



## Across the Miles with Canada's Double Portion

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Dear Duncan,

We spent October in 3 different Provinces doing several different types of events. In two of these Provinces we sang with our good friends The Daae Family. Our kids were able to spend most of the month in school and worked hard to catch up. Let me tell you about our adventures.

Duncan Hemmerling

[Concerts on the road.....](#)



After arriving home from our busy September U.S. tour we got to spend 4 days in our own beds before we were back on the bus and heading back East. We met up with The Daae Family just over the Manitoba border and spent the next 3 nights singing with them in our "Families of Faith" Concert Series. Friday found us near Portage La Prairie, MB in the Bagot Community Church. Saturday we were off (photo: The Daae Family at Bagot Community Church) to Winkler, MB where our groups kicked off the beginning of the monthly Thousand Oaks Gospel Concerts. Our group ministered in Steinbach for the Sunday morning service and were reunited with The Daae Family Sunday evening in the community of Moosehorn, MB. We had a great time together and enjoyed singing together too!!!

Canadian Thanksgiving we were back in Saskatchewan. Saturday night we joined in the celebrations at LifePoint Church in Lanigan, SK as they dedicated a new Sanctuary and 40 Years of Ministry. That night we traveled to Spalding and worshiped with them on Thanksgiving Sunday morning. We were only 3 1/2 hours from home so were able to get in on the last part of the large Hemmerling Family Thanksgiving. There were still plenty of desserts left!!! On Thanksgiving Monday we got together with Debbie's family (the Funks) at her parents. We are thankful for an awesome extended family!!!

On the third weekend of October we had our first full weekend off in 4 months. On Thursday, the 16th we were able to attend the Original Couriers, Hunter Family, Hoppers concert in Saskatoon. They had a large crowd for the almost 4 hour concert. Bill and Marge Griffin promote concerts in Saskatoon as well as Calgary and Edmonton.

Andrew and Jardeth spent October 20 to 23 in the studio recording a demo CD for their youth band "Cities Under Fire". They arrived at the bus about 5:00am, Thursday morning, October 24th and we headed West to Alberta. We spent Friday night in Calgary for a Church fundraiser. Sunday morning we ministered to a packed house in Erskine and then traveled North to Fort Saskatchewan where we hooked up with the Daae Family again. We were in the beautiful Shell Theatre for a Shiloh Youth Ranch fundraiser. We traveled back as far as North Battleford together and had a great time of visiting.



Stories from the road....



Stories!!!

I smell something....Our bus and the Daae Family bus pulled out together from Moosehorn, MB about 10:30pm with different members in each bus. We had about 2 hours to travel before the fork in the road where we headed different ways. It was raining as we drove and very black out. Once we reached the crossroads and pulled over Wayne told me he had hit a dead skunk on the road. We laughed about it and it was quite evident (Photo:Shell Theatre, Fort Saskatchewan) by the smell that he hadn't missed it. We said our goodbyes and Andrew got behind the wheel of the bus. It was only about 15 minutes later when Andrew hit a live skunk. It was evident by the smell that he hadn't missed it. We sent off a quick text to the Daaes!!!

Smashing good time....After the morning service in Spalding on Thanksgiving weekend we were tearing down and anxious to get to our family gathering near North Battleford. Madison grabbed the monitor covers from behind a small wall and swung them onto the stage. In doing so he knocked over a mic stand which fell directly onto Christina's fiddle. On impact the neck of the fiddle cracked free and splintered the body. We determined it would not be fixable. We were thankful it wasn't Amy's \$1800 fiddle!!!

Things left behind....Do you have a problem leaving things behind? Well lately we have!! I made a list of things we've left behind at the tailend of September and October. We left our speaker stands at Starcrown Coach in London, ON, a new blanket at Mildred, one shoe (it was kicked out of the bus in the dark) and football in Lanigan, the video camera case and digital camera in Calgary and Olivia's jacket in Erskine. So far we've only got one of those things back!! At least we haven't left any kids behind .....lately.

Expanded ministry....



## Radio Ministry

This Spring we were approached by the board of a Radio Ministry called Foursquare Gospel Tidings and asked to consider joining with their ministry team. I have known Pastor & Mrs Chartier, the founders of the program, since I was a little boy. My father was saved in a one room school house under their ministry. They have had a weekly

1/2 hour radio program for 44 years. After much prayer and seeking the Lord's clear direction we have agreed to join their ministry team in the area of music and the spoken word.

Foursquare Gospel Tidings is heard on seven radio stations in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba as well as one station in Nashville. They also have been on Pan America Radio which transmits into West, East and South Africa, the Philippines, Panama, the Middle East, Ireland and Europe.

Over the last couple years this elderly couple have encountered various health problems that increased recently. Mrs. Chartier passed away on September 1st which was their 67th wedding anniversary. Mr. Chartier passed away just last week on November 5th, only two months after his beloved bride. With the passing of both of these radio pioneers the board realizes the transition process will be accelerated. We need the Lord's clear direction and anointing. Brother and Sister Chartier were faithful Servants of the Lord and a geniune Godly couple.

It's our desire to carry on the ministry that they started with the same integrity, humility and anointing that they did.

We would covet your prayers!!

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