

CCM Newsletter

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"Making Friends"

Bishop Pat Johnson General Overseer, Canadian Christian Ministries



No man is an island. Everybody has the need for association. God said, "It is not good for man to be alone." Then He made woman and told them to multiply and replenish the earth. We were not created to be alone. We were created to associate with each other.

We were created to have friends. Friends are a blessing from the Lord. Friends laugh together, do things together, and enjoy each other's company. Churches are built on relationships. Relationship with God and relationship with people. If you wish to build a ministry or church, you must show yourself as friendly.

If you want to make friends, you have to make yourself available to meet people. If you isolate yourself, people may think that you do not want their friendship. Proverbs 18:24a, says, "A man who has friends must himself be friendly."

One of the best ways of making friends is to join an organization to find other people who have common interests. Birds of a feather, flock together. If you are a Minister, you can join an organization such as CCM, a fellowship of Ministers that meets from time to time to discuss ministry business.

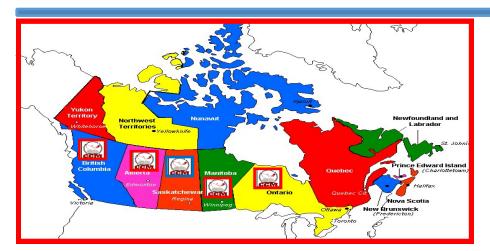
Volunteering is also a good way to meet people. When you work together with people you build lifelong bonds with them. You will also meet others who have a passion for doing things the way you do.

Proverbs 12:26a, says, "The righteous should choose his friends carefully." Whatever you do, choose your friends wisely. As you befriend more people, you may find that some are easier to get along with than others.

Sometimes certain friendships are unhealthy, such as if a person is obsessively controlling towards you, is constantly critical, or introduces dangers or threats into your life.

Proverbs 17:17a, says "A friend loves at all times." Make friends with people who will lift you up and not pull you down; people who will influence you to do good; people who will encourage you to reach for your goals and fulfill your dreams.

As you rub shoulders with your friends they will sharpen you to a good end. Proverbs 27:17 says, "As iron sharpens iron, so a man sharpens the countenance of his friend." Amen.



CCM in Canada

- 1. Ontario
- 2. Manitoba
- 3. Alberta
- 4. Saskatchewan
- 5. British Columbia
- 6. Nova Scotia
- 7. New Brunswick

Being Resilient

Rev. Marlene Mackenzie Director of Women Affairs, Canadian Christian Ministries



In my opinion, Traimaine Hawkins is one of the world's greatest singer. She is an American award winning Gospel singer whose career spans over five decades and she has inspired many to be resilient by singing lyrics like:

"...Don't count me out, just yet
Always a winner
Never a loser
I know this forever
Don't count me out
Just yet
Something inside me
Fuels and ignites me
So I can't fail..."

Being resilient means facing difficulties head-on, instead of falling into despair or using unhealthy coping strategies. To be resilient is being able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions.

To all beautiful Women of all Nations,

- If you are feeling weak, remember you can do all things through Christ who gives you strength (Philippians 4:13 ESV)
- If you are feeling fearful, remember God has not given you a spirit of fear, but a Spirit of love, power and a sound mind (2 Timothy 1:7 ESV)
- If you feel you are down for the last count, remember we are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed (2 Corinthians 4:8-9 ESV)

As Ruth discovered the true and living God in the midst of all her despair, so I remind you to hold on to the nail scarred hands of our Precious Savior, who will guide you through it all. As Ruth recognized the provision, power and protection of Naomi's God, so I encourage you to remember God promised, He will never leave you nor forsake you. As Ruth allowed Naomi to mentor and support her through her trials and testing, so I encourage you not to walk your journey on your own. The committee members of Women of All Nations are here for you, to walk beside you, to pray with you and to support you. God is doing a new thing and I believe He will make all things well. You are not alone!

Through being resilient, I testify, I have proven the mighty and gentle Hands of God, who has healed me from financial, physical, emotional, relational and sexual abuse; hence, why I know nothing is too hard for God.

Therefore, what He did for me, He will do the same for you, because He is no respecter of persons.

I am here for you, you are not alone. You are welcome to contact me at 905-460-6422 or at womenofallnationswon@gmail.com. I look forward to hearing from you.

Be continually blessed!

Photos from The National Leadership Seminar

This event was held in Toronto, Ontario under the theme "Spiritual Disciplines."



















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British Columbia

New Brunswick

Saskatchewan



"By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

John 13:35 ESV

"Let us take the time to daily strengthen our relationships with each other through acts of kindness, gentle words and prayerful support."

- Rev. Peter McPherson









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