

## Beholding. Becoming. Blessing.



### WELCOME TO GRACE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH!

#### Who We Are

Grace Fellowship Don Mills is a group of Christians saved by the grace of God alone, committed to living for his glory alone. We aim to keep this one truth central: Christ died for our sins and was raised (1 Corinthians 15.1-7). We are committed to spending our lives beholding and reflecting the glory of God revealed in this good news.

### Dr. Michael A.G. Haykin

Dr. Michael A.G. Haykin is the Professor of Church History and Biblical Spirituality and Director of The Andrew Fuller Center for Baptist Studies at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is also the editor of Eusebeia: The Bulletin of The Andrew Fuller Center for Baptist Studies. His present areas of research include 18th-century British Baptist life and thought, as well as Patristic Trinitarianism and Baptist piety.

Haykin is a prolific writer, having authored numerous books, over 250 articles and over 150 book reviews. He is also an accomplished editor with numerous editorial credits. Haykin was born in England of Irish and Kurdish parents. He grew up in Birmingham, England and Coventry, England, before moving to Canada with his family when he was twelve. Haykin was converted to Christ in 1974. He attended Wycliffe College at the University of Toronto from 1974 to 1982, earning a doctorate in patristics.

Haykin served as principal and professor of church history and spirituality at Toronto Baptist Seminary in Toronto, Canada, from 2003 to 2007. Previously, he was a professor at Heritage Theological Seminary from 1993 to 1999 and at Central Baptist Seminary from 1982 to 1993. He was the editorial director of Joshua Press from 1999 to 2002. He was appointed to the faculty of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 2007.

Russell D. Moore, dean of the School of Theology and senior vice president for academic administration at Southern Seminary was quoted as saying:

I sometimes wonder if Michael Haykin is one scholar or a conspiracy of brilliant minds masquerading as one man...After all, he is a pacesetter in the very different fields of spiritual formation, Baptist studies, patristic history, and beyond. He is one of the most recognized scholars in the world in each of these fields, having written and lectured extensively in each area, even while serving as a seminary administrator, popular conference speaker, and leader within the Canadian Baptist churches.

#### **SCHEDULE**

2:30 - Registration & Welcome

3:00 - Women in the Graeco-Roman World: A Backdrop to the New Testament

4:00 - Priscilla, Phoebe and the Women of Romans 16

5:00 - Dinner Break

6:30 - Blandina and Perpetua

7:30 - Macrina

8:15 - Q & A

### WORSHIP GOD IN SONG

### More Love to Thee, O Christ

More love to Thee, O Christ, more love to Thee
Hear Thou the prayer I make on bended knee
This is my earnest plea: More love, O Christ, to Thee
More love to Thee, more love to Thee

Once earthly joy I craved, sought peace and rest Now Thee alone I seek, give what is best This all my prayer shall be: More love, O Christ to Thee More love to Thee, more love to Thee

Let sorrow do its work, send grief or pain Sweet are Thy messengers, sweet their refrain When they can sing with me: More love, O Christ, to Thee More love to Thee, more love to Thee

Then shall my latest breath whisper Thy praise
This be the parting cry my heart shall raise
This still my prayer shall be: More love, O Christ to Thee
More love to Thee, more love to Thee

Elizabeth (Payson) Prentiss. Public Domain. Elizabeth (author of the excellent book Stepping Heavenward) was the youngest daughter of Edward Payson (1783-1827) a Maine Congregationalist pastor who saw great revivals in his short, 20-year ministry. Elizabeth had six children, four of whom survived infancy. In 1852, she lost, within a space of three months, her newborn son and 4-year-old daughter. This hymn was written after the nearly fatal illness of her daughter Minnie in 1856. After her death at the age of 59, her husband published her letters and poems, quoting her as saying: "Much of my experience of life has cost me a great price and I wish to use it for strengthening and comforting other souls."

## SESSION 1:

Women in the Graeco-Roman World: A Backdrop to the New Testament

# SESSION 2:

Priscilla, Phoebe and the Women of Romans 16

# NOTES:

## WORSHIP GOD IN SONG

## Safe in the Arms of Jesus

Safe in the arms of Jesus
Safe on His gentle breast
There by His love o'ershaded
Sweetly my soul shall rest
Hark! 'tis the voice of angels
Borne in a song to me
Over the fields of glory, over the jasper sea

Safe in the arms of Jesus
Safe from corroding care
Safe from the world's temptations
Sin cannot harm me there
Free from the blight of sorrow
Free from my doubts and fears
Only a few more trials, only a few more tears!

Jesus, my heart's dear Refuge
Jesus has died for me
Firm on the Rock of Ages
Ever my trust shall be
Here let me wait with patience
Wait till the night is o'er
Wait till I see the morning, break on the golden shore

Safe in the arms of Jesus
Safe on His gentle breast
There by His love o'ershaded
Sweetly my soul shall rest

Words: Fanny Crosby, 1868 Music: Nick Mitchell, 2015 || Frances Jane van Alstyne (née Crosby; March 24, 1820 – February 12, 1915), more commonly known as Fanny Crosby, was an American mission worker, poet, lyricist, and composer. She was one of the most prolific hymnists in history, writing more than 8,000 hymns and gospel songs with more than 100 million copies printed, despite being blind from shortly after birth. She is also known for her teaching and her rescue mission work. (Wikipedia)

# SESSION 3:

Blandina and Perpetua

# SESSION 4:

Macrina

# NOTES:

## WORSHIP GOD IN SONG

### Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father
There is no shadow of turning with Thee
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be

Great is Thy faithfulness, great is Thy faithfulness Morning by morning new mercies I see All I have needed Thy hand hath provided Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

Summer and winter, springtime and harvest Sun moon and stars in their courses above Join with all nature in manifold witness To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside

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### Housekeeping Rules

Our church has rented the cafeteria and surrounding space in Senator O'Connor College School. Please don't wander around the rest of the building. If you have any questions, ask a volunteer. We're glad to help!

### **Dinner Suggestions**

Parkway Mall (Victoria Park & Ellesmere)

- McDonalds
- Subway
- Tim Horton's
- Wild Wing
- Zorba the Greek
- Asia Delight
- Crack Me Up

Victoria Terrace (Victoria Park & Lawrence)

- Georgy Porgy's
- Pho Saigon
- The Bean Sprout
- Pizzaville

Parkwood Village Dr & York Mills Rd

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For more information on Dr. Haykin, including recordings of his talks and book recommendations, go to GFCDonMills.ca/Haykin.