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KAREN MISSION NEWS

A Mission Outreach of Providence Canadian Reformed Church

Training in Righteousness

BY RICHARD HORLINGS

Many of us are quite familiar with 2 Timothy 3:16-17: All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work. Training in righteousness is something we all need. We receive it through the preaching of the Word. We receive it in Catechism instruction. We receive it through pastoral care.

When we began to work among Karen families, we recognized that there was a group of young Karen people who needed training in God's Word. Although they were attending church and catechism instruction, we recognized that more training was necessary.

Thankfully, there was found a small group of men who were willing to mentor our young men. We call this mentoring because it is not a formal classroom environment. Our mentors also encourage, guide and seek to build relationships with the young men.

Our meetings take place every other Friday evening at Kinmoo Tooe's home. We usually have six young men and two mentors. We begin the meeting with reading and prayer. We have been going through the book *The Big Book of Questions and Answers About Jesus* by Sinclair Ferguson. This book presents the life of Jesus Christ in a simple, yet thought provoking way. It opens the door to further discussions about applying lessons from the life of Jesus to our daily life. This is followed by singing and then prayer. This part of the meeting takes about half an hour.

After this we have a fun activity. This is mostly about building relationships in a casual atmosphere. Sports are always popular: soccer, basketball or the occasional trip to a driving range. Sometimes we go on a hike or out for ice cream. When the weather is not conducive for outdoor activities, we love to play board games. Sometimes we watch a carefully selected movie with a Christian message.

Our goal remains to teach and mentor, not to entertain. Although it is too early to discern any concrete evidence of growth in faith in these young men, we do this work with the prayer that God will lead these young men towards faith and godliness.

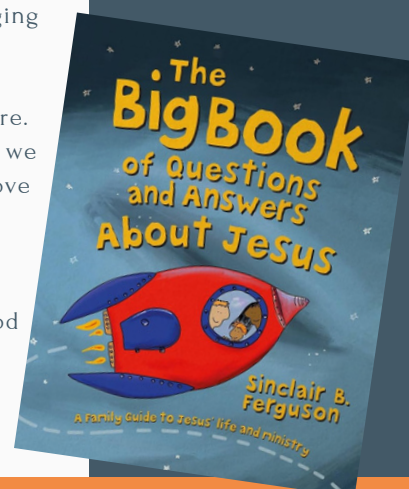
Zoom Bible Study

Lessons Available
via YouTube

Mark 4: 22 - 26
"We Need Jesus for
Everything"

1 Chron. 11 - 12
with Pastor George

Mark 8: 27-30
"Why is Jesus
called Christ?"





Profession of Faith of He Blut and Baptism of Finnegan, Florian, and Finley

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On September 7, there was much joy at Streetlight Christian Church. Three ladies did their profession of faith, and three boys were baptized. One of the ladies is named He Blut. The three boys are her grandchildren.

He Blut was raised in a Christian home. She was baptized as a young woman. She came to Canada in 2006 and settled in Hamilton.

Her father, Heh Bloh, was a Christian. He was a leader who helped establish some Christian churches in Myanmar. After living in Edmonton for some time, he moved to Hamilton in 2017 and lived with He Blut. After seeking to join a faithful church, he joined Providence Canadian Reformed Church in 2021. He passed away in 2023 at the age of 94.

During this time, He Blut's church attendance was sporadic. Her son had three children with his girlfriend. All three of them are children with special needs. Neither of the parents were able to raise the children, so He Blut adopted her grandchildren.

In March of 2024, the Lord opened her heart to embrace the gospel. Although she had been a Christian all her life, she now believed and accepted the gospel in a way that she had not done previously. "The Lord changed my heart," she later remarked.

Semula encouraged her to attend Streetlight Christian Church. Streetlight was close to her apartment building and well-equipped to welcome He Blut's special needs grandchildren. She began attending faithfully. Richard and Semula began to instruct her in the teachings of Scripture. During instruction, the topic of covenant came up. It became clear that God's promises were not only for He Blut, but also for Finnegan, Florian and Finley. He Blut became convinced that she should raise her grandchildren as children who belong to the Lord. She has been very appreciative of the Biblical instruction that she received. We thank God for working in He Blut's heart through his Holy Spirit!



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December
14th, 2025.
with
Rev. Paul
Aasman