

## Begat and Begone

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Abraham begat Isaac; and Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob begat Judas and his brethren; and Judas begat Phares and Zara of Thamar; and Phares begat Esrom; and Esrom begat Aram; and Aram begat Aminadab; and Aminadab begat Naasson; and Naasson begat Salmon; and Salmon begat Booz of Rachab; and Booz begat Obed of Ruth; and Obed begat Jesse; and Jesse begat David the king; and David the king begat Solomon of her that had been the wife of Urias; and Solomon begat Roboam; and Roboam begat Abia; and Abia begat Asa; and Asa begat Josaphat; and Josaphat begat Joram; and Joram begat Ozias; and Ozias begat Joatham; and Joatham begat Achaz; and Achaz begat Ezekias; and Ezekias begat Manasses; and Manasses begat Amon; and Amon begat Josias; and Josias begat Jechonias and his brethren, about the time they were carried away to Babylon; and after they were brought to Babylon, Jechonias begat Salathiel; and Salathiel begat Zorobabel; and Zorobabel begat Abiud; and Abiud begat Eliakim; and Eliakim begat Azor; and Azor begat Sadoc; and Sadoc begat Achim; and Achim begat Eliud; and Eliud begat Eleazar; and Eleazar begat Matthan; and Matthan begat Jacob; and Jacob begat Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ. (Matthew 1:2–16)

Though the lineage of our journal hasn't hit biblical proportions, we are getting close. It is important, though, to review it—if only to confirm our continuous publication over the last 12 years. In 1998 *Mature Medicine Canada* was launched as a Canadian peer-reviewed journal that published papers focusing on the care of an aging population. Three

years later (2001) the publication received an endorsement from the Canadian Geriatrics Society and changed its name to *Geriatrics Today: Journal of the Canadian Geriatrics Society*. (Note: both the Canadian Gerontological Nursing Association and the Canadian Academy of Geriatric Psychiatry also subsequently endorsed the journal.) In 2004, the journal was purchased by Kenilworth Media. A year later ownership was transferred to Andrew John Publishing, and the name of the journal was changed to *Canadian Journal of Geriatrics*. In October 2006, the journal was purchased by Geriatrics & Aging, which unfortunately ceased operations in 2010. Throughout its existence, the journal, by whatever name, has continued to publish original articles dealing with the conditions that afflict older Canadians. At the annual business meeting of the Canadian Geriatrics Society this April, members of the Society reaffirmed their support for a peer-reviewed journal—but this time owned by the Society. It was also decided that we would move to an online, open-access format. I'm very pleased to introduce to you the first issue of our reborn and rebranded journal, the *Canadian Geriatrics Journal*.

My title isn't a description of bad parenting in medieval times. The "begone" part is because this is my last issue as editor. Ken Madden has taken over. On behalf of the Society, I wish him the very best for the future—somewhat selfishly, for his success will be our success, and somewhat redundantly, as I know he will do a great job. To Ken, go n-éirí an bóthar leat. To all of you, thanks for the honour of being Editor in Chief over the last 18 months.

David B. Hogan, Former Editor in Chief