

our speakers

Douglas Todd is one of the most highly acclaimed spirituality and ethics writers in North America. Writing for The Vancouver Sun and other publications, he has won 32 journalism prizes and been short-listed for 35 more. He is the author and editor of three successful books. Todd has twice taken first place in the Templeton Religion Reporter of the Year Award, which goes to the top religion reporter in the secular media in North America. His lively Vancouver Sun blog, The Search, was cited as an "editor's selection" by The New York Times. It draws more than half a million readers a year.

Brian Walsh loves students, music, good beer, Sylvia and their kids, and Jesus, though not always in that order. His most recent book arises out of one of those loves: Kicking at the Darkness: Bruce Cockburn and the Christian Imagination. He has also co-authored Colossians Remixed: Subverting the Empire (with Sylvia Keesmaat), Beyond Homelessness: Subverting the Empire (with Steven Bouma-Prediger) and numerous other books. He is a Christian Reformed campus minister at the University of Toronto where he also teaches theology of culture for Trinity and Wycliffe Colleges.

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to Bruce Cockburn's
prophetic voice!*

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**Conversations about
the Future of the Church**

Inspired by Bruce Cockburn

April 20-22, 2012

**All Saints Anglican Church,
3205 - 27th Street, Vernon, BC V1T 4W8**

Today's church faces special challenges. Christianity has become less central to Western community life than it was a century ago. Christians are uncertain about how to reach out to the world around them.

Christians are called to love of God and love of neighbour — and our neighbour is the person in need. Our response to the call to mission is always in answer to the prophetic voice.

Bruce Cockburn has spoken to Canada and the world about love and its meanings for more than 30 years. Sometimes, his voice has been obviously Christian, but Cockburn has never claimed to speak on behalf of the church. Instead, he has challenged all of us on ways of knowing God and living justly from his own space — both within the church and outside of it.

In Cockburn's work, mysticism meets activism. As a mystic with Canadian and Anglican influences, Cockburn has invited us to meet God in our world — our countryside and our cities. As an activist, Cockburn has called us to different ways of meeting First Nations peoples, the poor and oppressed throughout the world, and our environment; also, he has spoken out against abuses of power internationally and has been at the forefront of efforts to end the use of landmines.

What message does Cockburn bring to the church in our time?

Bruce Cockburn has released several "Platinum" and numerous "Gold" albums. One of Canada's best-known songwriters and performers, he is the recipient of JUNO awards for Canadian Folksinger of the Year, Top Male Vocalist and Top Folk Artist. Cockburn is an Officer of the Order of Canada and has been inducted into the Canadian Music Hall of Fame and the Canadian Broadcast Hall of Fame. He has travelled to many of the world's troubled places to deepen his understanding of world challenges — and has sought to share that understanding through his music.

conference schedule

(see www.efmcanada.ca for further details)

Friday, April 20

6:30-7:00pm *Registration*
7:00-9:00pm *Speakers*
9:00pm *Casual Wine & Cheese*

Saturday, April 21

9:00-11:45am *Speakers*
12:00-1:30pm *Lunch (supplied by conference)*
1:30-4:00 pm *Speakers*
5:30pm *Happy Hour*
6:00pm *Dinner (supplied by conference)*
7:00pm *Round Table/Panel Discussion*
8:00pm *Pub Night*

Sunday, April 22

9:15 am *Worship, All Saints
Anglican Church, Vernon
(Brian Walsh will preach)*



Registration Form

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April 20-22, 2012

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Special Food Requirements:

(Please note that we may be unable to cater to your particular needs. We will endeavour to make vegetarian options available, while avoiding major allergens. If your needs are unusual or extreme, please bring items that will meet your requirements.)

Registration Fee is \$200.

Please enclose a cheque made out to "Education for Ministry Canada." VISA will be accepted by telephone to the office.

Please send registration to:

EFM Canada
#201 - 380 Leathead Road
Kelowna, BC V1X 2H8

Please make your own arrangements for overnight accommodation. There are hotels in Vernon to suit all budgets; all are within easy reach of the church.

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