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Grow Hope Markdale Update



The Goudy Family at Markdale report "The soybeans were planted and are growing". We had a relatively dry spring and need rain. Please pray for rain!

About 15 acres are sponsored to date. We are half way there! There are 30 acres available for sponsorship. Cost to sponsor one acre is \$375. Any donation would be appreciated! Send donations to the national office ([3657 Ponytrail Dr. Mississauga ON L4X 1W5](tel:36573657)) designated "Grow Hope Markdale" and payable to the Church of the Nazarene Canada or call 1-888-808-7490 (credit card payments accepted).

(Above) Emilie Goudy sitting in the soybean field.

The Markdale Grow Hope Harvest celebration weekend is being planned and will be held August 24, 25, and 26. The events at the big tent kicks off August 24 with a church and community BBQ with hamburgers, corn on the cob and ice cream starting at 5:30 PM. Special speaker for the evening will be Henry Reinders who participated in a CFGFB food study tour to Malawi earlier this year. He visited the beneficiaries of two CFGFB food distributions and also farmers involved in conservation farming projects. All were CFGFB funded projects. That presentation starts at 7 PM.

On Saturday the supporting churches are invited to a BBQ supper at 5:30 PM. At 7PM there will be a concert of music and in the intermission, Elaine Bumstead will give an update on how the Grow Hope funds are spent.

On Sunday there will be 2 services - at 11 am and 7 pm with special music in both services. Rev. Ian Fitzpatrick, National Director of the Church of the Nazarene Canada, will be speaking.

Ice cream is supplied by Chapman's Ice Cream for the entire weekend! Come and enjoy the celebration with us! Mark it on your calendar today!

Seeds of Life Update



Scott Brooks reports a successful "field" day at his farm near Alberton Ontario held on June 2. About 60 people attended, representing the supporting churches including the Brantford Church of the Nazarene, the Salvation Army Canada, the United Church, Nazarene Compassionate Ministries, and others. The Hiller family from Brussels Ontario brought a large selection of special music which was enjoyed by all. Guest speaker Joanne Beach of the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church explained how CFGB funded projects supporting village savings and loans groups are empowering women to contribute financially to the family income and enable families to feed themselves, send their children to school, and pay for better housing and other necessities. David Epp, Ontario

CFGB coordinator, also brought greetings. Muffins and cold drinks were served by Nikki Brooks and were much appreciated.



(The Hiller family)

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(The barn and some of the field)

All of the acres in the Seeds of Life growing project are sponsored. Scott Brooks thanks all those who contributed to this growing project and we look forward to the harvest later this summer when the crop will be sold and the proceeds sent to Canadian Foodgrains Bank. The Canadian government matches donations 4:1 for most CFGB food assistance projects and hungry people are fed!

If you still wish to sponsor an acre in this growing season, please consider sponsoring an acre in the Grow Hope Markdale project (see article above). Sponsors are needed for the remaining 15 acres. Thank you from all of the hungry people who are fed because you gave!

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