## DAVID OUCHTERLONY 1914 – 1987

Born on April 2, 1914, David Ouchterlony enjoyed music while a student at the GCVI, and he was an active member of the 1930 GCVI school band and a committed student. He continued to become a well-known musician, composer, broadcaster and teacher.

At the age of fourteen, Ouchterlony played the organ at St. George's Church in Guelph. From there he went on to become an announcer for CFRB radio's Starlight Serenade. After a brief period in broadcasting, he accepted a position at Toronto's Royal Conservatory of Music. There he worked his way up from teacher to examiner and then to supervisor before serving as principal from 1968-1977.

As branches' supervisor, Dr. Ouchterlony auditioned and taught thousands of children and adults. He was known to many of them as "Dr. O". He also taught music at Appleby College in Oakville, St. Andres's College in Aurora, and at Upper Canada College in Toronto. Following his retirement from the conservatory, he worked as the director of the Kiwanis Music Festival of Greater Toronto.

Throughout his musical career Ouchterlony was the organist and director of music at Timothy Eaton Memorial Church, Toronto for 41 years. In 1976, he founded the Timothy Eaton Memorial Church Choir School to provide full musical training for young people. He enjoyed teaching music throughout his life. Ouchterlony also hosted radio programs on CJBC, CKFH, CKEY, and CFMX-FM in Cobourg. He was also an early broadcaster of children's music on CBC television. As well, he wrote works for church choirs, organ, piano and solo voice.

Ouchterlony received an honourary Doctor of Sacred Letters from Victoria College, University of Toronto. Soon after, he was among the few Canadians who received the Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Medal.

Throughout his music, David Ouchterlony enriched the lives of family and thousands of young people. He died of cancer at the age of 73, on June 20, 1987.

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