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Stouffville, 1877-1977: a pictorial history of a prosperous Ontario community, compiled by Jean Barkey. Stouffville Historical Committee, c1977. Page 138

Disciples Church

Charles Lister came to this community twelve years before incorporation. He preached in the hall above the tannery that was situated on the east side of the 10th South. About three years later, a chapel was built on the 10th North. John Yake was the force behind its construction, and he often preached in it. His wife, Susan Yake, led the singing. When guest preachers came, revival services were held. John Yake's son-in-law, S. Keffer, became the regular minister. David Rusnell was another faithful member of this congregation. In 1904, he donated land for the church. The little chapel was moved to this property and remodelled. The faithful worshipped there until 1934, when it was closed by Peter Petch. Peter Lehman bought it and converted it into a house, which is now the home of his daughter, Mrs. Harry Stouffer and her husband.

Whitchurch Township, researched and written by the Whitchurch History Book Committee, Jean Barkey, et al. Toronto: Stoddart Pub. Co., c1993. Page 77

The establishment of the Church of Christ at Pine Orchard occurred about 1904, when a few members who lived in the district and were meeting with the Church of Christ in Stouffville felt the need for a local site. Early meetings were held in the home of Brother Charles Brandon, Sr. When the house could no longer accommodate the congregation the Temperance Hall was used as a meeting place. The congregation worshipped at this location for almost nine years prior to the erection of the church building in 1916 on its present site on the west side of Warden Avenue (the fifth concession road) south of the Vivian Sideroad. In 1959-60 a basement was added to enhance facilities.

Butchart, Reuben, *The Disciples of Christ in Canada since 1830*. Toronto: Canadian Headquarters' Publications Churches of Christ (Disciples), 1949. Pages 458-460

Stouffville, York County, Ontario

Stouffville is easterly and north from Toronto about thirty-one miles. That work was a fine example of the Disciples leaving rural sites and trying to make a start in centres. About the year 1852, Charles J. Lister, under the Co-operation, visited the village, a stranger, and began talking to people and preaching to them in the evening. At first a small hall was used, but a hotel proprietor, struck by Lister's willingness to pay his way without taking up collections, offered a ball-room over his driving sheds. That hotel keeper later followed by obedience to the gospel, and as Brother John Yake, became a staunch supporter of the work. Jos. Ash states (*Christian Worker*, June, 1883) that John Yake and William Caistor were his very first converts. Lister's meeting was a real success and enabled a beginning to be made. John Yake gave up his liquor-selling hotel business. He leased free an adjoining lot on which a church was built, and services were held continuously until 1904, when the building was removed to another site and used until 1934. (The oldest surviving elder, Peter Lehman, purchased it and used it as a dwelling for many

years.) Among the earliest workers known were John Yake's family: Daniel, Adam, Jacob, Abram, and daughters--Mrs. Peterman, Mrs. Sam. Keffer, and the families of the same: Jos. Lehman and family; Daniel Lehman and family; James Howitt and family; Dan Rusnell and family; Sylvanus Woodward and Barclay. The [458] membership around 1925 was about thirty-five, and included the families of David Rusnell, Peter Lehman, Albert Lehman, Thos. Klinck, Mrs. Frank Rowbotham and family; Mrs. Elizabeth Hutchinson and family; George Schell, and Mrs. Closson and family. In this group the Klincks were from Sherwood church (Vaughan Township) and the Woodwards from Eversley (King township). In 1922, the church entertained the June meeting of the conservative group of Disciples, and this fact indicates the trend of the teaching and polity of the church during most of its life. No organizations within the church ever were formed to effect specific work or results, and so the church lost the inspiration of enlisting its aid in the wide fields of service envisioned by the Master when He said "Go ye into all the world". A Bible school flourished spasmodically, but its chief outlet led only into the church baptistry. Neither foreign nor home mission appeals stirred the conscience of the group, which all the while was endeavoring to model itself upon the Jerusalem church, "in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship." It is true that many early reformers did not yet see that the church at Antioch offered a key that helped the disciples to unlock doors leading to "all the world". The reason behind this lay within the leadership. It must be stated that nearly all our churches began with this limited program. The implications of the Great Commission were at first seen only as they related to the primary faith of the individual. Emphasis was upon certain texts in Acts, but the implications of Paul's spirit and journeys, his carrying the gospel out of Judea abroad, were obscured by an obsession to the "pattern of good teaching." One acquainted with the life and growth of churches, or other ideal causes, must realize that "if there is no vision" the cause must "perish". The church doubtless continued on its way of mutual edification by faithful elders; but the young, who saw more to the church than maintaining the ordinances weekly (and some of them did see it) knew that they had to go outside their small quiet ways and seek inspiration in wider human contacts. The Klinck family are an example, and they led into support of the Co-operation of Disciples of Christ in Ontario and the United Christian Missionary Society themselves, although others could find support for none but independent missionaries, subsisting perilously upon casual relationships with Christ's disciples. In the year 1892, H. M. Evans became resident minister at Sherwood church. Later, Samuel Keffer, who married one of the Yake daughters, became in time a preacher, with considerable record to his credit. An Anglican, he is said to owe his conversion to the efforts of Alex. Anderson. A meeting was held by W. D. Campbell, [459] (often referred to in these chronicles). David Rusnell came into the position of leading lay-preacher, and was assisted by speakers from Bathurst St. church, Toronto, such as George Barclay, Wm. Forrester, Thos. Riley, James Stewart, and William Smart. During the period from 1907 to 1920, Chas. W. Petch was resident preacher--"evangelist"--coming from Pine Orchard, where he farmed and preached. In 1922, M. Watterworth held meetings and later in that decade Frederick Sommer made frequent visits from Toronto. Later Alex. Stewart and H. McKerlie, of Bathurst St. church, were visiting preachers. As a whole the ministries of Evans, Keffer, Campbell, Watterworth and Sommer were the most memorable. In the time of brethren Watterworth and Sommer there was some co-operation with local ministerial associations and union meetings of various kinds, but there was no removal of attitudes created in earlier years of effort. One thing can be said for a church that depends for its edification upon whatever spiritual and teaching talent it may possess or develop; it may achieve a measure of development, but at the peril of immaturity overtaking it. Nevertheless, the pursuit of a Biblical ideal, however

crudely and literally it may be conceived, undoubtedly does nourish fidelity to the Bible, which is itself commendable.

Stouffville church did produce a number who were able to go forth to other fields and enter into a wider service. When the faithful David Rusnell passed on there was no one to take the responsibilities of leadership and the church had to be closed. One direct entrance into co-operative work was in Helen Rowbotham who, a few years ago, became provincial and travelling secretary for the Women's Missionary organization in Ontario. The name of Thomas W. Klinck will be remembered in Ontario, as that of a liberal, co-operative Disciple. But the question appeals eagerly in a small community of 1,000 people, with seven denominations claiming support; surely in seventy-five years some effect upon over-churching and the need of Christian unity ought to have resulted. But apparently the other religious bodies in so small a community must have seen only another "body", with similar, or negligible aims and no special appeal.

Excerpts from *The Bible Student*

July 1904, page 3

ANNUAL JUNE MEETING - O. E. Tallman

The Annual June Meeting of the Disciples of Christ in the Niagara District, opened at Fenwick on Saturday afternoon, June 4, and closed on Monday afternoon, with the best of weather.

L. E. Huntsman officiated in the afternoon, and short talks were given by Bros. Geo. Gamble and J. Dean, of Fenwick; Wm. Forester, T. T. Reilly and Jas. Stewart, of Toronto; John Yake, of Stouffville; O. E. Tallman, of Smithville; Ellis Claus, Valdosta, Ga; Chas. Claus, St. Catharines; Chas. W. Petch, Selkirk; S. M. Jones, Beamsville; and W. F. Neal, Meaford.

February 1905, page 3

Report – Madison Wright

The following sums were received during our children's illness.

Stouffville	5.00
Pine Orchard	4.00

July 1905, page 3

Editorial Scraps and News Notes

Bro. J. W. Jake, Principal of the Drayton Public School, was baptized by the writer, April 22, 1894. He is an excellent young man and has done some very acceptable work as a preacher. Any congregation that would like some assistance during July and August should address Bro. Yake at Stouffville, Ont., and thus help him as well as themselves.

November 1905, page 2

Editorial Briefs

Bro. L. J. Keffer also baptized one young man on his way to preach at Stouffville, Lord's day morning, Oct. 1st.

November 1905, page 4

Endorsement

To all whom it may concern:

We, the undersigned elders of the Church of Christ worshipping at Stouffville, Ont., do hereby certify that Bro. H. M. Evans labored among us and at other points in this vicinity during a period of two and a half years, or from October, 1892, to April, 1895; that during that time, through his labors, the church here was built up, edified and strengthened; that he is a "workman that needeth not to be ashamed," and, as a faithful preacher and consistent Christian, we commend him to the Church of Christ everywhere.

Given at Stouffville, Ont., this 6th day of October, 1899.

Elders, James Howitt,
Jos. Lehman

In a private letter sent with the above, Bro. Lehman says:

"I can assure you that it is a very great pleasure to give you the letter of commendation you so much deserve. I can see we are, at this present time, reaping the benefits of your labors with the church at Stouffville."

December 1905, page 2

Bro. L. J. Keffer's Report

Brother L. J. Keffer makes the following report of monies received by him.

Congregation, Pine Orchard	3.00
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March 1906, page 6

Toronto Church News (Bathurst St.) - W. Forrester

... We are also assisting the brethren at Pickering, East Toronto, Stouffville, and occasionally Sherwood. I am glad to say the cause at Stouffville is very encouraging. Our evangelistic project is beginning to get into shape. We require patience and perseverance.

March 1906, page 8

St. Catharines News – Chas. W. Petch

...On Feb. 18th another lady was "baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus," and on Feb. 25th one man, who had been baptized by the "Christian Brethren" near Stouffville, but had "erred from the truth," was converted, and united with the church here.

August 1906, page 6

Bro. Keffer's Report – L. J. Keffer, Victoria, B. C.

From Dec. 15th, 1905, to June 18th, 1906:--

Church, Pine Orchard	4.00
Bro. J. Yake, Ont	2.00

June 1907, Extra, page 2

Churches of Christ, Annual Meeting, Toronto, June 1, 2 and 3, 1907

...The following list, in alphabetical order, gives the numbers as nearly as possible from the various outside congregations, viz: --

Beamsville 10, Carman, Man. 1, Detroit 5, East Toronto 12, Fenwick 3, Glencoe, 1,

Griersville 1, Hamilton 14, Jordan 5, Jura 1, Meaford 17, New Ontario 1, Pine Orchard 3, Pickering 1, St. Catharines 5, Selkirk 2, Sherwood 6, Stouffville 3, Smithville 5, Wardsville 1, Wychwood 25.

June 1907, Extra, page 2
Bro. William Forrester

...Nor have his labors been confined to Toronto since going to reside there. He has done speaking for a great many of the churches outside—East Toronto, Sherwood, Aurora, Acton, Stouffville, Pickering, etc.

July 1907, page 6
Notes and News – Chas. W. Petch

Through an urgent call, I visited the church at Stouffville on April 14th, for the first time. I preached twice and baptized one young girl who had previously made the "good confession." I was glad to make the acquaintance of these brethren, and I enjoyed my short stay amongst them. They seem to be working together in peace and quietness, but are not doing so much as they ought to do for the advancement of the Master's cause in that part of the country. Brethren, let us "abound more and more" and "be not weary in well-doing, for in due season we shall reap; if we faint not." Even "when we shall have done *all the things* that are commanded us. We are unprofitable servants, we had done (only) that which it was our duty to do" (Luke, 17: 7-10)

September 1907, page 6
Obituary – T. W. Bailey, Selkirk, Ont.

ELIZABETH LEHMAN KINDY was born Feb. 26th, 1845, died July 28 1907. She leaves besides an aged mother, two sisters, six brothers, her husband, and ten children, six sons and four daughters.

She became a member of the Church of Christ at Stouffville, Ont., at the age of nineteen. Those who knew her best called her "a true Christian" and this is commendation enough. Many Brethren and friends attended the funeral which was conducted by Charles W. Petch and the writer.

November 1907, page 3
Wychwood Park, Ont. – John Sim

...Bro. Hudson has been at Stouffville for a few Lord's Days and reports good meetings.

November 1907, page 5
Evangelistic – Chas. W. Petch, Fenwick, Nov. 19th

...On Nov. 24th I am (D.V.) to begin a meeting at Stouffville.

December 1907, page 7
Evangelistic – Chas. W. Petch

Stouffville, Dec. 2nd, 1907:--The meeting here is eight days old. The interest is very good. Two precious souls, a noble young man and a sweet little girl, have been added to the "one body" of our Lord, and are rejoicing in His salvation. The church is being much edified. I am enjoying the work, and the hospitality of the brethren. A good man is needed to labor in this field continuously but "where are the reapers?" Arrangements have been made for me to hold a

meeting in East Toronto, to begin January 12th. Brethren, pray for us, that the Word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified.

Stouffville, Dec. 12th, 1907:--The meeting here still continues and will continue all next week (D.V). Two have been baptised to date. The church has been much edified and strengthened.

I am quite well and have enjoyed the work here very much. Wishing you all a Merry Xmas and Happy New Year. I am Your brother in Christ, Chas. W. Petch

February 1908, page 8

Obituary – Chas. W. Petch

Susannah Birkholder, beloved wife of Alexander Broadway, died at Stouffville on Dec. 12th 1907, in her 78th year. Sister Broadway had been a member of the Church of Christ for many years. She has been in poor health for several years and had not regularly enjoyed the fellowship of the saints in the public assemblies for some time. She leaves a husband and son, besides many near relatives, to mourn their loss. The writer preached the funeral sermon in the Union meeting house at Dixon's Hill, from the text, "Beloved I make all things new" (Rev. 21:5). A large number of relatives and friends were present. Our sympathy and prayers should be for Bro. Broadway in this his hour of sorrow and trial. May the Father strengthen us all for such trials.

March 1908, page 3

Fenwick Notes - Chas. W. Petch

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I expect to be in a meeting at Pine Orchard during the forepart of March. Brethren pray for us that our labors may be blest to the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

March 1908, page 8

From the Field: Pine Orchard, Ont., March 6, 1908

I began meetings here on March 1st. The interest and attendance is very good. With favorable weather we expect a good hearing. The few brethren here seem to be anxious for the upbuilding of the cause at this place. We pray that they "may abound yet more and more" in their anxiety, and in every good work. The prospects here are somewhat promising, if continued effort is made.—Chas. W. Petch

Pine Orchard, March 12th

I am in the midst of a grand meeting here. Interest fine; audiences increasing; largest attendance last night of any night yet. Eight baptisms to date and more expected.—Chas. W. Petch

April 1908, page 3

The Pine Orchard Meeting – Chas. W. Petch

The meeting which I began here on March 1st, closed on the 20th, with a good interest. They should have continued longer; but with the probability of the roads breaking up, and the hope of having me again in the summer, the brethren decided to close at that time. I preached 25 sermons publicly, and a good many from house to house. The finest attention was given

throughout the whole meeting. The attendance was good, and the interest steady. Nine were "baptized into the name of the Lord Jesus." Three young ladies, three young men, and three men who are heads of families. Two others who had been baptized by the Mennonites, expressed their intention to meet with the brethren here. This brings the membership up to about thirty two. A few of the brethren started to meet here in a private house in August 1906. They now have a nice congregation, meeting in a hall; and have hopes of building a church house before many years. The prospects here for the success of the cause are good, and the work should not be delayed. The gospel is still the power of God unto salvation, and it should be kept constantly before the minds of the people. God will work through us to His glory, if we faithfully use the means he has given.

June 1908, page 7

Church News

Wychwood Park, May 6—A. E. Hudson

Our anniversary meetings were a great success. Friends and brethren from sister Churches were with us so that our house was packed full, and extra seats had to be procured. We baptised a young man from Stouffville, the first-fruits of our labours there.

June 1908, page 8

[Notes]

The meeting at Stouffville, conducted by Bro. Petch recently, continued over three Lord's Days with one baptism. He also preached three nights at Pine Orchard and baptised one more.

August 1908, page 4

Fenwick News - Chas. W. Petch

...I will be at East Toronto for July 26th and spend a few days, and at Stouffville for Aug. 2nd.

October 1908, page 8

Toronto-Bathurst Street Special Services, Lord's Day Sep. 6, Wednesday, Sep. 9.

...Brethren and Sisters were present from Plum Street and Vinewood Avenue Churches Detroit; from Goderich, Smithville, Clachan, Meaford, Cape Rich, Jura, Stouffville, Beamsville, Hamilton, Jordan, Niagara Falls and Winnipeg.

November 1908, page 4

Editorial Briefs.

Bro. Petch has left Fenwick, and moved to Stouffville, to take up the work there, and mission points in the surrounding country. He will accomplish good wherever he goes.

February 1909, page 7

Church News

Stouffville, Ont. Jan., 16—I began meetings at Pine Orchard on the 10th inst. I closed the first week last night with two baptised. We have having fairly good attendance. We will continue, perhaps the remainder of this month.—C.W. Petch

Stouffville, Ont. Dec. 22.—I spent from Dec. 12, to the 15th at East Toronto, and

preached three times and visited nearly all the brethren there. The cause is moving along as well as usual. . . .Chas. W. Petch.

March 1909, page 7
Church News

Stouffville, Ont. Feb. 6—My meeting at Pine Orchard closed on Jan. 31st with a good interest, and four baptized into Christ. The attendance was regular throughout the meeting and good seed was sown which will bear fruit later. I spoke twenty-seven times during the twenty-two days; and the discourses were all listened to with marked attention and interest. I look for a steady progress of the cause at Pine Orchard.—Chas. W. Petch

April 1909, page 7
Church News

Stouffville, March 21.—I began meetings here on March 2 closing March 21 with a good interest, which had grown steadily from the first. There were no additions, but much seed was sown, which will not all fall to the ground in vain. One brother was restored to the fellowship of the church at East Toronto at my last visit there, on Feb. 28. I will begin a meeting there (D.V.) on March 28.—Chas. W. Petch

May 1909, page 7
Church News

Stouffville, April 19.—We had three good meetings here yesterday, and a good Bible study last Friday night. The work here is progressing nicely with a steady interest. I expect to begin a meeting at Goderich about May 12.—C.W. Petch

Obituary
LEHMAN

Bro. Joseph Lehman departed this life at Stouffville, March 31, 1909, in his 67th year. He had been suffering for some time with a cancerous growth, but his release came at last, and he peacefully fell asleep in Jesus. For 46 years he had faithfully served his blessed Master, and died in the triumphs of a living hope. For several weeks before his death, I, with other brethren met at his home and rejoiced with him in breaking the loaf in memory of the Savior's death. His unflinching trust in Jesus as his Savior sustained him in the midst of severe suffering, and his death was an example of how peacefully a true Christian can die. It had a blessed influence over me to thus witness the sustaining power of the gospel which I am preaching. In spite of the rain and another funeral near by, a large audience assembled to hear the sermon preached after the burial. Bro. Lehman leaves a patient wife, four noble looking sons, and four loving daughters "to wait the summons from on high."—Chas. W. Petch.

June 1909, page 8
Church News

Stouffville, May 10.—We had two good meetings here yesterday. One young man made the good confession at the afternoon services, and was baptized the same hour. I will go to Goderich on Saturday.—C. W. Petch

July 1909, page 1

The June Meeting

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Many had to leave before Monday morning meeting, but those who were privileged to stay were blessed by short speeches from Bro. Fry of Selkirk; Gedge of Hamilton; Whitelaw, Forrester, and Cowin of Toronto; Wardell of Smithville; Tallman of Nova Scotia; a Bro. from Pine Orchard; and Bro. Claus of St. Catharines who presided over the meeting.

August 1909, page 8

Church News

Stouffville, July 9—The church here continues its work and worship in peace. The attendance of the members is fairly regular, and the interest of non-members is manifested by a very good attendance at the meetings for preaching the gospel. I have been preaching at Pine Orchard frequently on Lord's day evenings, with a very good attendance. The cause here is moving along nicely. On June 29 the church members drove in at Bro. Wesley Lundy's, just at supper time and gave him a complete surprise. After having supper on the lawn they presented Bro. Lundy with a handsome Bible, as a token of their appreciation of his work among them as a teacher of the truth, and of his efforts to exhort and admonish them in the Christian life. A social evening was enjoyed by all ending with a pleasant moonlight drive home. We hope for the increased prosperity of the cause at Pine Orchard, and a diligence in keeping the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.—Chas. W. Petch

September 1909, page 8

Church News

Stouffville, Aug. 18.—I visited the church at Sherwood on Aug. 8, and baptized a young man there. The cause there is reviving somewhat, and we trust that it may continue. The work at Stouffville, Pine Orchard and East Toronto is moving along quietly.—Chas. W. Petch

December 1909, page 8

Church News

Stouffville, Nov. 22.—I preached at East Toronto yesterday. We had two good meetings, and one young lady was baptized at the evening service.—C. W. Petch

Stouffville, Nov. 12.—I began a meeting at Hamilton on Oct. 3 which lasted until the 24th. ...

The work at Pine Orchard is doing very well. The attendance at their morning meetings is very good, and we have a fairly good audience in the evenings when we have meetings.

The young men at Stouffville, carried on the meetings while I was in Hamilton, Bro. Rusnell also being away, and did their part well. The attendance is keeping up as well as heretofore. We have started a study of the book of Romans in our Friday evening meetings which we hope will be profitable and interesting.—C. W. Petch

March 1910, page 8

Church News

Stouffville, Feb. 23.—Bro. W. F. Neal has been assisting the church here in a short series of meetings, beginning Feb. 6 and closing Feb. 20. He gave the church some splendid teaching—lessons that should not soon be forgotten. While there were no additions, yet we believe the

cause will be considerably advanced by the meetings, as good seed sown must certainly bring forth fruit. I could gladly associate with Bro. Neal in the work anywhere and at any time, and can heartily commend him to the brethren.—C. W. Petch

May 1910, page 7
Church News

Stouffville, Ont. April 15.—One confession and baptism at Pine Orchard April 10. The work is moving along fairly well at present. At Stouffville and East Toronto the cause is about as usual.—C. W. Petch

June 1910, page 7
Obituary

Brandon—Chas. W. Petch

Died, at Pine Orchard, on May 19, 1910, Frederick Brandon, son of Bro. Chas. and Fannie Brandon. Little Freddie was given to them for 1 yr. 3 ms. and 24 dys., to bless and brighten their home. But the little bud of hope, that just began to spread its fragrance in the home, was plucked by our Father to bloom and blossom in that fairer land above. Let us join in a prayer of sympathy for the bereaved parents and sorrowing family. The writer addressed a large audience in the Quaker meeting house, after which we laid the little form to rest until the trumpet sounds and calls the sleeping dead to awake and meet their Lord. May we be ready.

July 1910, page 3
Church News

Stouffville, Ont., June 15.—The writer preached at St. Catharines on Lord's day, June 12, to good audiences. ... --C. W. Petch

December 1910, page 5
Meaford – W. F. Neal

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Coming Events

The writer expects to begin a series of meetings with the Church of Christ, at Pine Orchard, Ont., on Lord's Day, November 6th.

January 1911, page 5
Pine Orchard, Ont. – Chas. W. Petch

Bro. W. F. Neal began a series of meetings with the church at Pine Orchard, on Nov. 6th., which continued till Nov. 27th. Bro. Neal gave some fine lessons, and by his clear strong teaching persuaded five souls to obey their Lord in Baptism, and one other, who had previously been baptised, to take her stand with us. The church was very much edified, and we are all greatly encouraged by the results of the meetings. Bro. Neal's labors were highly appreciated by all, and we praise our Heavenly Father for His mercies to us.

The work at Stouffville is continuing as usual.

February 1911, page 5

News Notes: Pine Orchard – Chas. W. Petch

There is a good interest in the meetings at Pine Orchard since Bro. Neal was there with us for a while.

March 1911, page 5

News Notes: Toronto – A. E. H.

Wychwood. Our meetings at Wychwood continue well attended by brethren and strangers. ...

Bro. and Sister David Russell, from Stouffville, visited and helped our mid-week prayer meeting on February 9th.

April 1911, page 5

Change of Address – Chas. W. Petch

Please insert a notice of the change of my address from Stouffville to Cedar Valley, near Pine Orchard.

Marriages – Chas. W. Petch, Cedar Valley, Ont.

At the home of the writer, near Cedar Valley, on March 8th, Sister Gertrude Brandon, to Bro. Earl Lehman, both members of Pine Orchard congregation. A pleasant and prosperous life be theirs until they are called to where these relationships are unknown.

February 1912, page 5

News Notes: Woodgreen, Ont. – S. Whitfield

The following is a report of all money received outside of the members at Woodgreen, for the meeting house at Woodgreen.

...Church at Stouffville, \$11.50; ... Church at Pine Orchard, \$14;

June 1912, page 5

Cedar Valley, Ont. May 21st, 1912

Dear Bro. Brown,--

The work at Stouffville is moving along quietly. The interest at Pine Orchard is very good. I baptized a young Methodist preacher here in February, and a young lady in April. We are expecting a good meeting for over three weeks in June. The meetings will commence June 15th. Any visiting brethren will be welcomed at these meetings. Yours in hope, Chas. W. Petch

August 1912, page 4

News Notes: Toronto

We had a pleasant surprise in the presence of Bro. Hawley. We have learned to think highly of this brother. He came from Michigan with a good name, and returns with that good name enhanced after nearly two years in Canada. We regret his departure. He has been holding a series of meetings at Stouffville and Pine Orchard, and reports nine additions.

June 1913, page 2

Report – H. M. Evans

After consulting our physician it was considered best to rent a little home in the country and have our loved ones together again. So accordingly we rented a small place on the outskirts of Stouffville in a nice, airy place and brought Franklin home on April 8th from the hospital in Muskoka, and his mother, who had been sent by advice of her physician with her nurse, Sister F. Lehman, on a visit to her brothers and sisters west of London, joined us on May 10th.

...

We shall not soon forget the kindness of our brothers and sisters Rusnells, Lehmans, Klincks, Yakes and our aged Bro. Broadway for their assistance in getting settled.

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The following has been received since last report: ... Bro. F. J. Yake, \$2; sister, Stouffville, \$2; .. F. J. Yake, \$1;

September 1913, page 5

Report – H. M. Evans

In response to the appeal made by the Stouffville congregation to sister congregations for funds to give my wife Chiropractic treatment the following has been received by Bro. D. H. Rusnell and handed over to the writer: East Toronto, \$10; ..Pine Orchard, \$10; ... Stouffville, \$10, exchange on drafts and some other expenses being borne by the Stouffville church.

It was decided to send her to a skilful practitioner in London, but being notified that his office would be closed for a month, wife, in charge of her nurse, Sister Florence Lehman, went to Toronto, Thursday, July 24th, to a practitioner of the same school, recommended by the London doctor.

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Excerpts from *The Christian Quarterly*

Vol. 1, No. 1, January 1916, p. 12

In Memoriam: Sacred to the memory of Franklin Campbell Evans, youngest son of Henry M. and Ruth N. Evans who departed this life, passing through the mists to the land of eternal day, at Stouffville, Ont. January 31, 1914, at the age of 13 years, 2 months and 16 days.

Excerpts from *The Christian Monthly Review*

Vol. 5, No. 3, March 1920, p. 23-24

Stouffville, Ont., March 26, 1920

D. McDougall,

West Gore, Nova Scotia.

Dear Bro—

I must beg your pardon for being so negligent in sending in my renewal for C. M. Review. I am pleased to know you are improving it considerable and I have been trying to get some subscribers. I am sorry to report that the Church at Stouffville is not in a very thrifty condition at the present time. We only have about 4 male members who are regular attendants, a few young men who come home occasionally for a visit, and about 10 female members regular attendants and a few young ladies (3 or 4) school teachers and some old ladies all who come occasionally, when weather and conditions are suitable. We have been without assistance for some time.

Bro. Petch has been here twice I think since last May and I have done what I could the rest of the time. We meet every Lord's Day at 11 o'clock for breaking of Bread and Worship. We are wishing you success with your paper.

Please find \$1.28 for my renewal. Also 75 cents for one year's subscription to the Monthly Review for Bro. Peter Lehman, Stouffville, Ont. Thanking you for your patience.

I am your Bro. in Christ

D. H. RUSNELL,
Stouffville, Ont

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Newmarket, R. 3,
Ont., May 17th, 1920

Dear Bro. McDougall:

I have been trying to write to the C.M.R. for some time, but it seems that I find so much to do on the farm and studying for the Lord's day work that it is hard to settle down to write an article for the paper.

Last year I spent considerable time preaching. I held a meeting over three Lord's days at Cape Rich, commencing the 25th of May with four additions. I then went to Saskatchewan for two months and held four meetings. I baptized two at Lyndale congregation. I returned home in time to help finish harvest.

During December and January and until Feb. 15th I was laboring with the church at Wychwood, Toronto. Protracted meetings were commenced on Feb. 8th and on the 15th I was stricken down with the "flu" and came home on the 23rd. On March 9th I had a severe attack of appendicitis and was operated on the next day. Through many faithful brethren helping together with their prayer for me, I have made a rapid recovery, and feel almost as strong as ever. I have received an invitation to hold meetings at Little Current, Manitoulin Island, and at Thessalon in June and July. I expect to fully enjoy the work with those two churches, especially as they appear to be free from the childish quarrels and contentions sometimes manifested among brethren, which greatly hinder the work of the Lord and destroy the peace and fellowship of the saints.

Bro. G. E. Claus is in a meeting at St. Catharines now and will be at Pine Orchard about the first of June for two or three weeks. We hope to persuade him to remain in Ontario for some time.

I appreciate your work in giving us such a good little paper and will try and help you more in the future.

Yours in His Service, CHAS. W. PETCH

OBITUARY

Bro. Walter J. Rusnell, son of Bro. David Rusnell, died at Stouffville, Ont., on April 27th, in his 25th year. Walter had been baptized by Bro. H. H. Hauley about eight years ago, and died with full confidence in His Lord's power to deliver him from the wrath to come. The funeral services were conducted by the writer in the presence of a large number of friends and neighbors who showed their respect for the departed and sympathy for the bereaved. May we all be ready when our call comes.

CHAS. W. PETCH

Newmarket, Ont., R. R., No. 3,
Aug. 9, 1920

Dear Bro. McDougall:--

After feasting on some good spiritual food and the fellowship of many brethren from different parts of Ontario, at the June meeting at Bathurst St., Toronto, I boarded the train and arrived at Thessalon Tuesday, June 15th, and began preaching in the Kirkwood Church House that evening, and continued till June 30th. One young married man and one elderly lady were baptized. Another lady who had been baptized some years ago, expressed her intention to meet with the Church, some others were persuaded, but delayed their obedience till a future time. We pray they may be spared to enjoy the opportunity of fully accepting Christ as their Lord and Redeemer.

There is a good work to be done in that community. Bro. T. W. Bailey is doing his part pretty well, but is somewhat handicapped by living seven miles from the place of meeting and consequently not being able to hold night services on Lord's days. A good Ford car would greatly assist him in doing the work.

On July 1st I crossed the North Channel to Gore Bay, accompanied by Bro. Bailey, and motored out to Ice Lake where I spoke on Friday evening. We spent two days in the home of that venerable old Brother, Thos. Robertson, who extends a hearty welcome to all his brethren. One of the blessings of this evangelistic work is that we associate with the best people on earth; and their faith in God's word and fellowship are a great help and source of encouragement.

Bro. A. E. Firth of Toronto has been holding meetings at Ice Lake and went to Little Current with us. He preached at Little Current at 11 a.m. on Lord's day, July 4th. I spoke at 3 p.m. and Bro. T. W. Bailey at 8 p. m. This gave our meeting there a very good start off. I continued there until the 21st. One young man was baptized and the meetings closed with a fairly good interest. I certainly enjoyed my stay with Bro. and Sister Richardson. Bro. Richardson is a fine agreeable man to work with. No unreasonable wrangling, no jealousies, no suspicions of the other preacher, marred the pleasure of our labors together. I learned to respect him more as a Christian brother, and I have been much benefited by being with him in this work. He and his noble wife are sacrificing much for the cause in Little Current. Let all who can encourage them in their work. The cause on the Island needs our support. The work at Little Current and Ice Lake is progressing, but at Barrie Island and Gordon it is about at a standstill. Only one family or two at each place. While at Little Current Bro. Richardson and I motored over 50 miles to Barrie Island and conducted the funeral service of Bro. W. Leonard Vancise, who died at the age of 48 years. He had been a member of the Church but one year. His brother George is the only male member left on Barrie Island.

Bro. G. E. Claus of Valdosta, Georgia, conducted a series of meetings with the church at Pine Orchard in June, for over three Lord's days. Bro. Claus did some good preaching. Three young people were baptized during the meeting, one of them being my second son, Donald. One young lady made the confession at Pine Orchard last evening at our regular service and was baptized today.

Yours in His service, CHAS. W. PETCH.

Newmarket, Ont. R. 3.
April 10th, 1921

Mr. D. D. McDougall,
West Gore.

Dear Bro.:--The church work at Pine Orchard and Stouffville is going along about as usual. I preached for two weeks at Griersville in January and baptised a young man and his wife. I have refused several meetings for the summer, because of the work on the farm needing my presence. I find it hard to run a farm and do the work of an evangelist at the same time.

The C. M. R. is improving. I trust you may be encouraged to keep up the good work of publishing it.

Yours in "the blessed Hope", CHAS. W. PETCH.

Vol. 6, No. 7, July 1921, p. 19-20
The ANNUAL MEETING

Just a few words about the meeting. Every person who mentioned the meeting said it was the best they ever attended. ...

On Monday evening Bro. Petch of Pine Orchard gave a splendid address on the "Everlasting Brotherhood." He excelled himself. All the addresses were of a very high order and the spirit of the meetings was wonderful. H. Stevens.

Vol. 6, No. 7, July 1921, p. 22, 23, 24
St. Catharines June Meeting

The leaders of the church at St. Catharines sent invitations to brethren both grouped and isolated, to meet them on June 11th, 12th and 13th, for mutual edification and to worship God.

Saturday at 3.30 p.m., with Bro. H. Stevens leading, short talks were given from Bathurst, Fern Avenue, and East Toronto, Smithville, Jordan, Beamsville, Owen Sound, Cape Rich, Fenwick, and Pine Orchard.

...

At 8 o'clock at night Bro. C.W. Petch made one of the best efforts of his life, "The Everlasting Brotherhood."

Bro. Russell, of Stouffville, announced that it was the intention of the church there to invite the brethren to meet with them next year, some time in June.

Brethren visited from most of the Ontario churches, many isolated brethren, and from several States in the Union, and we could most heartily sing, "Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian Love."

...

Co-operation

"Come, let us reason together."

We know that throughout our fair Ontario there are many little groups of Brothers and Sisters striving, as best they can, to uphold the Banner of the Cross, but believing comes through hearing, and we are not all teachers. It was to give these weaker ones encouragement and assistance that the movement was started, all contributing to a common fund for the support of an Evangelist to labor with those most in need of assistance, and report progress to all concerned, thus drawing us closer together in Christian love and fellowship. I regret to state that, from a financial point of view, all the churches have not yet shown their sympathy with the movement but we feel that all are interested in the Cause generally. We especially regret the support rendered by the churches in Toronto, together with Pine Orchard and Stouffville, all being

wholeheartedly in the work and, should the district plan be decided upon, we may look for a good account of their stewardship.

Vol. 7, No. 4, April 1922, p. 9-10

Newmarket, R.S., Ont.,
March 26th, 1922.

OUR LOSS, THEIR GAIN.

During the last few months the brotherhood has lost the services of two good brethren, and "A mother in Israel."

...

Sister Mary (Howitt) Rusnell, who died at Stouffville on March 12th, in her 81st year, had been a servant of Christ from her youth. Her faith and confidence in the word of the Lord, and her hope of a "world where sorrow never comes, where weeping ne'er is heard," were very strong, and cheered and sustained her in many a lonely hour during her widowhood of 16 years.

I, with many others, will feel the loss of fellowship of these departed ones. But to them, "to die was gain" "to be with Christ," and "at home with the Lord," "is very far better."

Thanks be unto our God for the glorious hope of the gospel.

Church work at Stouffville and Pine Orchard is moving along about as usual. We are looking for a spiritual uplift and general revival at Stouffville during the June meeting, on June 3rd, 4th and 5th, and during the special meetings to follow. Brethren do not forget the dates, and be present to enjoy the fellowship of saints. I will report more of the program later.

Yours in His service,
Chas. W. Petch

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STOUFFVILLE, ONT.

March 23rd, 1922

Christian Monthly Review.
West Gore, N. S.

Dear Bro.—You will please find enclosed two dollars for the renewals to C. M. R., one for Peter Lehman and one for D. H. Rusnell, at Stouffville P. O., Ont. Wishing you every success with the C. M. R.

P.S.—We have recently had two deaths here which I would have given you an account of, but I believe Bro. Petch is writing you an article for the C. M. R.

May the Lord help you to spread the Gospel of His Son that it might save many is my sincere prayer.

Yours in the faith of the Gospel, D. H. Rusnell, Stouffville, Ont.

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The June Meeting

The June Meeting, held at Stouffville this year, was one of the best it has been my

privilege to attend. The attendance on Lord's Day ranged from 425 to 600. Brethren were there from Cape Rich, Griersville, Owen Sound, Beamsville, Jordan, St. Catharines, Smithville, Detroit and Deckerville in Michigan, Pekin, N.Y., St. Louis, Louisville, and a host from Toronto. Such a gathering of brethren joining their voices and hearts in praise and worship to God, was a sight and sound that could not help but edify and inspire one to greater zeal for the cause of our Master.

The singing of the "psalms, hymns and spiritual songs" by hundreds of voices would not have been improved by the use of any human instrument. The fellowship and brotherly feelings were to us all a foretaste of heavenly joys. "How sweet, how heavenly is the sight, when those who love the Lord, in one another's peace delight, and so fulfil His word."

The sermons and addresses were all of a high tone; and expressed the confidence of the brethren in the inspired writings as God's word of truth, which is our only and all-sufficient guide from earth to heaven; needing no addition nor subtraction, and requiring no change to meet the present conditions and needs of man.

The meeting at 3 p.m. Saturday was one of interest. Short addresses were given by about twenty brethren. At the evening meeting Bros. L. J. Keffer and O. E. Tallman spoke on the subject of "Worship". They set forth the true and false or vain worship in contrast and emphasized the thought that worship included more than a mere mental attitude toward God; and that in worship our whole being is engaged in service to Him, and obedience to His expressed will, as revealed in the New Testament.

The service on Lord's Day from 9.45 to 10.45 was occupied in the discussion of "The profitableness of the inspired writings." Brothers C. W. Petch, W. Lundy, Chas. Black, of Detroit, and E. L. Jorgenson, of Louisville, spoke on the subject.

At 11 a.m., with Bro. C. H. Claus as chairman and Bro. Jas. Stewart presiding at the table, the Lord's death was celebrated by about four hundred brethren partaking of the bread and wine, as members of one body, all having equal rights and privileges in the benefits of their Lord's sacrifice. After the supper Bro. J. W. Shepherd, who is widely known among the brotherhood, gave an edifying and comforting address on "The Inheritance of God's Elect."

At 3 p.m. Bro. W. D. Campbell set forth, in his clear and convincing way, "The church that was built by Jesus the Christ." We can have that church to-day, not by reforming some religious sect, but by sowing the same "*seed* of the kingdom", the Word of God, as the apostles of Jesus sowed in their day. Thus and thus only can we reproduce a true church of Christ.

In the evening Bro. D. H. Jackson of Toronto gave one of the best addresses of his life on "A message for the 20th Century." He sounded out the appeal to the Old Jerusalem Gospel as the only message that can supply the need of men in this age.

The Monday morning meeting was given to Missionary and Evangelistic reports of the work done in different places, and to urging brethren to greater efforts along these lines.

Bro. Campbell continued the meetings until Wednesday night, when one brother was reclaimed, and Bro. Watterworth has continued them since then to the present.

The church at Stouffville has been much edified and strengthened by the June meeting and subsequent services. Four young people were baptized by the writer just before the June meeting and we are hoping for others to be gathered in ere long.

The Brethren at Toronto have asked for the next June meeting. It will keep them going to improve on the last two June meetings. We only wish they may do it.

Yours in the blessed hope, Chas. W. Petch,
Newmarket R. 3, Ont.

June 27th

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Dear Bro. McDougall:--Will also send a list of names of those from whom we received help for our building. We are about ready to start. We were detained some on the cutting part of the lumber but as it is about ready now we will soon be able to start building.

The Church at Stouffville, per Bro. Petch.....	\$10.00
The Church at Pine Orchard, per Bro. Petch.....	20.00
Bro. Petch individually.....	2.00

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It might be worthy of mention that this will be the first meeting house owned by our brethren on what is known as the North Shore. With what money we have on hand we would be able with about \$125 more to erect our building practically free from debt.

Your brother in Christ, T. W. Bailey

Vol. 8, No. 1, January 1923, p. 26

Toronto, October 20th, 1922.

To the Church of Christ at Stouffville,

Dear Brethren:--We desire to bring to your notice the results of our co-operative work in support of Foreign Missions for the year ending May 31st, 1922, as shown by the report submitted to the June meeting held at Stouffville, which is as follows:--

Receipts

Bathurst St. Church, Toronto.....	\$200.00
Fern Ave. " "	150.00
Vaughan Ave. " " (Wychwood)	68.58
St. Catharines Church	67.98
Ice Lake, Manitoulin Church	30.00
Cape Rich Church	23.00
Bible School, Jordan	20.22
Bro. O. H. Tallman and family, Owen Sound	10.00

\$569.78

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Newmarket, R. 3, Ont. Oct. 29th, 1923

Dear Bro. McDougall.—Since my arrival home from the North I have been preaching at Pine Orchard and East Toronto. One young man was baptized by me at Pine Orchard on Oct. 15th. The brethren here are taking hold of the work pretty well, and the meetings are carried on about as usual, whether I am present or absent. They are keeping well away from the "One-man Pastor" system and church is growing stronger by each one having a part in the work.

The church at Stouffville has lost two members in the death of our aged Sister Tripp and Sister Mabel (Yake) Hanna. But we "sorrow not for them, as those who have no hope."

The brethren at East Toronto are endeavouring to get their new building started before the winter sets in. We trust that the work will move along better when they get in a new house, where they can accommodate the large number of children in the vicinity of Coxwell Ave. I expect to labor with the East Toronto church most of the time during the winter.

Yours in His Service, Chas. W. Petch.

Vol. 9, No. 3, March 1924, p. 25
I like your paper very well.

Stouffville, Ont.

Your Brother in Christ,
D. H. RUSSNELL.

Vol. 10, No. 7, July 1925, p. 21-22

Newmarket, R. 3, Ont., June 25th, 1925.

DEAR BRO. MACDOUGALL:

The work at Pine Orchard is continuing with fair interest. I baptized one young man a few weeks ago, and we look for others before long. There has been a good hearing at the Lord's Day evening meetings; and the seed of the kingdom is being sown by Bro. Lundy, Bro. Alex Stewart and occasionally by myself.

I very much enjoyed the June meeting at Beamsville. The fellowship was of the best. The pleasure and joy in meeting again the brethren, with whom I had worshipped and labored in days gone by, was very great, and like Paul, I "thanked God and took courage."

The call for greater interest in missionary work was heard at most every service, and good results are already seen, in that churches have contributed to the Foreign work, which had not done so heretofore. It would be well to publish the Foreign missionary report in the C. M. R. that other churches may know what has been done.

I was with the Church at Selkirk on June 21st, and spoke three times. I think the brethren there are feeling more the need of harmony and united effort to carry the cause of Christ forward. We will still "pray for the peace of Zion." I very much appreciated the love and fellowship shown to me by many of the brethren there.

Yours in Hope, CHAS. W. PETCH.

Vol. 11, No. 9, September 1926, p. 12

D. H. Rusnell, Stouffville, Ont., Aug. 20:

" . . . I received the July number of the C. M. R. and would say it was up fully to my expectations. I am going out to solicit subscriptions. If we all do our part we should make it a success. I, for one, do not want to see in the press reflections on any brother, or insinuations that would cause offence. The criticism some received has driven them further away rather than helping them. We want a paper for teaching and admonishing one another, to be helpful in the Christian life. I may send you some small articles later. . . . Wishing you ever success with your new undertaking."

Vol. 12, No. 4, April 1927, p. 9-10

"MOTHER'S PRAYER"

I am longing tonight as by the fire I sit,
For a glimpse of the loved ones I cannot forget,

Could I only recall one day of the past
With loved ones surrounded to brighten my path.

Tonight I am thinking of loved ones, no more
Have passed o'er the river to eternity's shore,
To wait for the trumpet the dead to awake,
And hear the glad welcome at the beautiful gate.

My loved ones are scattered like sheep from the fold,
O'er prairie and woodland in search of bright gold;
They travel through dangers unseen by the way
With the Father's protection they're kept day by day.

Keep them my Father from going astray,
There are many temptations to draw them away,
May they stand on the rock, though trials appear,
With their lamps trimmed and burning there's nothing to fear.

May the good Shepherd have mercy on those
Who have wandered away so far from His fold,
May they be brought to a sense of His care
While feeding on husks which leads to despair.

Oh, for a faith that will keep me quite strong,
To walk in His steps though weary and worn.
May His grace be sufficient for all times of need,
Comfort and bless me, while on manna I feed.

Give me that wisdom that comes from above,
May I always be worthy to share in His love.
I must trust in His word, believe and obey
And do His commandments that mark out the way.

My sun is now sinking far in the west,
With all things needful, I have been blessed,
His promise is sure to those who believe,
Be faithful to Him and much will receive.

S. L.

The above "prayer" was composed by Sister Sarah Lehman, of Stouffville. She is the mother of four girls, and three or four boys, and she raised one girl not her own. These have all gone forth into different parts, and she is living alone, yet she says she is not alone, for Christ is with her always and is her comfort and stay, as she patiently waits His call. She wished that I may be near enough to go and conduct her burial services when the time comes, as I buried her companion in life while I lived at Stouffville. May she have the comfort of the Great Shepherd's presence when she is called to pass over the dark river.

One who has loved her as a mother in Israel. Charles W. Petch.

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D. H. Rusnell, Stouffville, Ont., March 15: " I wish to say that Stouffville Church is in a thrifty condition. Interest and zeal have kept up well for the winter. Bro. Alex Stewart is still coming every two weeks. The Bible class is much appreciated. Sorry to say there has been more sickness in the Church this winter than ever before, but we are praying for a speedy recovery for all. We enjoy reading so many articles from young brethren in the C. M. R., Wishing you continued success."

Vol. 12, No. 5, May 1927, p. 10

RECORD OF RECEIPTS FOR MISSIONS IN INDIA FROM ONTARIO CHURCHES
From July 10, 1926 to April 18, 1927

RECEIPTS

Balance of hand	\$ 2.40
Bathurst St. Church, Toronto	300.00
Fern Ave. Church, Toronto	150.00
Strathmore Blvd. Church, Toronto	50.00
St. Catharines Church	138.78
Stouffville Church	25.00
Bible School – Jordan	86.20
Special Meeting (Fern Ave. Church)	35.76
Contribution from individual	50.00
Interest on deposit41
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	\$838.55

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Chas. W. Petch, 500 McMillan Ave., Winnipeg, Man.: "I left Meaford on May 16. Stopped off at Newmarket. Visited my son and daughters at Pine Orchard, and preached one discourse to the church there on Mon. night.

Vol. 12, No. 8-9, August/September 1927, p. 8

ANNUAL REPORT OF RECEIPTS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS
FROM CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN ONTARIO,
FOR YEAR FROM
July 10th, 1926 to June 15th, 1927
RECEIPTS

Pine Orchard	50.00
Stouffville Church	25.00

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Alex. M. Stewart, 607 Crawford St., Toronto, Aug. 22: ...

Pine Orchard meetings fine. A good interest in Bible study and good outside hearing. We had a wonderful picnic at Musselmans Lake, where quite a number of our Stouffville brethren were present. At least ninety-five sat down to eat the good things provided. We had games, races, etc. We were especially glad to have Bro. Clinck of Stouffville, who has not been so well, with us for the day. ...

Alex. M. Stewart, Toronto, Sept. 22: "I have been with the Fern Ave. church one Lord's day and helping out at Bathurst St. We had a visit from Bro. Don Carlos Janes who addressed the churches in Toronto, Stouffville and Pine Orchard.

OBITUARY KLINCK

Two taken in one house in four days was the sad experience in the home of Bro. Thos. Klinck. Our brother was taken seriously ill early last spring and little hope was then held out for his recovery, but with good nursing and care he gradually improved, so he was getting around to attend to his business, and be regular in attending the Lord's day morning worship. He was one of the strong holds of Stouffville church, a man of sterling qualities, honest and upright in all his dealings. One who will be greatly missed by the church and a great loss to the community. On Thurs. Morning, Sept. 22, Sister Klinck awoke, and noticed her husband peacefully resting, in sleep she thought. But soon learned he had fallen asleep in Jesus. He was in his 75th year. Just at that hour, the wife of his youngest son, Harry O. Klinck (living in the same house) took very ill and suffered till Monday morning, Sept. 26, passing out in her 29th year. She was one of the finest women, in the home or abroad. A good Christian character and one who was liked by all who knew her. Bro. Harry's heart is doubly filled with sorrow, and the church sorrows with him over the loss of his father and this his second wife. Two little ones and a girl of ten years by his former wife, are left to mourn with him and his mother. Stouffville feels very keenly the loss of those two who dropped out so suddenly, but we hope and pray our loss will be their gain.

The funeral service was conducted by Bro. Amos Tovell of Guelph, Ont. Scripture reading and a few comments by D. Hesie of Gormley, Ont.

D. H. Rusnell

Stouffville, Ont. Oct. 3, 1927

Vol. 13, No. 1, January 1928, p. 14

Alex. M. Stewart, 607 Crawford St., Toronto, Ont., Dec. 9: " ...

Beamsville and Pine Orchard work good."

Vol. 13, No. 2, February 1928, p. 13

D. H. Rusnell, Stouffville, Ont., Dec. 30: "I wish you and your family, also the C. M. R. a very happy and prosperous New Year. Our aim should be better and more service for the Master whom we serve. Our worship and morning services have not been so well attended of late on account of sickness and bad roads, but behind the cloud there is a silver lining. We have one member from Collingwood, just moved here and we hear of more coming soon. Our prayers go out for those who are cold or lukewarm, who scarcely ever attend worship. We want the prayers of all the brethren, that their hearts might be touched to greater diligence and service for the Master."

Vol. 13, No. 3, March 1928, p. 13

Alex. M. Stewart, 607 Crawford St., Toronto, Feb. 6: " ...

On Jan. 15 I had a visit with the church at Stouffville. They are missing our late Bro. Klinck, who was always in his place. The brethren are trying to be faithful to their Lord.

...

Meetings at Beamsville are good. I believe just a little better than usual. They are planning for a bigger work. Pine Orchard has discontinued Sun. evening meetings till spring."

D. H. Rusnell, Stouffville, Ont., Feb. 1: "The church here is continuing in her regular order of worship with only a fair attendance. A number have been under the weather and some are not as attentive as they might be. But we do not forget them in our prayers. We still have faith in God' Word."

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ANNUAL REPORT OF INDIA MISSIONS FROM JULY 1, 1927,
TO JUNE 1, 1928.
Receipts

Pine Orchard Church 50.00

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LEHMAN

On April 29th, sister Francis Lehman of Newmarket passed away as a result of a stroke, in her 70th year. She was one of God's faithful who will be missed, for she was very regular in her attendance at meeting, and interested in every good work. A service was held at the home in Newmarket on May 2nd, also a public service at Pine Orchard meeting house. A large company of brethren and friends were present from Stouffville, Pine Orchard, Newmarket, Toronto and Meaford. Services conducted by the writer.

Alex M. Stewart

Vol. 13, No. 9, September 1928, p. 12

Alex M. Stewart, 607 Crawford St., Toronto, Ont., July 24: " ...

I am expecting to have sweet fellowship with the church at Woodgreen, July 29. Pine Orchard meetings good. Special interest in Bible study classes."

Vol. 13, No. 11, November 1928, p. 12

A. M. Stewart, 607 Crawford St., Toronto, Ont., Sept 10: "...

Meetings at Pine Orchard are good and well attended."

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OUR INDIAN ROAD

As the result of Bro. Trindle's visit and the hearty manner in which his work has been approved the officers and representatives of the city churches decided to ask the congregations to join in supporting the missionary in his labours among the Indians in Manitoba.

...

It is good to know that some encouragement and happiness has been given this faithful self-sacrificing servant of God. But, while he may have received blessing by coming amongst us, the most real spiritual benefit has come to us. We are his debtors for having drawn us closer together and shown us something of the power of Christ in a life that has suffered much for His sake.

When he has visited Tintern, Hamilton, Selkirk, Jordan, St. Catharines, Stouffville and Pine Orchard, Bro. Trindle will return to Toronto, and from here set out for home. Our best wishes will go with him, but our prayers and practical support must follow in the years to come.

--H. McKerlie, in Bathurst St., Bulletin. Nov. 18, 1928

Vol. 14, No. 2, February 1929, p. 13

Alex M. Stewart, 607 Crawford St., Toronto, Ont., Dec. 28: "... Pine Orchard –A good deal of sickness, but meetings about up to average."

Vol. 14, No. 3, March 1929, p. 13

Alex M. Stewart, 607 Crawford St., Toronto, Ont., Jan. 21: "... Evening meetings have closed for winter months in Pine Orchard."

Vol. 14, No. 5, May 1929, p. 13

Alex M. Stewart, 607 Crawford St., Toronto, Ont., Mar. 25: "... I was with Stouffville brethren Sunday morning enjoying the fellowship. They are looking for better meetings henceforth. I hope their faithful efforts will bear fruit. There has been a lot of sickness at all points this winter, but with the coming of spring it should be better."

Vol. 14, No. 6, June 1929, p. 14

D. H. Rusnell, Stouffville, Ont., April 29: "We were much pleased yesterday when two young men came forward at the close of our morning service and made the good confession before men and expressed the desire to be buried with their Lord in baptism. When the hour arrived for baptism there was a young lady made the good confession also, and was buried with her Lord in baptism. Our hearts were made glad to see the young take their stand for Christ. We pray that more may follow soon."

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KEFFER

On June 8th, 1929, Sister Annie Yake, widow of the late Bro. S. Keffer, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wesley Lundy in Toronto. She had made her home with Sister Lundy since the latter's marriage. Deceased was born May 19, 1845, the daughter of Bro. John and Sister Susan Yake, of Stouffville, Ont. She became a Christian in young womanhood – baptized by Bro. Lister. At about 20 years of age she was married to Bro. S. Keffer. She was the mother of five children; one daughter, Barbara, died at age of 18 months; the first Mrs. L. N. McDougall (deceased); the first Mrs. A. S. Tallman (deceased); Mrs. Wesley Lundy, surviving, of Toronto; and Bro. L. J. Keffer, surviving, of Smithville, Ont. She is survived by three

brothers, Abram, John and Jacob Yake, all of Stouffville. About the first of March she fell and broke her hip, from which she never recovered, being confined to her bed, suffering intensely till the end. Sister Keffer was instrumental in converting her husband to Christ, who afterwards became an outstanding preacher of the gospel in Canada. She deserves much credit as a faithful, self-sacrificing preacher's wife. All her children but the one, became Christians. The well attended funeral services were conducted in our meeting house in Stouffville by Bro. Alex Stewart, assisted by Brethren O. E. Tallman, C. G. McPhee, H. McKerlie, W. F. Cox, and W. H. Cauble. Her body was laid to rest beside that of her husband, in the Yake cemetery near Stouffville.

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A. M. Stewart, 607 Crawford St., Toronto, Ont., June 22: " ...

As you know, on Mon. following June meeting Sister Keffer was laid to rest beside her husband in the old Yake cemetery at Stouffville, Ont. A short service was held at the home of her daughter, Sister Wesley Lundy, who has been waiting on her for a long time. Bros. Albert Brown and James Stewart, Sr. took part. Then a service was held at our meeting house at Stouffville, well attended by brethren and friends. So passed one more of the pioneers of the Restoration movement, to her rest. I pray that those of us who are younger in years may be stirred to greater diligence in the Master's service.

Tomorrow I expect to be at Stouffville in the morning and Pine Orchard in the evening. Pray for us that God may use us to the saving of souls through the preaching of the Gospel."

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For Missions--... church Stouffville, \$25;

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Chas. W. Petch, Horse Creek, Sask., July 14:

...

He further said that there were prospects for some additions at Horse Creek. He will be there till the last week in Aug., then to Winnipeg for Sept. 1st and to Thessalon for Sept. 8th. After which he will visit Pine Orchard, Meaford, etc. He has been fairly well most of the time since May 14, when he started his summer's work.

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LEHMAN

Sister Sarah Lehman died in Stouffville on July 17, 1919, in her 85th year. While outside her house a stroke caused her to fall heavily to the ground, from which she never rallied. She lingered for 3 or 4 days before death came.

She spent all of her life in this neighborhood, and has been a devoted and faithful Christian for about 70 years. Her husband pre-deceased her 20 years ago. They both were leading members of the church here and are greatly missed. But we believe they will meet where parting is unknown. Her maiden name was Sarah Broadway. She is survived by four sons and three daughters, namely, John A. Lehman, Toronto; Jacob and Wilmot, North Bay; Bert, Saskatoon; Mrs. Florence Gardiner, Nyack, N.Y.; Mrs. Laurette Pollock, New Andover, Mass.; and Mrs. Retta Hockaday, Littleton, Col.

We sorrow not as those who have no hope, but we hope to meet again. The services were

conducted by Bro. McKerlie of Toronto, in the church house and were attended by a large company of friends.

D. H. Rusnell, Stouffville, Ont.

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Alex M. Stewart, 607 Crawford St., Toronto, Ont., Aug. 28: "On Aug. 11 Bro. McKerlie spoke morning and evening at Pine Orchard. Seven responded to the invitation at night. On Mon. night 4 more stepped out and obeyed the Lord. Bro. McKerlie held meetings for 3 evenings in the week. On the Sun. evening Bro. Malcolm Simpson, followed by a week of meetings, Bro. Cauble being the speaker. These meetings have all been most helpful to the church at Pine Orchard. We are glad to report 2 more added to the Lord Mon. evening. All are happy and hoping for more precious souls."

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REPORT OF FALL MEETING

The Fall Meeting of the Churches of Christ of Ontario was held Oct. 5th and 6th in Toronto under the direction of the Strathmore Boulevard Congregation.

On Saturday afternoon Bro. Charles W. Petch was chairman of the meeting. Bro. Petch gave us an interesting account of his work in Manitoba and in one or two of the Northwestern States. A number of reports were made by brethren from Stouffville, Beamsville, Wychwood, Bathurst Street, East Danforth and Strathmore.

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Chas. W. Petch, Newmarket, Ont., R. 3, Oct. 4: "We had a good meeting at Thessalon with 6 baptisms. Had a safe trip home from there and received a hearty welcome from all. I spoke at Pine Orchard last Lord's Day. Shall go to the Fall Meeting, then go to Meaford for the 13th. Will likely be there till November. We are all feeling fairly well, and glad to be at our journey's end. We met Bro. Dan Stewart and wife at Thessalon on their way home to Carman, Man."

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Alex M. Stewart, 607 Crawford St., Toronto, Nov. 5: ...

Bro. W. Lundy and Bro. W. Hammond have been preaching at Pine Orchard thus helping greatly the work there.

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OBITUARY

The Church of Christ at Stouffville suffered another loss in the death of Mrs. W. J. Flewell on Aug. 1st, 1930. She was a life long member of the Church of Christ. She was born in the County of Grey, Dec. 12th, 1861 her maiden name being Ellen Jane Jay. She married a Mr. Croft in early life, and lived around Meaford until the death of her husband. To them was born one son, A. R. Croft. About one year later she lost her husband. She then moved to San Francisco, remaining there until about the time she married her second husband, W. J. Flewell, who was a miller by trade. They settled at Bobcaygeon, Ont., over 40 years ago, spending about 25 years there. They moved to a farm in Whitchurch Township, near Stouffville, where she spent the remainder of her life. She left behind a husband and one son to mourn their loss. She

was a woman of the highest character, highly respected by all and living very close to her Master.

The funeral service was conducted at the home by Bro. W. H. Cauble, of Strathmore Blvd., Toronto. Interment took place at Bobcaygeon on Sunday, August 3rd, 1930.

--D. H. RUSNELL, Stouffville, Ont.

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OUR INDIAN ROAD

...

We gratefully acknowledge East End Church, Hamilton, \$5.00; Stouffville, General Funds, \$35; Building fund, \$10.00; Thessalon, \$15.00.

Yours awaiting replenishments, WALTER EATOUGH.

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RECEIVED DURING JUNE 1st to SEPT. 30th

For Bro. Petch's Work in the West

Church at Stouffville, Ont. 30.00

For "Our Indian Road," Manitoba

Church at Stouffville, Ont. 35.00

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THE FALL MEETING

By W. Cauble

On Saturday night, October 4th, the first congregation assembled to hear the short messages of visiting brethren. A number of helpful thoughts were presented by them. Among those who spoke were Bro. McKerlie of the Bathurst Street congregation, Bro. Runsnell of Stouffville, Bro. Fred Smart of Detroit, Bro. Docherty of Detroit and Bro. Bateman of Windsor.

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GIRLS TRAINING UNDER MISS BANNISTER

Mlangeni, P. O., Nyasaland,
Central Africa,
May 5th, 1931

...

I am glad to learn that Stouffville is coming to our help again. They were very faithful when I was here before. Please thank all our helpers very much. I often ask the Lord to bless them all.
M. BANNISTER.

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Received During May
For Our Indian Road, Manitoba

Church at Pine Orchard, Ont. 25.00

For Bro. Petch, Saskatchewan

Church at Pine Orchard, Ont. 25.00

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VISITING

The Editor [H. McKerlie] recently visited the congregation at Erin, Ont., and a talk on our missionary work was much appreciated. ...

Another Sunday spent at Pine Orchard, Ont., was shorn of much of a similar sweet experience through a storm that prevented all but a few of the congregation from coming out to the evening meeting. The morning service was well attended and a fine spirit shown by all.

We shall be glad to arrange to give lantern talks on mission work wherever arrangements can be made to do so.

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Stouffville, Ont., Aug. 13th, 1931.

Dear Bro. Cauble:

The Church at Stouffville is progressing very favorably and the attendance has been very fair through the hot weather. We have had of late Bro. Wesley Lundy, of Toronto. He has been giving us splendid assistance, coming every two weeks, and his talks have been well received.

The Pine Orchard and Stouffville Churches held their Annual Picnic at Musselman's Lake on July 29, and had a very enjoyable time boating and playing games of various kinds.

We are very sorry to hear of the departure of our esteemed Bro. McKerlie back to the Home Land on so short a notice. We hope it may not be for long, and we do hope to find able supporters to carry the C. M. R. along, and that it may shine, so that many may receive light from it to lighten their pathway, so life will be worth living here and fitted for Eternity.

D. H. RUSNELL, Stouffville, Ont.

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RECEIVED DURING SEPTEMBER

For Sister Bannister, Nyasaland

Church at Stouffville, Ont. 15.00

A. Lehman, Stouffville, Ont. 7.50

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PINE ORCHARD

For nearly a year Pine Orchard congregation has been carrying on without assistance from outside speakers. We have three members who take the morning meeting alternately. The attendance at the 11 o'clock morning meeting is good. We have Sunday School at 10 o'clock, but the attention is not as good as it ought to, or might be. We have a Bible study at 7.30 p.m. which is very good, with an attendance of about thirty who come quite regularly and take a lively interest. We are now studying the Acts of Apostles.

AMOS BEEVERS

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Stouffville, April 3rd.

The church here in the past few months has been experiencing difficult times. Some members have left for a month or two, a great number have been sick and bad roads in the country have prevented many from coming in on Lord's Days. But we expect that, very soon, things will be normal again; in fact, reports lead us to expect at an early date better meetings than we have had for a long time.

We are longing and praying for a revival and that many old faces will be seen coming back again. And we pray for God's blessing to rest upon His work everywhere.

Sincerely yours, D. H. RUSNELL

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EDITORIAL
THE JUNE MEETING

As we go to press we learn that Pine Orchard congregation is making arrangements to hold this meeting on the 11th and 12th.

Particulars will be mailed to churches.

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Widdifield

On Jan. 22nd our Sister, N. Widdifield of Pine Orchard, was laid to rest. For many years confined to her room an invalid, she was always bright and cheerful. It was a pleasure to know her. A large company of brethren and friends were present to show their respect and sympathy to our Sister and the bereaved ones.

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RECEIVED MARCH 1 TO JULY 31
For Miss M. Bannister, Nyasaland

Church at Stouffville, Ont. 15.00

Excerpts from the *Gospel Herald*

Vol. 2, No. 11, January 1938, p. 6

Our Canadian Preachers

Charles Wesley Petch was born near Meaford, Ontario, December 6th, 1878. He attended high school at Meaford, and was baptized by Brother Wm. Richardson, at Meaford in 1896.

In 1899 he married Ada May Elford, and for the next two years, attended the Bible school at Carman for one year.

He preached at Selkirk, Ontario for two years, and St. Catharines for two years where the membership was doubled, and at Fenwick two years. For sixteen years he labored with the churches at Stouffville and Pine Orchard, Ontario, and for several years preached at East

Toronto.

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Beamsville, Ont., May 28, 1938—Wednesday and Thursday nights I spoke at Selkirk. Last night I spoke at Beamsville in the interest of the Saskatchewan work. Sunday morning and evening I spoke at the two St. Catharines congregations, then at Tintern, Smithville and Jordan. The next Sunday at Hamilton, morning and evening. The next week I will be at Woodgreen, Pine Orchard, and I do not know where else, but the next Sunday in Toronto. I am getting a good hearing, and I am sure I am working up a good interest in the western work.—D. A. Sinclair

Vol. 3, No. 7, September 1938, p. 15

Omagh, Ontario Summer Bible School, July 3rd to July 24th

Fifty-nine students, thirty boys and twenty-nine girls were enrolled. They were from Toronto, Hamilton, St. Catharines, Meaford, Beamsville, Jordan, Welland, Lindsay, Griersville, Newmarket, Pine Orchard, Tintern, Milton, Oakville and Omagh.

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Called Home

On Feb. 1st Sister Mary Rusnell, wife of the late Bro. Daniel Rusnell, of Stouffville, Ont., passed away very peacefully. Nearly five years ago Bro. Rusnell was called home very suddenly and our sister never got over the shock, but longed to go home. So, though we will miss her very much, we know she is very much better. She leaves 3 sisters, 2 sons and 1 daughter, and several grandchildren, and a host of friends to mourn their loss.

The service was conducted by the writer, assisted by Bro. H. McKerlie, on Feb. 3.

Alex M. Stewart

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Omagh Bible School

July 25th, 1939—Sunday, July 23rd, closed another year of the Omagh Summer Bible School. Our enrolment this year was seventy students. They came from Little Long Lac, Lindsay, Meaford, Griersville, Newmarket, Pine Orchard, Toronto, Hamilton, St. Catharines, Welland, Tintern, London, Oakville, Omagh, Niagara Falls, N.Y.

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Alex M. Stewart

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Our Indian Road

...

For July and August we thankfully acknowledge \$5.00 monthly from Hamilton. From Stouffville, Ont., per Brother McKerlie, \$23.00 Vancouver, \$4.50.—W. Eatough, 529 Toronto St., Winnipeg

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Pine Orchard, Ont.

The work at Pine Orchard carries on. We have had six additions this summer taking

place at Omagh. Bible schools are doing a good work and need our encouragement. We can also see the part the Sunday School plays in training the younger minds in truth. Our recent visitors were Bro. and Sister L. J. Keffer and daughter, of Hamilton. He spoke both morning and evening, giving us two fine talks. We also had a week-night visit from some of the Bathurst St., Toronto, members which was spent in singing, and a talk from Bro. Coleman, of Bathurst St., and Bro. Bales, of Fern Ave., which was very much enjoyed.—Jesse E. Lundy.

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Our Indian Road

...
Gratefully acknowledging for 1939 up to and including December 13th, the following:
Sisters at Hamilton, 59.00; Vancouver, 16.50; Jordan Station, 25.00. Stouffville, per Brother
McKerlie, 23.00; Omagh, 20.00; Carman, 10.00; Brantford, 10.00; total, 173.50.

... --W. Eatough, 529 Toronto St., Winnipeg

Vol. 5, No. 3, May 1940, p. 9

Pine Orchard, Ont., April 19, 1940—Stop, Look and Listen! Pine Orchard! Where is it? Come and find it some time. It is thirty miles north of Toronto and four miles east of Newmarket. When you get there stop and enquire. You may be right there. When I went to school two people stood on the main corner asking where Pine Orchard was. Well, it has not grown since. The blacksmith has gone and a garage has come. We used to get mail three times a week; but now a rural route every day. But best of all, we have now a Church of Christ with members coming from Newmarket, five miles, Sharon, five miles, Stouffville, fifteen miles and Cedar Valley, a little over a mile. We have a Sunday school with attendance around thirty, worship thirty-five to forty, evening meeting, sometimes encouraging and sometimes not. Bro. Colin Widdifield spoke on Sunday. No visitors for a long time.—Jesse E. Lundy.

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STOUFFVILLE TRUST FUND

On the disbanding of the church in Stouffville, Ontario, and from the sale of the meeting house, some \$500.00 were entrusted to my care, to be used for work "similar" to that of the church.

It is now quite a time since this trust was made and I would like to have it discharged and see the money at work for the Master, so shall be glad to consider applications for it, in whole or in part, from any congregation ready and needing to make use of it, in a manner sanctioned by the terms of the recorded desire of the late assembly.

H. McKerlie
603 Northcliffe Blvd.
Toronto, Ontario

Vol. 10, No. 4, April 1st, 1944, p. 15
BRO. FRANK LEHMAN

On March 15th, at Pine Orchard, Ontario, there was laid to rest the earthly remains of Francis Lehman, one of the oldest members in the churches of Christ in the Province.

Bro. Lehman, as his friends called him, had at least sixty-five years church membership

to his credit. He was blessed of the Lord with much more than the Psalmist's allotted span, being in his eighty-fourth year, when suddenly the call came to him to come up higher. In the funeral sermon, he was likened to the "Father of the Faithful," the text being used, "Abraham gave up the ghost, and died in a good old age, an old man, and full of years, and was gathered to his people.

The very large attendance at the funeral service, on one of the worst weather days of all the winter, testified to the wide and high esteem to which this venerable saint was held. To his family, grandchildren and his many brethren and friends, Bro. Lehman has left happy memories and an inspiring example of faith and fortitude. The church at Pine Orchard may lose something through his going, but it may gain much by the good influence he has left with it.

Brother Phillip Petch of Meaford and H. McKerlie of Toronto officiated.

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BROTHER PENNOCK REPORTS

51 Duggan Ave.,
Toronto, Ontario,
Sept. 9th, 1944

...

I also enjoyed meeting the brethren at Pine Orchard. I had the privilege of speaking to them on September 1st. I was just there for one evening so did not get as well acquainted with these brethren as I would have liked. They appeared to be sincerely interested in the great work of spreading the Truth. I spent the night in the home of brother and sister Colin Widdifield, after having had dinner with brother and sister Brandon. I deeply appreciated the hospitality of these homes.

...

Gordon J. Pennock.

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REPORT FROM TORONTO

In recent weeks we have had two baptisms at Maplewood Ave. ... Bro. McPhee goes to Long Branch each Tuesday and to Pine Orchard, Thursdays. ...

G. M. Johnson

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STOUFFVILLE CHURCH FUND

To all whom it may concern:

On May 18, 1939, in the home of the late Bro. Peter Lehman, of Stouffville, Ontario, the members of the church of Christ in Stouffville met to "confirm the motion of last meeting to dispose of (the church's) property".

From the Minutes of that meeting we quote: "Bro. H. McKerlie and Bro. Alex M. Stewart authorized by meeting to dispose of property according to deed and also distribute proceeds;" and "that money in bank be handed over to Bro. H. McKerlie and A. M. Stewart for to be used according to their best judgment for the cause of missions". "Carried—unanimous".

"Memoranda concerning:

disposal of the Treasury and Property of the church of Christ until recently meeting at Second Street, Stouffville, Ontario, by H. McKerlie and A. M. Stewart, of Toronto, appointed by the said church, before disbanding, to disburse its funds and sell its property, consisting of a 'village lot' and church meeting-house built thereon."

RECEIPTS

By funds in treasury	\$ 70.34
By sale of property	<u>509.12</u>
 Total receipts	 \$579.46

DISBURSEMENTS

To Manitoba Indian Mission, via W. Eatough, Winnipeg, Man.	23.00
To Charlton Station, Ont., Work, via W. G. Hammond, Toronto	40.00
To Advertising Property for Sale in Toronto Evening Telegram, Toronto Globe and Mail, Stouffville Tribune	6.62
To Postage, Revenue Stamps, Carfares, per H. McKerlie	.84
To Time and Travelling Expenses per A. M. Stewart	9.00
Balance held in trust for church work	<u>500.00</u>
	\$579.46

(Signed) ALEX M. STEWART
H. McKERLIE

Date October 20th, 1939.

Closing Account:

Jan. 18, 1943, Cash in Bank (including interest)	\$520.13
Sept. 1945, Cash in Bank (including interest)	487.22
April 14, 1943, to church of Christ Building Fund, Griersville, Ont.	\$ 50.00
Sept. 17, 1945, to the Omagh Bible School	<u>487.22</u>

Account Closed.

Of the Stouffville church property, there still remains to be disposed of, a one-tray individual cup communion set.

(Signed) H. McKERLIE
603 Northcliffe Blvd.
Toronto 10, Ont.
July 10, 1946.

Vol. 16, No. 4, May 1950, p. 9

GOOD NEWS FROM ORANGEVILLE, ONT.

Last Fall when the McCormack family and other brethren in Orangeville asked for help it was decided at our September meeting to help establish a congregation there.

We sent Brother Mitchell to hold a meeting and one obeyed the gospel. The brethren from Toronto and other places supported the meeting in a fine way.

The Orangeville brethren then rented the Legion Hall for a meeting place for 3 p.m. each Lord's Day afternoon. They have just closed another meeting with Brother Mitchell of eleven days duration and two more have been baptized.

The brethren are planning another meeting for some time this Fall. Brother Mitchell has been asked to arrange a speaker for each Sunday. The future of the work is bright indeed.

The brethren need a little help to meet their expenses. They are looking forward to the time when they shall have a building of their own. Brotherly, M. Peddle.

Vol. 17, No. 8, September 1951, p. 12

SPECIAL MEETINGS AT ORANGEVILLE, ONTARIO

Brother McCready of the Strathmore church in Toronto will be the special speaker in a special effort at Orangeville.

The meeting will be held in the Town Hall. These services will run from Sept. 16 through the 23.

Let's give Orangeville a hand.

Vol. 19, No. 2, March 1953, p. 9

BROTHER JESSE E. LUNDY PASSES

The sands of time are falling. One by one we are slipping into eternity. The good must go as well as the evil. Since Adam sinned the sentence of death has been passed upon all men, even to those who have not sinned after the likeness of Adam's transgression.

It was on December 12th that the last call on earth came to Brother Jesse E. Lundy, of Pine Orchard, Ontario. While he had been in failing health for several years, he still enjoyed life and continued to go about his business as usual. While bent beneath the burden of years, the fire in his soul still glowed. He was the friend of many. The people of the community beat a path to his door. The sawmill and grinder served the people for many years. Strangers and friends walked along the dam and floated in the long ago. He leaves behind him a monument that only time will erase from the memory of those who may follow in his steps.

Born on the fifth line of Witchurch Township on June 27, 1883. In this community he lived, worked and served most of his life, until he laid down just beyond the portal of his own door and breathed out his spirit into the hands of God. "Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his". (Numbers 23:10) His sudden passing was a great shock to his loved ones and friends, but who would desire to change it? No waiting or suffering, just the setting of the sun.

Brother Lundy is survived by his beloved wife with whom he travelled the pathway of life for more than forty-six years. Also he leaves to mourn his departure, two daughters, Mrs. Earle Brammer and Mrs. Irene West; four grandchildren; one brother, Wesley, and two sisters, Mrs. Walter Hall, and Mrs. Howard McClure.

Brother Lundy had long been a member of the church of Christ at Pine Orchard. Years ago he assisted in the building of the meeting house where his body was carried, and where his many friends and dear ones assembled to pay their final tribute of respect. It was my privilege and responsibility to speak to the large crowded present, after which his mortal remains were carried to the community cemetery, not far away, and where he will rest in the bosom of old mother earth till his body is called forth on the resurrection morn.

The writer was assisted by Brother Fred Smart and John MacKay.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord". Charles G. McPhee

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LUNDY

It is appointed unto man once to die. This is true of all mankind. The good must go as well as the evil. We have no choice in the matter. The ones needed so much must fail and fall before the grim reaper.

After a long illness Brother Wesley Lundy passed away at his home in Pine Orchard, Ontario. Most of his earthly pilgrimage of more than three score and ten years were spent in this

community where he was born and buried. It was on the fifth line of Whitchurch Township that he first saw the light of day, on October 1, 1879. He was well known and loved by many friends throughout this section of the country and by brethren over various parts of Ontario.

When he was a young man he was baptized by Bro. W. Campbell at the old Bathurst Street church in Toronto. During all his Christian life of more than half a century he was active in the church of his Lord, whom he loved and served. Gifted with an unusual power of thought and speech, he taught and preached much during the years of active life. The church at Pine Orchard has lost a faithful and capable leader. His departure has left a vacant place in the home and church, and he is mourned by friends and loved ones; but their sorrow is mingled with joy at the thought of meeting.

Beyond the sunsets radiant glow
Wherein that fairer world I know
Where golden glories ever shine
Beyond the thought of stars decline.

Brother Lundy is survived by his beloved wife, one daughter, and three sons, and two sisters.

Services were conducted in the church of Christ meeting house adjoining his home. Several preaching brethren were present and assisted at the service. Among the number were Robert McCready, John Whitfield, H. McKerlie, and John McKay.

Following the final service in the house of worship, his body was carried to the cemetery not far away and placed in the bosom of old mother earth to await the resurrection call.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord." Charles G. McPhee

Vol. 21, No. 6, July 1955, p. 8

Here and There: Regular Sunday morning worship services are now being conducted in a hall a few miles from Orangeville, Ont. Bill Harvey of the Strathmore congregation in Toronto, has been speaking there. ...

Vol. 22, No. 6, July 1956, p. 8

The following matter was received too late for inclusion in the Special Issue on the church in Canada.

Pine Orchard, Ont. Mbrship 34 Av. Att. 24

Vol. 23, No. 11, December 1957, p. 12

OUR DEPARTED: BRANDON

Charles Richard Brandon of Newmarket, Ontario, passed away October 1st, 1957. Bro. Brandon was born in Arthur, Dec. 25, 1865, being in his 92nd year, at the time of his death. He was for many years a faithful member of the Pine Orchard congregation. He was a strong robust man and enjoyed good health until about a year before his departure.

He is survived by three sons and four daughters, Harry, Newmarket; Charles, Uxbridge; Dean, Guelph; Mrs. Gertrude Lehman, Pine Orchard; Mrs. Annie Allen, Stouffville; Mrs. Gladys McFarlane, Workworth and Mrs. Elva Hutchinson, Newmarket, also one stepson, Willis Widdifield, Stouffville.

The funeral service was from the Roadhouse and Rose Funeral Home, Newmarket, with the interment in the Pine Orchard Cemetery.—Charles G. McPhee

Vol. 24, No. 4, May 1958, p. 8, 13

Here and There: "At Pine Orchard, Ont. near Newmarket, there are many signs of progress in the Lord's church. On Sunday, April 13th, Bruce and Doris Brandon of Uxbridge responded to the gospel invitation and it was my privilege to baptize them the same afternoon.

There have been other additions to the congregation by transfers from elsewhere. The brethren have also undertaken the task of placing a basement under their church building and hope to use it for Bible school in the near future. They are worthy of commendation and encouragement."—Albert E. Bennetts.

Vol. 28, No. 10, November 1962, p. 10

Here and There: Pine Orchard, Ont.: A fine meeting is being held by Wesley Jones of Barrie. Four were obedient to the Gospel.

Vol. 29, No. 5, June 1963, p. 10

Here and There: The 2.45 Sunday school and 4.00 worship service in Newmarket continues to receive good response. The co-operation of brethren from Pine Orchard has been good, as well as that of brethren from Toronto and other churches.

Vol. 29, No. 9, October 1963, p. 17

BRANDON: Charles Brandon of Uxbridge, Ont., a faithful member of the Pine Orchard congregation, was laid to rest in the Pine Orchard Cemetery on Monday, September 15th. Bro. Brandon was born at Shrubmont, Ont., 60 years ago. He obeyed the Gospel, August, 1929.

On May 15th, 1937 he married Phyllis Radford. Their home has been blessed with one daughter Doris, and one son Bruce, both faithful Christians.

Charlie Brandon was one of the regulars who will be greatly missed at Pine Orchard.

Bro. John Mackay and Brother Fred Smart conducted the funeral service.—Fred Smart

Vol. 29, No. 12, January 1964, p. 17

PINE ORCHARD

The forming of the Church of Christ at Pine Orchard occurred about 1904, when a few members who lived in this district and were meeting with the Church of Christ at Stouffville felt the need for local meetings.

Brother Charles Brandon, Sr. opened his home for the Lord's Day meetings. Worship continued here until the home could no longer accommodate the congregation, at which time they engaged the Temperance Hall, on the fifth concession of Whitchurch Township just north of Pine Orchard corner.

At this location Brother Charles W. Petch held a protracted meeting, at which was a good response to the gospel preaching. At a later date he purchased a farm in this district and labored with the congregation.

They continued to worship at this location for approximately nine years, prior to the erection of the church building on its present site in 1916.

Under capable leadership and co-operative effort the work of the Lord progressed in this district.

By this co-operative attitude and the effort put forth by the membership, they were privileged to host the June Meeting on June 11th and 12th, 1932; with Brother H. McKerlie as the

guest speaker.

This was one occasion when our well known June Meeting was held in a tent.

We enjoyed and deeply appreciated the co-operation of the WHOLE community. The Agriculture Society at Newmarket provided the tent (free gratis). Roadhouse and Rose at Newmarket supplied chairs (no charge) and without solicitation the neighbors contributed baking and other foods; as we provided meals for all who attended. Truly a community effort to further the work of the Lord.

In 1959-60 we felt the need to expand our facilities and added a basement to the present building, which gives greater advantages for Sunday School and other work. In 1962 our members numbered forty three. The membership was widely dispersed, coming from Newmarket, Uxbridge and Stouffville, as well as the local community.

A hearty invitation is extended to all to come and worship with us.

Vol. 30, No. 6, July 1964, p. 20

Here and There: A group of 35 workers converging on Central Ontario for a Campaign to Proclaim Christ Crucified, June 21 through 30 are being held by Larry Acuff at Pine Orchard; Howard Wakefield at Newmarket; Bob Bryson at Barrie; Eddie Campbell at Collingwood. These will speak at 8:00 through the ten days, but personal work by the team, including local workers and Ontario volunteers, will stretch from June 17 through July 2. Included in the group is also Bro. and Sis. Bill Rogers, missionaries in the Republic of Panama for many years.

Two congregations have supplied the principle financing – Forest Hills and Dasher, in Valdosta, but they have been aided by many others. A colour-brochure, extensive TV and radio advertising, and thousands of tracts were features of the effort to reach the public through the eye.

The co-operation of the members of the congregation involved, and the spirit of helpfulness among them has been wholehearted. God has blessed us with rich fellowship, and now, we pray, an abundant harvest.

Vol. 30, No. 7, August 1964, p. 10

Here and There: Simcoe County Campaign: In Collingwood there were forty non-members who attended, six of whom have now been baptized. Attendance reached 100 on June 24. Calls were made at 1,560 homes; 1,000 invitations were handed to workers at the shipyards; 533 telephone calls were made and 35 film showings and Bible studies were conducted at this place. Four young people were baptized at Newmarket. Baptisms at Pine Orchard and Barrie bring the total to date to 22 if our information is reliable.

A similar campaign for next year is in mind and it is hoped that more helpers will be available from Ontario churches.

Vol. 31, No. 8, August 1965, p. 10

Here and There: Pine Orchard, Ont.: One baptism has been reported.

Vol. 32, No. 9, September 1966, p. 3

Here and There: Pine Orchard, Ont.: One was baptized in July.

Vol. 33, No. 8, August 1967, p. 13

Our Departed: HALL

Sister Walter Hall of Newmarket, Ont., and a member of the Pine Orchard congregation

of the church, was called to rest and her eternal reward on June 7th. She had a fruitful life of 86 years having celebrated with her respected husband a 63rd Wedding Anniversary.

She had experienced blindness of late and other frailties were setting in. Her remains were laid to rest on June 10th in Pine Orchard Cemetery. She is survived by her husband and two daughters.—F. R. Smart

Vol. 37, No. 8, August 1971, p. 13

News East: Newmarket, Ontario, "This year VBS was in the evening from 7:30 to 9:30, July 5-9. We tried to aim for quality rather than numbers. We had a high of 118 and an average of 100. This made it possible for each teacher to do a better job.

We had the able assistance of Brother and Sister Hart of Bramalea, Blake Gieg of Barrie and Jean Preston of Pine Orchard, plus six teachers from Newmarket.

Vol. 37, No. 10, October 1971, p. 21

Brandon: In the early hours of September 3rd the gentle, quiet spirit of Sister Mable Brandon departed this life to be with the Lord. At the time of her passing, she was in her 76th year. Born in 1896, she had lived all her life in the Pine Orchard (Newmarket) area.

Her first husband (Mr. Gold) predeceased her several years ago. She is survived by one son Mr. Harris Gold of Willowdale (a second son predeceased her nine years ago), two daughters in law, two grand children, and two great grandchildren. She was united to Bro. Harry Brandon in 1948. He also remains to mourn her passing.

Sister Mabel Brandon obeyed the gospel during the 1965 campaign here in Newmarket. The final teaching which brought her to make this wise decision was jointly by Bros. Buffington and Wakefield. Bro Wakefield baptized her early one morning. She then said, "This is the happiest day of my life." She showed and shared this joy with all who came by to share their generous hospitality. She diligently sought to serve her Lord in every way she could. Bro. and Sister Brandon are members with the Pine Orchard congregation.

The writer tried to speak words of comfort to the family, and words of hope and encouragement to a large crowd present. Bro. Howard Lehman ably assisted on this occasion.

M. J. Knutson.

Vol. 38, No. 2, February 1972, p. 17

Walter L. Hall: Brother Walter L. Hall, a faithful member of the Pine Orchard Congregation was called to his eternal reward on December 25th.

He passed on while visiting with his daughter Mrs. Roy Fairey in Mississauga, Ont.

Brother Hall would have been 94 years old on January 26th.

His wife the former Huldah Lundy, predeceased him some years back.

He is survived by his two daughters – Mrs. Norman Woon of Port Porcupine and Mrs. Roy Fairey of Mississauga, Ont.

Funeral was conducted at the Roadhouse and Rose Funeral Home, Newmarket, Ont., on Tuesday December 28th. Interment at Pine Orchard Cemetery.

He will be greatly missed in the Church at Pine Orchard, Ont. Fred R. Smart.

Vol. 40, No. 2, February 1974, p. 16-17

BOOTH

Sister Gertrude Booth was born March 28th, 1894, her parents residing on a farm near Mt.

Albert. She reached the grand age of 79 and 8 months. Sister Booth had been in failing health for the past two years, and had spent the last two months in hospital before her release.

Her parents moved to Pine Orchard where she grew up and attended school. She obeyed the gospel at the age of sixteen during the earlier years of the Pine Orchard church. She was married to Mr. John Booth for a number of years. He predeceased her in 1960.

I met her in 1964, and after many pleasant occasions of study in the Bible, film presentations and prayer, sister Booth decided to rededicate her life to the Lord during the campaign of 1965. It is a joy to see a child of God, who has been away from God, return home. With her cheerful countenance and fine personality she contributed much to the Lord's work here in Newmarket.

She is survived by one brother Alonzo Allen of Stouffville and two sisters, Myrtle Stevens of Oshawa, and sister Cora Lehman of Newmarket (formerly of Pine Orchard) as well as a number of nephews and nieces and a host of brethren and friends who mourn her passing.

Funeral service took place at the Roadhouse and Rose Funeral home in Newmarket Dec. 14th at 2 p.m. Interment was in the Pine Orchard cemetery. This writer endeavoured to speak words of comfort to the family and words of exhortation to all present. Assisting me in this service was Bro. Fred Knutson of Bramalea.

M. J. Knutson

LUNDY

Sister Bertha Lundy was born Feb. 12th in Grey County near Heathcote. She far surpassed the three score and ten years by reaching the grand age of 91 years and ten months.

Sister Lundy obeyed her Lord in baptism early in life, while a teenager. Bro. S. M. Jones of Beamsville was in a gospel meeting at Griersville at the time. She was reputed to have been very zealous for the Lord all the way through her life, until her health and age of declining years prevented her.

She moved to and resided in Toronto for some forty years and was associated with the work of the Lord at Bathurst Street in Toronto. She had an active part in, and saw the work of the Lord grow and spread in Toronto.

Then later in life she became the second wife of (widower) Bro. Wesley Lundy a farmer and member of the Pine Orchard congregation. Here, she along with him, became a vital active part of that work, worshipping and working there for many, many years. Bro. Lundy predeceased her by several years.

About 1966 her health became such that she became a resident of one of the Nursing homes in Newmarket. During this period she worshipped with us here at Newmarket. In 1968 she was moved to the Grove Park Nursing home, where we feel her life was extended because of the kindly and patient care she was given in a home operated and supervised by a dedicated Christian staff.

She quietly left this life early on December 12th. Funeral service was conducted from the Pine Orchard Church of Christ building where she worshipped so long. The service took place at 3:30 and interment in the Pine Orchard cemetery. During this service we sang the hymn she loved so much, "Jesus Saviour Pilot me". Again I was ably assisted by Bro. Fred Knutson (of whom she used to say, "He's my boy"). I endeavoured to comfort those who mourned her passing, while edifying all who were present.

She leaves to mourn her passing, one sister Mrs. Harry Boler, several nieces, and several related to her by marriage, as well as a host of brethren and friends.

M. J. Knutson.

Vol. 40, No. 4, April 1974, p. 17

LUNDY

Sister Edith Davis Lundy, wife of the late Jesse Lundy, passed from this life on Tuesday, March 5th, 1974, at Grove Park Home, Barrie, Ont. She was in her 90th year, born January 9th, 1885.

She was a faithful and influential member of the Pine Orchard Congregation of the Church of Christ.

She is survived by her two daughters, Irene, Mrs. Charles West, of Windsor, Ont., and Earla, Mrs. Harry Brammer of Cedar Valley, Ont.

Funeral service was conducted at the Meeting House of the Pine Orchard Church, by Brother C. G. McPhee and Brother Fred Smart, at 2 p.m. Friday March 8th.

Interment in Pine Orchard Cemetery.

Vol. 43, No. 8, August 1977, p.10

News East: Pine Orchard, Ont. The Newmarket bulletin reports the baptism of Dale Barameski, husband of the former Mary Lehman.

Vol. 43, No. 11, November 1977, p. 17

McCLURE

On August 27th, 1977, our Lord saw fit to call from this life our esteemed Brother Howard McClure, a faithful member of the Pine Orchard, Ontario, congregation. His loss will be mourned by his loving wife Loretta Lundy, his son Ray and wife Helen, his brother Douglas, and two grandchildren.

Bro. McClure was born on December 3rd, 1893, and lived all of his life in the Pine Orchard area as a successful farmer and respected Christian. The capacity crowd that assembled at the funeral home and the large number of floral tributes attested to the high regard brethren, friends and neighbours had for Bro. McClure.

The funeral service was conducted by the writer, assisted by Bro. Howard Lehman, on August 30th, 1977, from the Roadhouse & Rose Funeral Home, Newmarket, with interment in the Pine Orchard Cemetery.

Albert E. Bennetts

Vol. 43, No. 12, December 1977, p. 14

News East: Pine Orchard, Ont. "The congregation has recently had two occasions for great rejoicing. On June 7th, Dale Baranieski, husband of sister Mary (Lehman) Baranieski, made the good confession and was baptized into Christ. On October 2nd, Jim Hodgins, husband of sister Betty Hodgins and Craig, her son, confessed Jesus as Lord and Saviour and obeyed him in baptism. We all welcome these new members and we rejoice that the gospel still has the power to move mankind to repentance and obedience to the terms of salvation". Ford Lehman.

Vol. 46, No. 10, October 1980, p. 10

News East: Pine Orchard, Ont. "Many of the congregation gathered together August 21 at the home of Mary and Dale Baraneiski to hear Nancy Pattenden and Tracey Baraneiski make the good confession of faith in Jesus Christ; then the two young ladies were immersed in the pond at the front of the Baraneiski home. It was the writer's privilege to attend to this ordinance and then on behalf of the congregation extend to our sisters "the right hand of Christian fellowship (Galatians 2:9), on Lord's Day morning, August 24. We feel that there are a number close to

making the same decision, and pray that they may be helped by the fine teaching that is being given through the mutual ministry." – John D. MacKay.

Vol. 49, No. 5, May 1983, p. 18

Ford Ray Lehman

Ford Lehman of Pine Orchard, Ontario, passed away on March 16th in the York County Hospital. Bro. Ford was in his 87th year and is survived by his wife Cora (Allen), son Howard, daughter Beverly, and numerous grandchildren, relatives, friends and neighbours.

Ford Lehman was born in the Pine Orchard area where he lived, established his home and family and where in the succeeding years he faithfully laboured and built up the Pine Orchard congregation of the Lord's church. He was faithful to the end. It was his dream, his life, just to persevere, to meet the challenges and to come forth as a good and faithful servant to the God he knew so well.

It was a distinct joy to conduct the service for this old stalwart of the faith, and to be able to state with assurance that he ended his day well prepared, echoing the words of 2 Tim. 4:7,8, "I am now ready to be offered, the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness ..."

The funeral service was conducted by the writer, assisted by John McKay. The body will rest in Pine Orchard cemetery.

A. W. Jackson

Vol. 50, No. 11, November 1984, p. 15

Cora Lehman

Sis. Cora Lehman departed this life on September 18th in the York County Hospital being eighty-six (86) years of age. The beloved wife of Ford Lehman who predeceased her some 18 months ago, laboured most strenuously with him to build the congregation of the Lord's church at Pine Orchard. She was a gracious Christian woman, ever ready to extend warm hospitality and share the delights of her home and family.

She is survived by her son Howard and daughter Beverly, along with all those who affectionately called her "Grandma". We miss her smile, but what wonderful memories remain. "A virtuous woman, her price far above rubies, her children shall rise up and call her blessed, and let her own works praise her." See Proverbs 31.

Burial took place at Pine Orchard cemetery. The funeral service was conducted by the writer very ably assisted by Bro. John MacKay.

A. W. Jackson

Vol. 51, No. 4, April 1985, p. 12

News East: Pine Orchard – "The renovations to the building are almost complete, and we were happy when the baptistery was used for the first time. The act of baptism is a beautiful picture, painted by every believer. On March 17th, Tracey and Scott MacKay confessed their Lord, and were buried with Him in baptism by their grandfather. We pray these young people will serve their Lord for many years." – Brotherly love, John D. MacKay.

Vol. 51, No. 8, August 1985, p. 14

News East: Pine Orchard, Ont. – This church celebrated the official opening of a new addition to the building on June 9. Don Smith of Sundridge was guest speaker.

Vol. 51A, No. 3, March 1986, p. 10

News East: Pine Orchard, Ontario – "Contributions to the building fund are keeping up well and there is now just \$21,300 left to be paid back in loans." Elgin Whitfield is now in charge of the Sunday School.
--Fruits of The Spirit

Vol. 51A, No. 6, June 1986, p. 11

News East: Pine Orchard, Ont.: VBS is planned for July 7-11.

Vol. 51A, No. 8, August 1986, p. 11

News East: Pine Orchard, Ont.: V.B.S. was held July 7-11. After a recent special collection the balance owing on the building is \$19,200. Ian and Wanda Whittington were recently welcomed into the fellowship.

Vol. 51A, No. 9, September 1986, p. 11

News East: Pine Orchard, Ont.: V.B.S. saw a high attendance of 42 children and 15 adults. There was good participation from the congregation and lots of visitors from the community. After the July building fund collection of \$1,343.00 the building debt is reduced to \$16,500. Weekly budget is \$225.

Vol. 51A, No. 11, November 1986, p. 11

News East: Pine Orchard, Ont.: "The brethren here at Pine Orchard are happy to welcome the fine little family of Danny and Judy Yaksick and their two young boys to our fellowship."--
Fruits of the Spirit

Vol. 52, No. 5, May 1987, p. 11

News East: Pine Orchard, ON: Suggested V.B.S. dates are July 6-10 and for the Bible School picnic, July 18.

Vol. 52, No. 7, July 1987, p. 11

News East: Pine Orchard, Ont.: VBS is planned for July 6-10. A collection of \$649.75 on May 10 leaves an outstanding building loan balance of \$8,300.

Vol. 52, No. 8, August 1987, p. 12

News East: Pine Orchard, Ont.: V.B.S. was scheduled for July 6-10 and a picnic for July 18.
A building fund collection of \$745 on June 14 reduces the indebtedness to \$7,600.

Vol. 52, No. 11, November 1987, p. 13

News East: Pine Orchard, Ont.: A September 13 collection of \$1,162.50 reduces outstanding building loans to \$5,000.

Vol. 53, no. 4, April 1988, p. 11

News East: Pine Orchard, ON: The building fund collection taken on February 14 was sufficient to pay off the loan and leave a balance in the bank.

Vol. 54, No. 5, May 1989, p. 12

News East: Pine Orchard, ON: Ron Pauls of London was here for a "Growing a Marriage"

seminar, March 17-19.

Vol. 56, No. 1, January 1991, p. 11

News East: Pine Orchard, ON: Matthew Preston was baptized here on October 7.

Vol. 56, No. 4, April 1991, p. 15

News East: Pine Orchard, ON: The church bulletin has been named The Pine Orchard Proverb. The John Clayton videos are being shown on selected Sunday afternoons.

Help is being sent to Wesley Jones for a Bible Correspondence Course in Russian; to Windsor for the Zimbabwe work; and to "Campaigns Northwest" to help Jason Knight. Also, a 50% subsidy of Omagh campers will be continued.

Vol. 57, No. 7, July 1992, p.11

News East: Pine Orchard, ON: "Funeral services were held on May 23 for Earle Brammer, a longtime member at Pine Orchard.

Vol. 57, No. 8, August 1992, p. 13

News East: Pine Orchard, ON: VBS was scheduled for July 2-5.

Vol. 57, No. 9, September 1992, p. 13

News East: Pine Orchard, ON: On June 14, \$450 was collected for the Good News Campaign.

At least 12 campers, 4 for the first time, attended Omagh Bible Camp July 12-18. V.B.S., July 7-10, was reported "a smashing success".

Kendra Whitfield, daughter of Elgin and Melanie, was baptized recently.

Vol. 58, No. 9, September 1993, p. 11

News East: Pine Orchard, ON: V.B.S. is described as having been a "stupendous success", "wonderful" with many neighborhood children attending. The church is doing very well "with very good attendance and the interest is keeping at a very high level.

Vol. 61, No. 2, February 1996, p. 11

News East: Pine Orchard: This congregation is having Ron Pauls for a meeting on the first weekend in February.

Vol. 63, No. 12, December 1998, p. 10

News East: Pine Orchard: Nathan and Landon Whitfield, sons of Elgin and Melanie were baptized recently. Nathan is a student at Great Lakes this year.

Vol. 64, No. 1, January 1999, p. 11

News East: Pine Orchard: A seminar on singing was held Saturday, November 21. The group, "Living Water' from Tintern was involved.