

The Times of Refreshing

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From Pastor Craig's Desk...

Dear Partners,

May God richly bless you and those you love as you serve Him. Thank you for your continued partnership with TOR as we look forward to the exciting things God is opening up for his Church this year.

By the time you receive this letter, I will be ministering in our Indian Victory Churches near Delhi with three other pastors. Anne has been to India twice before on ministry trips but this will be my first time. Anyone I have ever talked to say there is no place like India in the entire world. With 1.1 billion people, it is the second most populous country on earth.

When our apostolic leader there asked me to come, I felt released to say yes for the first time, but only if I could bring a ministry team. I believe we are entering into a season now when God is going to use Canada to begin to bring healing to the nations.

I had three other senior pastors in mind when I responded to Dr. Jey in Delhi, and I believed that if this was the purpose of God, all three would say yes. To the amazement of two of their wives, they were all willing to go.

Together we are going to hold three prophetic conferences in three different venues, trusting that the Lord will make clear what He wants to do in each place. We are believing for the corporate anointing that works when gifts flow together in unity and for the prophetic to breathe life into every aspect of these churches.

It is wonderful to see what just happened in our federal elections. I believe the tide has begun to turn for the good for the sake of the nation. I felt the Lord showed me some years ago that the shaking of this nation would continue until the people of God rose up and began to stand for what is right no matter the cost.

Things are happening in our land that is evidence of the prayers and petitions of the saints, and if we will hold fast to what we believe, the Lord will turn the tide completely before all is said and done.

If ever there was a time to pray, it is now. The new government needs great wisdom and discernment to skillfully navigate the waters they have been placed in. Pray for Stephen Harper to have wise and godly counsellors at this time, and may those whom God has appointed rise into leadership in this country. Pray they operate in the wisdom and favour of Daniel.

Please pray for Anne and myself as we are in the middle of negotiations for a new building to house Southside Victory Church. This one is three times larger than our present facility, and we have prayed into this extensively, believing this expansion is the purpose of God for us at this time. All we need now is the money, so believe with us for the \$250,000 for renovations. Also make sure you come and visit us when you are in the Calgary area. Blessings,

Craig



Pastor Craig Buroker

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 at the end of the newsletter. We love to hear from our partners!

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Prayers For Our Nation...

These prayers can be prayed as you lift up our nation before God. A download of these prayers is available by visiting our website at <http://www.timesofrefreshing.ca/resources.cfm>.

For the Nation:

Almighty God who led our fathers into this land and set their feet in a large room: Give your grace, we pray, to us your children, that we may approve ourselves a people mindful of your favour and glad to do your will. Bless our land with honourable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from lawlessness and discord, pride and arrogance and fashion into one godly people the multitude brought hear out of many lands and tongues. Give to all the spirit of service, love and mutual forbearance. In prosperity make us thankful towards you, and in the day of trouble suffer not our trust in you to fail. So that, loving you above all things, we may fulfill your gracious purpose in this land; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

For National Unity:

O God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, the Prince of Peace, give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions. Take away all hatred and prejudices, and whatsoever else may hinder us from godly union and concord: that as there is but one Body and one Spirit and one hope of our calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all; so we may henceforth all be of one heart, and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify you, through Jesus Christ our Lord, amen.

For the Prime Minister of Canada and the Premiers of the Provinces:

Lord of all power and mercy, we pray you to assist with your favour the Prime Minister of this nation, and the Premiers of the Provinces. Cause them, we pray, to walk before you in truth and righteousness, and to fulfill their office to your glory and the public good; through Jesus Christ our Lord, amen.

For the Parliament of Canada and the Legislature of the Province:

Most gracious God, the author of all good things, we ask on behalf of the Parliament of Canada and the legislature of this province that you would be pleased

to direct and prosper all their counsels to the advancement of your glory, the good of your Church and the safety, honour and welfare of our people. All this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, our most blessed Lord and Saviour.

For the Armed Forces:

Lord of Hosts, stretch forth your mighty hand to strengthen and protect the forces of our nation in every peril of sea, land and air; shelter them in the day of battle and ever keep them safe from all evil; fill them with loyalty and courage and grant that in all things they may serve as seeing you, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, amen.

For Agriculture:

Almighty God, who blessed the earth that it should be fruitful and bring forth abundantly, whatsoever is needed for the life of man, we pray over the work of the farmers of this nation. Grant seasonable weather to them, and fruitfulness to their labours so that with joy and thanksgiving we can proclaim the richness and bounty of this land, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, amen.

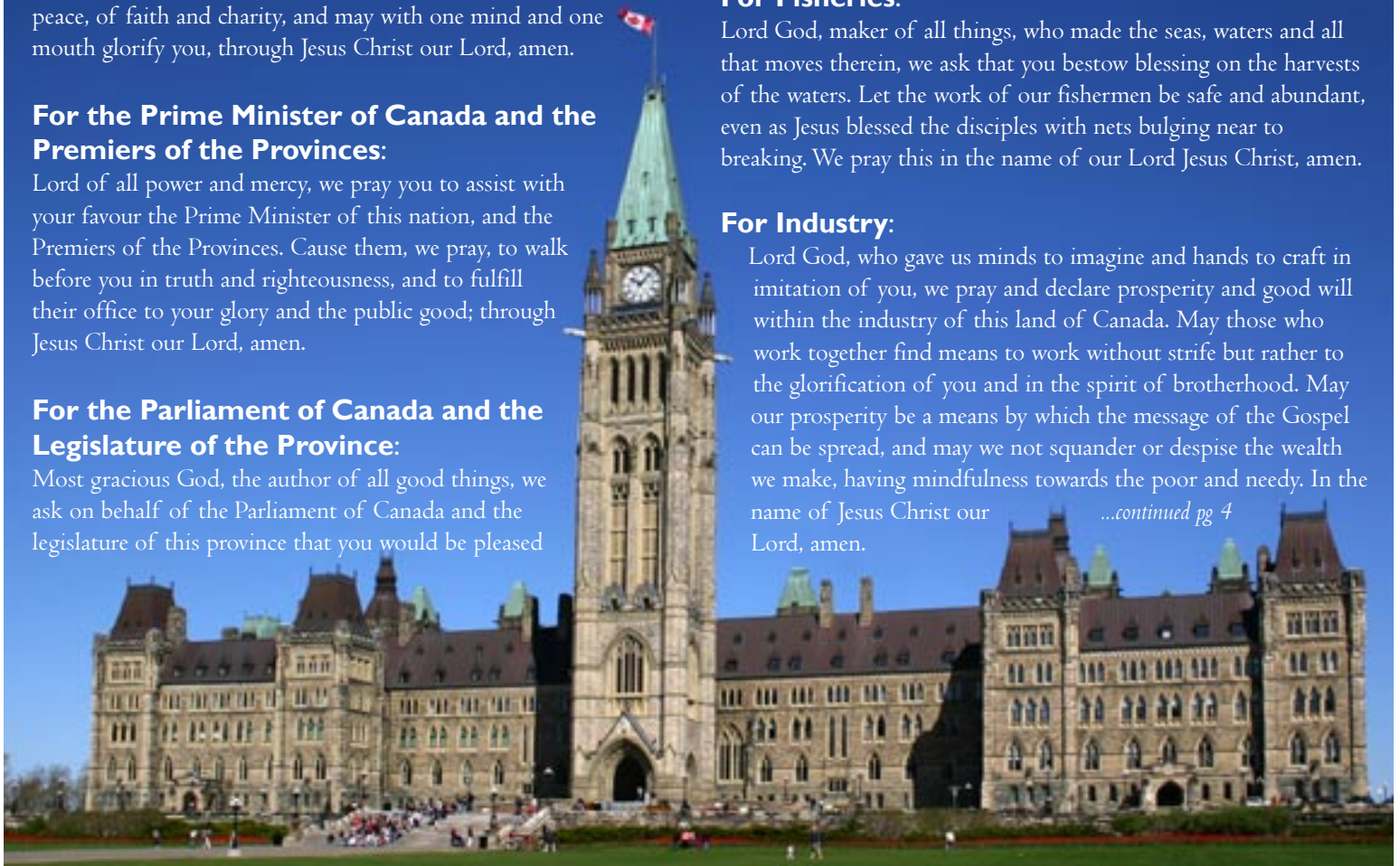
For Fisheries:

Lord God, maker of all things, who made the seas, waters and all that moves therein, we ask that you bestow blessing on the harvests of the waters. Let the work of our fishermen be safe and abundant, even as Jesus blessed the disciples with nets bulging near to breaking. We pray this in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, amen.

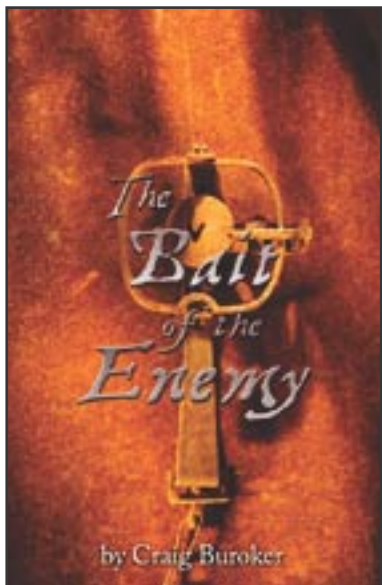
For Industry:

Lord God, who gave us minds to imagine and hands to craft in imitation of you, we pray and declare prosperity and good will within the industry of this land of Canada. May those who work together find means to work without strife but rather to the glorification of you and in the spirit of brotherhood. May our prosperity be a means by which the message of the Gospel can be spread, and may we not squander or despise the wealth we make, having mindfulness towards the poor and needy. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, amen.

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Sneak Preview... begins airing February 7



The Bait of the Enemy

Item#1036

When Christians hold a grudge or become offended, they give the enemy legal access to their lives. Instead of moving forward, the trap of offence stops their spiritual growth and prohibits God from answering prayer.

In this series, Pastor Craig shares how offences occur and how Christians can overcome Satan's snares to walk in freedom and love.

Titles in this series:

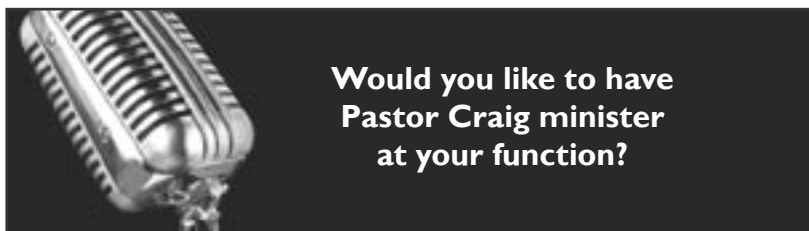
Satan's Trap
Offences Between Brethren
Paying the Devil His Due

How Offences Come
When Satan Offends

Partner Prices:

\$36 DVD/VHS
\$27 CD/Cassette

Call 1-8777-8777-87 ext. 2 and have your Visa or Mastercard ready! Please mention your partnership discount when you order. All prices are in Canadian Funds. \$5 shipping will be added for provinces Manitoba and westward. For provinces Ontario and eastward, as well as the territories, please add \$9 for shipping.



**Would you like to have
Pastor Craig minister
at your function?**

Please contact our office by phone or E-mail and speak with Colleen at info@timesofrefreshing.ca or at 1-8777-8777-87 ext. 2.

Pastor Craig's Itinerary...

Itinerary subject to change without notice. If you would like to receive updates on Pastor Craig's itinerary by E-mail, please contact us at info@timesofrefreshing.ca. For the most up-to-date itinerary information, please visit <http://www.timesofrefreshing.ca/itinerary.cfm>

Jan 30-Feb 14 India Missions trip, various venues
Contact Jey Jeyaseelan at +91-11-3094-5975 for more information.

Feb 19 Southside Victory Church
7500B Macleod Trail S
Calgary, AB
Service time: 10 a.m.
Please call 253-7777 for further information.

Feb 25-26 Fountain of Life Christian Church
89 Centre Ave.
North York, ON
Please call 416-250-9961 for further information.

March 1 Times of Refreshing Taping at the Miracle Channel
450 – 31 Street North, Lethbridge, AB
Come and see the show, the station, and be part of Pastor Craig's audience while he tapes the next series for Times of Refreshing.

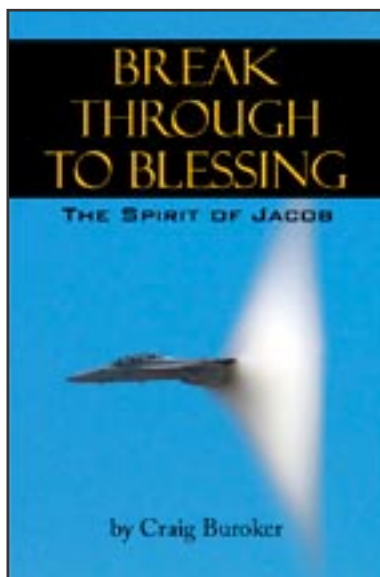
March 11-12 Victory Church on the Rock
#208, 10001-101 Ave.
Grande Prairie, AB
Please call 780-532-2350 for further information.

March 18-19 Airdrie Victory Church
Smith & 1st Avenue S.E.
Please call 403-948-8774 for further information.

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March 24-26 Grace Christian Centre
1 College Place
Elliot Lake, ON
Please call 805-848-1255 for further information.

Feature Product Offer...



Break Through to Blessing – The Spirit of Jacob

Item#1034

God is looking for a tenacious people who follow hard after Him. A Jacob Generation who won't let God go until He blesses them. In this six-part series, Pastor Craig teaches how to persist in pursuing God through prayer and standing on His Word until you see Him break through on your behalf.

Titles in this series:

The Spirit of Jacob
A Prevailing Generation
Breaking Faith's Barriers

God Needs More
Moving a Reluctant God?
Don't Take No For an Answer

Partner Prices:

\$43.20 DVD/VHS
\$32.40 CD/Cassette

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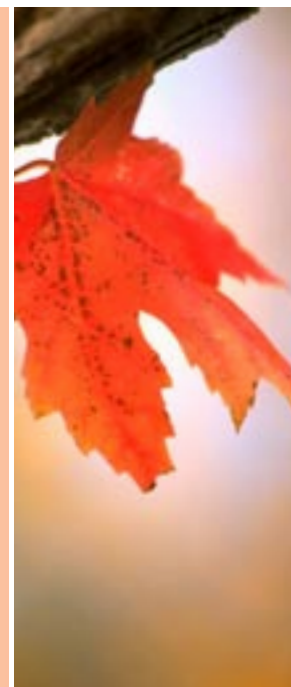
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Prayers For Our Nation ...continued

For Education: Grant, Lord God, all those who teach in our schools the spirit of wisdom and grace, that they might lead their pupils to reverence truth, desire goodness and rejoice in your creation, so that by some means all will come to know and worship you, Father in Heaven.

For Health: In the name of Jesus Christ, who healed the sick and through whose stripes we are all healed, we pray for a continuance of his good works among the people. May our hospitals and clinics be places which cheer, heal and sanctify the sick. Grant to physicians, surgeons, nurses and all caregivers the wisdom, skill, sympathy and patience to alleviate suffering. Lord God, we pray over the confusion of issues over health in this nation. May the differences and vanities of those in contention be laid to rest in favour of earnest desire to heal and assist the sick and wounded. We pray for wise decisions over this issue in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

For Foreign Relations: Lord God, maker of nations, King of Kings and Lord of Lords, we bow before you as our supreme and almighty ruler, and pray that in like spirit our nation will be able to bring blessing to other nations or if need be to withstand the evil of those who are steadfast in it. May we find inspired in our land wise judges who look to your wisdom and are not vain in their human understanding who will guide our nation among the nations, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.



Contact Us...

We receive many phone calls, emails, and letters from partners and viewers over the year asking for prayer. Our dedicated prayer team considers it an honour and a privilege to take these requests and intercede before the Lord. If you have any testimonies about how the Lord is answering your prayers, please let us know at Times of Refreshing. We would love to share these encouraging stories with our partners!



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