



**AUGUST 19, 2016**

**JOYCE PARKER CALLED HOME**

It is with great sadness that we received the following message from Rev. David Parker:

*“Joyce went to be with the Lord at 1:30 AM today (Wednesday, August 17). She had suffered a brain aneurysm yesterday and never gained consciousness. Thank you for all your prayers and support.”*

Dave and Joyce were an important part of the Canada Atlantic District, pastoring in Trenton, Nova Scotia, and Dave served as the District Superintendent of Canada Atlantic District from 1995 to 2003. Please keep Dave, Karen, Kathy and their families in your prayers during this very difficult time.

Below is Joyce’s obituary. Dr. Clair MacMillan, (National Director, Church of the Nazarene Canada) will attend the funeral service tomorrow representing Canada Atlantic District.

**JOYCE M. PARKER**



Greece, NY: Wednesday, August 17, 2016 at age 72. Predeceased by her granddaughter, Lydia Tata. Survived by her devoted husband of 51 years, Reverend David Parker; her loving daughters and sons-in-law, Karen (John) Hoornweg and Kathy (Michael P.) Tata; grandchildren, Gregory Hoornweg and Lucas Tata; sister, Carol Foster; loving family and dear friends. Joyce’s greatest joy was always being by her husband’s side and her

infectious smile could brighten anyone's day. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her. Joyce's visitation will be held Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup> 2-4 & 6-8 at Calvary Community Church, 4045 East Henrietta Road. Her Funeral Service will be celebrated Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup> 11:00 AM at Calvary Community Church. Private Interment.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Calvary Community Church or Golisano Children's Hospital in her memory.

For more information and to sign her online guestbook, visit [www.meesonfamily.com](http://www.meesonfamily.com). See more at:

<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/democratandchronicle/obituary.aspx?pid=181101906#sthash.WVaBABkw.dpuf>



### **FEMALE CHAPLAINCY**

I rarely talk about how our faith is part of what we do at Open Door. I guess I assume faith might offend or turn people off from the heart of what we do as an organization but the fact remains that we are a Christian humanitarian organization.

As our logo tagline says, "Faith for Change." Simply put, Jesus's love changed us and we know His love can change anyone for the better if they want Him. He is the reason we do what we do, but we don't require anyone to share our faith to get our help. The door is always open, no strings attached. (No pun intended.) That is our story.

In the early days of my work in community ministry, I admit I was in awe of people who kept moving forward despite their hardships, despite their pain, despite their poverty. But more so, I was in awe of those who had simple faith. They just didn't have resilience; they had a relationship with my God.

I formed a deep respect that remains today because they taught me that faith is more than what you believe but rather it comes out in how you live your life. I found that for all my education, I was sorely lacking in that kind of faith. Then I understood how they got out of bed in the morning and still smiled.

This year, we have had the privilege of taking over the chaplaincy at the jail for the women. It would appear that our work has come full circle, as we are able to minister to not just the mind and the body, but now also the soul.

Many people come to chapel with little or no faith and yet they come, just as they are. God always shows up too! I know that as we move forward, a simple faith in the God of hope will make a life changing difference as each woman puts her feet on the floor each day.

Cheryl Millman  
Executive Director, Open Door Outreach

### **NAZARENE ESSENTIALS AVAILABLE IN 18 LANGUAGES**

***“Church of the Nazarene? Never heard of it. What kind of church are you? How are you different from other denominations?”***

Many Nazarenes know what it is like to be asked these questions by friends and acquaintances who are curious about what kind of church they belong to. People often want to know what Nazarenes believe and stand for. In order to help answer these questions, [\*Nazarene Essentials\*](#) was produced. *Nazarene Essentials*, which describes the DNA of our global church, is a new document explaining the basics of the Church of the Nazarene’s teaching, history, theology, mission, funding, and connections.

***“Nazarene Essentials is a resource available to all churches to help deepen our people’s understanding of who we are and what we believe,”*** said David Graves, Church of the Nazarene General Superintendent. ***“It is one of the most exciting resources that has been developed for the global church.”***

In the year since the Board of General Superintendents released *Nazarene Essentials*, translators on the Eurasia Region have been working rigorously to complete 18 translations of the publication. Although the denomination was first planted in India more than 100 years ago and spread across Europe, the Middle East, and South Asia over the past century, rapid growth in certain areas of the region over recent years means many members – laity and clergy – are new Christians and/or new to the denomination’s doctrines and beliefs, particularly about scriptural holiness.

Written in plain language, *Nazarene Essentials* is a timely document to help new generations of Nazarenes and new believers understand what the church believes and why.

The translations now available to Eurasian Nazarenes are:

- Completed, printed, and available on the [Wesleyan Holiness Digital Library](#)
  - Albanian
  - Croatian
  - French
  - Romanian
  - Russian
  - Spanish
  - Portuguese
  
- Completed and available digitally on the Wesleyan Holiness Digital Library (to be printed)
  - Armenian
  - Bulgarian
  
- Completed and soon to be on the Wesleyan Holiness Digital Library (to be printed)
  - Hindi
  - Marathi
  - Telugu
  - Kannada
  - Oriya
  - Tamil
  - Gujrathi
  - Punjabi

Italian is complete and in the editing process. The document was originally released as the March/April 2015 edition of the denomination's magazine *Holiness Today*. For questions about upcoming translations on the Eurasia Region, write to [office@eurasiaregion.org](mailto:office@eurasiaregion.org).

– [Church of the Nazarene Eurasia Region](#)

The above article appears courtesy of NCN News. For more global Nazarene news, please visit [www.ncnnews.com](http://www.ncnnews.com).

### **THE DYNAMIC TRIO**

The Dynamic Trio, the most recent publication of Dr. William Stewart, is now available!

At the most hopeless and discouraging time of her life, Allison meets a group of new friends who have started studying the three primary Christian qualities of hope, faith, and

love. As Allison begins to absorb the meaning, power, and truth of this “Dynamic Trio,” she is introduced to new ideas, principles, and purposes that will change her life. With the help of her new friends, she applies hope, faith, and love to her own situation and is transformed from a lost and defeated person into someone with purpose, meaning, and fulfillment.

As you join Allison in her journey, you may come to a fresh understanding of these three qualities and begin to enrich and renew your own spiritual journey.

You can purchase your copy of The Dynamic Trio from the National Office for \$20.00 (includes shipping charges).

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