#### **OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

Mission Hospital: Lena Regier

Abbotsford Hospital: Liese Giesbrecht, Joy Locken Hospital in Ontario: Colleen - sister of Kathy Sawatzky

**Odell Childe -** at home recovering from hip surgery.

**Rudy** (Elsie) **Frose** - recovering from heart attack and surgery.

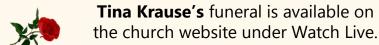
Marilyn (Bill) Bramwell - pray for patience and peace as she waits for further chemo treatments.

**Erika** (John) **Klassen -** severe health struggles.

Earl Andres - brother of Bill & Janet Andres has stage four lung cancer that has metastasized to the brain and adrenal gland.

### Notes of Sympathy

Tina (Katharina) Redfern's funeral Service is live streamed and is viewable at: www.dignitycanada.com/abbotsford



Mary Warkentin, passed away Thursday, January 7, 2021. Her Funeral Service will be available to be seen in several weeks.

June Weir passed away on Monday, January 11, 2021. A private service will be held in the future.

Our sincere condolences to family and friends

#### New Address

Helen Schampier, # 220 - 2860 Trethewey Street Abbotsford BC V2T 0G5 Phone: (604) 852-8064

#### THIS WEEK

All Sunday Services and Bible Studies are on Television and the Clearbrook MB Website.

**Today** \*9:00 am Pastor George

\*10:15 am Pastor Scott

**Wednesday** \*9:00 am German Bible Study

\*10:00 am English Bible Study - Psalm 55

Sunday, January 31, 2021

\*9:00 am Pastor George \*10:15 am Pastor Scott

\* for now only on TV and Online

# Morgengottesdienst

9:00 Uhr

"Siehe, Gott ist mein Heil, ich bin sicher und fürchte mich nicht; denn Gott der Herr ist meine Stärke und mein Psalm und ist mein Heil." Jesaja 12:2

Vorspiel:

Begrüßung und Gebet:

Pastor George

Gesang:

O Andachtszeit, o Andachtszeit (1-3) Jesu! Jesu! Born des Lebens (1-4)

Bekanntmachungen/Gebet

Pastor George

Gesang:

# 228 Alles will ich, Herr, verlassen (1-2)

Botschaft:

"Niederlage führt zum Segen"

Apostelgeschichte 16:19-40 Pastor George

Schlusslied: # 228 Alles will ich, Herr, verlassen (3)

# **DIESE WOCHE**

Alle Gottesdienste und Bibelstunden werden über Fernseh (TV) und Computer übertragen.

\*9:00 Uhr Pastor George Sonntag

\*10:15 Uhr Pastor Scott

\*9:00 Uhr Deutsche Bibelstunde-Doyle Klaassen Mittwoch

\*10:00 Uhr Englische Bibelstunde-Pastor Walter

Psalm 55

Nächsten Sonntag, den 31. Januar, 2021

\*9:00 Uhr Pastor George \*10:15 Uhr Pastor Scott

\* Nur über Fernseh (TV) und Computer übertragen

# Sunday, January 24, 2021 Clearbrook MB Church



# These Sunday services will be available on Television and the Clearbrook MB Website

9:00 am German Worship Service 10:15 am Family Worship Service

#### **Pastoral Team**

Scott & Miriam Tolhurst Walter & Edith Wiens George & Mary Baier Fred & Hani Ekkert

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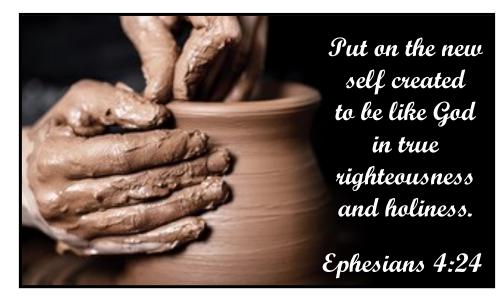
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Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8 am - 4:30 pm (closed at noon for one hour)

# Family Worship Service

10:15 am



PRELUDE: Wes Heinrichs

INVOCATION/WELCOME: Pastor Scott

HYMNS: Praise The Lord

**Beautiful Savior** 

Near to the Heart/Hiding in Thee

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Pastor George

MUSICAL MEDITATION: Take My Life and Let It Be Eldon McBride

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Pastor Walter

HYMN: Take My Life and Let It Be

MESSAGE: "The Wilderness of Re-Creation"

Acts 7:20-30 Pastor Scott

HYMN: Have Thine Own Way, Lord

Benediction: Pastor Scott

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To watch our Church Services - go to the Clearbrook MB Church Website and click on Watch Live.



# Dare to Believe by Scott Tolhurst

The dictionary defines the word "dare", as having the boldness to venture a risk. In other words, a dare doesn't assume certainty, but holds a question mark. Will your investments make a lucrative return? Will your proposal be approved? Are you sure your novel idea will work? Life is filled with dares, and faith is one of them.

Some of you whisper a correction. You remind me of Hebrew's assertion that faith is certainty. Faith is not a dare with a question mark at the end of it! Faith is the assurance of that which is promised. I do not argue. I agree with the clarity and confidence of faith. Faith is courageous conviction - at least mature faith is. But mature faith is not instant. We grow into it by passing through mystery and risking the challenge of faith's dare. I have a story to back that up.

Jesus crossed the border of Israel into the Gentile region of Tyre and Sidon. A Canaanite mother cries to Jesus on behalf of her daughter, oppressed by demonic darkness. Jesus hears her calls and ignores her. The pain of her heart pushed her to persist. She pesters the disciples with her pleas. When the disciples' patience ran out, they call to Jesus to do something! The twelve huddle around Jesus as He explains the priority of His mission. Suddenly the mother breaks into the huddle. She drops to her knees and begs. Jesus is still hesitant. He tells her that the children's bread should not be fed to the dogs. Stop there for a moment. Would you have turned away rejected? Would you have felt insulted? Would you go home and explain to your sick daughter that you tried your best? All of that is possible, but not for this mother. She whispers to Jesus that even dogs eat table scraps from the floor. I believe Jesus smiled. With delight in her answer and joy in the giving, He proclaims, "Great is your faith!" And her daughter was instantly healed.

What made her faith great? Faith believes that Jesus has power to heal. Faith trusts in His will and wisdom to heal. But buried below the doctrinal convictions of God's power and love lies a greater faith. She had the audacity to hope that despite her unworthiness, she might find mercy. She persisted through the silence of Jesus and pushed past His rebuff. Against every reason to think otherwise, she hoped there may be grace for her. That is a daring faith.

The risk of faith is not about what God can do or what He will do. The risk is more personal. Will He answer despite who I am and what I've done. When I've squandered second chances, can I look for another? When I've asked for too much, can there more? When I have no merit to stand on, but pray regardless, I am stripped to the bareness of faith. Dare we hope that unworthy as we are, we can find crumbs? Jesus smiles and offers a feast to those who dare to believe.

### Upper Room

There is a 'new look' to the book and literature tables in the Upper Room. Please come during office hours and peruse what is now on offer. It is all FREE!

- Unser Täglich Brot Januar / Februar / März
- Unser Täglich Brot Februar Groβdruck
- Our Daily Bread Waiting for
- Our Daily Bread Waiting for Large Print
- Today January/February
- January Bridge
- January Multiply Daily Prayer Guide
- Gideon Memorial Cards
- Evangelical Fellowship of Canada Canada Watch
- Daily Bible Reading Plan pamphlet
- Menno Place Calendars

**Abreißkalender für 2021** sind angekommen, auch das Andachtsbüchlein "Unser Täglich Brot" (groß und Kleinschrift) für Januar ist zu haben. Zudem sind Deutsche Bücher und Traktate zum mitnehmen. Bitte bedient euch.

#### **AGM...February 20, 2021**

Thank you for your reports. The AGM booklet is being processed and will be available on February 6 - may be sooner.



#### **Financial Update**

Last Sunday, January 17, 2021 our offering total was \$8,565.50. This brings our 2021 contributions to date for our budget contribution commitment to \$25,078.50. Our monthly budget contribution commitment for 2021 is approximately \$47,000 each month. Given that the Budget needs for the month of January is \$47,000 we are \$21,921.50 short as at January 17, 2021. This means that we still need \$21,921.50 to balance the Budget contribution commitment as at January 31, 2021. Thank you for your faithful giving in this difficult time.