

Summer 2013

Joy Fellowship Olympians

The Provincial Championship Special Olympics were held in Langley this year on the weekend of July 12-14, 2013.

Joy Fellowship was well represented by a large group of our members, with a wide variety of skills they brought to the meet. Some came home with medals, others were proud that they were there to represent the best of their area. All enjoyed themselves and the opportunity to meet new friends and new competitors. All are hoping to return again next year.

From our congregations were the following:

Allan Hunter: Bocce

Christine Rutledge: Bowling

David Stocks: Bocce

Hugh Campbell: Soft Ball

Merrill Stocks: Bocce

Nellie Joe Kurta: Golf

Nicholas Chan: Track & Field

Patrick Costello: Bocce

Sarah Brown: Weight Lifting

Yan Ming Foo: Rhythmic Team

While these are talented athletes, they are also very active in Joy Fellowship. David and Patrick usher at church, Sarah is a member of the Sign Language Choir and helps with running the video for the songs and Bible verses at church. Nicholas is part of the worship team, playing clarinet for us each Sunday.

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Dave Jr and some of the Joy Fellowship Special Olympians with their medals

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Merrill looks after the birthday cards while Christine and Yan Ming are faithful in their attendance and participation each week. Joy Fellowship is blessed with these multi-talented individuals and the gifts they use both for Special Olympics and for Joy Fellowship



Krisha Beyer, a former assistant Pastor at Joy Fellowship, married David Horn on Sunday 14 July 2013 in Minneapolis.

Congratulations Krisha and David. We send them our love and pray for a joyful marriage.

Mission Trip to Rwanda—Joan Lew



Another Olympian at Joy Fellowship is Joan Lew, an active council member and Leader of our Sign Language Choir. Joan (at the age of 84) has just returned from a trip to Rwanda for several weeks with a Canadian team, helping to train local people to test for and treat Malaria to help reduce the toll of death and suffering there.

This was taken from one of Joan's emails, sent from Rwanda:

"Rwanda is most beautiful and its beauty is so vastly different to any other country I have visited. The people and especially the children are so friendly and happy in spite of the many trouble they have had. With an interpreter, I was taken to a Health Clinic and I talked to the Lab Technician and the people about malaria and about health and hygiene. Unfortunately, none of the clinics I have visited so far (only 3) have been given their mi-

croscope yet nor has any of the technicians been trained to use one nor have they been taught to look for malaria parasites. Please pray that the twelve microscopes that are being kept at the hospitals be released to the clinics for malaria eradication. "

It was disappointing about the malaria eradication clinics but I think that God had other plans for me in Rwanda and that was that I was asked by the Bishop of Kigeme Diocese to speak to his fifty clergy about Missionary work because he wants to start Mission Outreach in his diocese. This was totally unexpected and because of my poor hearing I did not take it in when he told Hilary King our leader that he wanted me to speak. I was given only a few hours to prepare. I thought that it was to be only five minutes but the Bishop gave me no limit! While I did tell them about what I did in India and why I went to India somehow the Holy Spirit led me to tell them that all who have Jesus in their heart are missionaries. I used Psalm 23, Luke 15:4 about the Lost Sheep and Matthew 6:33 - Seek ye first the Kingdom of God... and gave them a challenge to care for their sheep and to look for the lost and to put God first in their outreach and within their Church Family. I had written down what I wanted to tell them but it was amazing how the Lord filled in the gaps and gave me a message I do not know from whence it came except that I knew it was from God and that faithful people were praying. As I was speaking I looked over at the Team members and even they were listening intently. When I finished Hilary gave me an appreciative nod as I sat down Oh the Lord is so-o-o good.

Joan is now back in Canada and is yet one more Olympian at our Fellowship.

Woodlands Reunion Picnic

"We sponsor these Reunion Picnics so people from different group homes served by different agencies have an opportunity to come together and perhaps re-connect with old friends from long ago. On Aug.1, about 50 of us gathered at Confederation Park in Burnaby for several hours of fun, fellowship, lunch and a sing-along."

Dave Hayward Jr.



SMILE OF THE MONTH

Jean Morrow

When is your birthday? July 2, 1947

What is your favourite TV show? “Emergency”

Who is your favourite Bible person Joseph in Egypt

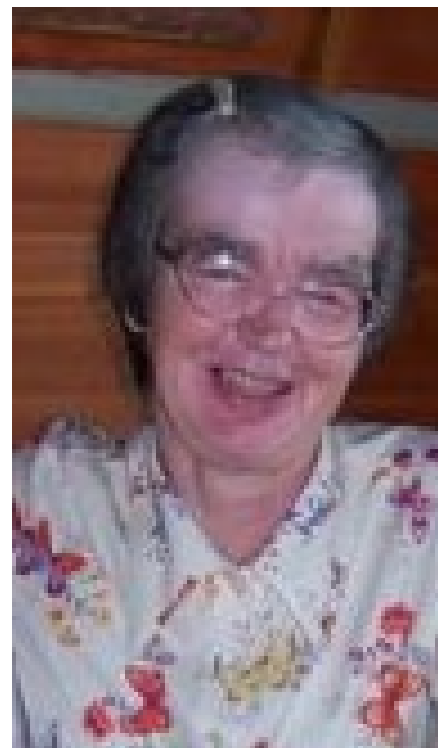
What is your favourite song? “Joy is the Flag”

What are your hobbies? Knitting and colouring pictures

What do you do in Joy Fellowship? – I love going to camp

Is there something you would like everyone to remember or know about?

I was born in England and came to Canada May 1, 1951. I was happily married to Ted Morrow for 8 years, until he was killed by a car while we were walking along the Fraser Highway one dark night. I have a cat named Max that I dearly love



Richard and his mother, Margaret

Richard LeFevre by Dave Hayward Jr.

A good friend of ours and a hero of mine, departed this life to be with his Lord and his dear mother Margaret. For years he had been hospitalized with a trach and a feeding tube, and we are glad that he is free and at rest now. Richard was a remarkable man, and one of the ways that impressed me most was his loyalty to his mother. She was vulnerable to depression, and he was the eldest child, and I believe he helped her as much as he could as she raised him and his two sisters as a single parent. Their lives were tough, but Richard was not a complainer. He tried to make the best of things, and later when she was on her own, he was her greatest support – shopping for her when she was too depressed to leave her apartment, and visiting her in the boarding home where she lived for several years, and then later in Brock Fahrni hospital where she lived for her last years. He was her most faithful visitor, going to see her at least once a week, and often more, first by bus, then by HandyDart, as his Cerebral Palsy began to take more and more of his strength and mobility. He was a loyal and loving support to her through many dark days. He was loved by his friends for his cheerful encouraging spirit, and loved his bowling and floor hockey when younger, and later on his jig saw puzzles, hockey card collection and watching his favorite hockey teams play. He was one of our honoured ushers, and was a man we all respected. His faith was strong, though severely tested in long months lying in bed unable to communicate or enjoy much of life. Richard was also a faithful man of prayer, and one of his greatest memories was of the Mission trip he made years ago to New Zealand, of which he often spoke fondly of later.

Joy Fellowship has lost a fruitful member of the family. Rest in peace, Richard.

Yan Ming Foo is one of our younger members and has displayed her skills in poetry and drawing. Her dad, Victor, is also an active member of Joy Fellowship.

Beauty

“Beauty is a family holding hands, living in peace, living in harmony,

a sunflower with grass, bringing gifts to each other,

two birds singing, the sweetness of a candy cane,

a yellow sun, a colorful balloon with stripes and polka dots,

a butterfly, and a heart with an arrow.”

- Yan Ming Foo



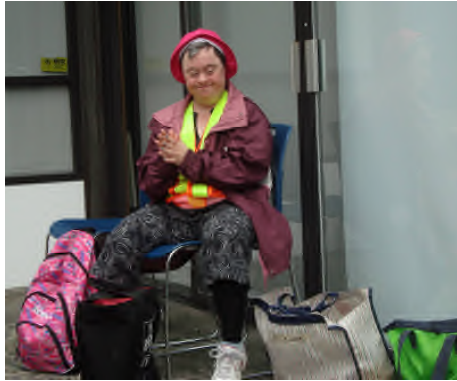
Yan Ming and Victor Foo



Joy Fellowships Summer Events

Lori-Ann packed and ready for Camp.

90+ people enjoyed a week end (June 7th to 9th) of fellowship at Camp Sunrise



A group from Joy Fellowship attending the Canada Day Worship Rally attended by about 20,000 others.



Victor, Richard, and Karl (above) . Part of the all Male team (with David & Robert) who cooked a surprise Mothers day Tea after the Mothers Day service.

CORY, ANNA, AND DOUG PACKAGING SPICED RICE



In the week before the Joy Fellowship Spring Fair, Judy Yee, along with her nephew Cory, organized an evening in which a few members of Joy Fellowship got together to package Sri Lankan Coconut Spice Rice to be sold at the Fair. Working as an assembly line, each helper had a specific chore. One would measure and add rice, another add the spices, another the fruit or coconut, another tie and label the packages. Three different types of spiced rice were put into packages that included cooking instructions and they were EXCELLENT. Each small package made a whole meal's worth of rice—or at our house, rice for

three for two dinners. Judy is planning on doing this again for the Christmas Craft Fair on November 30th. We would encourage everyone to buy a package or two. They are great for dinners or lunch, but also a unique Hostess Gift to take with you when you visit friends over Christmas.

Although it is still summer, plans are well underway for the Christmas Craft Fair and Carol Hansen has been travelling and purchasing items for the International World Market. Please mark November 30th on your calendar and be sure to come and enjoy this year's Fair.

More Joy Fellowships Summer Events

A walk in the park!

June 29th at Queen Elizabeth Park.

David, Vicki, Elsie, Nana, and Lisa



A Sunday School class from Koinonia Evangelical Church who visited our Sunday Service in July

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2013 Upcoming Events

Aug.22 – Missionsfest mailing team envelope stuffing
Aug.23 – Abbotsford Gleaners team cutting
vegetables in the morning
Sept.7 – Prayer meeting @ Anna's house?
Sept.28 - Walk the Wall for ICC – Stanley Park
Oct.5 – Prayer meeting @ Anna's house?
Oct.11-13 – Camp Squamish
Oct.16 – team goes to speak to students at
Christ the King College in Langley
Nov.2 – prayer meeting @ Anna's House?
Nov.14 – Missionsfest Mailing team envelope stuffing
Nov.11-18 – China Trip?
Nov.30 - Craft Fair

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Nickels and Dimes for Heaven

Nickels and Dimes for Heaven – so far
\$250 to support a special needs ministry in Costa Rica
\$300 to help with relief of the flooding in High River
\$200 to help with relief of the disaster in Lac Megantic
I think our next project will be in ICC in China, where we will
be sending a team in November. We will take the gift with us to
share with folks there.

JF – Newsletter Financials – June 30th, 2013

By Treasurer Oscar Banziger

As June 30, 2013 (6 months)

Total Income	\$73,329.64
Total Expenses	\$78750.35
Operating Deficit	(\$5,420.71)

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and click on the CanadaHelps.org icon**

Your Joy Fellowship Board is thankful to the Lord for His many blessings including your faithful support. Please keep the Joy Fellowship ministry in your prayers, so it accomplishes the Lord's will.

Keep Collecting !!

Thank you to all who are continuing to collect cans and bottles to support our children in India. We are hoping to be able to support a child with a disability in China this year.

It's been great to open envelopes from our supporters with Canadian Tire money tucked inside them. We will use this to help with extra camp expenses, so thank you and keep it coming. :)