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# Dunamis Fellowship Canada

A Regional Expression of Presbyterian-Reformed Ministries International

*Exalting Jesus Christ! Igniting the Church in the power of the Holy Spirit*

*under the authority of the Holy Bible as the Word of God*

*through Prayer, Leadership Development, Growing the Church and Mission Outreach*

*so that the Church will be empowered to do all that Christ commands to the glory of God the Father*



## Invited into the dance....Aslan's on the move across Canada!

At our January DFC board meeting there was excitement as we sensed God's invitation to expand our territory and venture forth in faith to undertake more ministry in 2013 than ever before. In addition to the Dunamis Track unfolding in Guelph, Ontario (including *In the Spirit's Power* April 3-6 and *The Power*



*of Prayer* from November 6-9) we're offering not one but TWO *Growing the Church in the Power of the Holy Spirit* conferences with co-author Rev. Paul Stokes from the UK as our lead teacher. Those will be held in Guelph the week of

November 18, and in the Edmonton area in the week of November 25.

In addition we're excited about our Annual Conference and meeting, March 23 on the topic of Empowered Prayer (see enclosed brochure or website for details).

**Empowered Prayer:  
Strengthening Prayer in the Local Church**

When: Saturday March 23, 2013  
Time: 9 am to 8:30pm  
Place: Kortright Presbyterian Church, Guelph ON  
What: DFC's annual gathering for equipping, discerning and koinonia.

**Brochure enclosed—You can register by mail or on our website.**

**Empowered Prayer Changes the Future**

## Grateful for God's Provision Past, Present & Future

All this new ministry comes at a point when the generous donation from an anonymous donor, which launched DFC in 2005, has been fully invested in lives and ministry that is bearing amazing fruit in so many lives and communities across Canada. Join us in thanking God for and praying His blessings on our anonymous donor.

Even as our bank balance is now small, the Lord's given us a crazy confidence that this is His work and He's fully committed to paying for what He's ordered. We're just not sure exactly whom God's calling into the adventure and who's going to invest with us to take this ministry forward. We're SO grateful for the faithful donors who give monthly through *Sustaining the Flame Canada*, which is a great help to stabilize our income stream. Please join us in praying that God brings forth all the human and financial resources needed. If the Lord is nudging you to invest in this amazing Kingdom work, speak to Sheila in the office.



### Dunamis in Western Canada

While most of DFC's events have been happening in Ontario, we continue to pray for Dunamis opportunities in western Canada. We're pleased to announce a Dunamis Track in Bellingham, Washington, just south of Vancouver - about as close to Canada as you can get.

April 10-13 is Dunamis Project II - *In the Spirit's Power* at Birchwood Presbyterian Church. Contact Track Directors Tom Ross [tomross@compuserve.com](mailto:tomross@compuserve.com) or Rich DeRuiter [rderuiter@wavecable.com](mailto:rderuiter@wavecable.com) for more information or to register.

Pray for Joanne Rozendaal and the team of Albertans that are organizing the Growing the Church conference for November and hoping to start a Dunamis Track in the Edmonton area in the spring of 2014.

# They Came from East and West, North and South to the Dunamis Fellowship International Meeting

by Kevin De Raaf

It was a huge joy for me to attend my first Dunamis Fellowship International (DFI) annual meeting January 24-27 in Black Mountain, North Carolina along with 70 DFI members from around the world.

As a new member on the Board of Dunamis Fellowship Canada, it gave me a chance to see the “big picture” of how PRMI is at work. It was great fun to be part of an enthusiastic delegation from Canada: Martin Boardman, Les and Barb Ferrier, Nancy McNabb, Fred Reitsma, John VanStone and myself. We experienced wonderful friendship with other Dunamis Fellowship representatives from the UK, the USA (including Alaska) and even Haiti! Apart from the morning when Fred and I were stranded at our rented house because of an ice storm, our travels went smoothly. Together we experienced three days of rich activity: worship, prayer, discernment, discussion and connecting.

If the focus of 2012 was on nurturing that which had been planted through PRMI, the sense from God for 2013 was to identify ministry areas approaching a tipping point to apply effort to propel that area to a new level. And so, the central focus of our meetings was around the four main initiatives that were launched in 2012 and will continue to be the focus for 2013. (See articles elsewhere on Global Outreach, Leadership Development, Youth, and the

Growing the Church initiatives.) We were able to hear reports of how God has been at work in these key ministry areas and pray for His ongoing blessing and wisdom on the staff and volunteer leaders who head up these ministries.



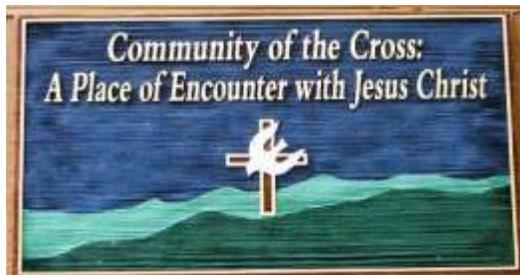
Brad and Kevin

Throughout our time together there was opportunity to receive prayer and experience the ministering work of the Holy Spirit. A group from the Seattle area transformed the Community of the Cross into a space for prayer, reflection and ministry. Beautiful! On our final evening, the Holy Spirit showed up in a powerful way during a time of prayer ministry. We closed the Annual Meeting on Sunday morning with a Communion Service, which

was led by John VanStone and myself.

I was struck by the humble and capable leadership of the PRMI staff—their faithfulness and passion is being used by God to impact people and communities around the

world. I am thankful for the opportunity to be part of these wonderful days in the mountains of North Carolina.



## Project II—*In the Spirit's Power*

When: April 3—6, 2013

Where: Guelph Bible Conference Centre, Ontario

The second of the six Dunamis Projects

Participants will learn how we can cooperate with the Holy Spirit, how God uniquely gifts people through His Holy Spirit and look at how this applies to them as individuals and as part of the church.

**Brochure enclosed—You can register by mail or on our website.**

## Dunamis Around the World: South Sudan, Japan and Haiti

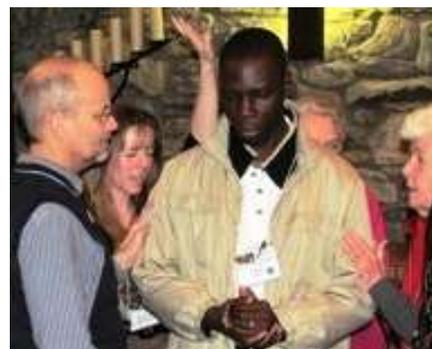
There continues to be a significant number of doors opening for the Dunamis Project teaching around the world. Dunamis Projects continue to draw hundreds in places like Korea, Indonesia, and Nicaragua and new tracks are being developed for China and Congo. We praise God for the ways that this core teaching is being distributed in so many cultures and languages!



Frank Drake & Christian Zebley  
at the DFI Meeting

February's been a full month, as Frank Drake, Christian Zebley and Bill Server pioneer work in **South Sudan**, just 50 miles from the border where conflicts continue. They equipped 35 Episcopal priests in how to run Alpha and teaching Gateways Dunamis Project, and hope to return in September to continue teaching the Dunamis Track there. Local people were drawn to receive powerful prayer ministry resulting in healing and people coming to Christ.

The Dunamis Track in **Japan** continues as Cindy Strickler, Brad Long, John Chang and Steve Thayer teach the Spiritual Warfare and Kingdom Advancement project. The country of Japan has been notably resistant to the gospel, so pray for these Japanese Christians as they grow in their knowledge and cooperation with the Holy Spirit, and in intercession and prayer ministry.



Gary Wybenga and Father Sadoni Leon from Haiti

The new Dunamis Track starting in **Haiti** is the first in which the local Episcopal priests will be teaching Dunamis. Canadian, Marg Rekman, and PRMI's Director of Development and Partnerships, Gary Wybenga, are heading to Haiti to mentor a local team of intercessors and prayer ministers.

Finally, Debbie and Allen Kemp are headed to **Uganda** once again to teach Dunamis within the context of Peterson Sozi's Back to God ministry. It's primarily pastors who come for this equipping in solid theological, yet practical training for ministry.

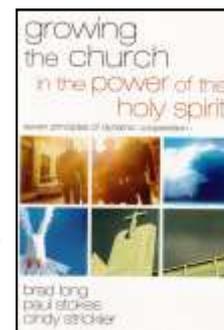
## Growing the Church in the Power of the Holy Spirit Conferences come to Canada in November

This relatively new conference designed for pastors and church leaders is beginning to see traction. Dunamis principles are presented in ways that are particularly suited for application in the local church. Participants meet in small groups under the leadership of coaches who will be available for ongoing mentoring and will receive materials to use with local church leadership in their home church.

A conference co-sponsored by the Christian Reformed Church Home Missions, the Reformed Church of America and PRMI, is planned for

Holland, Michigan for March 11-14.

Here in Canada we are delighted that co-author Paul Stokes will be our lead teacher for both *Growing the Church* conferences— in Guelph, November 18-21, and in the Edmonton area November 25-28.



We are also excited to officially partner with CRC Home Missions in presenting these conferences.

## The Dunamis Family Track—birthed in Canada!

*Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.*  
Mark 10:14

Behold - God's doing a new thing - and it has originated here in Canada. John VanStone, an Anglican priest from Kingston who serves on the board of Anglican Renewal Ministries (ARM) has been drawn to our Dunamis projects and embraced the solid teaching on the third person of the Trinity. He has a young family and God's given him a passion to see families renewed and strengthened as they learn to dance with the Holy Spirit, cooperating to advance God's Kingdom together. A similar passion has been growing in DFC's Board chair, Barb Ferrier, a former Christian school teacher and curriculum author, who now serves her church as director of Children's Ministry.



At the recent Dunamis Fellowship International meeting in Black Mountain, NC, John and Barb were anointed and commissioned to take on the daunting task of developing the Dunamis Family Track. This is a God-sized, yet exciting development, and they welcome your prayers and practical involvement as prototypes are developed. If God is nudging you to provide prayer support or creative input into



this enormous, yet exciting project, contact John at [jpastone@yahoo.com](mailto:jpastone@yahoo.com) or Barb at [bferrier@sentex.net](mailto:bferrier@sentex.net).

### Call to Intercede

Ask God which of these he's asking you to make a prayer priority. Contact Sheila in our office and she'll connect you with someone who will provide prayer updates.

- \* DFC Board & provision for the ministry
- \* Dunamis Family Track development
- \* DFC Annual Conference - March 23, Guelph, ON
- \* Dunamis Project II (*In the Spirit's Power*) - April 3-6
- \* Dunamis Project III (*Prayer*) - Nov 6-9, Guelph, ON
- \* Growing the Church conferences - Nov. Edmonton, Guelph
- \* PRMI mission trips

### Contact us by E-mail

You can help us economize by receiving "mailings" by e-mail. If you would contact Sheila at [dunamis.fellowship.canada@rogers.com](mailto:dunamis.fellowship.canada@rogers.com) and provide your email address we'd be grateful! We'd also love to hear your stories of how the Holy Spirit has been inviting YOU into the dance.

## Upcoming Events

March 23	<b>Dunamis Fellowship Canada Annual Conference</b> Empowered Prayer— <i>Strengthening Prayer in the Local Church</i> (brochure enclosed)
November 18-21	<b>Growing the Church in the Power of the Holy Spirit</b> Guelph
November 25-28	Edmonton
April 3-6	<b>Dunamis Projects</b> Project II— <i>In the Spirit's Power</i> , Guelph, Ontario (brochure enclosed)
April 10-13	Project II— <i>In the Spirit's Power</i> , Bellingham WA (for information email DFC office)
November 5-8	Project III— <i>The Power of Prayer</i> , Guelph, Ontario



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