



McMaster Divinity
College

NEWS LETTER

SPRING 2015

This is a busy time for all of us, especially our students, as we prepare for the end of the academic year. However, let us all take the time to rejoice as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ and the hope that we have through Him! We ask

Through
him (our Lord
Jesus Christ) we
have also obtained
access by faith into this
grace in which we stand,
and we **rejoice** in hope
of the glory of God.

Romans 5:2

for special prayers for one of our MA grads—and current PhD student—as he prepares to leave to teach at the Arab Baptist Theological Seminary in Beirut, Lebanon. Please remember Emad and his family as he moves to the Middle East to follow God's call on his life.



Parimal Christian

Parimal, a PhD student, was accepted at MDC in May 2012, but was refused entrance into Canada. Believing that God had called him to prepare for his ministry with us, Parimal applied again and was granted entrance, but sadly, without his family. After

another year and a half, Parimal's wife, Joyce, and youngest son, Beryl, were granted a one-year visa to Canada. Please pray for Parimal as he is trained here in order to return to Maharashtra in India, where only 0.5% of the population is Christian.



The Power of One

For those of you who have visited us recently, you will know that our facilities and furnishings are in need of repair and upgrading. Such was the case of our Cochran Learning Centre, dedicated to the memory of Rev. Robert J. Cochran, that urgently needed upgrades to the furnishings. Last year Mrs. Margaret Cochran generously provided funds to buy new chairs to replace the tables and

chairs in that room. This year, she has provided us with funds to install a "preaching lab" that will be used by those students needing to perfect their preaching, teaching, and presentation skills. We are so blessed by generous donors such as Mrs. Cochran who want to help us in practical ways to come alongside those training with us. Each of you can be "the one" to help us achieve our vision!

A note from Dr. Stanley E. Porter

Dear Friends,

We have observed with dismay as Christians around the world have been left homeless, tortured, and even martyred for their faith. How do we respond to this, as many of our brothers and sisters in Christ are suffering for their beliefs? How do we prepare those who will serve God in such a world? We know that this is a time when we must, as a seminary, continue to seek God's will for the direction of McMaster Divinity College. Please pray for our President's Cabinet as we ask for the Lord's guidance in the ever-changing field of theological education. We are looking at new and innovative ways and programs to prepare men and women for service to our Saviour. Please pray as well for the plans regarding our building campaign, so that we are able to deliver new programs and accommodate more students. We ask that you pray for God's direction in how you can help us achieve these goals. We need the support of all of you to fulfill our mission of developing effective evangelical Christian leaders for the Church, academy, and society.

During this Easter season, we remember the crucifixion and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. May you experience a special blessing during this time of celebration for Christians around the world.



Enclosed you will find our summer school flyer. We ask that you consider taking a course or pass this along to someone who you know might benefit from a course. Summer is a great time to try us out, especially as an audit student—enjoying all the lectures and discussions without the work of assignments!

Deepen your
understanding

Summer School 2015
May – June



Convocation and Service of Celebration

Tuesday, May 19, 2015

We will be conferring the degree of Doctor of Ministry
on Dr. Melvin Hawkrigg and Mrs. Marilyn Hawkrigg.

President's Dinner

Thursday, April 9, 2015

You are invited!

Call Melissa West
at 905.525.9140 x23529 for tickets.