

## Springing Forward with New Life and Richmond Spirit

The birds have returned, the tulips have re-emerged, the trees are clapping their hands, the crescent moon peeps through the window panes and the sun now has an abiding presence. There is a vibrancy in nature “all nature sings as around me rings the music of the spheres” Spring is here.

This past weekend the members of the New Life church welcomed spring by camping in the Okanagan. There was a spirit of renewal, revival and resurrection. The journey up hills and through valleys, the rolling hills and the majestic landscape spoke eloquently to the fact that this is our fathers world. Kelowna and its environs really redefined beauty and give credence to Keats poetry that “ a thing of beauty is a joy forever. Seventy Campers came back from this retreat committed to making a difference in the world around tem

Thanks to Pastor Brian Hawes and the wonder host of saints at the Rutland church for their hospitality .There were those who came by to fellowship with us from the Kelowna church and from other neighborhood churches you made us feel at home. The Okanagan Adventist Academy offered us lodging and the seventy of us did make good use of such fine facility. (See website for recent pictorial activities)

Now that we are back there is work to do in the lower mainland, there is circuit spring fling, Richmond youth Revival, Newlife community outreach, summer vacation, camp meeting and a host of fun filled activities. This fall, October 13-November 3 there will be a joint Health, Hope and Healing Evangelistic expo culminating with a mass baptism. Please make these dates a block out period for this blockbuster event. It’s a joy to captain two of the finest congregations in the Lower mainland and together let us “work the work of Him who sends for the night cometh when no one can work.”

Your chief servant

*Burnett L Robinson*

