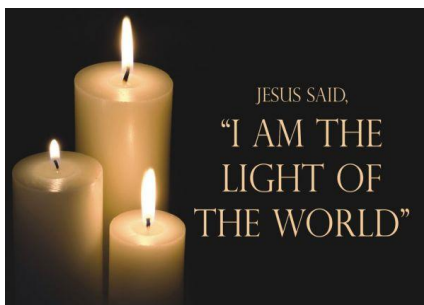




## Soul Winning With The Sealy's Newsletter

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**Matthew 1:23** *Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.*



**Matthew 1:21** *And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.*

### The Christmas Story

How sad to see Christmas merchandise being promoted before Remembrance Day is over. Shame on you merchants. Why can't we wait until after Remembrance Day to start with our commercialisation of Christmas.

Perhaps, the following quote will put it into perspective. "We now define ourselves by what we buy. What formerly met a basic need has become an identity, the lens through which we now see the world. We, the people, exist to form a more perfect, tailor made life. Food becomes a means of comfort. Clothing becomes a status symbol. Shelter becomes a place of entertainment. Yet we are still miserable." Ted Engstrom

The world was a miserable scene two thousand years ago. The world had turned its back on God. From the Garden of Eden, sin ran rampant and the devil roared. The mess remained unchanged until a young virgin named Mary gave birth to a special baby. He would be called Emmanuel or God with us. Jesus was God in human flesh. He did not begin at the manger he always was and always will be. "Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am."

"First, the God of Abraham is the only Deity in existence. He is not one of many; there is one God and no other. The Bible denies the validity of any religion or philosophy that does not acknowledge God, as described in its pages, as the sole object of worship. Any god whose description differs from that of the Bible is a fiction and, therefore, does not exist." Chuck Swindoll

Jesus Christ, God in human form, was born of a virgin in order to escape sins pollution, which passed upon all mankind through the sin of Adam and Eve. "For the wages of sin is death..." (Romans 6:23). He did not have to die. He died my death and suffered in my place for my sins. He rose from the dead to prove God had accepted his payment for sin. In doing so, he purchased a gift for me. "...But the gift of God is eternal life..." When I in simple faith receive that gift my soul is saved. Have I received that gift? The Christmas story is bound up in that old familiar verse which even children know. "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)

Someone has well said, "It is the greatest story never told." Christmas provides a wonderful opportunity to tell the story. After all, that is what Christmas is all about. It is the story of the birth of the Savior of the world. Let's celebrate His birthday and not all the commercialism. Why not think about what we can give and not what we can get.

A song on our 'New Tracks' Cd is called "Tell Me The Christmas Story." Here is the chorus:

***Could you read all about Mary  
and her faith just to believe  
How God's Spirit came upon her  
the Christ child to conceive  
Could you tell me how those shepherds  
came and washed themselves from sin  
Read me the Christmas story once again.***



**Theresa and Lisa**

My wife and I spent many Christmases without Christ. Our life was filled with materialism. Lisa, pictured here with my wife, was our babysitter. She asked if she could take our kids to Sunday School. We reluctantly agreed. Our kids returned asking us many questions about the Christmas Story. Much to our shame, we could not answer their questions. An investigation of that church resulted in us coming to Jesus Christ and our lives were changed forever.

Thanks Barry and Linda Beebe for starting the Amherst Open Bible Church and thank you Lisa for inviting us to come. We heard the Christmas Story and were wonderfully saved.

Lisa and her husband own the Masstown Market in Debert, NS. Pay them a visit.



**Triumphant Theresa**

## **The Big "C"**

A rare cancerous tumor was detected in Theresa's stomach. We saw surgeons and cancer teams as thousands of people prayed. As we write this article there is no cancer. It appears that God has healed her. We are still waiting the results of an MRI. Praise the Lord!



# Reflections From The Road



Salem Baptist Church, Sackville, NB



Little South West Missions Conference



Bucks Harbour Missions Conference



Our life though a windshield



Hampton, NB for Community Outreach



Ed with the Martels in Antigonish, NS



Outdoor Concert Madawaska, ME area



Port Greville, NS



Nemaska Bible Camp, Quebec



Eastport, ME with the Mumfords



First internet income from music downloads



Reunion with singer Rose Misner at Light Spot



Guiding Light in Shag Harbour, NS



Mattawamkeag, ME



Shipping CD's

## **What has Furtherance Ministries meant to Me?**

### **From a Family Member**

*"He (Ed) is always out there helping people in need, but very seldom thinks of his own needs. He goes the extra mile to win souls to the Lord as he drives long hours to speak in churches, prisons, seniors' homes and where ever he is called and yet maintains a sense of humour. I am not only blessed to call him my brother in Christ, but he is my brother. Love you so much. Your baby sister Ann*

### **From The Cree Nation**

*The Cree Nation in Northern, Quebec will be forever grateful to Furtherance Ministries. Ed and Theresa Sealy have been sharing the good news of Christ for the past 20 years and the Cree nation will be forever grateful. God has and continues to empower Furtherance Ministries and the Cree Nation is one of the many groups of people who are the benefactors of this powerful ministry. David Cheechoo, Member of the Cree Nation*

### **From a Pastor**

*I am a young pastor who, before October 16, 2015, did not really know Ed Sealy. Since he ministered at our church, there has been a fire in my heart for the lost that was not there before. I am so thankful for Ed's ministry to our people and my need, as well. Pastor Ken Baratta of Hilltop Baptist Church*

### **From a Church Member**

*I just wanted to say how much I appreciate Pastor Sealy and Theresa for their dedication to Christ and seeing the lost come to Christ. The passion and time they put into other lives is an inspiration to all of us and I am so thankful to God that he has allowed us at Maine Coast Baptist Church to know them and to have been blessed by having them visit our church over the years. Cindy Webber, MCBC Missions Committee.*

***Thanks for all the encouraging letters. More to be shared in our next Newsletter.***

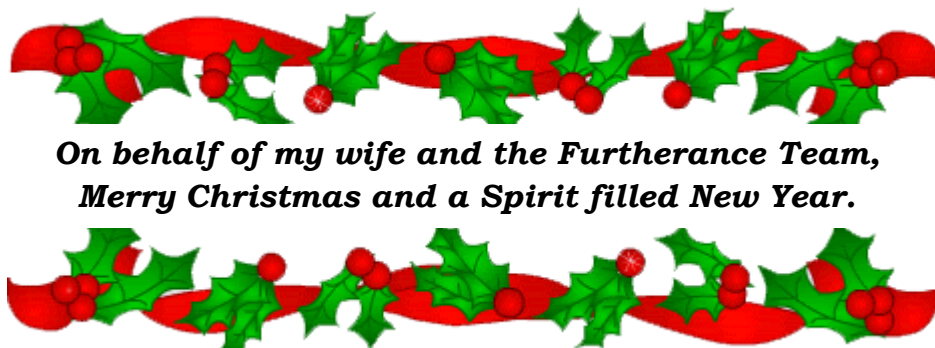
## **You might be asking how can I help?**

1. Some Churches take up a onetime offering for Furtherance Ministries.
2. Some Churches have sent any surplus they have in their mission's fund at the end of the year.
3. Many individuals have become monthly supporters. We have lost some supporters who have been promoted to glory, and we warmly welcome anyone who would like to invest in reaching the lost.
4. Some people send a onetime gift.

We have seen a number of people trust Christ lately for which we praise the Lord.

**Donations:** Gifts to Furtherance Ministries can be made through Paypal (info on website) or by sending a cheque or money order to:

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Keeping on keeping on for Christ, **Ed and Theresa Sealy**

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