

She has made hundreds of blankets during this time. Now, at 90 years old, she still joins the ladies on the Monday work days. She will often take material home and works on making blankets at home. We are so blessed!

There is another lady from Winkler who stops by Faith Mission on a regular basis too pick up material to make blankets. She has also made very many blankets at home.

A couple of weeks ago, a couple from Steinbach brought us more than 140 new blankets that they had sewn in their home. It is really encouraging for us, when we see how these seniors devote so much of their time doing mission work. We are always encouraged when families come out to volunteer their time for sorting clothes, baling, loading, stuffing Newsletters, packing Christmas Gift Boxes, or whatever tasks we have. As you can see on the pictures, you are never too young and never too old to be a missionary. Really, that is what it's all about.

Faith Mission Garage Sale — Thank You so Much for Your Support!

May 11th and 12th, 2017

When we started to move the “to Sell” boxes down from the mezzanine, we were all overwhelmed! We did not do our sale last summer so we had accumulated so much in 1½ years.

I have heard some of you asking, "How can you have a garage sale? What do you sell?" Meaning us here at Faith Mission. Do we sell clothes at the garage sale? No, we do not sell clothes, or bedding or shoes or towels! We don't know exactly what to do with all the "stuff" people donate; which we are not able to send overseas, so we had a garage sale. Any of you



reading this article that were at the garage sale will know what kinds of things and how much was donated; glassware, Tupperware, electronics, cordless phones, dolls, toys etc, etc, etc! We had so much "stuff" we could hardly find enough tables to display it all on for the sale! We at Faith Mission want to encourage everyone to donate their items to us that we are able to send overseas. We do need to let you know that we can't ship everything that you drop off, and we do have a request; if all of you would bring us only things that we are able to send it would be a lot less work for us! Now all these items, that are donated, which we aren't allowed to send, all have to be sorted through and stored. Then later when we are getting ready for the sale it takes at least ten people, a couple of days to get everything out, cleaning some items, sorting it all, setting up lots of extra tables and setting it all up. Once everything is pretty much ready, two ladies came in to head up the pricing. This was a BIG job! Again there were probably 10 people helping them with the pricing. Prices were very low for the simple reason that we wanted to move out a lot or all of the items. So at the end of the garage sale we had made \$1115.00. Although we were very happy with this, we were asking ourselves - Was it really worth all that work, for just over \$1000?

Now I want to answer the question so many people have, and that is, "What are we able to send overseas?"

We send:

GOOD CLOTHES - that still have a lot of wear left in them, please don't send us clothes that are worn out or ripped

CLEAN CLOTHES - we get swamped with clothes that are much too dirty to send!

SHOES & BOOTS - that are clean and in very good condition

BEDDING - Sheets, pillowcases, blankets, comforters (must be CLEAN),

CLEAN Pillows - we get so many dirty pillows we'd ask that you could please wash them first before bringing them

TOWELS & WASH CLOTHS

So many people at the sale asked, “Where did all this come

Three Dedicated Faith Mission Volunteers were called home in less than a month.....



Margaret Dueck (nee Toews) passed away in Stony Mountain on April 26th, 2017. Margaret and her late husband Thomas made countless trips from their home in Stony Mountain, MB to Faith Mission in Winkler. When Margaret's husband passed away she moved to Altona and continued to volunteer at Faith

Mission. She kept it up as long as she could but when her health began to fail, she moved into a home in Stony Mountain.

Ann Unrau (nee Dyck)

passed away at Boundary Trails Health Centre on May 2nd, 2017. Since suffering a heart attack in 2001, she struggled with congestive heart failure, but it seemed like Ann came to help out at Faith Mission whenever she could make it work. She is survived by her husband John.



Katherine Dueck (nee Dueck)

passed away on Friday, May 19th at her home in Eastview Place in Altona. She was predeceased by her husband William.



*Those we love don't go away, they
walk beside us everyday, unseen,
unheard, but always near. Still loved,
still missed and very dear.*

from anyhow?" Well, people have been leaving a lot of great "stuff" in our drop-off room in the last year and a half. With us selling everything so very cheap because we had so much stuff, the items didn't really get sold at the price they would have been worth. We want to ask that you bring these extra items to the Gospel Echoes Thrift Store, located at 320-D Cargill Road in Winkler, Morden or Plum Coulee Thrift Store or to your local M.C.C. Store.

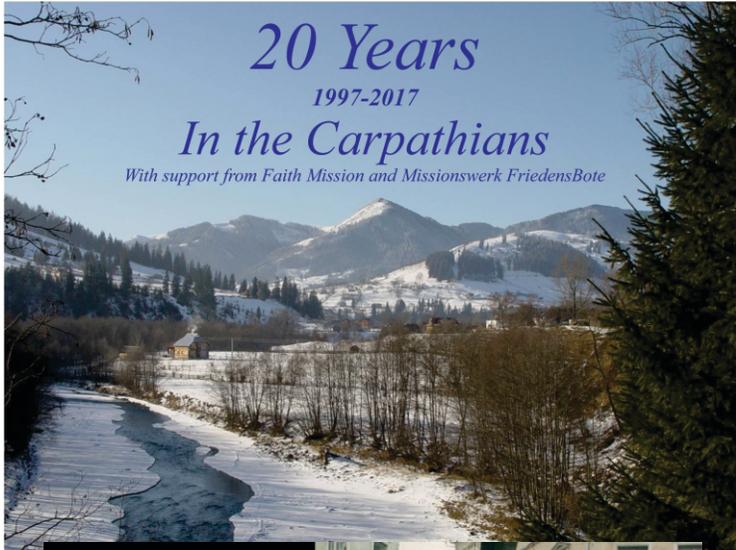
We also ship many bicycles, we want to encourage people to bring us bikes that are in reasonably good working order. If there is so much to "fix" on the bikes you bring us, it makes it very difficult for our "bike mechanic" to keep up with his workload. Plus, bicycle parts are very expensive these days.



Church Construction...

The first church building – in the village of Staische

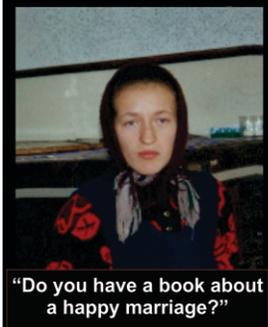
....the first Baptism Service in the Carpathians



**20 Years
1997-2017
In the Carpathians**

With support from Faith Mission and Missionswerk FriedensBote

**Christian Street Library 1990-1999
The results.....**



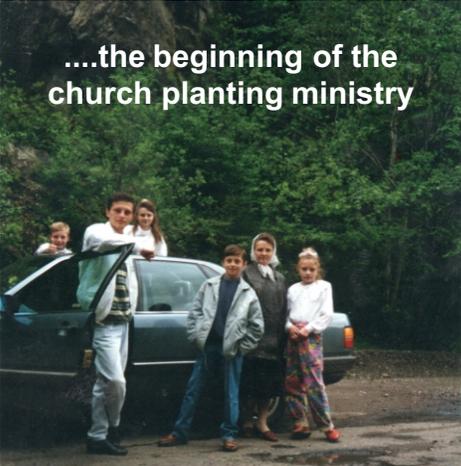
"Do you have a book about a happy marriage?"



**Christmas in Action:
„Christmas Gifts for EVERY child“**



One of the first Evangelistic trips with the whole family into the Carpathians (1997)



...the beginning of the church planting ministry

God has blessed! Thousands of people have been impacted in the Carpathian region of the Ukraine as a result of a young lady stopping by Peter's Christian street library in Chernivtsi Ukraine back in 1997. The region was celebrating the 20th anniversary of the Carpathian Evangelistic Ministry on the weekend of May 28th. Peter Nastasiychuk recently sent me an excellent PowerPoint presentation but I can only print a few of the slides which were included. It has been an honour for us that Faith Mission has been able to be a part of this awesome ministry! If you would like to see and hear this entire presentation, please call the Faith Mission office so we can come to your church or school to share this great story. Please pray for the Carpathian Ministry. ❁❁❁

Faith Mission Board plans A Trip to Ukraine

Since the Ukraine - Russia war began in early 2014, Faith Mission has been stalling with their next mission trip, waiting for the war to come to a peaceful end. Well, the war has not yet ended, but we feel that the Lord is opening doors for us to make the trip. Our friends at Missionwerk FriedensBote in Germany and many of our Christian friends in Ukraine, have encouraged us to take this trip. Jake Fehr from Arborg, John Peters, from south of Winkler and (myself) Jake Elias from Winkler are planning a mission trip to Ukraine. Two men from Missionswerk FriedensBote will be joining us for the 2 week trek through Ukraine. We will be leaving June 27th and arriving in Ukraine on the 28th. The trip will consist of touring around a large part of Ukraine in the mini-van that we did fundraising for in our last Newsletter. *(Thank-you to everyone who designated their donation towards this very special cause)* We plan to visit many of the areas where Faith Mission humanitarian aid has been sent over the past 20 plus years. We also hope to visit several Children's Camps and Orphanages. On our way back we plan to spend a day and a half with our friends from Missionswerk FriedensBote in Meinerzhagen, Germany.

Apparently, our friends in Ukraine have not scheduled much rest and relaxation for us into this trip, so please remember to pray for us! We all know that only God can provide the peace and protection that we need to make this trip. ❁❁❁



Office Hours



Tuesday 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Clothing sorting & baling:

Thursday 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. & 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
Bags or boxes of clothing may be dropped off at the "DROP-OFF" door on the west side of the Faith Mission warehouse building. This drop-off room is opened 24 hours a day and is emptied on a regular basis. However, if you have more than a few bags or boxes, please call ahead to arrange your delivery.

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE CLOTHING DONATIONS OUTSIDE!

Volunteers Welcome!

If your Youth Group, Bible Study group, or Ladies' Sewing Circle would like to volunteer for an afternoon or evening (Monday-Saturday), please contact the office to make arrangements.

Faith Mission (FriedensBote) Inc. solicits your gifts for the purpose identified in this appeal. However, if the project for which the gifts are received has been fully funded or cannot be completed for reasons beyond the control of the charity, the board reserves the right to use such funds for other similar projects.

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- to provide humanitarian and spiritual aid to the people of former Communist communities of the world.
- to call others to pray for the suffering people in the world.
- to provide information about the people of the former Communist communities to fellow Christians in North America.

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