



HADDINGTON HOUSE

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HADDINGTON HAPPENINGS

Dear Friends,

As the famous line goes, “the best laid plans of mice and men go often astray”, and I am sure that is descriptive of the experience of many of you this summer and as we go into the fall. Yet as believers we see things differently under the Lord’s almighty sovereign ways, and thus we proceed with confidence under His reigning authority. What follows below are our ‘adjustments’ for the remainder of this year.

May your adjustments also be met with the confidence that the Lord’s grace is sufficient and is truly renewed daily. *“Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be shaken but endures forever...” Psalm 125:1*

In Gospel Bonds,

Jack Whytock, Director

Switch to Distance Courses

It has turned out to be a busy spring and summer with switching four courses to distance mode. Now, as we proceed into the fall, we have more to convert. Please pray that we can keep on top of all these courses with private students here in Canada and students across the continent of Africa. We are trying to balance this work with the Africa Textbook Project that was launched earlier this year (before COVID-19 really hit globally).

Africa Textbook Project Update

As of August 1st, we have 32 writers signed-on for this project – the history of evangelical Presbyterian missions on the continent of Africa. We have about five gaps left (specific areas of this vast subject that we still need authors for) which we would like to see filled over the next month or two and then the project will have passed stage one: settling upon a complete Table of Contents and having all writers in place.

It is a real delight to correspond with writers on five continents for this project: Africa, Asia, Europe, North America, and South America. It is truly a global endeavour and makes one realise the incredible worldwide nature of missions in Africa.

Please also remember us as we too have committed to writing chapters for this textbook, and we are trying to get those done as soon as possible. “Skeleton work” is being done in preparation for when things open-up, at which point we hope to access the documents in archives needed to complete various sections.

Romans Summer Lecture Series postponed to 2021

We were disappointed to have to postpone the special Haddington House lecture series from Romans with a guest speaker who was unable to travel to Prince Edward Island this summer. Lord willing, we can see this happen in August, 2021.

Other Special Events in August, 2020 this year are by invitation only due to COVID-19

Monday August 17th we will have a special evening with Dr Manfred Kohl who was a participant in the famous 1974 Lausanne Congress on World Evangelism from which the Lausanne Covenant emerged.

Monday August 24th we will host an evening on the beginnings of Christianity in Canada.

Monday August 31st we will host an evening about the emergence of Protestant Christianity in Nova Scotia c.1750 to 1776

2019-2020 Haddington House Journal

Hard copies of the 2019-2020 Haddington House Journal have been posted as well as being made available electronically this year due to COVID-19 – see the link on our website. If you want a hard copy, please drop us an email and we will make sure that it is posted.

2021 Journal underway

Due date for submissions is October. There are still some new books for review if you would like to be a reviewer. Please email us to make a request.

Prayer Points

1. Please pray for the distance courses that are currently being done by students in Canada and in Africa. It is much to keep track of administratively and also still try and be as personal as possible, but we rejoice that we can help with this at this time.
2. Please pray that the Africa Textbook Project will help to bond a strong network of fellow-labourers with a Kingdom vision. Please also pray for perseverance in the amount of dialogue and exchange which must be constantly dealt with in order to steer the project and our team of writers.
3. With this our fortieth newsletter, we want to thank the Lord for you our readers and praying saints, reading and praying through the prayer points faithfully. We rejoice in your fellowship and encouraging words that you send along. Praise be to the Lord for His family!
4. Pray for our overseas partner institutions, Africa Reformation Theological Seminary in Uganda and Dumisani Institute & Bible School in South Africa during this trying time of changing to distance mode. We lift up the leaders and students in prayer.
5. Pray for all who read materials distributed through Haddington House whether in print as hard copy or electronic and also for our literature work through our partners with whom we labour. May we encourage Christians in their reading and studies for discipleship in the faith.

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