

Pastor Craig's Itinerary...

Aug 27 TOR Taping at CJIL: The Miracle Channel

450 - 31 Street N, Lethbridge, AB

Taping begins at 1 pm. Come be a part of the live audience.

Aug 31 Southside Victory Church

6402 - 1A Street SW, Calgary, AB

Pastor Craig will be ministering during the 10 am service.

Please call 403-253-7777 for directions or more info.

Oct 4 TOR 10th Anniversary - OPEN HOUSE!

Southside Victory Church

6402 - 1A Street SW, Calgary, AB

We'd love to have you visit us! Come and join our celebration. Drop in anytime from 10 am til 4 pm.

Door prizes, finger foods, tours and more!

Please email us if you would like more specific

information at info@timesofrefreshing.ca.



Would you like to have Pastor Craig minister at your church or conference?

Pastor Craig is currently taking bookings for the fall. Please contact our office by phone or email and speak with Karen at info@timesofrefreshing.ca or at 1-8777-8777-87 ext. 2.

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More information...

If you would like more information on how you can save money on your telephone long distance while supporting Times of Refreshing at the same time, please contact our office.

Contact Us...

Remember that we continue to pray for each of you, our partners. We would love to know how you have been blessed, specifically through our ministry. Feel free to contact us through any of the information listed below. May God bless and refresh you today! We now have office hours! Contact Karen on Thursdays and Fridays by phone at 1-8777-8777-87 ext. 22



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Call your cable provider and ask for the Miracle Channel!

The Times of Refreshing

From Pastor Craig's Desk...

Dear Partners,

I hope this newsletter finds you well and enjoying your summer!

I have just returned from special prayer meetings in Japan that were amazing! A team of 24 of us from a number of nations went to pray over the G8 meetings that were happening there. Talk about open heaven!

But let me back up a bit. In 2002, a man came from England to share with the church of Canada a revelation God had given him on what he called "global gates".

The Lord had shown him that there are certain places of great influence in the world of man over which Satan has tried to gain control. He mentioned such things as the United Nations, the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund, and the G8 which stands for the "Group of Eight" or the eight most industrialized nations in the world.

Each of these institutions greatly influences the affairs of men because of the global power they wield in finances, industry, and even military power. What the Lord revealed to him was that if the church would pray for these organizations God would have much greater influence in the decisions they make. This prayer would also hinder the demonic realm that seeks to impose its own will on the minds and hearts of men. It's quite simple really, if you can influence the leaders you can influence the nations!

I have been able to be involved in the G8 prayer initiatives for several years. Each time our team has gone to pray for the meetings in the various nations where they are held, we have noticed a significant number of things happen.

We've seen the G8 leaders' agenda changed from an unbiblical one to one more in line with principles of godliness, we have seen the church in that nation has been strengthened, and we have noticed the riots and vandalism that so often accompany high level meetings were almost negligible!

We've done this for a number of years now and it always amazes me to see the results of concerted prayer. Japan was no different! We set up three days of prayer meetings with some Japanese pastors for whoever would come. They were expecting to have 30 people or so but 100 turned up for the first afternoon!

The Times of Refreshing is designed to keep our partners up to date on what is happening in our ministry, Times of Refreshing.

We are confident you will find this a valuable source of information providing regular contact from the show host, Craig Buroker, a sneak preview about what is next on the show, and our latest product available.

We feel that God is using our ministry to impact this nation both as an oasis of God's presence to its viewers and as a trumpet call to Canada's church.

It is important for our partners to stay informed, and that is why we've started The Times. If you would like to write to us, see our contact information on the back of the newsletter. We love to hear from our partners!

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You have to remember that the Church in Japan is less than 1%! It is one of the least evangelized nations in the world. And the strength of the anointing in the meetings was what we all dream of.

My job at these meetings was to lead the praise and worship. It was so much fun to start singing and have the Lord take over. We ended up singing spontaneous worship more than known songs. Prophetic prayers, songs and decrees all flowed out of the worship and the atmosphere for each service was electric!

The Japanese pastors said they have never experienced anything like that before! What a thrill to be part of such a blessing for them! We're believing God that the impartation for the church of Japan will continue to grow and increase there!

On the home front things have been a little more strenuous. As most of you who've been partners with us for a while will know, TOR has had three different administrators in the last 2 years and this has caused things to be more disjointed than I would have liked.

I think a lot of it has to do with Southside moving into the new building and moving into new things in the Spirit.

We recently had our books done in depth by a new accountant and he discovered things that have been missed and overlooked with these transitions.

Some of you may have received charitable donation receipts that were inaccurate or delays in receiving cd's or dvd's ordered. Karen has done a marvelous job of getting our systems caught up and synchronized and will continue to do so until things are streamlined and running smoothly.

Our finances have been down in the last few months and a number of bills are still outstanding so please stand with us in prayer that "God will supply all our need according to His riches in glory!"

Thank you for your partnership. I value every one of you. Believe with me for the hand of God to flow through this ministry!



Pastor Craig Buroker

Come Aside and Rest Awhile...

We have finished another year, and summer is upon us. As you enjoy the Canadian summer, remember how important it is to get some down time. Set aside a couple of weeks where nothing is demanded of you except time with family.

Remember how God rested. Genesis 2:2 says, "And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made."

Why did God rest? He didn't need one. (After all, he had had a previous eternity "off" and had only worked six days!) God rested because He changed His perspective in relating to creation from one of work to enjoyment.

And He rested as an example for us to follow. We all know there are immense physical and emotional benefits to rest, but aside from this, God instituted the Sabbath so we could change our perspective from one of working for God to one of enjoying His presence.

I challenge you to take time and rest in the Lord. God wants time to enjoy His children. Let's remember in our efforts to do His work that we also draw aside for fun and rest.



Verses of Rest...

Psalms 23:2 He makes me to lie down in pastures of tender grass; He leads me beside water of rest.

Exodus 23:12 Six days you shall do your work, and on the seventh day you shall rest, that your ox and your donkey may rest, and the son of your female servant and the stranger may be refreshed...

Exodus 33:14 And God said, "My presence will go with you and I will give you rest."

Psalms 16:9, 11 Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoices; my flesh also will rest in hope. You will show me the path of life; in your presence is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures evermore.

Psalms 37:7 Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him.

Psalms 116:5, 7 Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; Yes, our God is merciful. Return to your rest, O my soul, for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you.

Isaiah 32: 17, 18 The work of righteousness will be peace, and the effect of righteousness, quietness and assurance forever. My people will dwell in a peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places.

Matthew 11:28-30 "Come to Me all you who labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.

Mark 6:31 And He [Jesus] said to them [his disciples], "Come aside by yourselves to a deserted place and rest awhile."

Hebrews 4:3, 9-11 For we who have believed do enter that rest. There remains therefore a rest for the people of God. For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God did from His. Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest...

There is a season of rest. If you have been battling the enemy all year, here are some scriptures with God's promise of a time of rest for you...

Deuteronomy 12:10, 12 But when you cross over the Jordan and dwell in the land which the Lord your God is giving you to inherit, and He gives you rest from all your enemies round about, so that you dwell in safety... and you shall rejoice!

Joshua 21:44 The Lord gave them rest all around, according to all that He had sworn to their fathers. And not a man of all their enemies stood against them; the Lord delivered all their enemies into their hand.

1 Kings 5:4 [Solomon said,] "But now the Lord my God has given me rest on every side; there is neither adversary nor evil occurrence."

1 Kings 8:56 Blessed be the Lord, who has given rest to His people Israel, according to all that He promised. There has not failed one word of all His good promise, which He promised through His servant Moses.

And of course, this verse should be familiar...

Acts 3:19 Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord!

May this summer be a time of rest and refreshing for you!

10 Years of Refreshing! 1998 to 2008

"Welcome, everybody, to Times of Refreshing! We're glad you could join us on the broadcast today..."

In August 1998, Pastor Craig and a small group of people drove from Calgary to Lethbridge, Alberta, to tape the first episode of Times of Refreshing, in front of a twelve foot wide background set.

Over 400 episodes, 3 sets, and several host hairstyles later, Times of Refreshing is now ten years old!

Times of Refreshing has been used of God to impact this nation both as an oasis of God's presence to its viewers and as a trumpet call the Canada's church.

But none of this would have been possible without you, our faithful partners. As a way of showing thanks to all of you, we will be having an "Open House" Anniversary Party. We would love for as many of our partners as possible to come and share in our celebration.

See you soon!

We would be delighted if you would come join our celebration!

**Saturday, October 4, 2008
10 am to 4 pm**

Stop in any time during the day to meet fellow partners, visit with Pastor Craig and our Times of Refreshing committee, and let us bless you!

Finger foods, door prizes, tours and take home packages will be available. RSVP's are not necessary but appreciated.

Contact our office at 1-877-8777-87 ext. 22 for more details and directions. See you there!

How have you been refreshed by Times of Refreshing?

We're looking for testimonies. Please take a moment to email us explaining how you have been blessed by our ministry at info@timesofrefreshing.ca.

Thank you!

Featured Product...



A Time to Rest... Item 1044

In this single episode, Pastor Craig challenges us to take time to rest in the Lord. God wants to enjoy His children. Let's remember in our efforts to do His work that we also draw aside for fun and rest.

Partner Prices: \$10.80 DVD \$9.00 CD

God of Encounters... Item 1074

From Adam in Genesis to the Apostle John in the book of Revelations, the Bible is full with stories of people having encounters with God. In this series, Pastor Craig shares examples from Scripture and stories from his own ministry of encounters with His presence. God is still a God of encounters and He wants to reveal Himself supernaturally to you.

Partner Prices: \$28.80 DVD \$21.60 CD



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