

A Guide to Ubiquitary Connection

A collection of photographs
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Illumination: Lighting the power grid

One morning a task and a nearby photo location came together in location and time. This is where I captured the dawn back lighting and under lighting of the Finch Corridor pylons on Beare Road in rural northeast Toronto. In the distance, I could see deer silhouettes just beyond the reach of the camera, and hear wild turkeys hiding in a forested area across the road in a call and response to calls from gulls, song sparrows and crows. ☈



Schoolhouse: We've come this far by faith

“Schoolhouse” at the Sheffield Park Black History Museum in Clarksburg (Blue Mountains) Ontario.

My father shared a class at McMaster Divinity College with Wilfrid Sheffield whose family founded and tend this museum. My grandparents were SIM missionaries in Nigeria and brought back with them curios, books and missionary magazines of the time which reflected a particular school of thought about missionary work that is quite different from today. This material was donated to the Museum by my parents in their last move. ☈



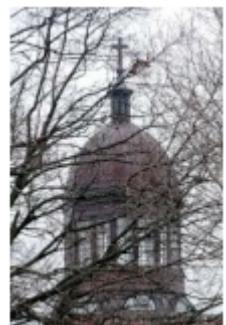
Satsang: A gathering of truth seekers on a beach.

In the summer, the Yeshu Satsang Toronto meets on the beach for food, fellowship, and singing of bhajans and kirtans (songs and choruses) in Hindi with English subtitles. This monthly Hindu style Christian worship draws together people of many faiths and life values. ☈



Switch: Conveyances and communication

Track switches and sidings seen from the rail overpass on Kennedy Road and a very tall communications tower. ☈



Dome: Learning apart for working together in the world.

On an expansive tract of land sits St. Augustine's Seminary in Scarborough semi-isolated from the surrounding community, and yet adjacent to a church and a high school. Is a learning environment where students can learn in silence with an attitude of submission ideal for reconnecting to our communities? ☈



Preservation: Safekeeping our stories, ideas, and knowledge

This is the facility of the National Archives of Canada in Gatineau Quebec where there is careful preservation of artifacts, written materials, recordings, and images about our collective history and our communities. ☈



Cindy: Bearing a different vision

Rev. Cindy Rasmussen at the Gathering of Baptists. Solutions to the climate crisis reignite a congregation in Rochester NY, originally intended to be closed. St. Marks & St. Johns Episcopal folks planted a garden to help feed their neighbourhood and the congregation grew. ☺



Miranda: A culture- bridging heartbeat

Miranda Stone's music career singing what I would call "boot leather folk" blossomed into an outreach of hospitality and spirit when she met sitar/guitarist Chris Hale. They were joined by friend and harmonium teacher Luke Parker and play at the monthly Yeshu Satsang Toronto. Miranda shares a reflection amongst the bhajans (songs) in Hindi playing tabla drums and every gathering is full of diversity. Shanti (peace)!



Steeple: Hope on an urban landscape

All Saints Romanian Orthodox Church, Danforth Road in Scarborough in foreground stands out with a heart for those who experience poverty. It is connected to St. John The Compassionate on Broadview Avenue, where meals are lovingly prepared for those who are hungry. ☺



Hope, Struggle, Rest: Rosetta McClain Gardens (triptych)

Often, Sunday mornings I am drawn to sunrise at this memorial garden on the edge of the bluffs in Scarborough. The rose garden goes through so much change over the seasons, but the care by city workers keeps this a vibrant place of colour. ☺



Dusk: Kennedy rail overpass

Sunset, Communications Tower and water tower in cityscape Toronto as seen from Scarborough. Places to live, places to sleep, physical needs to be met, and community. ☺



Breakfast: Under the boardwalk at Woodbine Beach

A squirrel makes supreme sacrifice to aid the greater flow of nature. Baby fox can eat. ☺



Starry: A Night sky at Woodbine Beach

Urban light in cities overwhelms the stars in the night sky. The camera and some post production work reveals what the eye cannot see in real time. We can also see the fragility of humanity and its home. It is in God's hands across the universe. ☺