

Clergy Obituaries – 2008

REV. ULRIC GATHORNE (RICK) DAWSON

Rev. Ulric (Rick) Dawson was born in Central Bedeque, Prince Edward Island. He was a graduate of Yarmouth County Consolidated Memorial High School. He attended Acadia University, Dalhousie University and the University of New Brunswick receiving his Bachelor of Theology from Acadia University in 1966. Rick was ordained in 1966 and pastored at Arlington, Scott's Bay, Billtown, Lakeville, Woodville, Regal Road (Dartmouth), Cole Harbour, South Ohio and Cedar Lake United Baptist Churches in Nova Scotia and at Skyline Acres United Baptist Church in New Brunswick. He was active in the United Baptist Associations while serving in ministry.

Rev. Dawson passed away on January 7, 2008 at the age of 74. He is survived by his wife, Betty Lou; one daughter, Deborah; three sons, Steven, Paul and Jeffrey; four sisters; ten grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

REV. HALLETT MITCHELL FOSTER

Rev. Hallett Foster was born in Hampton, Nova Scotia in August, 1921. He graduated from UBBTS (now ABU) and was pastor of several churches which included Jeddore Baptist field, Margaree Valley, Deep Brook, Smith's Cove and Clementsport in Nova Scotia and the Lakeville field in New Brunswick. He was interim pastor at Chegoggin, Nova Scotia after retirement in 1985 and remained active in the Weymouth area churches in Nova Scotia until 2005.

Rev. Foster passed away on June 27, 2008 at the age of 86. He is survived by his wife, Georgia; two daughters, Annette and Sandra and their families.

REV. JULIAN GRACEN GREEN

Rev. Julian Green was born in 1913 in Grand Harbour, Grand Manan Island, New Brunswick. He was a faithful member of the United Baptist Church Clergy for over 30 years having served churches in North River, St. Martins, Oak Bay, Salisbury, Millville, Pennfield, Hoyt and Fredericton Junction, New Brunswick. He was a proud member of the War Amputations of Canada.

Rev. Green passed away on March 28, 2008 at the age of 95. He is survived by one daughter, Joan; two sons, Richard and Burton; half-brother, Steven; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

REV. RICHARD WILSON HORNER

Rev. Richard Horner was born in 1928 in Windsor, Ontario. After college and seminary training, he served almost fifty years as a pastor and teacher. During his ministry he served as a pastor of Baptist churches in New Brunswick, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Michigan, Ontario and Nova Scotia. In addition he served on the faculty of Baptist Bible College, Clarks Summit, PA; Bob Jones

University, Greenville, SC; Detroit Baptist Theological Seminary, Allen Park, MI and London Baptist Bible College, London, Ontario.

Rev. Horner passed away on May 18, 2008 at the age of 80. He is survived by his wife, Marjorie; two daughters, Deborah and Esther; two sons, David and Philip; 18 grandchildren and two sisters, Ruth and Janet.

REV. HAROLD IVANY

Rev. Harold Ivany was born in October, 1912. During his ministry he served as a pastor in Baptist churches affiliated with the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches.

Rev. Ivany passed away on May 5, 2008 at the age of 95. He is survived by two daughters, Olga and Cynthia; one grandson, Scott; one granddaughter, Donna and five great-grandchildren.

REV. BRIAN R. LONG

Rev. Brian Long was born in December, 1953. He was a graduate of Brock University and later received a Masters of Divinity from Acadia and was ordained in May of 1979. He faithfully served his Lord as Pastor for 32 years. This included student pastorates in the Aylesford/Morristown and Middleton/Mount Hanley/Port George charges. In May 1977 Brian became the founding Pastor of Heartlake Baptist Church, Brampton, Ontario, moving to Birch Cove Baptist Church, Halifax, Nova Scotia in 1986 and to Kennebecasis Baptist Church, Quispamsis, New Brunswick as Senior Pastor in 1996.

Rev. Long passed away on June 1, 2008 at the age of 54. He is survived by his wife, Nancy; three daughters, Noreen, Annette and Julie; one son, Graham; one sister, Wendy; one uncle, Bruce and two grandchildren, Colby and Brian.

REV. DR. GEORGE LAIDLAW MCNEILL

Rev. Dr. George McNeill was born in Edinburgh, Scotland. He obtained an M.A. from Edinburgh University, studying theology at the Baptist Theological College of Scotland and London University. He served pastorates in Selkirk and Kelso in the Scottish Borders and volunteered for chaplaincy service with the British Army during the Second World War. Dr. McNeill served as minister Thornaby Baptist Church, Yorkshire; Cambuslang Baptist, Scotland; Bedford Baptist Church, Nova Scotia and First Baptist Church, Moncton, New Brunswick. During his ministry in Canada, he completed a Master of Divinity at Acadia University and Acadia honoured him with a Doctor of Divinity. Dr. McNeill served extensively on Baptist Boards of Association, Convention and Federation. He also served as President of the Atlantic Baptist Convention.

Dr. McNeill passed away on June 9, 2008 at the age of 92. He was predeceased by his wife, Margaret, after 63 wonderful years. He is survived by three sons, Alistair, Allan and Robert; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

REV. DR. HARRY OLIVER OHSBERG

Rev. Dr. Oliver Ohsberg was born in Mckeesport, PA. He earned a B.A. from Westminster College, B.D. from Bethel Theological Seminary and completed an M.A. at Seattle Pacific College. He obtained a Ph.D. from the University of Pittsburgh. Dr. Ohsberg served as instructor at the Christian Training Institute, Edmonton and Youth Director of the Alberta Baptist Conference. He pastored Bonnie Doon Baptist Church, Edmonton; Bethel Baptist Church, Winnipeg and in his home church, Riverview Baptist. Dr. Ohsberg served as interim pastor of the West Mifflin Baptist Church and the First Congregational Church. Dr. Ohsberg was Assistant Professor, Practical Theology; full professor of Christian Education and Associate Dean of Acadia Divinity College. He taught several years following retirement in 1991.

Dr. Ohsberg served as teaching Pastor on an interim basis at New Minas Baptist Church in Nova Scotia. He was recognized by his Religious Education Association, the National Association of Professors of Christian Education, the Association of Professors and Researchers in Religious Education. He is the author of two books as well as many articles in various publications.

Dr. Ohsberg passed away on June 12, 2008 at the age of 82. He was predeceased by two brothers, Charles and George. He is survived by his wife, Wilma; one son, Robert and three grandchildren, Karissa, Ian and Victoria.