



Rev. Douglas Rollwage

Douglas Rollwage is in his 28th year of pastoral ministry in The Presbyterian Church in Canada. A graduate of Queen's Theological College and Knox College, Douglas has served congregations in Kingston (Strathcona Park), Toronto (Guildwood) and currently Charlottetown (Zion).

A deep love of, and respect for, scripture has made Bible study a cornerstone of Douglas' ministry; he regards indepth (and entertaining!) Bible study as a forum for congregational discipleship and leadership development, as well as a strong source of community outreach and church growth.

Douglas has had the privilege of leading many congregants, clergy and students on archaeological, historical and Biblical pilgrimages to Israel, as well as Greece and Turkey. Encountering the events of the New Testament and words of Jesus, Paul, and others 'on site' has proven inspirational and transformational. To see people coming alive to their faith through study, sermon or pilgrimage is the great motivating joy of Douglas' ministry. Douglas is indebted to his wife of 33 years, Dana (a public school teacher). They have two adult children, Hannah (a musician), and Jacob (a student).

Moderator of the last General Assembly, Douglas brings to us today his insight into our theme of 'Personal Renewal.'



Rev. Matthew Ruttan

These days Matthew Ruttan has a motto: "A pulse doesn't mean you're alive." What gets Matthew up in the morning is a desire to help people live out their faith in practical ways today. Oh, and also his alarm clock and three kids! They want breakfast!

What he likes most as pastor of Westminster PC in Barrie is seeing the Holy Spirit at work, an openness to try new things, and the healthy evolution of a real church with real and faithful people. He also serves on the national Church Doctrine Committee. In 2015 he served as the Teen Week Chaplain at Glen Mohr Camp, and received an award for "Best Blog" by the Canadian Church Press. You can read his blog at www.MatthewRuttan.com. Matthew also writes a daily devotional called "Up!" In 2016 he enjoyed leading a workshop at the *Canada Youth* conference to young leaders. Plus, he has had a variety of articles published by *These Days Magazine* and *The Presbyterian Record*.

Matthew believes...

- In prayer and that humans do have wings (they're called knees)
- That the castle of your character is built one brick at a time
- That if you have a life-changing faith your faith should be changing your life

- And that you can't lead from the middle. Jesus came that we might have life and have it "abundantly" (John 10:10). So I think we should live each day like that is actually true.

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Talk: The "Up" Daily Devotional - How God is using a daily devotional by a normal, flawed pastor to help people live out their faith in practical ways today.

In April 2015, Matthew started "Up" - a daily devotional designed to be read in a minute or less. It is published each weekday and is biblical helium meant to help people live out their faith in practical ways today. It now has a readership of 500...and counting, and includes devout Christians, those new to the faith, and even people just curious. This talk will not only tell the story of "Up" but will give you ideas to help you help those you serve as they seek their own personal renewal. The official home of "Up" is www.TheUpDevo.com.

Workshop: "The New Hillside - Understanding the pervasiveness of the internet and leveraging it for discipleship.

Why did Jesus spend time on a hillside? Because he met people where they were. Today, "the internet" isn't a separate category for a ministry or a budget line; it's more like the air we breathe that is a part of everything else. We leverage the internet because it's meeting people where they are - and this is true for people of all ages. This short workshop will help you better understand internet use in Canada, the power and presence of the internet and social media in the church, why it's no longer optional, and provide advice about how to leverage these tools for discipleship today. It will include a visual presentation and social media guide.



Presents a Renewal Conference

Personal Renewal

Rev. Douglas Rollwage

Moderator of 142nd General Assembly.

Rev. Matthew Ruttan

Pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Barrie.

Rev. Dr. Jeff Loach

Pastor of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Nobleton.

Saturday

April 22, 2017

9:00 - 4:00

Hosted by:

Westminster Presbyterian

Church in Barrie

170 Steel Street, L4M 2G4

705-728-0541



All Are Welcome

- RF Annual Meeting -

1:20 PM

APRIL 22 PROGRAM

9:00: Registration and Refreshments
9:30: Welcome and Opening Worship
10:00-10:40: Rev. Douglas Rollwage
10:40-11:00: Q&A
11:00-11:15: Stretch & Washroom Break
11:15-12:15: "The 'Up' Daily Devotional, a talk; "The New Hillside", a workshop, by Rev. Matthew Ruttan.
12:15-1:00: Lunch
1:00-1:20: Worship & Offering
1:20-2:10: RF Annual Meeting (all are welcome to attend)
1:20-2:10: Leadership Video (Alternate activity for those not attending the Annual General Meeting)
2:10-3:10: "Fear Not: Spiritual Direction For Protestants," a talk; "Understanding Your Sacred Pathway," a workshop, by Rev. Dr. Jeff Loach.
3:10-4:00: Wrap up & Dismissal

TO REGISTER

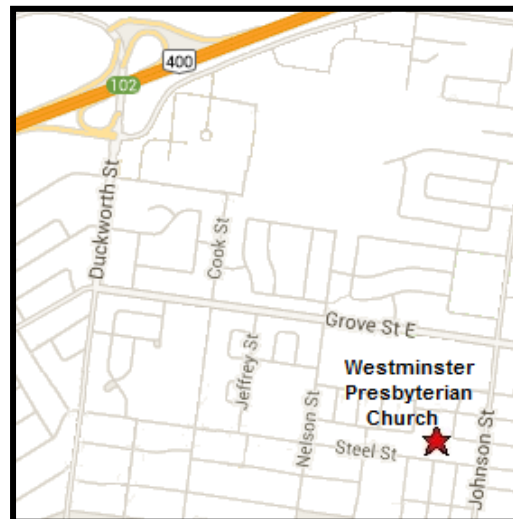
Registration is \$25 if notification is received by **April 10**, and \$30 thereafter. The registration fee includes lunch and arrival snacks. Register online (by Master Card or Visa) on the RF website at www.renewal-fellowship.ca/1373; or, phone in or mail a registration form to the Renewal Fellowship Office. Forms are available from the registrar at the Renewal Fellowship national office.

Make cheques or money orders payable to:
The Renewal Fellowship.
Mail to: 3819 Bloor Street West,
Etobicoke, Ontario, M9B 1K7.
Office Telephone: 416-233-6581.

Only cash and cheques will be accepted at the conference door. Credit cards are only accepted in advance and online.

TRAVEL DIRECTIONS

Westminster Presbyterian Church in Barrie, 170 Steel Street, L4M 2G4



**Leave Highway 400 at Exit 102 for Duckworth Street.
Proceed south and turn left onto Steel Street.**

The church is on the left at 170 Steel Street (at Varden Avenue).

THEME SPEAKERS



The **Rev. Dr. Jeff Loach** is a minister of The Presbyterian Church in Canada, serving as lead pastor of **St. Paul's Presbyterian Church,**

Nobleton, Ontario, since January 2009. Prior to accepting this call, Jeff served as the Central Ontario District Director for the **Canadian Bible Society**, and in pastorates in Bruce County, downtown Windsor, and suburban Toronto. Jeff also serves as Clerk of the Presbytery of Oak Ridges, as a certified spiritual director in private practice, and as an adjunct instructor in spiritual theology at **Tyndale Seminary**, Toronto. He is an Oblate of the Order of St. Benedict, affiliated with **St. Vincent Archabbey** in Latrobe, Pennsylvania.

Jeff's passion for the Word, and for the church, is only slightly rivaled by his passion for the sport of curling, and for his hobby, model railroading. Jeff is building an HO-scale empire in his basement that seeks to replicate the railways of the North Bay area in the era of late September, 1978. Jeff is married to Diana, a curriculum designer and children's ministry consultant. They enjoy railfanning, RFing, and quiet evenings at home.

Jeff's presentation in the afternoon of the conference has two parts: It begins with a talk entitled "**Fear Not: Spiritual Direction For Protestants**"; followed by a workshop entitled "**Understanding Your Sacred Pathway.**" For the workshop, it is best if participants come prepared, having completed a 'sacred pathway inventory' which is available, and can only be done online, through North Point Community Church at

<http://northpointministries.org/misc/sacredpathway.html>.

It does not take long to do the inventory online. Participants need to bring their results with them for the workshop to make sense. Internet access will be available at the registration desk during the day for those unable to undertake the inventory beforehand.

REGISTRATION Saturday April 22, 2017

Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss Rev. Dr.

First name, Last name

First Name, Last name (of 2nd registrant)

Address

City/Town

Postal Code

Telephone

E-mail Address

Congregation

Please indicate any food allergies

Although payment is made at the conference by cash or cheque, payment online is made by credit cards only.

A Tyndale booktable will be available with books related to today's theme.