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## A Friend from the Beginning

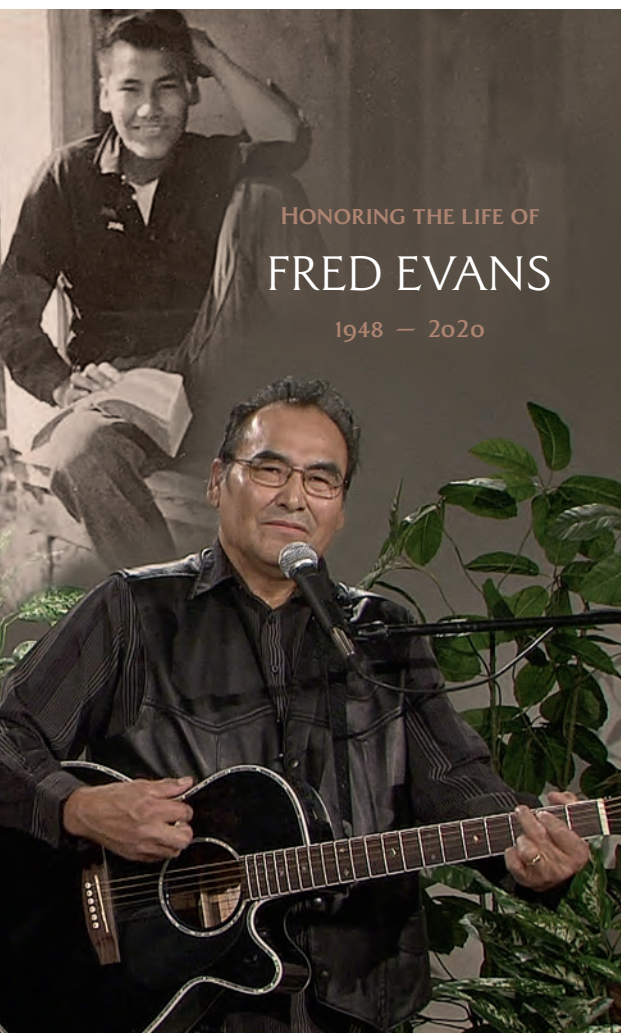
TRIBAL TRAILS' MINISTRY PARTNER AND FRIEND, evangelist Fred Evans, passed away from cancer on March 2 at the age of 72 in Swan River, Manitoba. Fred and his wife, Charlotte, had been guests on our program multiple times over the years. We love and appreciate all of our program guests, but there was something extra special about Fred's partnership with us.

Fred & Charlotte graduated from NCEM's Key-Way-Tin Bible Institute in 1978, about the time our Mission began talking about launching a television outreach. Right after their graduation, the Evanses embarked on a lifetime of ministry. They joined Continental Mission in 1979, moving to Thompson, Manitoba, where Fred served for a time as a pastor, while also visiting outlying communities, including Nelson House and Split Lake.

While based in Manitoba, Fred committed to full-time evangelism, and began traveling to preach in scores of First Nations communities, while producing a regular radio broadcast. He was known as an anointed communicator of the Gospel, using both the Cree and English languages. He used every opportunity to reach people for Christ. For example, when the internet came into use in the North, he began posting articles on a web site geared for young people. "The youth email me with their problems and ask for prayer," Fred had reported.

While proclaiming to many others Christ's offer of salvation, hope, and a changed life, Fred had experienced transformation himself as a young man.

"I grew up in a little place called Thicket Portage, in northern Manitoba," Fred had shared with us on camera. "When I was a little boy I used to go out to the trap-line with my uncle and aunt. I remember bringing with me the Gideons New Testament I'd been given in school. It was all I had to read while



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out on the trap-line. I read verses in there like John 3:16 and others where the Lord spoke about salvation, but I didn't understand them.

"As a young boy of about 10 or 11, I would go to church, and the minister would get me to read Scripture for him. I would stand on the little box he had for me and read, but I still I didn't know

anything about salvation. Sometimes I would sit at the lake and look across and into the sky. I wondered about this God that the Bible was talking about.

"Then I began going to 'Young Peoples,' led by the local missionaries. Most of the time we would just fool around, as young boys do, but in spite of that we did

learn some things – like how to be saved, and how the Lord loved us. About the time I turned 16 I had a school teacher who would read to us every morning from the Bible. Those were the days when Bible reading was allowed in school. By the end of the year the Lord opened my eyes to see that I could be saved. I asked this teacher how I could go about it, and he led me to the Lord."

Though Fred walked away from the Lord for a time as a young man, when he returned his repentance was genuine. Missionaries who knew him from those days told how he was now a different man. Fred asked forgiveness for all the trouble he had caused them. He wanted to restore fellowship with the people he had wronged.

What made Fred extra special to us, along with his genuine humble walk with God, was the encouragement he was at the beginning when we launched Tribal Trails.

NCEMers Derrick & Jean Hiscox led the effort, but initially there were no First Nations coworkers committed to serve full-time. Though Fred felt called to itinerant preaching, he generously assisted with pilot video recordings and greatly encouraged the Hiscoxes. One day, in between recording sessions, he sat down with his guitar and sang, "Tribal Trails, Tribal Trails, the Son of God, He is near. He chose to walk with us these Tribal Trails" ... still our program's theme song with Fred's voice 40 years later! ●

*Fred is survived by his wife Charlotte, their five children, and their families. We're sure you'll be blessed by reading their testimonies (visit [www.ncem.ca](http://www.ncem.ca) ... search "Fred & Charlotte Evans"). Contact us to receive a complimentary DVD featuring the Evanses (programs K281/K282) or watch on [www.TribalTrails.org](http://www.TribalTrails.org).*



*Evans family photo from the 1990s.*

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## VIEW FROM THE STUDIO

The COVID-19 pandemic certainly isn't something we would have chosen, but it is bringing improvements to our Tribal Trails ministry which we can carry over into the future.

For our missionary staff, it has resulted in a more hygienic office/studio environment, and we're learning to do more work off site – which helps us get more work done with less travel (and we've had more time to play table games with our families!).

Best of all, we are seeing an increased number of viewers, and our regular viewers are watching more often. One recently wrote to say: "Now that we are in self-isolation, I can watch Tribal Trails at 7:00 am, 7:30 am, 8:00 am, 9:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:00 am, & 11:30 am!" Not everyone across the continent will have the option of this many channels, but we are available for TV viewing in most Canadian homes ... and our programs can be viewed online anytime worldwide.

However, there are still some in Canada, and many in the USA, who cannot receive our program on any of their current TV channels. Trying to ensure that Tribal Trails gets to all homes in Canada is a bit like playing chess while the pieces keep moving. TV cable and satellite providers continue to change the packages that they provide to subscribers.

We appreciate your prayers as we move into more internet avenues that will allow First Nations guests to share the hope they have found in Christ. Please pray for us as we look for young adults who are interested in partnering with us to create an internet channel. ●

**Brent Wahlstrom**  
NCEM-TV Administrator



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## From Our Viewers

- "I CURRENTLY AM AN INMATE in the Correctional Centre. I am in the 'overflow,' and we watch you guys (on TV) every week. The boys wanted me to write you a letter of appreciation, as it is a big part of our week in a place where we don't have much to look forward to. I was wondering if you could write back. We have a young lad here who is FASD (Fetal Alcohol). I keep telling him Tribal Trails cares about us. He has no contact with his family and has a tough time. In here he likes to sing with the artists on your program, and a letter would mean a lot to him, as well as the rest of us. Also, some reading material about Christ, if possible. Thank you so much for what you do. Don't stop, and we will be here watching weekly. Thank you." – W.R.
- "THANK YOU, and God bless you for your ministry yesterday. Joshua Dueck (program guest) was speaking. It caught in my heart when he said, 'We do not feel valued.' I finally understood the problem. I know God values ... Native young people as much as any of His other children. Thinking about that, I know so many young people do not feel valued. That is so sad. Now that mothers are out working more, children everywhere have that problem. I pray for our people, that God would work in their lives and lead them to Christ. Peace only comes through Christ ... Your program is such a blessing to me ... God bless your ministry." – A.M. ●

## Praise & Prayer

- PRAISE THE LORD with us as we continue to experience His blessings: program guests willing to share, finances & equipment.
- EVEN THOUGH our full- and part-time Tribal Trails staff are few in number, the Lord has provided energy and ideas. Pray that He will continue to bless us with enough workers, and pray especially for younger media missionaries to join.
- PRAY FOR OUR PROGRAM GUESTS ... for their spiritual protection and effective witness in their everyday lives at home and at work. Pray that their stories of the Lord's presence in their lives will bless many.
- PRAISE THE LORD FOR SAFETY as our Tribal Trails team has traveled back and forth across Canada by air and by road over the years. Pray that, when COVID-19 restrictions are lifted, we can again visit First Nations communities to record testimonies and songs.
- DURING THIS PANDEMIC, many are finding spiritual nourishment through media, including Tribal Trails. We praise the Lord for this, but please pray that, as soon as possible, many lonely believers will find needed encouragement and accountability in a local church fellowship, where one exists. ●



This summer our schedule again includes previously broadcast programs. Meet these guests ...

# Again OR FOR THE FIRST TIME

## Seeing Victory

Huron Claus talks about his extended family, and how they have found that Jesus is the "power source" for godly relationships.



## Mending a Marriage

Kurt & Joann Holmes were distant from God. They describe their marriage back then as "rough." Together they tell how their marriage has been healed.



## Jesus Knows Your Pain

Elaine Holland tells of abuse, confusion, and feeling unloved. She shares her story to help others be free from the hurtful effects of abortion.



## Grace Upon Grace

After recommitting his life to God, Randy Jackson developed his talents and began full-time music ministry. "Every day is a gift from God," he says.



## All Along The Way

A few years ago Craig & LaDonna Smith had an accident that changed their lives. Instead of bitterness, God worked in them to be grateful.



## Our Hero

Mentored by others, John Greyeyes has been learning how to represent Christ to the world. He shares a powerful story of forgiveness.



## MISSED A PROGRAM?

To access a large selection of past programs, use our "search box" on [TribalTrails.org](http://TribalTrails.org)



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## TV BROADCAST STATIONS

Nationally	Vision TV	Mon.-Fri. 1:00 pm & Mon. 2:30 am ET	\$400/day
Maritimes	CTV Atlantic	Sun. 10:30 am AT	595/week
Thunder Bay, ON	Global Thunder Bay CHFD	Sun. 9:00 am ET	368/week
Burlington, ON	Yes TV Ontario	Sun. 12:00 pm ET	1050/week
Winnipeg, MB	Global Winnipeg CKND	Sun. 9:00 am CT	1231/week
Winnipeg, MB	FaithTV 11 CIIT	Sun. 1:00 pm & Sat. 9:00 am & 3:30 pm	400/week
		& Mon.-Fri. 2:00 pm CT	200/day
Saskatchewan	CTV Saskatchewan	Sun. 11:30 am CST	1979/week
Lloydminster, SK	CITL	Sun. 9:00 am MT	225/week
Medicine Hat, AB	CHAT-TV	Sun. 8:00 am & 11:00 am MT	154/week
Lethbridge, AB	Miracle Channel CJLL	Sat. 2:30 pm & Tues. 6:00 am	300/week
		& Mon.-Fri. 10:30 pm MT	275/day
Edmonton, AB	Yes TV Edmonton	Sun. 12:30 pm & Tues. 6:00 am MT	165/week
Calgary, AB	Yes TV Calgary	Sun. 12:30 pm & Tues. 6:00 am MT	165/week
Terrace, BC	CFTK	Sun. 4:00 pm PT	135/week
Vancouver, BC	JoyTV 10 CHNU	Sun. 6:00 am & 4:00 pm & 11:00 pm	412/week
		& Mon.-Fri. 11:00 pm PT	200/day
Prince George, BC	CKPG	Sun. 6:00 am & 10:30 am PT	167/week
Kamloops, BC	CFJC-TV	Sun. 6:00 am & 10:30 am PT	167/week
Dawson Creek, BC	CJDC	Sun. 9:00 am PT	130/week
USA: North Pole, AK	KJNP	Sat. 8:30 pm AKDT	

## COMMUNITY CABLE STATIONS

Check your local TV listing for air time:

British Columbia	Terrace, Kitimat & Prince Rupert (CityWest Community Television)	Sun. 10:00 am & 7:00 pm
Saskatchewan	Regina, North Battleford, Meadow Lake, Yorkton (Access7)	Sun. 8:00 am
	Prince Albert (Shaw Spotlight)	Tues. 6:30 pm & Sun. 4:00 pm & 10:30 pm

## RADIO STATIONS & NETWORKS

CKTP The Wolf	(Fredericton, NB) 95.7 FM	Sun. 8:30 am
The Rock Radio	(Yorkton, SK) 98.5 FM	Sun. 4:00 pm
CIOT Lighthouse	(Nipawin, SK) 104.1 FM	Thurs. & Sat. 7:00 pm
Reindeer Lake	(Southend, SK) 97.9 FM	Mon., Wed. & Friday 9:30 am
CFNK Minahik Achimowin Radio	(Pinehouse Lake, SK)	
CIAJ-FM Aboriginal Christian		
Voice Network	(Prince Rupert, BC) 100.7 FM	Sun. 9:00 pm PST
CIAJ Radio	(BC, AB, SK)	Sun. 3:00 am & 2:00 pm & 10:00 pm & Fri. 11:00 pm
	For info and complete station list visit <a href="http://ciamradio.com">ciamradio.com</a>	
MBC—Missinipi Broadcasting Corporation (SK)		Sun. 8:30 am
	For info and complete station list visit <a href="http://mbradio.com">mbradio.com</a>	\$175/week
CFWE	(Alberta) FM	Sun. 5:00 pm
CJWE	(Calgary, AB) FM	Sun. 5:00 pm
	For info and complete station list visit <a href="http://cfweradio.ca">cfweradio.ca</a>	150/week
		90/week

## INTERNET

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