



Canadian Council of Christian Charities Announces the 10 Best Christian Places to Work in Canada

August 8, 2006– Today, the Canadian Council of Christian Charities (CCCC) announced the finalists for the 10 Best Christian Places to Work in Canada.

“Asking employees what they really think is risky because you may not like what you discover. Nevertheless, the number of ministries taking part in this survey over the last three years speaks well of Christian leaders who truly want a Christ-honouring workplace”, said John Pellowe, CEO of the Canadian Council of Christian Charities. “The ten ministries being recognized this year are an inspiration for the rest of us and in the spirit of Hebrews 10:24-25 are spurring us on to greater love and good deeds within our own workplaces.”

The following organizations were finalists for the year 2006/2007 and will receive awards at the CCCC Annual Christian Leadership & Stewardship Conference in Richmond, British Columbia on September 27, 2006:

Alpha Ministries Canada, British Columbia
Campus Crusade for Christ Canada, British Columbia
Centre Street Church, Alberta
Christian Direction, Quebec
Church of the Rock, Manitoba
Focus on the Family (Canada) Association, British Columbia
Gateseven Media Group, Ontario
Medeba Adventure Learning Centre, Ontario
The Evangelical Fellowship of Canada, Ontario
The Leprosy Mission Canada, Ontario

The survey was sponsored by the Canadian Council of Christian Charities. The survey, administered by the Best Christian Workplaces Institute (BCWI), involved more than 1,000 employees in 23 organizations throughout Canada to identify great workplaces with a Christian mission or values.

Based on the survey, the Best Christian Places to Work in Canada are experiencing strong growth, low employee turnover and trust between employees and management. “Our research indicates leaders in these organizations demonstrate strong character, competence in management and a compassion for learning, while employees show high levels of commitment” said Al Lopus, president of the Best Christian Workplaces Institute. “We have come to see this survey as a leading indicator of future success for these finalists as a result of their organizational health and effectiveness,” says Lopus.

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The survey poses questions to employees around six major categories: attraction and retention, motivation and commitment, empowerment and relationships, rewards and benefits, growth and development, and Christian values.

An independent panel of judges weighted the employee scores, the employee survey participation rates and profiles in order to select the finalists.

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