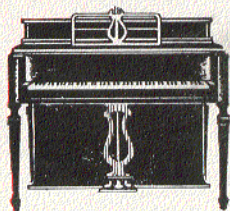




*The*  
WILLIAM  
ABERHART  
MEMORIAL  
ORGAN

Dedication  
Service



Held in the Calgary Prophetic Bible Institute  
Sunday, January 28th, 1945 - - 2:30 p.m.

# Order of Service

*Invocation.*

*Greeting to Radio Friends.*

*Spotlight and Radio Correspondence.*

*Hymn* ..... "When My Life Work Is Ended"

*Introduction to Dedication Service* ..... Mr. E. C. Manning

*Solo*....."But the Lord Is Mindful of His Own" (*Mendelssohn*)  
Ola Aberhart MacNutt

*Scripture Reading*

*"In Memoriam"* ..... Mr. Cyril Hutchinson

*Unveiling of Portrait* ..... Mr. C. R. Pearce

*Congregation will stand, singing one*  
*verse of* ..... "Let Us Sing a Song"

*Dedication Address* ..... Mr. E. C. Manning

*Dedicatory Prayer* ..... Rev. Wm. J. Laing

*Organ*....."O God Our Help"—(Congregation Standing)

*Solo*..... "The Good Shepherd (*Van de Water*)  
Ola Aberhart MacNutt

*Organ Interlude.*

*Hymn* ..... "The Sands of Time"

*Benediction* .....Rev. Wm. J. Laing

*National Anthem.*

(Guest Organist—Mr. Clifford Higgin)



### I SHALL KNOW HIM

When my life-work is ended, and I cross the swelling tide,  
When the bright and glorious morning I shall see;  
I shall know my Redeemer when I reach the other side,  
And His smile will be the first to welcome me.

### CHORUS

I shall know . . . Him, I shall know Him,  
As redeem'd by His side I shall stand,  
I shall know . . . Him, I shall know Him,  
By the print of the nails in His hand.

Oh, the soul-thrilling rapture when I view His blessed face,  
And the lustre of His kindly beaming eye;  
How my full heart will praise Him for the mercy, love and grace.  
That prepares for me a mansion in the sky.

Oh, the dear ones in glory, how they beckon me to come,  
And our parting at the river I recall;  
To the sweet vales of Eden they will sing my welcome home,  
But I long to meet my Saviour first of all.

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### IN A LITTLE WHILE WE'RE GOING HOME

Let us sing a song that will cheer us by the way—

In a little while we're going home;  
For the night will end in the everlasting day—  
In a little while we're going home.

### CHORUS

In a little while . . . In a little while  
We shall cross the billows foam;  
We shall meet at last when the stormy winds are past;  
In a little while we're going home.

We will do the work that our hands may find to do—  
In a little while we're going home;  
And the grace of God will our daily strength renew—  
In a little while we're going home.

There's a rest beyond, there's relief from every care—  
In a little while we're going home;  
And no tears shall fall in that City bright and fair;  
In a little while we're going home.

### THE SANDS OF TIME

The sands of time are sinking,  
The dawn of heaven breaks;  
The summer morn I've sighed for,  
The fair, sweet morn, awakes;  
Dark, dark hath been the midnight,  
But dayspring is at hand,  
And glory, glory dwelleth  
In Immanuel's land.

O Christ, He is the Fountain,  
The deep, sweet well of love;  
The streams on earth I've tasted,  
More deep I'll drink above;  
There, to an ocean fulness,  
His mercy doth expand,  
And glory, glory dwelleth  
In Immanuel's land.

The bride eyes not her garment,  
But her dear bridegroom's face;  
I will not gaze at glory,  
But on my King of grace.  
Not at the crown He giveth,  
But on His pierced hand;  
The Lamb is all the glory  
Of Immanuel's land.

I've wrestled on towards heaven,  
'Gainst storm and wind and tide;  
Now, like a weary traveller  
That leaneth on his guide,  
Amid the shades of evening,  
While sinks life's lingering sand,  
I hail the glory dawning  
From Immanuel's land.

—Ann Ross Cousin.



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## Many Attend Dedication of Organ At Bible Institute

More than 2,000 persons filled the main auditorium and the basement of the Prophetic Bible Institute Sunday to witness the dedication service of the William Aberhart memorial organ. "This beautiful memorial organ will speak in majestic living tones from week to week, from month to month and year to year to thousands . . . it will perpetuate for all time, the memory of the man who founded this Institute," said Premier Manning in the dedication address.

Mr. Manning referred to the thousands who had been converted in Calgary and over the radio under the ministry of Mr. Aberhart.

Tracing the life of Mr. Aberhart since he arrived in Calgary in 1910, Premier Manning recalled the various steps of service, which started with teaching school in Calgary, advancing to the principalship of Crescent Heights high school, "which he held with distinction for 20 years."

"In 1915-16 Mr. Aberhart, the man whose memory we honor today, organized the Bible conference which had its start in the Public Library," said Mr. Manning, tracing the growth of the organization, which later had to move to the Grand theatre to accommodate the crowds and then again to the Palace theatre.

It was in 1925 that Mr. Aberhart first started broadcasting, "when thousands were led to Christ. He left an influence that will continue through many generations to come. . . ."

## RECALLS EARLY DAYS

As the strains of the organ fall on the ears of the people they will recall the days of 1926-27 when the Bible Institute was built and dedicated; the subsequent years when thousands of students passed through its doors; the radio Sunday school which has brought thousands of boys and girls into the knowledge of the worthwhile things that really count in life, said Mr. Manning.

In conclusion the speaker who succeeded Mr. Aberhart as premier, touched on the later years of the latter's life, when he was called to a larger service to his fellow men. Mr. Manning referred to the organization of Social Credit, conducted by Mr. Aberhart in the early 1930's and his election to the premiership in 1935.

During the service a large portrait of Mr. Aberhart, painted by N. de Grandmaison, was unveiled. Cyril Hutchinson in conducting the "In Memoriam" said it was fitting and in accordance with Scripture that "We should remember those who loved the Saviour." Referring to Mr. Aberhart, Mr. Hutchinson said that the founder stood for truth and right against wrong.

"In this building his feet stood firm until right prevailed . . . His greatest joy was to see folks accept the Saviour of Calvary in simple faith . . . May this portrait help us to ever remember a beloved father in Christ Jesus," concluded the speaker. Following this the congregation sang, "Let Us Sing a Song," one of Mr. Aberhart's favorite hymns.

Mr. Aberhart's daughter, Mrs. Charles (Ola) MacNutt sang, "But the Lord Is Mindful of His Own," by Mendelssohn, and "The Good Shepherd" by Van de Water. Clifford Higgin was her accompanist and the guest organist for the day.

Rev. W. J. Laing gave the dedicatory prayer and the benediction.



# Historic organ thunders again in Dunbar church

Instrument's 'real sweet, mellow sound' fills the small, 160-seat church with a heavenly sound

**Steve Berry**  
Staff Reporter

One of the most famous pipe organs in Canada is breathing new life into a Vancouver church.

The organ, once used by Preston Manning's father on his long-running radio show, *Back to the Bible Hour*, has found a new home at the Dunbar Heights Baptist Church.

And although its official debut performance is scheduled for a tentative February date when it's hoped Preston will be present, the organ has already wowed the congregation in several services.

"It's got a real sweet, mellow sound," said Pastor Darcy Van Horn, adding that it fills his small, 160-seat church with heavenly sound.

"It will certainly help us worship and help us to focus on the Lord while we're worshipping, to just kind of get lost in the words and the music," he said.

The organ was made by the world-famous Casavant Freres in Quebec in 1944.

It was purchased by the family of former Alberta Premier William (Bible Bill) Aberhart and installed in the Prophet-

ic Bible Institute in Calgary.

It was later used by then-premier Ernest Manning in his religious radio broadcasts.

When the radio show wrapped up, the organ made its way to the Northwest Baptist Theological College on South East Marine Drive in Vancouver in 1974. When the college moved, it was put in storage where it languished for 10 years.

That's when Dr. Frank Anderson became involved.

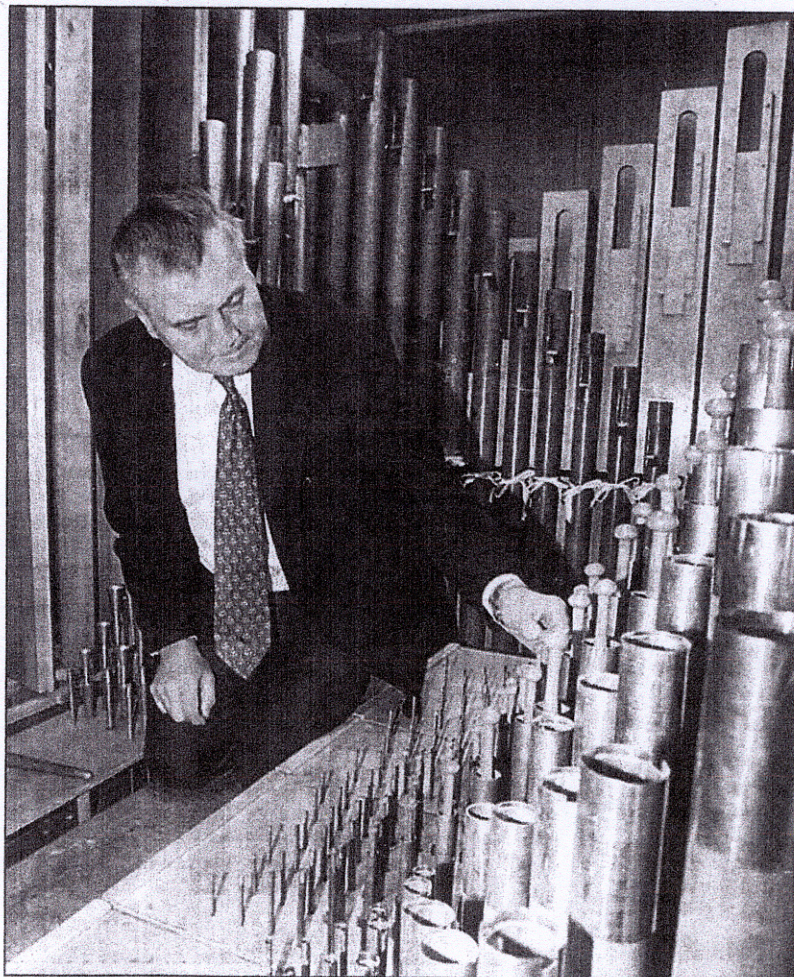
"They knew I played the organ and asked me if I wanted it," said Anderson, a liver specialist at the University of B.C. hospital and the church's music director. "When they asked, I jumped at the chance."

Anderson said he loved the idea of the organ coming to his church.

"I sense there's a lot of people who still want to hear pipe organ music," he said. "It's coming back into fashion."

The organ was installed and put back into operating condition with the aid of financial gifts from the congregation.

"It's certainly beautiful," said Van Horn. "We're very thankful to have it."



Jon Murray — The Province

Dr. Frank Anderson examines Dunbar Heights Baptist Church organ once used by Preston Manning's father on his *Back to the Bible Hour* radio show.