



## Marvin's Ministry Update

April – June 2022

### ML Canada Updates

ML Canada continues to expand as we stay focused on our mission (*developing leaders to lead like Jesus*) and our vision (*for every believing community, Christlike leaders and for every leader, a Christlike mentor*). Our emphasis on the heart, motives, and character of a leader is often what catches the attention of people who are new to the movement.

At our April 28 AGM, Tim Jacobson and I officially began our year-long transition of executive leadership. Tim brings a wealth of international and Canadian ministry experience which will expand our horizons. My desire is to stay engaged after the transition, walking with Christian leaders at their stage of life and ministry journey and conducting mentor training seminars. I really enjoy the many opportunities God continues to give me to serve others.

During the last three months, I have conducted numerous mentor training seminars and participated in several events with various organizations. Sample recent activities include:

1. *LAMB* – I conducted a six-week mentor training seminar with 24 people from the executive leadership team of an amazing 100-bed hospital, a middle school, and a local church in north west Bangladesh with over 700 employees. We jointly funded the professional translation of several ML tools into the common Bengali language.
2. *Christian Business Board* – On April 18, I shared a webinar on accountability with a business group in the greater Buffalo, NY area. Linda Penn, the host of a program on two Christian radio stations in that area, asked me to participate in an hour-long conversation about accountability on Saturday, May 21.



## **ML Canada Updates (continued)**

3. *FEB Central* – I presented the Five Transformational Values on their monthly leadership training webinar on April 21; Tim Strickland was the host. I am hoping some churches inquire about our mentor training seminars.



## **ML Global Updates**

1. Global Virtual Gathering – I participated in a two-hour online event on May 21 about the importance of “passing it on.” More than 120 people attended worldwide. We offered the opportunity to participate in an actual PIO seminar.
2. “Passing It On” Seminars (PIO) – The ML Team and I conducted two sample PIO mentor training seminars, each eight hours in length spread over two days in late June. About 18 people participated.
3. Centre for Leadership and Change (India) – On June 30, the people who had received our mentor training were invited to hear Stacy Rinehart share about “Leading with Eternal Perspective.” A Q/A session followed. Several people shared how the training was changing their own life and perspective on mentoring.

## **Ministry Opportunities (Prayer and Praise)**

1. Praise for the excellent recovery of team member, Terry Dorey, who had open heart surgery for five blockages.
2. Prayer for a ministry trip by a team of five to Ethiopia from September 6-25 to equip the staff of twelve Bible colleges in ML values and tools and to begin a mentoring movement on the various campuses.
3. Prayer for ML Canada participation at the FEB Central Stronger Conference from September 26-28. I will make a presentation on “Leading Meetings.”
4. Prayer for a ministry trip to Togo to participate in the FORGE Conference for Christian pastors and leaders from October 17-22. Charlie McCordic and I will be presenting eight sessions on “The Consecrated Leader.”

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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)*