"Every good gift and every perfect present is from Heaven, and comes down from the Father of Heavenly Lights." James 1:17 Goodspe

Psalm 136:1-7

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good,
For His Grace is everlasting.
Give thanks to the God of gods, for
His Grace is everlasting.
Give thanks to the Lord of lords,
For His Grace is everlasting;
To Him who did great wonders alone,
For His Grace is everlasting;
To Him who made the heavens with
skill,
For His Grace is everlasting;
To Him who spread out the earth
upon the waters,
For His Grace is everlasting;
To Him Who made the great Lights,
For His Grace is everlasting.

As a child, a common occurrence, especially during the winter months, there appeared in our northern Michigan area, the great lights in heaven called Aurora Borealis (the northern lights.) The further one goes north, the more the northern lights become apparent. I can remember one time when I was at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor when there was a tremendous display of the Aurora Borealis one night, so brilliant and so colorful that it was almost frightening. I can remember one of the students saying, "I wonder if the Lord is coming."

In thinking about the Christian Medical Foundation of Canada and its mission to the Body of Christ and to the Medical and Nursing professions in particular, it has often occurred to me that there will be a great light emanating from Canada and shining downward to the United States and beyond as the endtime revival of the true worship of the Lord Jesus Christ increases. With this in mind, we have named the Canadian newsletter after the Aurora Borealis and the Father of Lights. It is my belief that the physician and the nurse, standing at his side, have a unique place in the endtime period (Parousia) in evangelizing the world for Christ in a unique way.

It often occurs to me that the traditional Church with its many divisions and its professionalism is not being used as it times past to win the world for Christ. We find that missionary organizations are relying upon social reform, education and environmental modification instead of the simple and profound proclamation of the glad tidings of the Lord Jesus Christ. This is not to say that social measures are unnecessary, but the primary mission of the Church is to preach Christ and Him crucified.

In Medicine, as we see the fantastic needs of people across the world for healing and for God's peace, the doctor who is often called into these almost impossible situations becomes the agent whereby God's Word can be carried to the needy people of the world.

With this in mind, the Canadian CMF Conference which will be held in Toronto, September 22-24 at the Novotel Hotel, North York, Ontario, is titled, "REHABILITATION—RESTORATION AND RENEWAL." The term "rehabilitation" at this conference will be given a broader application than is ordinarily understood in Medicine and Nursing generally. It occurs to us that the whole world and indeed, those who profess and call themselves Christians, needs rehabilitation, especially on the spiritual and the psycho-spiritual points of view. As in last year's conference, we will be hearing not only from expert physicians and nurses in these areas but also from medical students and those who work not only with individual patients but also with families in need of rehabilitation and renewal. On the program are Dr. Stephen King, Dr. Robert Reid, Rev. Bernard Warren, Loretta Doyle, and Dr. Geoff Secord. We would advise that you mark your calendar for these dates and plan to attend what should be a most interesting and helpful conference. It will be the objective of this conference not only to address the problems presenting our society which is in dire need of renewal and rehabilitation but also to offer the opportunity for prayer and ministry to doctors, nurses and paramedical people who need a fresh touch of God's love in their lives as we stand at a crucial crossroads in many of our lives.

May the Light of the Lord Jesus Christ shine deeply into all of our hearts and may it emanate out into society and out into the world as true Holy Spirit anointed renewal spreads from doctor and nurse to colleagues, to patients, to the Church and to the needy of a despairing world.
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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1989
5:00-6:00 p.m. Registration

SESSION I
6:00 p.m. WELCOME – Tom Bryan, President CMF Canada
          WORSHIP – Val & Mark Hazzard
6:45 p.m. OPENING REMARKS
          Dr. William Standish Reed, President CMF International
7:00 p.m. PSYCHIATRIC ASPECT OF REHABILITATION
          Dr. Steve King
7:45 p.m. ORTHOPEDIC SURGEON AND TWO MEDICAL STUDENTS
          Dr. Robert Reid
9:00 p.m. PRAISE – Val & Mark Hazzard
9:15 p.m. RECEPTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1989
7:30 a.m. Breakfast

SESSION II
8:15 a.m. WORSHIP – Val & Mark Hazzard & Elaine Ikert
          DEVOTIONAL – Al Hughes
9:00 a.m. OVERVIEW OF REHABILITATION
          Dr. Geoff Secord
9:45 a.m. THE FAMILY & THE PATIENT IN REHABILITATION
          Loretta Doyle, M.S.W.
10:30 a.m. Nutritional Break
11:00 a.m. A SUFFERING FAMILY IN SOCIETY
          Keith, Betty & Bruce Winslow
11:45 a.m. PANEL
          Dr. William Reed, Dr. Geoff Secord, Loretta Doyle & Winslows

SATURDAY AFTERNOON – FREE TIME

1:30 p.m. Board of Directors Meeting

SESSION III
6:00 p.m. PRAISE & FELLOWSHIP – Val & Mark Hazzard & Elaine Ikert
7:00 p.m. Dinner
8:00 p.m. RESTORATION & RENEWAL
          Rev. Bernard Warren
8:45 p.m. CONFERENCE REMARKS
          Dr. William Standish Reed
9:15 p.m. PRAISE – Val & Mark Hazzard, Elaine Ikert & Judy King

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1989
9:30 a.m. PRAISE – Elaine Ikert
10:00 a.m. WORSHIP – Rev. Bernard Warren
          CLOSING – Dr. William Standish Reed