

MISSIONARY STORIES

REAL STORIES ABOUT SPREADING GODS WORD

The Brave Pioneer of the Frozen North!

THIS STORY IS ABOUT: GOD PROTECTS AND PROVIDES

BIG IDEA

The same God who did miracles in the Bible was busy doing them in cold, faraway Canada too. When we trust Him, He watches over us and keeps us safe!

THE STORY

Long, long ago, up in the great country of Canada, there lived a brave preacher named Frank Small. Canada is a land of snowy mountains, frozen lakes, and forests that stretch as far as your eyes can see. And Frank loved to tell people there all about Jesus!

Frank had learned a wonderful truth from the Bible. He believed exactly what the apostles believed long ago - that people should be baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus and be filled with the Holy Ghost, just like in the book of Acts. This was big news in Canada!

But preaching in those days was not easy. There were no fast cars or warm airplanes. People traveled long, bumpy roads in the freezing cold, and accidents could happen at any moment.



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THE STORY CONTINUES

One day, Frank and some friends were caught in a terrible accident. It looked like something very bad was about to happen. Their hearts pounded. There seemed to be no way they could be safe!

But God was watching over them. In a way that no one could explain, they were kept safe and unharmed. Frank knew exactly Who had protected them. 'That was God!' he said. 'Only God could have saved us like that!'

Frank had seen God do amazing things before. He had watched sick people get well when he prayed for them. Every healing, every rescue, made his faith grow bigger and stronger.

Frank believed something very important. He believed the same Holy Ghost who moved in the Bible long ago was STILL moving - right there in Canada! God had not changed at all. He was just as powerful as ever.

So Frank kept right on going. He helped start a whole group of churches called the Apostolic Church of Pentecost of Canada, so people all across that big, frosty land could hear about Jesus.

All his life, Frank Small kept preaching the wonderful Acts 2:38 message: repent, be baptized in Jesus' name, and receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. He never stopped trusting God, not even once.

And because one brave man depended on God in the frozen north, many, many people came to know Jesus. God really is the same everywhere - even in the coldest, faraway corners of the world!





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DID YOU KNOW?

- Canada is the second largest country in the whole world, with winters so cold that lakes freeze solid enough to walk on!
- Frank Small was one of the very first people in Canada to preach about being baptized in the name of Jesus.
- Frank helped start the Apostolic Church of Pentecost of Canada, which still has churches all across Canada today.
- In Frank's day, preachers often traveled by horse, sleigh, or train through deep snow to share the gospel.

MEMORY VERSE

“The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.” Psalm 34:7

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

1. What dangerous thing happened to Frank and his friends, and Who kept them safe?
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- 2** Frank believed God was still doing miracles in his own day. Do you think God still does miracles now? Why or why not?

- 3** Why do you think Frank kept preaching even when traveling was so hard and cold?

- 4** Can you think of a time God kept you or your family safe? How does that make you feel?

- 5** Frank was brave to share Jesus in a faraway place. Who is one person you could be brave and tell about Jesus this week?

LET'S PRAY

Dear Jesus, thank You for watching over me and keeping me safe, just like You did for Frank Small. Help me to be brave and trust You everywhere I go, even when things are hard or scary. Thank You that You never change. In Your name I pray, Amen.

TRY THIS!

Make a 'God Keeps Me Safe' snowflake! Cut a paper snowflake (ask a grown-up for help), and on it write or draw one time God protected you or your family. Hang it in a window to remember that God watches over you everywhere, even in the cold like He did for Frank in Canada.

