

# **Volunteer Awards 2009**

We started our Volunteer Awards in 2008 building on the fine efforts of Archbishops Awards and Altar Guild service pins!

In 2009 we have 6 new recipients.

## **Dave Ashley**

Dave Has been involved in many aspects of the life of Grace. Dave served for several years as a Churchwarden and when his term ended he took on the role of Emeritus which lead him into new areas of our common life. Areas such as the Living and Growing Gracefully Group which has brought many new ideas forward. Dave is also a dedicated member of the Finance team and works tirelessly on the budget. If our Caretaker is ill Dave cheerfully and graciously fills in! Dave has also been a real gift in the way he has stepped in and augmented the parish leadership team. We appreciate his dedication!

## **Phyllis Doherty**

Phyllis has been a staunch member of the choir for at least ten years. In the years when there was no choir Phyllis was there leading the singing week by week by week! She is always an enthusiastic participant in the introduction of various different types of music. She regularly comes to lead the singing at the 9:15 liturgy. She is an invaluable member of the finance team and as our Parish Treasurer puts in countless hours by herself working maintaining and looking after the parish accounts with meticulous care. Phyllis is someone you can count on! She is there to make a difference!

## **Dave Kelso**

Dave has done tremendous work as chair of the Finance Committee. It is an hands on position. When Dave is not hard at work on the numbers you can find him doing many other things around here. Dave helps out with Bazaar and rummage clean ups and also does the dishes. He serves as a sidesperson and has spent hours working on the Markham Festival! Dave makes a difference in the life of Grace as he is so generous with his time and skill!

## **Dorothy McKelvey**

Is there a job that Dorothy has not done at Grace Church. At the present time Dorothy is the President of the ACW and is a member of the Communications Committee, the Green Thumb Group as well as the Facilities Committee. Her wonderful banners adorn the church and the theme banner for the 9:15 Liturgy is a creation of hers! Dorothy has served as Churchwarden, as a Member of

Synod, on the Parish Selection Committee and helps with Lunch with Grace and pretty well everything that happens here at Grace Church.

### **Carol Mohammad**

Carol is involved in many aspects of the life of Grace! During her recent term as Churchwarden Carol worked tirelessly to bring the gifts of the people of the Islands to the centre of our parish life. She heads up our Black History Celebration in February and works tirelessly to make the Caribbean Dance the joyous and exciting evening to which we all look forward. Carol is also involved in the Communications Committee and is a key component in our living and Growing Grace Group! Carol brings her energy to Grace!.

### **Myron Nicholson**

Myron is the friendliest greeter I can remember! When Myron greets you at the door you know you have come somewhere special. But make no mistake about it, he is not just that friendly face. Myron brings his many talents and gifts to the parish on a daily basis. If it is technical Myron has a hand in it. He probably designed it! Myron was responsible for the old overhead projector. {He got it from Noah when the ark was decommissioned!} Seriously, Myron keeps the computers working, installed the new phone system, works on the lap tops, designed the enews, and he is our Staff photographer! Enthusiasm personified is the description that comes to mind!

*What amazing volunteers we are blessed in the contributions of so many!*