  
cultural  
heritage by UNESCO in  
2011. The song has been  
recorded by many singers  
across many music  
genres. The version sung  
by Bing Crosby in 1935 is  
the fourth best-selling  
single of all-time.

Wikipedia

2 Tim 1:7 For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self discipline.



## **The Third Man**

**Last night I dreamed  
I took a walk  
Up Calvary's lonely hill,  
The things I saw  
With my own eyes  
Could not have been more real.**

**I saw upon three crosses  
Three men in agony;  
Two, cried out for mercy,  
And a third man, He looked at me.**

**And oh, the hurt in this man's eyes  
It just broke my heart in two!  
And it seemed I could hear him say  
"Son, I'm doing this for you."**

**I knelt beneath the third man's cross,  
And slowly bowed my head,  
I reached out to touch his feet,  
And it stained my hand's with red.**

**And when I heard him cry in pain,  
I raised my eyes to see;  
The blood spilled from the third man's side  
And some of it spilled on me.**

**The third man wore a crown of thorns,  
Spikes held him to the tree,  
And I heard him say, "Oh God, My God,  
Why hast thou forsaken me?"**

**And there within the mighty crowd,  
The ones who mocked Him cried  
"King, save Thyself if thou art King!"  
And then the third man died.**

**Suddenly, I heard the thunder roll,  
I saw the lightning pierce the sky.  
Then third man was still hanging there,  
And I began to cry.**

**I saw the boulders fall,  
And heard the breaking of the ground.  
And then I awoke,  
And though I dreamed;  
I touched my cheek and found,**

**My eyes were wet where I had cried.  
A dream, I wished I knew  
I can still hear the third man say,  
"I'm doing this for you."**

**Songwriters: Helms / Wilburn / Heighton**

