OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Abbotsford Hospital - Anni Klassen, Irvin Penner,
Jake Neudorf - Needs continued prayer
Peace Arch Hospital (Weatherby Pavilion): Martha Rutsch

Marilyn (Bill) Bramwell - recovering at home Les (Doris) Klassen - had major surgery on Thursday, August 26, in St. Paul's Hospital

Neil & Ann Matthies - their son, **David**, who lives in southern California, had another surgery Friday, August 20. They would appreciate continued prayer.

Notes of Sympathy



Elsie (John) **Regehr** passed away on Thursday, August 26, 2021.

Daniel Janzen, brother of **Jacob & Mary Janzen** passed away in Coquitlam on Monday, August 16, 2021.

Our sincere condolences to family and friends

THIS WEEK

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

Today 9:00 am Doyle Klaassen

10:15 am Pastor Scott

Wednesday ~ No in-person Bible Studies until Sept. 8 ~

In-person Bible Studies will resume on September 8. Previous Bible Studies will be shown on our TV Station throughout the summer at the regular times. All previous Bible Studies are available anytime on Livestream.

Sunday, September 5, 2021

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

Morgengottesdienst

9:00 Uhr

"Die auf den HERRN harren, kriegen neue Kraft." Jesaja 40:31a

Vorspiel: Doug Johnson

Begrüßung und Gebet: Pastor Fred

Gesang: # 53 Ein Herrlicher Retter ist Jesus, mein Herr

Bekanntmachungen/Gebet/Opfer: Pastor Fred

Gesang: # 42 Herr, Dir ist Niemand zu vergleichen

Schriftlesung: Jesaja 40:10-31 Agnes Unger

Gesang: Nein, niemals allein

Botschaft: "Siehe, da ist euer Gott"

Jesaja 40:10-31 Doyle Klaassen

Schlusslied: Nein, niemals allein

DIESE WOCHE

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

Heute 9:00 Uhr Doyle Klaassen 10:15 Uhr Pastor Scott

Mittwoch ~ Keine Biblestunden bis 8. September ~

8. September fangen die live Bibelstunden wieder an. Frühere Bibelstunden werden den ganzen Sommer über, zu den regulären Zeiten, auf unserem Fernsehsender gezeigt.

Nächsten Sonntag, den 5. September, 2021

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

Deutsche und Englische Gottesdienste sind für die Besucher offen.

Sunday, August 29, 2021 Clearbrook MB Church



Sunday

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

Glorifying God, Building the Church, Reaching the World.



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

Family Worship Service

10:15 am



For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him. Colossians 1:19

Prelude:

Doug Johnson

INVOCATION/WELCOME:

Pastor Fred

HYMNS: # 510 Jesus Is All the World to Me

Jesus Wondrous Savior

460 All the Way My Savior Leads Me

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Scott

Solo/Offering

Your Ways are Higher than Mine

Kristin Barkman

PRAYERS OF THE People:

Pastor Walter

QUARTET:

Enough

Message:

"Jesus is the Icon of God"

Colossians 1:15-20

Pastor Scott

HYMN:

Be Thou My Vision

BENEDICTION:

Pastor Scott

All Sunday Services and Wednesday Bible Studies are **Transmitted on Television and Livestream**

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



Don't Know What to Do? by Scott Tolhurst

Have you ever argued with the wisdom you asked for? You solicit your spouse for advice and then disregard it. A repairman tells you what's wrong with your furnace, but you call someone else. You debate with your GPS in a new city, certain you can find a better way. If any of this rings true, you will understand the counsel of James.

The James I speak of was an early leader in the Jerusalem church (Acts 15:13) and half brother of Jesus (Matthew 13:55). He was the author of the Book of James - a pragmatic expression of faith. Early in his book, James invites us to ask God for the wisdom we lack. We are assured that God will give all we need and not shame us for the asking (James 1:5-8). But we are warned. Those who look to God for wisdom should not doubt, or they become fluctuating souls, who spin in the wind. We might think that James is calling us to believe that God will grant the wisdom we need. But there's a better understanding.

James is not cautioning against doubt that God will provide wisdom, but warns of our suspicion about the wisdom itself. In other words, when God shows us the answer we ask for, we should not question the prudence of it. God grants all the knowledge we need, but when we are suspect of His Words, we have scorned wisdom itself. We argue with the GPS and we get lost. We reject the experience of mechanics and shiver in a cold house. We dismiss the voice of our spouse and they will stop offering help. We reject the counsel of God and we end up with no wisdom at all.

Wisdom is sown in hearts and minds prepared to receive it. We think that desperation is preparation enough! Our situation is urgent and confusion is deep. We call out to God, receive His answer and then question it. We don't see how God's way will work. His answer doesn't make any sense. We sniff around for paths that are easier. And our confusion grows deeper. The urgency remains. It takes more than crisis to prepare hearts for God's wisdom. We need humility and faith.

Humble hearts admit they don't have the solution. Their remedies are wrung dry. They are willing to receive God's direction even if they can't predict its outcome. Wisdom bounces off the proud. The humble hear it. And then the humble act upon it. Wisdom is like the exercise bike in the basement. Good to have. Better to use. Faith takes the risk to trust that God knows what He is talking about.

In my imagination I hear a domestic root to James' words. Growing up with Jesus as your older brother creates its own tension. There would be times when Jesus offered advice to His younger sibling James, and James scoffed - he knew better! He eventually comes to faith and humbly submits to His Lord. James now tells us, no one knows better than Jesus. So boldly ask, humbly receive, and courageously act.

Upper Room

- Unser Täglich Brot Juli / August / September
- Unser Täglich Brot September Großdruck
- Our Daily Bread September / October / November
- Our Daily Bread Large Print Jul / Aug / Sep
- Today September / October
- September Bridge
- September Multiply Daily Prayer Guide
- Gideon Memorial Cards
- Evangelical Fellowship of Canada Faith Today

Window on Missions

Wendy Eros (Missionary to Japan) - Sunday, September 5

Adult & Teen Challenge (Men's & Women's Centres) Sunday, September 12

Greg Lang (Multiply) - Sunday, September 19

Helmut Wiens (Multi-nation Mission Foundation) Sunday, September 26

Up Coming Events

Come to the Table - Sunday, September 26, at 6 pm Adult Bible Class - Starts Sunday, October 3, at 9 am



German and English Bible Studies

Start date: Wednesday, September 8

German Bible Study: 9 am

English Bible Study: 10 am, beginning with Psalm 79

Financial Update

Last Sunday, August 22, 2021, our offering total was \$8,867.90. This brings our 2021 contributions to date for our budget contribution commitment to \$352,444.67. Our monthly budget contribution commitment for 2021 is approximately \$47,000 each month. Given this we are \$23,555.33 short as at August 22, 2021, to balance for the eight months. Thank you for your faithful giving.