

Bill & Judy Ball



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We have been fully captivated by the privilege of serving with SGA Canada! Meeting with committed believers willing to get on board with the task of becoming that 'bridge of hope' to the Slavic world is exciting. Our focus this fall has been to the east of our office location in Cambridge, Ontario. We will have had the opportunity to speak 70 times by Christmas.

CHANGES

In September we saw the leadership of our SGA-US office change with Dr. Bob Provost becoming President Emeritus and Michael Johnson assuming the presidency. We have a great working relationship with our partners. The SGA Canada board met and are implementing many new initiatives. Others are representing the ministry and doing some excellent presentations. Several new missionary pastors are being supported through our office.



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Luke 2:10,11

"I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

OPEN DOORS

More new invitations to represent the ministry of SGA have been coming our way this fall. One unique visit was to White Head Island Baptist Church in the Bay of Fundy. What a dedicated, giving group of believers!



Bill spoke at New Brunswick Bible Institute while down east. A growing student body gave a warm and revitalizing welcome.

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Have a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year!

OVERSEAS

This fall a couples' retreat was held in Sochi, Russia by Eric & Judy Watson for the pastors and wives from Volgograd, Russia. Shortly after, Francois Turcotte (SEMBEQ President) and two Quebec pastors, taught in Russia with incredible results.



A group is coming together for a construction team to Otradnoye, Russia in May 2018. We began the renovations of an old KGB building in 2011 and would like to see the project completed. While it is being used, and a family lives on site, its full potential is not being utilized.

Bill and one guest will travel to Russia from January 18 to February 6, 2018. This will involve visiting 12 missionary pastors whom we support, and participation in the Annual Youth Conference in Moscow.



*Pastor Vlad Treskin
(National Youth Director for Russia)*

HOME BASE

Sue Petten and Olive Coke continue to serve faithfully in our office. We are grateful for their commitment and dedication. They have worked through the establishment of an entirely new data base system. In the long term it will save us time, energy and expense. We now function so much more efficiently.

SGA Canada
Wishes you a
Merry Christmas!



FAMILY

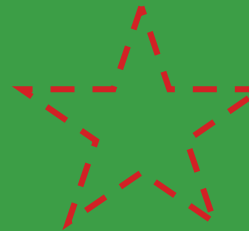
Kim and Dan have settled in to their home in Kitchener. They are both working full time and serving the Lord in every opportunity.

Chris, Karyn and the children will return to South Sudan with MAF in the New Year. The plan is for Judy to accompany them while Bill is in Russia.

We welcomed our 3rd grandchild, Katelyn Joy Ball, on Thursday, November 16th. We will enjoy this Christmas together before we find



ourselves separated by an ocean once again. Each of us consider it an honour to serve the Lord as we do.



Ball family at Thanksgiving