

# Heritage Baptist Church

## YOUTH CONFERENCE

April 24 - 26, 2008



# HEAL OUR LAND

Dear Pastor / Youth Pastor

It is hard to believe, but Youth Conference is just around the corner. We are excited about the opportunity to host this conference. We hope you are excited about coming. We had a great conference again last year. The Lord really blessed. I trust that your young people saw the importance to: "Keep Running On". We are looking forward to what the Lord has in store for us this year. The theme of the conference this year is "**Heal Our Land**". *If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.* (II Chronicles 7:14) We need young people in Canada that will that will get a burden for our country. We need young people that will do what the Bible says is necessary in order for God to "Heal Our Land".

The enclosed brochure has many of the details about the conference, so I won't repeat them all. The outside of the brochure is designed to answer any of your questions, while the inside can be used as an announcement to place on your bulletin board (if you so choose). Enclosed also are registration forms. Each person attending the conference should fill out one of these forms. Please feel free to make as many copies as you need of this form.

The conference will begin at 1:00 P.M. on Thursday, April 24th and conclude around noon on Saturday, April 26th. Your registration should be completed before the conference starts on Thursday. In the late afternoon on Thursday, we will be doing some outside activity, so your teens will want to have a change of clothes for this so that they can dress appropriately. Please refer to the brochure for "appropriate dress". There will be time for them to change back into their other clothes after the activity.

On Friday afternoon, we have arranged to go to a couple of places away from the church. We are trying something a little different this year. We have rented a double gymnasium for some sporting events. We will be having a three on three half court basketball tournament for the boys and a volleyball tournament for the girls. Teams may consist of people from one church, or a combination of churches. Churches may enter more than one team. No one person may play on more than one team. Team entries must be turned in by the end of the Thursday night of Youth Conference. There will be two separate age divisions for both boys and girls: 12-15 years and 16-19 years. Guys should wear a t-shirt & sweats - **No tank tops or shorts**. Girls must wear modest tops and culottes. **No shorts**. Please stay within these simple dress guidelines for the sporting events. There will be other activities on Friday afternoon for those who do not wish to participate in the sports.

Outside of the activities, which will be a lot of fun, will be the preaching. This is the focal point of the conference. There will be 10 preaching sessions that will be a blessing to you and your young people. We are also planning on having a question / answer session again this year. This will not be an open session for people to ask questions, but rather an opportunity for them to have some questions answered by turning them in ahead of time. Often young people have questions, but are afraid to ask them. They can write their question down, and turn it in to us by the Friday night of the conference. We will answer as many of these questions as we can in the time allotted. We will try to have some time for testimonies on Saturday morning as well.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to give me a call. For additional forms or information please visit our website at [www.hbcbarrie.com](http://www.hbcbarrie.com) and click on the "Youth Conference" link.

In His Service,

Brett Pennell, Assistant Pastor  
Heritage Baptist Church

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