

# Spencer, Reverend Catherine Johanne

March 25, 2019



## Reverend Catherine Johanne Spencer

**Reverend Catherine Johanne Spencer**, born August 7th, 1954 in Blairmore, Alberta, went home to be with her Jesus on Friday, January 25th, 2019. Johanne first met Jesus at five years old in Cowley, Alberta during Vacation Bible School. In 1972 she married Randy and together they had three children:

**Scott, Shauna, and Jared**. Her heart was broken after the fifteen-year marriage ended in divorce. On July 1st, 1989, Johanne married **Greg** in Bellevue, Alberta and the following year **Katherine** was born, then **Obadiah** in 1992. Johanne was a beloved wife, devoted mother and grandmother, sister and friend to many.

Always creative, an artist, singer, and songwriter, she developed a music community called Harmonies. Over the last eleven years, these musicians fundraised for many charities and mission trips. Johanne was as comfortable at any gala event as she was wilderness cooking up on her beloved mountains. In the same dynamic and fearless way, she served the Kingdom of God, both as a church planter and as the only female lead pastor in the region. Additionally, she was her denomination's unit supervisor for Manitoba and Saskatchewan for over ten years.

She challenged people to answer the call of God and invested in their ministry. Johanne loved missions and preaching, whether in Germany, Costa Rica, or at home. Her most significant gift to the family of God was functioning as a prophetic intercessor. She lived her life to fulfill Colossians 1:24

*I now rejoice in my suffering for you, and fill up in my flesh what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ, for the sake of His body, which is the church.*

**The Funeral Service will be held on Saturday, February 2nd, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in Moose Jaw Funeral Home with Reverend Rebecca Friesen officiating.** In lieu of flowers, donations may be designated for missions through either City Oasis, 1291 Gordon Rd, Moose Jaw, SK S6H 3E3 or The Bridge, 5130 4th Ave, Regina, SK S4T 0J7. Arrangements are entrusted to Moose Jaw Funeral Home, 268 Mulberry Lane. James Murdock, Funeral Director 306-693-4550.

1.



Marion Raymon on January 30, 2019 at 7:14 pm

My sincere condolences and sympathies are extended to Gregg and to all the family  
Lots of love and prayers  
Marion Raymond

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2.



Carole, Rodney and Hannah Kobsar on January 30, 2019 at 7:46 pm

We are so saddened with the news of Pastor Johanne

passing. She was such a formidable and lovely woman. We are so blessed to have known her. Our family sends our sincerest condolences to the Spencer family. May God bless the family with healing.

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3.



**Linda Ward** on January 30, 2019 at 8:23 pm

Gregg – Sorry seems so inadequate but Barry and I wanted to send you our sincere sympathies for the loss of Johanne to you, the children and the grandchildren. God cover you with His peace.

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4.



**Irma Rizo** on January 30, 2019 at 9:13 pm

I was shocked when I saw this. I am so sorry for your loss. Well, Johanne is not lost, but sorry for the absence from the ones dear to her heart. May God comfort you at this time and each as they have need. God be with you.

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5.



**Tim & Laurene** on January 30, 2019 at 11:00 pm

Dear Greg,

You and Johanne have been very close to our hearts since the day we first met. Johanne's prophetic gifts gave constant evidence that the Lord is always near and ready to speak into our lives as we listen. We heard her voice, but His words came through to change our hearts & lives. We love you both and we always will.

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6.



Sharon Spicer Blager on January 30, 2019 at 11:11 pm

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My condolences to Gregg, his children and Grandchildren.

I rejoice with Johanne that she is dancing with her Lord!

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7.



Janet Currie Chubb on January 31, 2019 at 3:42 am

Greg and family, my sincere sympathy on the passing of Joanne.

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8.



Fanny and Norman Doromal on January 31, 2019 at 3:47 am

You will be missed greatly.

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9.



Robbin Schick on January 31, 2019 at 5:09 am

My sincere sympathy to you GREG and to all of Johanne's family, friends and followers.

There will be a seat of honour awaiting Johanne upon her arrive in heaven. Her ability to gather, lead and heal others will not be forgotten.

Until we meet again, my dear friend.

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10.



Leanne on January 31, 2019 at 6:28 am

Gregg and Family From Savanna, Ken, Leanne we are so saddened for the Loss But Now Pastor Johanne Is in a better Place Singing and Dancing and being with Jesus. Savanna Remembers How she Gave her the first pick for her guitar. God Bless the family. Love and Hugs.

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11.



Deb Anderson on January 31, 2019 at 7:58 am

Praying for strength and comfort for Greg and family and all who knew Johanne. She touched our lives and blessed us in so many ways

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12.



Joyce Howard on January 31, 2019 at 9:39 am

Pastor Gregg and family – I send my sincerest sympathies for the loss of a fabulous, amazing, unique woman, Pastor Johanne. May you be comforted in this season. This is not only a tremendous loss to your family, your churches, your community but to the world at large. She had global and kingdom impact on so many levels. I count it a privilege to have known Johanne, she had the spirit of a pioneer, she was courageous and bold (in a humble way). I truly do and will miss her magnetic spirit, her beautiful smile and her loving heart. Blessings and love to each of you.

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13.



Dick, Nicole and Kay Stark on January 31, 2019 at 10:08 am

It is with our deepest sympathy to hear the sad news of the passing of Johanne. Our condolences are with you Greg and with your family and the extended family of Johanne. We spent so much time with you both awhile back and it's hard to believe now that she has left. I can only imagine

the Lord saying "Welcome, good and faithful servant, please enter." We are sure Johanne is dancing and singing with the Lord and the angels around the throne room. May the Lord be close to you at this time and give you His Peace that passes all understanding.

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14.



**Grady Williams** on January 31, 2019 at 1:04 pm

So saddened by the news of Johanne's passing, yet rejoicing for her that she is now with Jesus. Blessings, love and prayers to you Greg and the whole family.

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15.



**James Sikorski** on January 31, 2019 at 6:14 pm

As a Bible student I am saddened to hear when persons who lose there life in death. So my sincere sympathy goes to all in the family. At the same time I want to share the Bibles promise for all those who have losted there love ones. This promise is recorded for us in Acts 24:15, 1Corinthians 15: 21- 23, & John 5: 28, 29, Jim

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16.



**David Kitz** on January 31, 2019 at 7:54 pm

I am sorry that I didn't get to know Johanne better. We all needed and wanted more time with her. Condolences to Greg, the family, and the church family, from our home in Ottawa.

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17.



**Polly, Marty and Kristianne** on January 31, 2019 at 10:08 pm

We were shocked and very saddened by the news of Johanne's passing. Our deepest condolences to Greg, Kate, Ob, Shauna, Jared & Scott. Johanna was a lovely lady and her smiling face will be missed by many. Hugs and prayers to you all.

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18.



**Lily Brown** on January 31, 2019 at 11:31 pm

Dear Pastor Greg and family,

Please know that my heart goes out to each of you at this time of great loss.

Pastor Johanne touched each one she met with the tender love of God. She lived and died for Him and left a

wonderful legacy for each and every one who knew her...a shining example of how to live a life well lived in His service.

I had the honour of singing with her on our worship team. Many times her voice would bring me to tears, it was so beautiful. I know she is singing now in His presence and blessing all who hear her.

She will be greatly missed. I pray God will cover each of you in His comfort, peace and strength.

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19.



**John Fleck** on February 1, 2019 at 12:35 am

Was very surprised and shocked to learn that Johanne passed away. My deepest condolences to Greg and all of Johanne's family. I didn't see Johanne that often however when we got together she was a wonderful friend. We had some great times especially at our national meetings when we did team building together. Johanne was full of fun. She was always a great encouragement and she didn't have to say much to be that way. She was an extremely loving woman whose joy for life was contagious. I saw her briefly when I managed to get out to one night at our national convention this past year. Can't believe that was the last time I saw her in this life. I was really glad to see pictures of Johanne in Germany doing a short term missions trip there. She will be greatly missed. There are so many wonderful memories.

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20.



**Elizabeth White-Spencer** on February 1, 2019 at 12:01 pm

Johanne I will miss you. From the moment we met I felt a kindred spirit connection in my heart with you. Our conversations were always packed with things we wanted to share with each other. I was looking forward to spending more family time with you as we both entered retirement. Alas, the best of Spirit times are always shorter than what we want. I'll dance on earth as you dance in Heaven knowing that our Spirits will meet again!

Greg, there will always be room in my heart and home to embrace you as brother-in-law and your family as my family. Your strength in your faith is amazing and it will carry you through your loss. No man walks alone and we all need each other as family.

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21.



**Dave Spencer** on February 1, 2019 at 12:07 pm

Johanne I will miss your quick mind and your radiant smile and to my brother Greg I offer my heartfelt condolence and a wish that we can spend more time together. The loss of a loved one is the greatest challenge we face perhaps it is fitting that the loss of the really great people leaves us with the greatest hole in our heart

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22.



**Sheena Lavoie** on February 1, 2019 at 2:49 pm

Words cant explain. I love you so much Pastor Johanne and Greg. No one will ever compare to her in my life. I will continue to follow Jesus as you taught me. Till we meet again.

[Reply](#)

23.



**Constantine & Shirley Levis** on February 1, 2019 at 10:19 pm

Pastor Greg and family,

Shirley and I offer our condolences.

Pastor Johanne, a bond-servant of the Lord Jesus Christ, served Her Lord and Master and led His sheep with humility and grace.

We will miss and remember her.

She has entered into the presence of the King of Kings to receive her reward.

Thank you Pastor Johanne!

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24.



**Nicole** on February 2, 2019 at 12:19 pm

Johanne was a force to be reckoned with. She had a heart as big as her smile and everyone that had the privilege of

knowing her will never be the same for having her in our lives. She was a constant in the storm and a voice of wisdom in the darkness. She will be missed beyond measure. My thoughts and prayers are with Greg and the family as you walk through the next steps without her. She loved her family fiercely and I believe that she will still love and fight for you and on your behalf from the throne room. Praying for comfort in these next steps on the journey. She will never be forgotten.

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25.



**Jim n Brenda Seida** on February 2, 2019 at 1:19 pm

Words cannot express our Sincere and Heartfelt Condolences to you Greg, and to all the family, even though Johanne has gone ahead of you Greg, we know you are never really alone for God has promised to be with you, Holy Spirit will be your hands on Comforter, your Peace and your Guide. Thanks for the treasured memories Johanne

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26.



**Sandra and Brad Stewart** on February 2, 2019 at 3:38 pm

Gregg, we are so shocked and saddened of this news of Johanne...a bright light in my earlier days. With that glint in her eye and that warm smile...I will never forget her words when life was full of challenges.

3 Children are a heritage from the Lord, offspring a

reward from him. 4 Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are children born in one's youth. 5 Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them.

She loved my babes, every time we came into the store she snuggled and teased them. The world lost a beautiful spirit...but the joy in heaven must be spectacular.

Sending love and hugs.

Sandra and Brad

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27.



**LeighAnne** on February 4, 2019 at 1:23 pm

Greg & family, my sincere condolences on your loss. Prayers for peace and comfort as you cherish all your beautiful memories that were made with each one of you

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28.



**Hind & George Hatem** on February 4, 2019 at 6:45 pm

Dear Pastor Greg, we are terribly sorry to hear about the passing of your wife. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May God rest her soul in peace, and may our condolences bring you peace during this painful time.

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