

# FREDERICK JAMES SPECKEEN

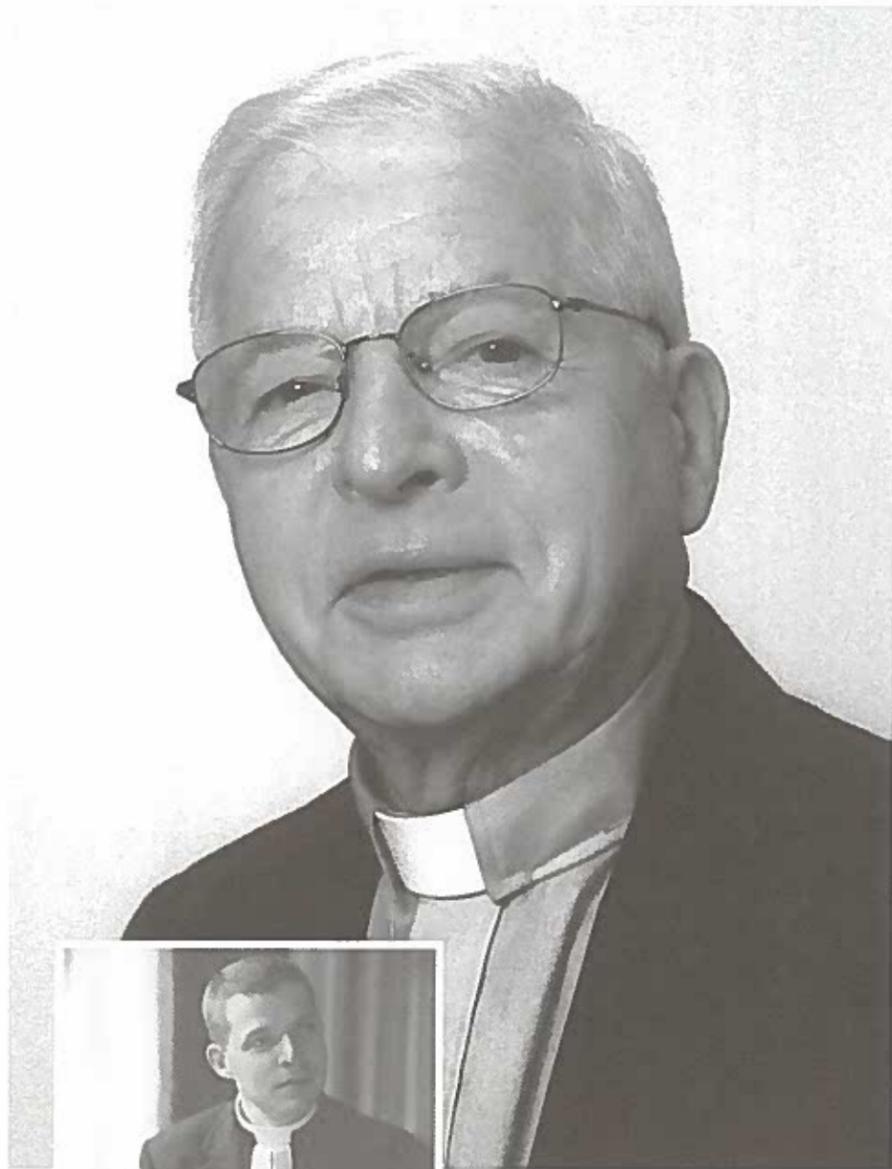
## *Education and Clergy*

Frederick James Speckeen was born in his grandmother's log cabin on Pinebush Road near Hespeler on September 17, 1929. While at GCI he was a member of the army cadets, basketball team, track and field team, choir, band and the Preston all-star hockey team. After graduating from GCI he began working as the company electrician for Graham Metal Products in Preston. He completed grade 13 at Preston High School in 1948-49. His educational journey took him to Goshen College in Indiana for a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1952, followed by theological studies at the University of Toronto. He obtained a Bachelor of Divinity at Goshen College Seminary in 1956. Michigan State University awarded him a Doctor of Philosophy in 1961. Throughout his career further study in law, business, education and speech correction took him to the University of British Columbia, Northwestern University, the University of Colorado and the University of Alberta.

Dr. Speckeen has worked as chairman and vice president of a variety of educational departments in six different universities and colleges across North America. From 1956 through 1970 Dr. Speckeen was Director of Forensics at Goshen College, graduate assistant and resident coordinator at Michigan State University, Chairman and Dean of students at the University of Dubuque, Vice President of Educational Services at Waterloo Lutheran University, Vice President of Planning and Development at International University and Vice President, Director of Continuing Education, at Cambrian College. He was appointed President of

four different colleges in Alberta from 1970 through 1994. He has taught at all levels of education spanning the elementary, secondary, college and university fields. From 1994 to 2003, Mr. Speckeen has worked as a consultant internationally at colleges and universities in China, Nicaragua, Bulgaria and Kyrgyzstan.

Dr. Speckeen has contributed his expertise in organizational, theological and speech education fields to many Presbyterian churches and volunteer organizations. He served as pastor to parishes in Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Iowa, Ontario, Alberta and British Columbia. He has been a chaplain in the Canadian Armed Forces. In 1964-67, Dr. Speckeen served as trustee for the Kitchener Public School Board and ran as a Federal Progressive Conservative candidate in Waterloo. As a devoted public service committee member, he served as president or chair for ten organizations, mostly based in Calgary. This busy alumnus of GCI has performed research, studied, made presentations and travelled in over 25 countries throughout the world.



*Inducted: 2003  
Years at GCI & VS:  
1943 - 1947*