

Excerpts from a letter from Sheila Douglas (May 29<sup>th</sup> 2011)

First I would like to say a personal thank you to everyone who did so much to help Anne and Myself with our Nearly New Sale. We did fantastically well apparently.

As you all know I am struggling medically so being at meetings etc are very limited for me at present and something happened last week ... [that] brought memories flooding back to me of a sermon I was privileged to hear about 30years ago in The Kenora Anglican Cathedral called

THE QUIET CHARISMATIC

We lived in Ear Falls at the time and had a very unique situation there with a very small church that had a children's choir that was 18 at one point with way less adults in the congregation. I was instrumental in rounding up all of these youngsters every Saturday am [4 of them were ours ] and Rev Rae Kiebuszinsky was our organist who led practice. The Children sang a variety of hymns [some of their choosing] and we were invited to bring them to Kenora to sing [can't remember the occasion] but Captain Len Hands of the Anglican church army had been our interim minister while going through a very difficult time in his personal life and "knew" our little choir and when he was taken away from us to Kenora [because of his problems for better help] was the reason for the "invite." David and I borrowed a van and loaded up the gowns and kids and away we went one Sunday long ago.

The sermon has long stayed with me with such force that I feel I am being asked to pass on what I perceived to be the content:

We Anglicans are strange people – we like to sit further back in the Church not rush to the front but when "asked" do come forward and help in the quiet way we generally like to do things as has just happened to assist with the Nearly New Sale.

The Quiet Charismatic told of the way we all do our part to assist in the Church.

YES! We do need our leaders BUT they need to note and allow the Quiet Charismatic's to do their parts. Singing in the Choir, doing the handy man jobs, gardening, working at Teas, Nearly New Sales etc, etc, the list goes on....

Thank you all again for helping the "Nearly New "be the success it was.

We are planning our FALL SALE so keep the goodies coming. I am already working on my next donations as I am "stuck" at home temporarily.

Hope summer was good to you all and that it did arrive!!!  
Sheila Douglas