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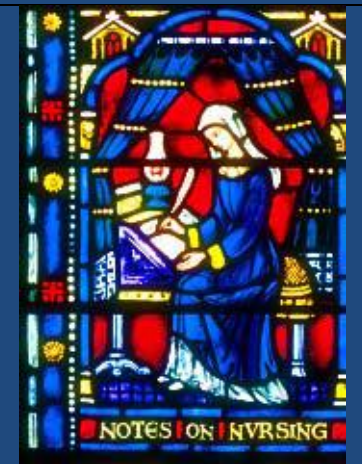
*IN HONOUR OF THE*  
2010 INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE NURSE

AND

THE CENTENNIAL OF THE DEATH OF  
FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE

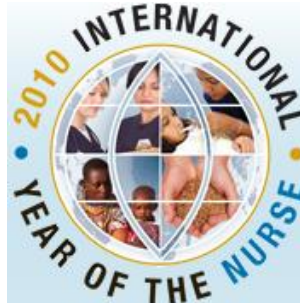
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In honour of the 2010 INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE NURSE



MAY 30, 2010

In this the 2010 International Year of the Nurse, we gather in worship here today to pray with Thanksgiving and in Celebration of nurses globally who are committed to bringing health to their communities locally and worldwide. The 2010IYNurse also marks the centennial of the death of the founder of modern Nursing, Florence Nightingale whose legacy of educated and compassionate healthcare, inspires approximately 15,000,00 nurses worldwide, to dedicate themselves to the United Nations' Millennium Development Goals, thus acting as catalysts to improve the health of humanity.

## UNITED NATIONS' MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS:

1. a world where extreme poverty and hunger are eradicated
2. a world in which universal primary education is known by all
3. a world of gender equality and one in which women in every nation are empowered
4. a world where children's health is strong and all children thrive to adulthood
5. a world where optimal maternal health is accessible by all
6. a world where HIV/AIDS, malaria and other major diseases are eliminated
7. a world where environmental stability is ensured
8. a world where global partnerships for development endure

Our offering today (unless otherwise designated) is received on behalf of "Guardians of Hope" (GOH), ministry of Canadian Baptist Ministries-The Sharing Way.

GOH supports the most vulnerable-orphaned children, widows and widowers who lack family support. Tens of thousands more are impacted through prevention awareness activities, such as interactive drama presentations, and the building of clinics for counseling, testing and medical care.

The Sharing Way assists its partners in areas of HIV and AIDS programming in Angola, India, Kenya and Rwanda.

## *Order of Service*

### **Preludes**

Prelude in G  
Meditation

Felix Mendelssohn  
Denis Bédard

**Played by Charles Udell**

**Processional Hymn** SHB 53 - **Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee** (Hymn to Joy)

**Call to Worship and Lighting of the Flame**

**Heather Hetherington**

**Introit** - Hymn to the Trinity

Peter Illych Tchaikovsky

Blessed angel spirits offer praise undying, ever crying, Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth. With the angels' sacred hymn, all Thy might proclaiming, with the mystic cherubim, in songs of praise we join, Holy, Holy, Holy. Join we all in songs of praise for ever. Hallelujah.

**Invocation and Lord's Prayer**

**Heather Hetherington**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. (sung Amen)**

**Holy Scripture-** *Isaiah 58: 6 – 12 (OT p.764)*

**Dr. Gail Brimacom,**

National Education Director, ICHM, Emmanuel College

*Psalm 103:1-6, 13, 17 (OT p.613)*

**Gloria Wiebe,**

Parish Nurse, St. James Cathedral  
President, Parish Nurse Interest Group, RNAO

*Matthew 25: 35-46 (NT p.29-30)*

**Maryon Walter**

Primary Care- Oncology, Odette Cancer Centre SHSC

**Announcements and Offering**

**Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes**

**Anthem** - Celtic Prayer

Mark Sirett

May the Christ who walks on wounded feet walk with you on the road. May the Christ who serves with wounded hands stretch out your hands to serve. May the Christ who loves with a wounded heart open your heart to love. May you see the face of Christ in everyone you meet, and may everyone you meet see the face of Christ in you. Amen.

## Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Carolyn King

### Hymn – Here I am, Lord (Here I am)

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard My people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin,  
My hand will save.  
  
I who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear My light to them?  
Whom shall I send?  
  
Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord?  
I have heard You calling in the night.  
I will go Lord, if You lead me.  
I will hold Your people in my heart.
2. I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have born my peoples pain.  
I have wept for love of them,  
They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone,  
Give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak My word to them,  
Whom shall I send?

Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord?  
I have heard You calling in the night.  
I will go Lord, if You lead me.  
I will hold Your people in my heart.

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them,  
My hand will save  
Finest bread I will provide,  
Till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give My life to them,  
Whom shall I send?

Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord?  
I have heard You calling in the night.  
I will go Lord, if You lead me.  
I will hold Your people in my heart.

Words: Daniel L Schutte

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### Holy Scripture - *John 15:15-17 (NT p.113-4)*

### Reflection

### “CALLED TO CARE”

Kathy Condie, BScN, MRE

### Hymn - SHB 120 - Won't you let me be your servant (Servant Song)



**The Flame of Florence Nightingale's Legacy** read by **Dr. Deva-Marie Beck**  
Today our world needs healing and to be rekindled with love. Once, Florence Nightingale lit her beacon of lamp light to comfort the wounded. And her light has blazed a path of service across a century for us. Through her example and through the countless nurses and healers who have followed in her footsteps. Today, we celebrate the flame of Florence Nightingale's legacy. Let that same light be rekindled to burn brightly in our hearts. Let us take up our own lanterns of caring, each in our own ways. To more brightly walk our own paths of service to the world. To more clearly share our own noble purpose with each other. May human caring become the lantern for the twenty-first century. May we better learn to care for ourselves, for each other and for all creation. Through our caring, may we be the keepers of the flame. That our spirits may burn brightly to kindle the hearts of our children and great-grandchildren as they too follow in these footsteps.

### **Intercessory Prayers**

#### **Dawn Emerson**

(Nurse Coordinator Preadmissions, Mt. Sinai Hospital)

Almighty and merciful God you are the author of life and the source of all that is good. It is by your Spirit that we take life's first breath and by the hand of our gracious Christ that we are taken home to you when we breathe our last.

Leader: God of compassion and light

*People: We humbly pray to you.*

#### **Susan Flanagan**

(Clinical Research Co-ordinator, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre)

Gracious and loving God we give you thanks for your great gifts that nourish and strengthen our bodies, minds and spirits each day – for sunshine and shelter, for family and friends, for the rains of the sky and the grains of the earth and all that calls us to health and wholeness.

Leader: God of compassion and light

*People: We humbly pray to you.*

#### **Meredith Whitehead**

(Clinical Educator Emergency Medicine Program, York Central Hospital)

We thank you O God that when health fails and steps falter there are those with compassionate spirits who have pursued knowledge to reach out with wise and caring hands as instruments in your hands of health, healing and hope.

Leader: God of compassion and light

*People: We humbly pray to you.*

### ***Pam Hubley***

(Chief Nursing Office, Hospital for Sick Children)

We thank you for Florence Nightingale and all who pioneered in the profession of nursing to elevate the effectiveness of healthcare without compromising the power of the human touch. We thank you for clinics, schools and communities where nurses are welcomed as teachers in preventative roles and as lights to dispel the darkness of fear and ignorance.

Leader: God of compassion and light

*People: We humbly pray to you.*

### ***Shirley Christo***

(Professor of Nursing, Ryerson University)

We pray for all who are sick and suffering in this province and around the world. We are grateful for the privilege of universal health care, but we pray too for those beyond our borders unable to afford to seek help. We pray for medical personnel to respond here on earth as it is in heaven and for medical researchers to continue to dream.

Leader: God of compassion and light

*People: We humbly pray to you.*

### ***Dr. Deva-Marie Beck***

(International Co-Director, Nightingale Initiative for Global Health, Ottawa, ON)

We pray for the accomplishment of the eight millennial goals of the nations of the world – the eradication of extreme poverty and hunger – access to primary education for all the world’s children – a gender equality that will liberate women from fear and oppression – a world where children live in health and joy – where maternal health is accessible to all – where diseases lose their hold and death its sting – where care for the earth is not simply politically correct, but a moral imperative - where we grow in our response to the invitation to forge partnerships in research and development around the world.

Leader: God of compassion and light

*People: We humbly pray to you.*

### ***Lorraine Smart***

(Professor of Nursing, York University)

We thank you for the great example of the healing Christ who girded himself with a towel to wash the disciples’ feet, who responded daily to the needs of a broken world unwilling to discriminate between rich and poor, young and old, clean and unclean, male and female, Jew and Gentile, and who finally poured himself out upon the cross that we might rise above all doubt and fear and catch the vision of a world where sickness and death shall be no more.

Leader: God of compassion and light

*People: We humbly pray to you.*

## ***Eben Tiku***

(3<sup>rd</sup> year Bachelor of Nursing Student, Humber College, Scholarship Recipient)

We pray for nurses both young and old and for students of nursing both male and female and for all who mentor and teach the profession. Guide each one by a vision clear of all that yet can be done to bring health and healing to this wounded world and may each one sense the presence and power of your Holy Spirit.

Leader: God of compassion and light

People: We humbly pray to you.

***All:***

***Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.***

## **Choral Response**

Say to them that are of fearful heart: Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come and save you.

W. Maddox

## **Closing Hymn - For the Healing of the Nations (CWM Rhondda)**

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| 1. For the healing of the nations,<br>Lord, we pray with one accord;<br>for a just and equal sharing<br>of the things that earth affords.<br>To a life of love in action<br>help us rise and pledge our word.                | 3. All that kills abundant living,<br>let it from the earth be banned:<br>pride of status, race or schooling,<br>dogmas that obscure your plan.<br>In our common quest for justice<br>may we hallow life's brief span. |
| 2. Lead your people into freedom,<br>from despair your world release,<br>that, redeemed from war and hatred,<br>all may come and go in peace.<br>Show us how, through care and<br>goodness, fear will die and hope increase. | 4. You, Creator-God, have written<br>your great name on humankind;<br>for our growing in your likeness,<br>bring the life of Christ to mind;<br>that by our response and service<br>earth its destiny may find.        |

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## **Benediction**

**Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes**

## **Choral Amen** (Smith of Durham)

## ChoirRecessional

Nunc Dimittis with Antiphon

(Mode III.4, chant C.M. Palmer)

Save us, O Lord, while waking, and guard us while sleeping; that awake we may watch with Thee, and asleep we may rest in peace. Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word; for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; to be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel. Gloria.

*The Memorial Bells will ring before the service and peal for five minutes following the Postlude*

ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND A RECEPTION IN THE HERITAGE ROOM  
Dr. Deva-Marie Beck will share a brief overview relating to the  
Nightingale Initiative for Global Health.

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes  
*Minister of the Congregation*

The Rev. Carolyn King  
*Associate Minister, Pastoral Care*

The Rev. Cheryle Hanna  
*Associate Minister, Discipleship*

Mr. William Maddox B.Mus, FTCL  
*Director of Music*

Mr. Sam Lee  
*Director of Youth Ministry*

Mrs. Miriam Little  
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