



Marvin's Ministry Update

January – March 2019

MentorLink International Ministry Update

Every February, I am invited to attend a ML USA Board Meeting in Raleigh, NC. These men have become great friends and prayer supporters of the ministry of ML Canada. We review the astonishing ministry growth and impact of MentorLink's world-wide ministry, including our efforts in Canada, and thank God.

Here are some documented results from 2018:

- National leaders trained – 12,736 (training now given in over 55 countries)
- Days with Jesus discipleship encounters – 11,166,057 (now in 38 languages)



MentorLink Canada Ministry Updates



Recently, I have been asking pastors to prayerfully select people who they believe, with ML training, could start a mentoring movement in their churches. The pastors determine how often we will meet for the training. Since January, I have conducted mentor training in Ontario with fourteen people at Faith Baptist, Huntsville (Friday night and Saturday morning); thirty-four at Unionville Alliance, Markham (first of three Monday evenings); and eighteen at Springvale Church, Stouffville (first of two Tuesday evenings). Another church is beginning on April 14 for three Sunday afternoons.



In addition, I have been conducting a mentoring course for the TIM Centre, a division of Tyndale Seminary. We have completed three of the four full-day Saturdays with this special group of eighteen students. I also enjoyed providing a Saturday morning visioning exercise for the leaders of Straffordville Evangelical Mennonite Church.

Personal Ministry Updates

A highlight in March was serving as moderator at the Ordination Council of Spencer Adams, a young pastor from Church of the City, Guelph, with whom I have enjoyed a mentoring relationship since his university days. I am also personally training two pastors to mentor and train others to mentor in their ministry settings; one is located in Minnesota, the other in rural Ontario. Four men I have been mentoring are going through significant life and/or ministry transitions – a good reason for mentoring.



Ministry Opportunities (Prayer and Praise)

- a. Prayer for wisdom as I engage regularly with various Christian leaders and mentees.
- b. Prayer for the ML Canada Annual Meeting on April 25.
- c. Prayer for the mentor training in churches (see above). Some upcoming dates are April 14 & 28 and June 9 (Bramalea BC), April 18 (Springvale), and April 29 (Unionville).
- d. Prayer for my ministry trip to Congo-DRC (May 17-27). I will share in a mentor training seminar with two African ML leaders, speak to the Missionary Aviation Fellowship staff twice, and conduct a training event for the International Church of Kinshasa board.
- e. Prayer as I speak at the 40th anniversary of Triple "C" Camp, Simcoe on June 30.

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"You (Timothy) have heard me (Paul) teach many things that have been confirmed by many reliable witnesses. Teach these great truths to trustworthy people who are able to pass them on to others." (2 Timothy 2:2)