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HISTORY OF MUSLIM FRIENDSHIP MINISTRIES

Muslim Friendship Ministries began in October 1979, when a few Christians in Toronto, all of them with experience in overseas ministry, met to consider how Toronto's Christian community might witness more effectively among the city's growing Muslim population. The group has grown in numbers as the need has become more evident.

MFM conducted its first Muslim Presence Seminar in June 1980. This city-wide, three day seminar was attended by about 60 participants. Since then, a growing number of congregations have hosted similar seminars and have included MFM teams in missionary conferences and other services. As well week long Bible college seminars, which can be taken for academic credit, have proved successful. Various meetings have also been held at several colleges and universities.

Each member of MFM is actively engaged in personal witness to Muslims. As a group we have also co-operated in ministry among Muslims in the greater Toronto area.

MFM is aware that its task has just begun. It plans to continue its present programs and to seek more ways for outreach to Muslims. At the same time, it will seek to encourage Christians in other Canadian centres where there is a significant Muslim presence, to initiate a parallel ministry.

MUSLIM FRIENDSHIP MINISTRIES

*Befriending,
Understanding
and Sharing Christ
with
Canada's Muslims*

I WANT TO BE PART OF THE ANSWER!

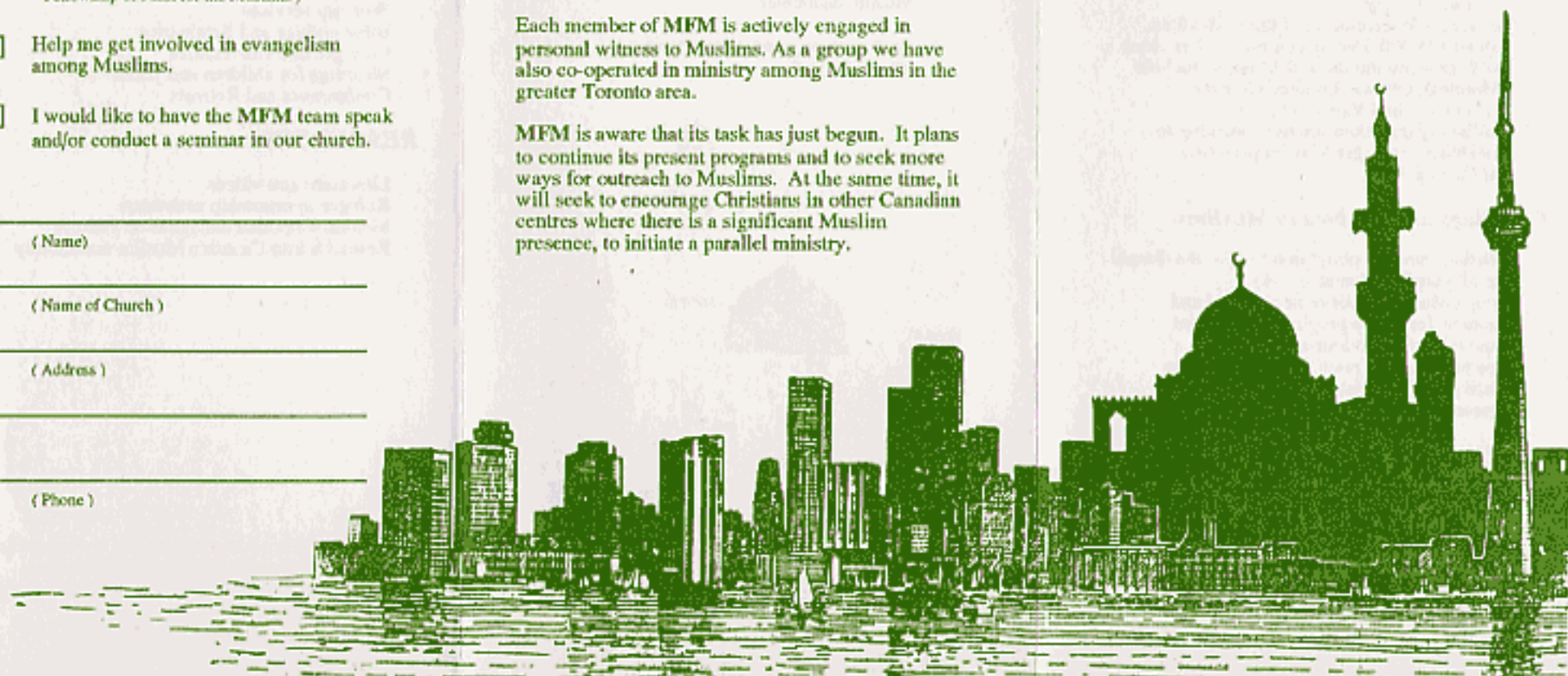
- Sign me up to receive your quarterly prayer letter.
- Send me a reading list on Islam.
- Send me information on the next Muslim Presence Seminar.
- I would like to contribute financially.
(Please make cheques payable to:
Fellowship of Faith for the Muslims)
- Help me get involved in evangelism among Muslims.
- I would like to have the MFM team speak and/or conduct a seminar in our church.

(Name)

(Name of Church)

(Address)

(Phone)



Muslim Friendship Ministries

Do You Know?

Islam is one of the Major World Religions

About one person in 5 is a Muslim
Muslims now number about 1 billion
One-quarter of the world's nations have Muslim majorities
Islam is a missionary religion.

Canada has many Muslims

About 300,000 Muslims live in Canada
They come from such places as Pakistan, India, Africa, Afghanistan, the Middle East, Iran and Turkey

The largest concentration of these Muslims, about 125,000, live in Toronto. Other cities with growing numbers of Muslims include Montreal, Ottawa, London, Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver

Muslim organizations are now working to establish a stronger Muslim presence in Canada.

Christians are indebted to Muslims

Christians have an obligation to take the Gospel to all peoples (Romans 1:14)

Though Muslims believe in one God and honour Jesus as a prophet, they do not know Him as Saviour and Lord

Jesus has died and risen for Muslims also
Relatively few Christians have ministered among Muslims.

Would you, therefore, like to...

Understand your Muslim neighbours?
Learn to befriend Muslims?
Listen to them?
Share your faith meaningfully with them?

Objectives

To proclaim Jesus Christ through word and deed among Muslims in the greater Toronto area...

- * By awakening interest and concern in Christians and Christian institutions for their Muslim neighbours.
- * By training Christians for ministry locally and abroad.
- * By serving as resource personnel for Christians involved in any form of Muslim encounter.
- * By developing and strengthening prayer support.



A new mosque in Canada

Services

MUSLIM PRESENCE SEMINARS

Explain the basics of Islamic beliefs and practices
Encourage proper Christian attitudes and understanding
Share practical means of witness
Are 2 hours to 5 days in length

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Sunday school
Worship services
Bible college and Seminars
Colleges and Universities
Meetings for children and youth
Conferences and Retreats

RESOURCES

Literature and videos
Refugee sponsorship assistance
Muslim/Christian dialogues on campus
Research into Canada's Muslim community

Muslim Friendship Ministries is a committee of the Fellowship of Faith for the Muslims. FFM is evangelical, interdenominational, and recognized by IFMA.