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This photo was taken at the Ladies Night Celebration at Church of the Northern Apostles. This is a Christmas tradition of many years standing. Women are invited to come and take an evening away from the "busy"ness of Christmas and focus on the true meaning of the season. It is a time of sharing stories, music, snacks and fellowship.

Photo and text by Jan Tulloch



Day 1 & 16

Parish of Whitehorse: Christ Church Cathedral.

The Ven. Dr. Sean Murphy; The Rev. David Pritchard & family; Rev. Martin Carroll, Ruth Carroll & family; Licensed Lay Ministers: Gaya Tiedeman, Beverley Whitehouse.

Day 2 & 17

Fort Nelson: St. Mary Magdalene. Toad River, Alaska Highway, mile 150-506

The Rev. Dn. Don & Lana Thompson and family; Licensed Lay Ministers: Glen Gough, Jeanie Arva and Mark Tudor

Day 3 & 18

Watson Lake: St. John the Baptist

Lower Post, Swift River. Telegraph Creek: St. Aidan. Dease Lake; Glenora.

Rob Langmaid (Evangelist) & Monica Langmaid; Licensed Lay Minister: Tim Liverton

Day 4 & 19

Carcross, Tagish, Johnson's Crossing St. Saviour's.

The Rev. David Pritchard and family Teslin: St. Philips

The Rev. Dn. Sarah Usher and the Ministry Team

Day 5 & 20

Communities of: Carmacks & Keno.

Day 6 & 21

Atlin: St. Martin.

The Rev. Dn. Vera Kirkwood & family. Licensed Lay Minister: Dorothy Odian.

Day 7 & 22

Communities of Faro and Ross River

Day 8 & 23

Haines Junction: St. Christopher's. Beaver Creek: St. Columba. Alaska Highway: mile 918-1202

Lynn de Brabandere and the Ministry Team

Day 9 & 24

Parish of Whitehorse:

Church of the Northern Apostles.

The Rt. Rev. Larry Robertson, Sheila Robertson, The Most Rev. Terry Buckle, Blanche Buckle, The Rev. Dn. Sarah Usher, Len Usher & family

Day 10 and 25

Mayo: St. Mary with St. Mark. Pelly Crossing: St. James the Lord's Brother.

The Rev. Stephen Martin and the Lay Ministry Team; Licensed Lay Minister: Betty Joe.

Day 11 & 26

Dawson City: St. Paul's. Moosehide: St. Barnabas; The Klondike Creeks; The Dempster Hwy. The Rev. Laurie Munro, The Rev. Dn. Percy Henry. The Ven. Ken Snider (Honorary Assistant) and Aldene Snider. Licensed Lay Ministers: Mabel Henry; Shirley Pennell, Betty Davidson.

Day 12 & 27

Old Crow: St. Luke's.

The Rev. Laurie Munro. The Rev. Dn. Marion Schafer, Esau Schafer & family. and Lay Ministry Team

Day 13 & 28

The Rev. Dn. Sarah Usher: Diocesan Administrative Officer; Members of the Diocesan Executive Committee; Diocesan Prayer Partner: Diocese of Fredericton.

Day 14 & 29

Patti Tetlichi, Yukon Apostolate: Bishop's School of Yukon Ministries.

PWRDF Diocesan Representative: Betty

Diocesan ACW President: Evelyn McDonald and all ACW members.

Day 15 & 30

Those retired from Missionary Service:

The Rev. Dorothy Thorpe.

The Rev. Bruce Aylard & Audrey Aylard.

The Rev. Don Sax & The Rev. Dn. Lee Sax.

The Ven. Ken and Aldene Snider.

The Rev. Geoffrey & Rosalind Dixon.

The Rev. Canon David & Alice Kalles.

The Ven. John & The Rev. Dn. Carol Tyrrell.

The Rev. Fred & Marcia Carson.

The Very Rev. Peter & Barbara Williams.

Marion Carroll.

The Rev. Mary & Lino Battaja.

The Most Rev. Terry and Blanche Buckle

Day 31 and daily:

The Rt. Rev. Larry Robertson, Sheila Robertson & family.

Our Bishop Writes ...



Signs of Life and Resurrection.

"Come close to God and He will come close to you." James 4:8

I greet you in the name of the Lord and in His Resurrection. As I look around me in the Yukon I realize how early Easter is this year. The fast melting snow in the mountains, green appearing all around me is just not the case yet; although the sun shining longer and longer each day is certainly there. I am only now hearing the voices of people looking to get their RVs, tents and other camping equipment ready for their first major outing of the year. The signs of new life after a winter of waiting (however mild) remind us that He who died for us has come alive and is giving new life to all who draw close to Him.

As I look around the Diocese I see signs of new life and life that is growing and taking on new directions. Let me share with you some of these signs. In Watson Lake, Capt. Langmaid, who recently finished his Master's Degree, is very involved with the youth of the community. The newly formed Ecumenical Church youth group continues to grow and Capt. Langmaid is coaching the wrestling team at the school.

Rev. Steve Martin, in Mayo, is looking at a request from Keno to start a worship service. They are looking at having something in the summer to try things out. Keno once had an active ministry and it is great to see signs of life there again.

Rev. Laurie Munro and the worship team in Old Crow are working hard as they seek a solution to worship space as the current church building has been shut down. It is good to see the concern of the whole community as they tackle this problem.

In Haines Junction, as more and more children come to church, they are looking at a unique sermon time twice a month where the worship space is divided into two and the Adults discuss the Gospel while the children gather to learn of God through crafts and object lessons and stories.

These are just some of the signs of new life, signs of the work of the risen Lord in our midst. He is risen indeed and as we draw close to Him. He will draw close to us and we will continue to witness new life in us and in our communities.

> Blessings in Christ, Bishop Larry

A Report from My Ministry

The ministry Bishop Larry Robertson designated as First Nation's to the community of Whitehorse is evolving rather quickly. When the First Nations service started I gave Bishop Larry a time line of two years to begin a regular Sunday service. We started the year as functioning with the Cathedral holding a monthly service as part of the Cathedral's regular Sunday morning service. As time progressed Bishop Larry asked Sean to focus on the Cathedral ministry; the Bishop then created a First Nation's Service in a weekly Sunday format that begins on February 12th out of the regular time slot – ours beginning at 3 PM every Sunday.

This is the proposed schedule of services for the new"Sunday Afternoon Service:"

First Sunday: Prayer and Praise
Second Sunday: Communion Service
Third Sunday: Prayer and Praise - Baptism/
Confirmation when requested [when Bishop
Larry Available]

Fourth Sunday Healing Service with prayer and praise.

[Fifth Sunday] Teaching Video night We shall also have a monthly outreach meal for the community. Also included will be Sunday School as I bring with me the other part of my family team Ruth. Also joining us will be Lay Minister Sheila Robertson; Musicians: Alf and Eileen, Bruno, and Dennis.

We have a regular First Nations Bible Study in the home of Martha Snowshoe. Here we follow the Sunday Lectionary and have discussions about our lives and current events.

I get called to the hospital at least once a week to visit a patient and continue visiting as long as the patient is in the hospital. Often I get calls as a medivac plane is in the air with a patient coming to Whitehorse.

As the Lord leads during the year I advanced the ministry by participating in the following events.

Vice Chair of the Crime Prevention and Victim Services Board that meets two or three times per year. I was appointed to this board by invitation of the Minister of Justice because of my long time interest in justice issues having once serviced as: Chaplain at WCC; Executive Director for a community based alternative justice initiative; as Justice of the Peace and a Coroner; and a RCMP detachment jail guard.

Last summer I volunteered every day at the Adaka Cultural Festival. A nine day festival in early July for First Nations Artists and Musicians. These events provides much opportunity to meet people from many communities.

Truth and Reconciliation Commission: I attended the full sessions of the commission and listened to the stories of people who attended the residential schools of the past. Hearing first hand information helps one understand the situation a little better.

Native Language Center at Yukon College: Many of us attended the Gwich'in literacy session for three days in November. Both Bishop Larry and I were among those who participated and learned some interesting things about the translations of scripture and Anglican liturgy into the Gwich'in language. I also dropped into the Tlingit and Hän sessions to get acquainted with other people in their sessions. I met many who attend Anglican Churches in their communities.

In August we travelled to Alaska which included a trip to Fairbanks. On Sunday morning we worshiped at St. Matthew's. The Rector invited me to participate in the consecration at the communion At fellowship time we met the Rector Scott Fisher, Joanne McDonald and other friends who once lived Yukon. I have a vision of having an exchange with him to share our work with First Nations People.

I eat and volunteer at the Salvation Army Soup Kitchen as often as I am free during the lunch hour slot. This gives me opportunity to interact with those eating and the staff who serve. I attend as often I have opportunity and engage people in conversation and pray for those wanting some spiritual help. Some call me Padre.

And of course we held our First Nations Annual Christmas Dinner that was overwhelmingly attended. The feedback was positive. People enjoy getting together.

Pastor Joel Nettleton was invited by the program coordinator to submit a proposal for Christian Services at the Whitehorse Correction Service. The coordinator indicated that the ministry provided was inadequate and wanted to improve the delivery of Christian services to the institution. Pastor Joel invited me to join this initiative because he was Pastoral Supervisor when I was Chaplain at WCC. To this end we eventually engaged a consultant who volunteered to act on our behalf to connect us to the Department of Justice as we negotiated with the bureaucracy. These discussions have been on going since May 2011. Did you know that Yukon is the only major jurisdiction not to have chaplains in its major institutions: college, jail and hospital?

This was my past year's work.

Blessings and regards in the name of our Lord Iesus Christ

Rev. Martin Carroll

A Letter from Haiti

Dear Friends.

We would first like to thank you to everyone at Northern Apostles. It is a great feeling to know that there are people who are thinking about us, praying for us, and giving us such support.

Alysha and I have been in Haiti for just over a month. As this is our return visit to the small fishing village of Bord de Mer, we have felt the warm embrace of the familiar community here. It seems like everywhere we go, people know our names and want to talk to us. When we want to break from work, we usually walk through the village and end up sitting with people in front of their homes, often eating popcorn, fried bread, or sugar cane.

We have been very busy with new and continuing projects here. Our mission statement has always been to build the capacity of the staff and to focus on projects that have the largest positive impact on health.

To this end, Alysha is working with local medical staff to strengthen and expand their programs. For instance, they currently run an outreach prenatal program, where the nurse and a community health worker hit the road to meet pregnant women in their communities. In these clinics the staff monitor the women and babies' health, give safe birthing kits, and promote safe and healthy deliveries. Alysha is helping to build upon this outreach clinic by developing a postpartum program. The postpartum care will follow-up with mothers soon after their births, make sure that the woman and child are healthy, provide health education, and invite families to stay connected with our clinic in Bod der Mer.

Alysha is also helping improve systems for tracking statistics, medical forms, and reporting – tasks that improve the efficiency of the clinic, but not things the staff can necessarily have the time or resources to develop. She has also been assisting in writing grants, leading visiting medical teams, networking with other clinics, and occasionally sees patients herself.

That is something that we have really noticed and appreciated since our last visit – the staff here are so self sufficient that when people like Alysha or other medical professionals come down, they do not need to be in the clinic because it already runs so smoothly. Instead they can take time to asses, train, and strengthen the staff to provide even greater care.

A recent project grant has been keeping me busy.

Clural Canado Para Dio Pana Di

Our organization has recently received funds to build a new clinic, renovate our old clinic, and construct and renovate a series of wells and latrines. I have been assisting these large projects by meeting with architects, engineers, and contractors, helping with drawings, conducting needs assessments, reporting, and of course, taking lots of photos.

Most recently Alysha and I helped conduct a survey that asked questions regarding hygiene and sanitation a.k.a toilets and water. It was both very enlightening and concerning. However, with the findings from this survey, and the communities on-going input, Haiti Village Health is hoping to help the villagers improve their access to clean water and latrines.

Thank you so much for your contributions to Haiti Village Health. We can attest to the fact that the funds are being used well, and are making a huge impact on people's health and wellness. We feel very fortunate to be involved in such great work. We also feel blessed to be counted as part of your community, even though we are so far away. Grace a Dieu, or "Thanks to God" as people say around here.

Sincerely,

Edward Westerhuis with Alysha McFadden

P.S. If you would like to write to us, electronic mail is best as there is no post mail here. You can write to eawesterhuis@gmail.com or alysha.mcfadden@gmail.com to reach us. You can also follow my photography at www.flickr.com/photos/eawesterhuis/, my news blog on my personal website at www.edwardwesterhuis.com, and our organization's news blog at www.haitivillagehealth.ca.

Edward Westerhuis Bod de Mer, Dept. Nord, Haiti

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Alice Grene Kaller



September 19, 1938 - November 24, 2011

Lo. I am with you always

Alice was born in the small town of Hoquiam, Washington. Her parents, grandparents, cousins were all Swedish. Her early memories revolve around the Runneburg Lodge. She went to High School in Hoquiam, Junior college in a community 4 miles away, and then to Western Washington State College in Bellingham, Washington. In all her schooling, she got very high academic scores.

In her senior year at Western her roommate introduced her to a young man with a beard wearing a yellow hat. That was Dave. They were married at the end of the school year a week after she graduated with a Bachelor of Education degree. She taught for two years while David finished his undergraduate degree. After he graduated they moved to Vancouver, BC where Dave went to Seminary on the UBC campus.

During Dave's 2nd year at UBC, he became aware of an opportunity to go to the Yukon. After Dave got his Theological Degree they flew to the Yukon on the DC 4 that was the standard plane to fly to Whitehorse. Dave, Alice (8 months pregnant), and Rebecca (1 1/2 years) landed in Whitehorse after a 13 hour trip. At every stop all passengers had to get off while the plane was refuelled. At Watson Lake they remember a pop machine. The pop cost twenty five cents, before this trip they had never paid more than ten cents for a bottle; these were in beer bottles and cost twenty five cents.

In April of 1965 they drove to Teslin, Alice immediately fell in love with the people and the community. While at the Teslin church, the people's question were not about Dave's capability or qualifications, but was, "Can your wife play the organ?" Alice played the organ at Church wherever she lived for the next 47 years. Her impact on the community of Teslin is still felt to this day with lifelong friends.

A month after moving to Teslin, Alice gave birth to Johanna. She was informed that because of her Diabetes, she would be unable to have any more children. So a year later, they adopted Nathan, a year later Aaron, and a year later Jeffrey. Their life was chaotic but full of love and life. Alice and the children would travel to Atlin, Ross River, Swift River, and Brooks Brook with Dave when he took Church services at these communities. She loved it. She also was a substitute teacher at the Teslin School.

In 1970, Dave was transferred to Watson Lake, so off the seven of them when to Watson. It didn't take very long for her to fit right into her new community. She particularly enjoyed the Lionesses and working in the thrift shop. The population at that time was about 675 people, and mining was the economic mainstay. Young people also were on the move, hitchhiking all across the country, and expecting to be fed at churches wherever they stopped. Alice fed approximately 800 meals per year to travelers during the early 1970s. Dave's salary at the time had been raised to \$4000 a year. She had curled quite a bit in Teslin and she continued to curl in Watson. At one small bonspiel Alice skipped a team with Archie Lang as her third. She and Dave went to many bonspiels during those years, and she picked up a pile of trophies, and quite a few awards for her patience and guidance of her skip.

In 1976 Dave and Alice asked the question to each other, "Where will we live when we leave the Yukon?" The answer they came up with was that they weren't going to leave the Yukon. They applied for Canadian Citizenship to become Canadian citizens. In 1973 Dave changed his occupation and started working as a carpenter, he moved his family from the Church house to a trailer on Swift Place. To help out with finances, Alice taught one year and raised 5 kids, while Dave worked as the Carpenter in Cantung, getting home on Saturday night and leaving Sunday night. He got the top hourly wage rate for journey men tradesmen of \$5.95 per hour.

The class Alice taught had grade one, repeater grade one, and grade three. She was located in an annex trailer at Johnson Elementary School. There are many of her students probably here in this room right now. After one year under those conditions, Alice resigned and never applied to teach again, although she did replace a few teachers who were out for medical reasons for a month or more.

Two summers were spent camping out in a tent while Dave worked at construction nearby. Alice and the kids always remember those summers as their top memories growing up. Dave grew tired of

driving to Whitehorse in his yellow pickup to get all his materials and eventually started a Building Supply store. Alice ran the office and did all the books. They worked 12-14 hour days for many years and enjoyed it, although under financial pressures quite often. The books were always near perfect. The business was successful and continued to grow and expand over the next 20 years. Alice wanted to stock house wares and Dave did not. So she just brought in the product and forgot to tell him. Alice wanted to sell plastic mouldings and Dave thought that plastic junk would never sell, so she just ordered a complete display and forgot to tell him. Naturally, in all these decisions, she was right. All her children worked in the store at various times and some grandchildren were raised in a crib at the store.

In 1997, they sold the store and 'retired'. Alice wanted a travel trailer, Dave didn't like trailers. While at a Richie Bros. Auction to look at some machinery, Alice bought an RV trailer. They decided to go visit son Jeffrey in Newfoundland. Dave had never driven a trailer, but they took off in April in a snow storm heading to Newfoundland. Alice loved everything. Dave grumbled when he had to park the trailer, but enjoyed the rest. They made it to Newfoundland and back and put on 25000 km.

Once home Dave started manufacturing lath, stakes, and core boxes to meet local needs, and Alice did the books. In 2007, they bought back the store when the new owners had decided to close it down. They didn't need a business at age 69, but felt that if it closed, the town would be hurt in many ways. Alice didn't do the bookkeeping but oversaw certain critical financial areas and payroll. She grumbled, but Dave thought it helped her health.

Over the last 30 years living with Level 1 diabetes, Alice developed complications related to other health problems but even with al her health concerns, Alice was always upbeat and maintained her faith.

Alice continued her activities with various community groups, being treasurer or a board member on the Library Board, Literacy board, curling, signpost Seniors and Church. Her quality of life was amazing and she was always willing to help. Last week she was at the Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting and was a main fixture in the silent auction bidding, she enjoyed herself fully.

She got tired quickly and started to be chilled easily. Last Thursday she checked on the Store books, cooked Dave lunch and supper. Late in the afternoon she turned on the TV, sat down to watch the Food Channel and fell asleep. That was how Dave found her, peacefully sleeping.

Wedding Bells



Congratulations, Rob and Monica Langmaid, from your Diocesan Family.

New Baby



Joshua Thomas Martin had his entry into the outside world at 8:31 am eastern time. He arrived via C section 10 days early and weighing in at 8 lb. 13 oz. Michelle is doing well and Joshua is fine.

Peace and Blessings from Rev. Steve Martin

March 5, 2012

Congratulations to the growing family from your Diocesan family."

A Report from Haines Junction

As I sit down to write this article for the Northern Lights Journal, I realize that it is now just six short months since I packed up our old "99 Tahoe to head off on a year's adventure to the Yukon.

I arrived in Whitehorse with my son Tim and our dog, Beau on September 7, 2011 to be greeted and welcomed by our most jovial Bishop Larry and his wonderful side kick, Sarah. We had been corresponding via emails and brief telephone conversations during the summer months prior to September and we were meeting face to face for the first time. For the most part of September I stayed at the log cabin bunk house with my son Tim, meeting daily for prayer and instruction with Bishop Larry and Sarah so as to prepare me for my journey ahead in Haines Junction.

The most difficult part of beginning my Yukon journey was saying goodbye to my home on the farm, my family, and my friends in our hometown of St. Marys. As I look back on my departure, I am blessed to be able to see it not so much as a departure but as a continuation of my earthly journey. Although some days I still really miss my life back in Ontario, God has enabled me to make room in my heart for all the new people and the new experiences that were waiting for me in my new home here in the Yukon.

While in Whitehorse, I was given the opportunity to share in Laurie's ordination at the cathedral, allowing me an opportunity to meet many new friends throughout the diocese. I will never forget the warm welcoming and the generous hearts of the parishioners from the cathedral as well as the parish of Northern Apostles. It was a time to learn, to share, and a time to be nurtured before the bishop sent me out on my own to St. Christopher's Parish in Haines Junction.

And lo and behold, in Haines Junction I was greeted by more welcoming and wonderful people, who continue to welcome and nurture me and also my husband, Rick. The parish of St. Christopher's may be small but I have also learned that it is truly mighty. Many in the community rallied together to make the old rectory into a home for us and with a little paint and a few minor repairs our house was soon ready to receive us. When visiting Haines Junction, please do drop by for a visit. All are welcome; just call me at 634-2360 and there is a good possibility that our guest room will be available.

It is with great excitement that I am anticipating my visit home to our family farm in Ontario during the month of August when I can catch up on all the news with family and friends but it is equally exciting to announce that I will be returning to the Yukon in September as I have recently accepted

Bishop Larry's invitation to extend my year of ministry into two. Blessings to all as we continue our Yukon ministry.

I write with a grateful heart,

Lynn De Brabandere





The De Brabandere family



St. Christopher's Anglican Church

A Report from St. Paul's, Dawson City

As usual, our interdenominational choir began practices right after Remembrance Day, getting ready for Christmas Eve. This effort attracts folks from all the churches, as well as folks who don't normally attend church at all.

Members of the choir also assemble for funerals when they can, in both St. Paul's and St. Mary's Catholic Church (when we are asked). January was a busy month for that kind of community service, with four funerals.



Shrove Tuesday & Preparations for Easter



Our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner was held on Feb. 21. The highlight of the meal was, once again, Aldene Snider's marvelous Sourdough pancakes. Each year we select a worthy cause for the proceeds from this dinner to go to. This year we sent \$357.00 to Burns Lake, British Columbia, where a fire had recently wiped out the lumber mill that was the towns' major industry.

Since then we have begun a weekly Lenten Bible Study on Ephesians, and gathered another choir group for Easter weekend.

A Report from Fort Nelson

Youth at St. Mary Magdalene

Yes, it is cliché to say children are the church's future, but we have to face the fact that this cliché has a great deal of truth. As the church faces challenges of finances, membership, demographics and even theology, it is easy to become negative and miss the good things God places before us.

Here in Fort Nelson, we are few in number and struggle with money just like the rest, but God has placed a small blessing in our midst in the form of children. There are not large numbers, but the children we have are insightful, fun and involved. St. Mary's youth are a mix of pre-teens, primary students and pre-school children. But their age has never stopped them from stepping up and doing what they can to serve God.

Over the past year we have started having regular youth led worship and have trained four of the older youth to be Acolytes (Servers). Their presence during worship has been a blessing for the entire congregation. Their ever smiling faces, their enthusiasm during each Children's Time and readiness to participate can humble even the most committed adults.

Youth led worship has been wonderfully received by the congregation. Hearing congregation members say, "Next week is the Youth Service...I will definitely be here!" tells me that the worship is powerful, and the praising of God is heartfelt. During these services the youth are responsible for everything from ringing the bell to officiating and doing the sermon. Hearing a child lead prayers or read scripture for the congregation brings us all to the realization of how simple talking to and about God can really be. Having them collect and present the gifts of money and elements at the altar makes Jesus' words ring loudly; "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." Hearing one of their sermons gives us an awareness that loving God and doing his will doesn't need to be complicated.

Our youth also serve at the altar as acolytes and their service is truly a ministry to all. They help out in the preparations for every service, lead the procession with the cross, and give assistance to whomever is officiating during communion. They perform this ministry with maturity and humbleness; and because of their presence two more youth are now preparing to perform this ministry as well. The best part is the youth acolytes will take on a large part of training their younger 'apprentices'. St. Mary's is so enriched by our youth, it makes the issues of money and membership numbers seem distant; and the support given by the whole

congregation will ensure the blessing received from our youth will continue.

Glen Gough









A Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

My wife Ruth and I travelled to the Yukon and the North West Territories about 17 years ago and enjoyed the journey very much. It was partly a trip to visit Haines Junction to see where the Rev. Stan Watson had ministered. We went to Church there.

Stan and I were fellow students in Emmanuel College in Saskatoon and were ordained Deacon together in the Cathedral Church of the Redeemer in Calgary by the Rt. Rev. George Calvert on Ascension Day 1957. We were closer than brothers and we loved his family too. We visited the site of his tragic death, with his Father from Scotland and the local District Agriculturalist.

We also visited the Cathedral and had our Communion there on a Sunday, visited Dawson City and dropped in at the Church on a Saturday. There we met the Rev. Ken Snider as he was preparing the church for a funeral in the afternoon. I was not wearing clerical garb but he kept looking at me as we talked and then said, "You must be Dick Hunt". I said, "yes, but how did you know?" He said he had followed me in Emmanuel and people often quoted me in the College. I was truly amazed.

We went on to Inuvik, stayed the night in our Motor Home at the Church at which the new Rector and his wife and family had just arrived from Tuktovaktuk and had great fellowship with them.

On the way home we stopped at Carcross where Joe and Ruth Ellis had ministered for some time. Joe was our Rector in Rural Alberta for five years. On the way home to Campbell River on Vancouver Island we visited Bruce and Audrey Aylard in Teslin. Audrey's sister, Rosemary Proctor, was our long time organist in Campbell River when I was there. Bishop Tom Greenwood was our interim Bishop in Cariboo Diocese. The Most Rev. Terry Buckle and Blanche Buckle are very favourite people in our life too, as are the Privett family whom we knew well in Saskatoon.

So many friends - so many great memories. I will mail a cheque tomorrow to help out at that end of the Church family. I have read the whole Northern Lights issue.

Sincerely, in Christ, Rev. Dick Hunt.+



CNA Youth Support Haiti

As of 2012, Church of the Northern Apostles has a new youth group! This small but dedicated group of young women is meeting once or twice a month and focusing on outreach. In February they held their first event, a parish soup lunch with all proceeds going towards Haiti Village Health.

Haiti Village Health is a not-for-profit organization whose mission is "to provide sustainable health care for the Bas Limbe region in Haiti by employing local medical and support staff and providing them with the training, tools and support to allow them to be self-sufficient by 2015".

The youth group learned about HVH through fellow parishioners, Edward Westerhuis and Alysha McFadden (see p. 5) who are volunteering with the organization in Haiti. With the support of the congregation the youth raised \$213 which is being matched by vestry and being forwarded to HVH along with the proceeds of the parish Shrove Tuesday pancake supper. We hope this is just the beginning of our relationship with Haiti Village Health. If you would like to know more about the organization you can check out their website at www.haitivillagehealth.ca.

CNA Epiphany Party



CNA Candlelight Vestry Courtesy of Yukon Electric ...



First Nations Prayer Services various instruments used to accompany hymns - followed by refreshments and fellowship in the

First Nations people from other communities very welcome to visit. officiated by Rev. Martin Carroll



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