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27 MILLION  
OF GOD'S  
CHILDREN  
ARE SLAVES  
TODAY.

ONE EASTVIEW MEMBER IS DOING SOMETHING ABOUT IT.

"HANDS OFF" // P.2

Warning: The following article will confront your comfortable life with a disturbing reality of the world we live in.

God has called you to make a difference.

Reader discretion is advised.

// Philip Wiebe

## HANDS OFF.

**I**n the early-19th century, William Wilberforce was a Member of Parliament in Britain on a mission to abolish slavery. An evangelical Christian and a progressive voice on many social issues, Wilberforce had campaigned for over a quarter-century against the slave trade before he got the Slave Trade Act of 1807 passed. Meanwhile, on the other side of the Atlantic, it took yet another fifty years and the passing of the 13th Amendment before President Lincoln was able to abolish slavery in the United States.

For more than fifty years, through the United Nations, slavery has been abolished in the entire civilized world, and right now as you read this, there are more slaves in the world than there have ever been.

Wait, what?

"There are 27 million people enslaved today," says Mark Wollenberg of International Justice Mission Canada. "That's almost the population of Canada. Human trafficking is a \$31 Billion global industry."

What might be most shocking is that relatively few people are aware of the issue. If you didn't already know, according to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime "Human trafficking is the acquisition of people by improper means such as force, fraud or deception, with the aim of exploiting them."

In Wilberforce's own words from an impassioned 1789 speech, "Having heard all of this, you may choose to look the other way, but you can never again say you didn't know."

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# WHERE IS THE LOVE?

Send some around the world in a shoebox this year. // Jenna Friesen

**E**very fall season Eastview experiences an invasion. It is part of an initiative to spread God's love to children, and is in fact the largest Christmas project in the world.

Have you ever wanted to be a part of something big that truly makes a difference? You can! This month, pick up a shoebox and become a part of Operation Christmas Child.

The invasion happens early in the fall season and consists of thousands of shoeboxes being piled in the south foyer.... *Get the whole story at [www.eastview.org](http://www.eastview.org).*



# ON LOCATION AT THE ABM



October 17, 2010 meeting offered inspiring look at where we're going. // Philip Wiebe

**"P**owerfully inspiring." "Forward-looking." "Celebratory." These probably aren't adjectives most would use to describe the typical church Annual Business Meeting. Most would probably envision drab affairs full of accounting figures and organizational charts. While Eastview's Annual Business Meeting, held Sunday, October 17, 2010, certainly contained the.... *Get the whole story at [www.eastview.org](http://www.eastview.org).*

# BUILDING A HOME WITH SALT & LIGHT

Eastview's Habitat Build // Philip Wiebe

**I**t's a beautiful October Saturday morning, brisk though unseasonably warm, when approximately 45 people from all walks of life descend on the relatively empty lot at 267 Kingsbury, just off Main St. By the time they all leave this afternoon, the site's transformation is startling; what was a non-descript pit suddenly boasts the framework of....

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## WE RECOMMEND

What Eastviewers are telling their friends about these days.

### Panel

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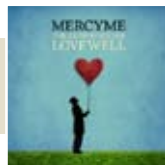


### Book/Music

**HOW THE MIGHTY FALL** Jim Collins

**THE GENEROUS MR. LOVEWELL** MercyMe

**VISIONEERING**  
Andy Stanley



## PAM FAST

Personal Link // Edited by Marc Neufeld



I was blessed to grow up in a Christian home and was strongly encouraged and influenced in my spiritual growth through attending church regularly. Summer camp, Vacation Bible School, girls club, youth group leaders, Sunday school teachers and attending MBCI were also big contributors to my spiritual development as a young child and teenager. Four years after I graduated....

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## BODY PARTS NEEDED

// Edited by Philip Wiebe

Eastview as a local church is aptly described by 1 Corinthians 12, where Paul uses the metaphor of the human body to explain how every part is distinct and necessary. Says verse 18, "But in fact God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be." If God has brought you to Eastview, consider whether He's brought you to volunteer in one of the following roles.

**Actor:** If the stage is your thing, the Drama Team is looking for actors willing to meet on Tuesdays at the church.

**Web Developer:** Do you speak CSS and HTML better than your grandma speaks English? If so, our web team could use your skills!

**Writer:** If you look at the Eastview Link and think, "I could do that," tell us and we'll give you a chance!

*For all positions, respond to [link@eastview.org](mailto:link@eastview.org).*

