Canada's National
BACK TO THE BIBLE HOUR
Gospel Classics

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THE radio broadcast now known as Canada's National Back to the Bible Hour had its beginning twenty-seven years ago. It was in the early 20's that the late William Aberhart, former Premier of Alberta, scholar, teacher and statesman, commenced a series of Sunday Bible lectures in the city of Calgary. Many years of diligent Bible study, a natural gift of teaching, backed by professional training and experience all played their part in assuring him a place as one of the most able Bible exponents of his day. His clear-cut presentation of the great truths of Scripture soon won wide-spread recognition and it was not long until it was a weekly occurrence for hundreds of people to gather on a Sunday afternoon to listen to William Aberhart's "Prophetic Lectures".

Believing the Bible to be the inspired Word of God he was possessed with a burning desire to see the men and women of his day return to its truths as the foundation of their faith and practical guide to their daily living.

It was this desire that led him to pioneer in the field of radio ministry, for he was quick to see how radio, then in its infancy, could be used to accomplish this desire. Thus it was that in November of 1925 the first broadcast of the regular Sunday Prophetic lectures was made.

The listening audience grew rapidly and by the year 1935, thousands gathered by their radios each Sunday to join in the broadcast service. In August 1935 William Aberhart became Premier of the Province of Alberta. Despite the heavy duties and responsibilities of this office, he returned to Calgary from the capital city of Edmonton every alternate Sunday to conduct his weekly radio service. This practice he continued regularly until his death in 1943.

At that time the broadcast was carried over one radio station only, namely CFCN, Voice of the Prairies, Calgary, Alta.

It was not until the Fall of 1948, under the leadership of Mr. Aberhart's successor, Premier Ernest Manning, that it was decided to extend the territory covered by this pioneer radio service. In December of 1948, under the name of the BACK TO THE BIBLE HOUR, the program was heard for the first time over three additional stations, CFRN, Edmonton, CKWX Vancouver and CKCK Regina, adding thousands of new listeners in the three Western provinces.

So great was the response to the program from these centers, that it was decided to extend the coverage still further and work Eastward toward the Atlantic seaboard. One by one additional links were added to the chain until by the end of 1951 the BACK TO THE BIBLE HOUR was heard over 14 leading Canadian stations from Coast to Coast.

Premier Ernest Manning, student and protegé of William Aberhart in 1927, his close associate in both the religious and political fields from 1930 to 1943 and his successor since 1945, is the Director of these widely known BACK TO THE BIBLE HOUR programs.

That he shares the same conviction regarding the authenticity of the Bible and the same burning desire as his predecessor to see the men and women of this day return to its truths in both faith and practice, is evidenced by the following statement, "After 27 years as an active Christian layman and 17 years in public life I am more convinced than ever that what this old world needs above all else is to accept the truth of God's Infallible Word and apply it in every phase of private and public life.

"It is the firm resolve of all associated with the BACK TO THE BIBLE HOUR, with the support of those like minded, to hold forth that Word of Life across Canada and to do everything in our power to persuade men and women to accept and apply it in their individual lives and in the affairs of their nation.

"We believe you will enjoy having these recordings of the Gospel Classics you have heard on the broadcast. We hope you will continue to listen and to help us with your prayers and by your active interest and support."

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Canada’s National
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THE HON. ERNEST C.
AND MRS. MANNING
PERSONAL APPEARANCE
OF CANADA'S OWN NATION-WIDE
"BACK TO THE
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COAST-TO-COAST

JUNE 10-2:30 P.M.
WINNIPEG
AUDITORIUM

MRS. E. C. MANNING
Musical Director

MARY SHORT
Hostess

DOROTHY THOMAS
Choir Steward

MARY DIVER
Conductor

Don't miss this opportunity to meet in person the cast you have heard each Sunday on this National Radio Programme.
MURIEL PRESTON, L.A.B.
Pianist and Secretary of the Back to the Bible Club.
TAKE MY HAND

THE MALE CHORUS
OF CANADA'S NATIONAL
BACK TO THE BIBLE HOUR
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Ernest C. Manning
SIDE ONE

PRECIOUS LORD, TAKE MY HAND — Roy Ringwald — Shawnee Press Inc.
THOU WILT KEEP HIM IN PERFECT PEACE — Oley Speaks — G. Schirmer Inc.
KUM BA YAH (AFRICAN BALLAD) — Livingston Gearhart — Shawnee Press Inc.
SPEAK MY LORD — Paul Mickelson — Rodeheaver Co.

SIDE TWO

MY SINS ARE GONE — N. B. Vandal — Sesac Inc.
IN TENDERNESS HE SOUGHT ME — Dick Anthony — Sesac Inc.
I WALKED TODAY WHERE JESUS WALKED — Geoffrey O'Hara — G. Schirmer Inc.
THE LORD'S PRAYER — Mallotte — G. Schirmer Inc.
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(Dr. F. E. H. — S. Schuster Inc.)

KUM BA YAH
(Arr. by Livingston Gerhart — Shawnee Press Inc.)

SPEAK MY LORD
(Arr. by Paul Michelon — Rockfeser Pub)

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