

Y.M.C.A. WORLD FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

Canadian Area

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PRAYER TOPICS: October, November, December

Week of: Let us pray:

Oct. 3 For the Presidents and officers of the Hi-Y Clubs across Canada, in their leadership responsibilities:

That this potentially important group may become increasingly influential in shaping the ideals and outlook of their fellow teen-agers.

10 For those engaged in the continuing search for a successor to Dri Davis as World Coordinator of the WFP:

Somewhere, there is a man whom God can use, at this time, to forward His purposes through the Fellowship.

17 For the Principal Robert C. Rae and staff of Sir George Williams University, as they start use of their magnificent new building:

Particularly, in their attempt to develop an educational program that will help youth in their greatest need today: the finding of meaning and purpose in life.

24 For Jake Smythe of Ethiopia, and Clark Ready of Nigeria, now home on furlough, as they give addresses and make contacts across Canada:

That interest in and support of World Service may be increased.

31 That Canadian Associations may plan faithfully and effectively, for the observance of the annual Week of Prayer, November 6-12:

Recognizing that there is no simple answer as to how this aim may be achieved.

Nov. 7 That rich spiritual results may accrue from the various events held during the YM-YWCA Week of Prayer, on every continent:

How important it is that modern man shall maintain his contact with the source of all true wisdom!

14 For the YMCA in Bermuda, and its General Secretary Everette Nance, who arrived in September:

This Association becomes the newest member of the Canadian National Council.

21 For the continuing efforts in the joint approach towards union of the Anglican and United Churches of Canada:

Remembering the increased demands for patience and forbearance which will be involved, as discussions reach the "grass roots" levels.

28 For the Association in Rhodesia, during these difficult days of tension and uncertainty:

Tom Kay is Fraternal Secretary, with the YMCA of Central Africa, with headquarters in Zambia.

Dec. 5 For the "ACM" of Portugal, and its Secretary, Erasmio Chaves:

As a result of B for B help, the Lisbon Association building has been completely remodelled, making possible a much more comprehensive program.

12 For Gordon Ramsay and the work of the YMCA in Jamaica:

Gordon has returned to his post, after furlough in Canada.

19 For the reconciling work of the two Associations in Jerusalem, on opposite sides of the "barbed wire", at this Christmas season:

That further progress may be made towards peace in the Holy land.

26 For Maurice Strong, President, and Les Vipond with his associates on the national staff, as they face up to the challenges of 1967, Canada's Centennial year.

N O T E S

"The Expanding Fellowship of Prayer" is a new pamphlet, prepared by Paul L. Hershey, now of Trenton, N.J., for use among the Associations of the United States. It answers such questions as: What is the YMCA World Fellowship of Prayer, Why a P.F. Group in the YMCA, Characteristics of a P.F.G., Who attends, How to Begin, and concludes with a History of the W.F.P. The latter section includes a lengthy extract from the recently-written Arthur L. Paterson story.

Paul Hershey is Coordinator of the U.S. World Fellowship of Prayer, and is also acting World Coordinator at present.

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Doubt vs Unbelief:

"There is a radical difference between doubt and unbelief! One is a matter of the intellect. The other (though disguising itself as intellectual) is basically a matter of the will. Doubt is difficulty in understanding.....Unbelief is disobedience"

Richard C. Halverson in PERSPECTIVE

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"The tragedy of human affairs is that we have been brilliantly successful in mastering non-human nature, but have been relatively unsuccessful in the much more important business of getting on with each other. As the advance of science and technology has accelerated, the gulf between our intellectual and moral achievement has been widening, till today, this discrepancy is threatening the human race with the doom of self-destruction.....I believe that love is the key to both an understanding of our human past and to the creation of our human future."

Arnold Toynbee "How I see History".

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America's faith in Technology

General Electric has set up TEMPO in Santa Barbara, where 200 physical scientists, sociologists, economists and engineers contemplate the future, on a budget that tops \$7,000,000 a year.

The armed forces, at Wright-Patterson A.F.B. conducts studies of the whole problem of scientific prediction, also contributes \$15 million a year to Rand Corp. to think-not necessarily about weapons systems.

TIME essay "The Futurists"