



**BARRY BEEBE**

April 11  
Calvary Baptist Church  
Westfield, ME  
Sunday Morning Service

**JOHN HOAG**

April 1,8,15  
Dumfries Community Bible  
Study  
Dumfries, NB

April 18  
Sisson Ridge Baptist Church  
Sisson Ridge, NB  
Sunday Morning Service

April 6,13,20,27  
East Hodgdon Bible Church  
East Hodgdon, ME  
Extension Classes

April 11  
Open Bible Campus Church  
Victoria Corner, NB  
Morning Service

**DAVID DOHERTY**

April 6,13,20,27  
East Hodgdon Bible Church  
East Hodgdon, ME  
Extension Classes

April 17-18  
Weston Christian Fellowship  
Berwick, NS  
Men's Retreat & Sunday  
Morning Service

**MATTHEW LITTLE**

April 17-18  
White Head Baptist Church  
White Head, NB  
Saturday Night & Sunday  
Services



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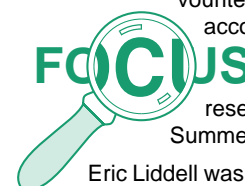
*"The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way." Psalm 37:23*

This was in keeping with a calling he had felt long before his Olympic ambitions. It was in China that he would devote the remaining 20 years of his life to serving Christ.

### THE STEPS OF A GOOD MAN

Recently, while watching the Vancouver Olympics, I saw a short program on some of the greatest Olympic athletes of the last century. Although there were truly a number of well-deserving champions, my personal favourite was not among them.

To me no account of the games would be complete without the story of Eric Liddell (1902-1945), who represented Great Britain at the 1924 Summer Olympics.



Eric Liddell was raised in China, the son of Scottish missionaries. During the 1924 Olympics in Paris, he went on to win the gold medal in the 400 metre dash. Liddell's story was made famous in the 1981 film, *Chariots of Fire*, where his unorthodox style of running with his head thrown back and mouth wide open was depicted on the screen for all to see. Liddell also made headlines at the games for his withdrawal from two additional races, in which he was favoured to win, because the heats were scheduled on the Lord's Day, Sunday. This strange, "Flying Scotsman," as they called him, along with his Christian faith, was the talk of the world that summer.

there helped shape a generation of future Chinese leaders; many of whom carried with them his Christian beliefs and values.

In 1941, after the Japanese invasion of China, Liddell was placed under arrest and subsequently died of health complications on February 21, 1945. Ruth Tucker, in her book *From Jerusalem to Irian Jaya*, writes this of Eric Liddell, "His sudden death came as a shock to his family and friends and to his fans the world over, but it was a testimony of the sacrifice of a man who had so consistently put his faith in God above personal ambition and fame."



by Jack Caron

The world may have well forgotten about Eric Liddell, but this remarkable figure in Olympic history remains for me one of the great role models of the Christian faith. Truly, "The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD." We would do well to follow that same path.

When asked why he was so fast, Liddell simply said, "I believe that God made me for a purpose, but He also made me fast. When I run, I feel His pleasure."

In 1925, just one year after his Paris victory, Liddell moved back to China so he could serve as a missionary.

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## FAMILY FILE...

### WEDDINGS

Christina Cormier ('05) to Christopher MacQuarrie ('05) on May 12, 2006.  
Michelle Cormier (ABM '04) to Daniel Cope on October 10, 2009.

### HOMEGOING

Norman Christopher, grad of 1957, was promoted to Glory on February 5, 2010. Please be in prayer for his wife Dorothy and family.

## CHAPEL SPEAKERS

- April 6-7 ..... Michael Shaw  
State Street Baptist Church
- April 13 ..... Don Pickel  
Avant Ministries
- April 15 ..... Gordon Mowry  
Tay Valley Bible Camp

*"Humour is a precious commodity. If you want people to laugh, be careful to pay the bill yourself."*

Dr. John White Jr.

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**JUNE 20-25,  
JUNE 27-JULY 2  
& JULY 4-9**



## SPRING BIBLE CONFERENCE

APRIL 29- MAY 2

with Special Guest  
Dr. Renald Showers,  
author and international conference  
speaker for Friends of Israel

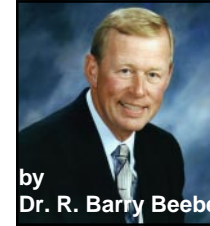


A special 50<sup>th</sup> reunion is being planned for grads of 1960. Please contact Rolla (Taylor) Vanderveen for more details, (506) 836-2901.

Conference will begin on Thursday morning, April 29 and end with the graduation service on Sunday afternoon, May 2. For more information, email us at nbbi@nbbi.ca or call (506) 375-9000.



## NBBI Teen Retreats 2010



by  
Dr. R. Barry Beebe

## President's Challenge...

2009-2010 SCHOOL THEME



The 2009-10 school theme has been "Learning to Walk, to Run and to Fly" from Isaiah 40:31, "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint."

I spoke on this theme in our chapels and illustrated it with video, decorative objects, songs, etc. I challenged our students and have been challenged myself to incorporate this truth in my daily life.

Isaiah 40 speaks of a mighty, mighty God who is very, very strong. He is called Jehovah nine times, Elohim seven times and Adonai once. In verses 1-2 He is the Comforter; in verses 3-5 He comes to reveal His glory; in verses 9-11 He is the caring Shepherd; in verses 12-28 He is the Creator; in verse 25 He is the Holy One; and in verse 28 He is incomprehensible.

Isaiah 40 also speaks of the frailty of man. We humans are very, very weak. Mankind is described as being flesh, corrupting, frail flesh verses 5-6; weak, worthless grass and fading flowers verses 6-8; little wobbly lambs verse 11; a drop in the bucket verse 15; small dust verse 15; nothing less than nothing and vanity, verse 17; grasshop-

pers verse 22; stubble verse 24; and faint, with no might, weary and falling verses 29 and 31. These dramatic descriptions are given to prepare us for the final verse of the chapter, verse 31. Man has no hope of being able to spiritually proceed unless he waits on the Lord.

(1) Walking refers to the pattern of a consistent Christian life. Walking in faith, love, truth, etc. and not by sight or feelings.

(2) Running refers to energy and passion in rising to the opportunities and tasks that God places before us - running the race, pressing toward the mark, striving to accomplish the will of God.

(3) Flying refers to a spiritual ability to rise above and to live above the problems of life, the issues of life and the trials of life; to soar like an eagle in heights of God, not to be pulled down by the enemies below.

There is only one hope on earth for mankind and that is to seek the Lord, wait on the Lord and to continuously rely on the Lord for the renewal of our strength. Our God is like a great eagle soaring over His creation, Exodus 19:3-4; Deuteronomy 32:9-14. God calls us, His eaglets, to wait on Him, grow in strength and learn the disciplined life of walking, running and soaring in the Spirit.

## STUDENT TESTIMONY

by Deanna Stearns, ABM (Bachelor of Theology) Student

"Deanna, would you be satisfied with only Me?" This is the question that has been on my heart and in my mind these last few months here at school. In thinking of all that God has brought me through these last (almost) four years of school here at NBBI and all that God has for me in the future I ask myself the question, "Am I satisfied and secure with Jesus alone?"

This actually was brought to my mind again the other day. Many of you who know me know that I use forearm crutches. These are what I rely on to get around and stay mobile. As I was walking the other day, one of the pins that holds them together fell out, and one of my crutches quickly broke as a result! This may seem a little bit strange, but even in this I was reminded that things of this life that I am secure in will not last. Just as my crutch broke, things that we become dependent on, other than God, will let us down and will "break".

As I think about the end of my training here at school and the unknown future that is ahead of me, it is the prayer of my heart that whatever close friends I have to say good-bye to, whatever changes lie ahead, and whatever difficulties I may face, that I will be truly satisfied in my relationship with Christ. He is my Rock and my strength.

I ask you now... "What are you satisfied and secure in?" Whether your satisfaction is in cars, money, friendships, and even your family, please know that you will be let down! In Jesus is the only place where you will find true satisfaction. Let go of the "crutches" in your life and be satisfied in Him! "And ye are complete in Him..." Colossians 2:10.

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