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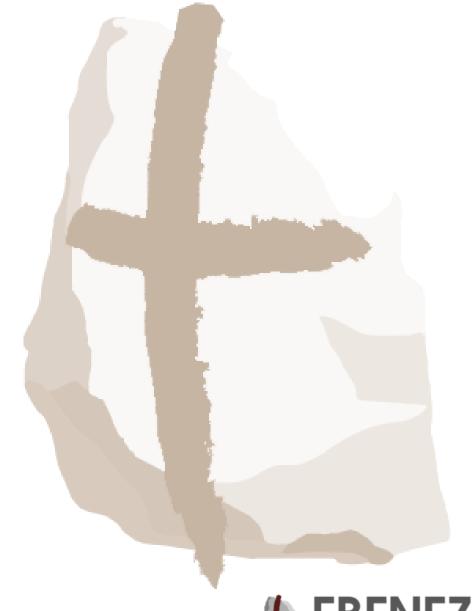
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Emily M (Council Chair)	Jamie B
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Pete M	
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Glorifying God and Loving All People

Welcome to our Service

Good morning and welcome to Ebenezer, both in person and Livestream. To access the Livestream, visit our website: www.ebenezercrc.com and click on the Livestream button that appears at the top of the page.

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

SONGS — Days Of Elijah

GOD'S GREETING & WE GREET EACH OTHER

SONG — Jesus All For Jesus

CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

SONG — There Is A Redeemer

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

THANK OFFERING 1 - Ebenezer Ministries

2 - Hope & Healing International (formerly Christian Blind Missions)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(ages 3 to 5 are released for Sunday School)

SCRIPTURE — Romans 6

SERMON — Dead To Sin & Alive To God

SONG — It Is Well

PARTING BLESSING

CLOSING SONG — O Praise The Name

Church Family

Shirley L was readmitted to the Grey Nuns—Unit 91 Psychiatric Ward this past Wednesday. She is struggling with anxiety. Shirley appreciates cards and visitors. Visiting hours are from 4—8 pm.

THANK YOU for all the prayers. Praise the Lord, my blood numbers have improved a lot this past month. The doctor is pleased with my progress and so are we. I still have a way to go until my numbers are normal. Please continue to pray for complete healing. **Gary & Jen F.**

Everyone is invited to witness Charlene V and Jesse V exchange their wedding vows on Saturday, September 17 @ 2:00 pm at Ebenezer CRC. Please note that this is a **fragrance-free** wedding.

We continue to pray for **Gary F**, **Jacob H**, **Shirley L**, **Per S**, **Jenny V and Bram V**. We pray that God will provide you all with peace, comfort and healing.

If you are experiencing physical or emotional difficulties, please talk to your district Elder, a Deacon or call the church office. We want to support you on your journey.

If you would like a visit with Pastor Jason ...

feel free to contact him directly by phone (780-964-9844) or email (pastorjason@ebenezercrc.com) and set up a time for him to come and visit.

SECOND PASTOR UPDATE: Council is continuing to pray about and analyze the second pastor position. We have appreciated all the feedback from the church and are implementing many of the ideas provided to the possible position. Before moving forward, we require the congregation's support. We are planning to have a congregational vote on Sept 25th. Proxy ballots will be available prior for those who are not there that day. For those who missed the presentation, it will be on the church website to review. If you have any questions or additional thoughts please contact Graeme, Brett, Scott, Fred or Wilbur.

The **September/October Today Devotionals** are available at the Welcome Centre. If you normally get a large print devotional, you will find it in your mailbox.

The **September Prayer Calendars** can be found in your mailbox.

The **2022/2023 Shepherd's Guide** can be found at the Welcome Centre.

Ebenezer News

CAMPO DE VIDA, Next week, September 11 after the service. Tacos and ice cream provided. Please bring a side (Mexican if you would like). Soccer games will be facilitated: Please sign up your team at the welcome desk. Bouncy castle, face painting, piñatas and more!

THE LIBRARY IS LOOKING FOR YOUR INPUT! There has been a decline of people taking out items from the library and we would like to see that change. Each year we purchase a variety of new books and DVDs with the purpose to reach each age group and interest. To help us improve, we need your ideas!

- 1. Which/what kind of books would you and your family be interested in?
- 2. Is there still interest in DVDs? If yes, what would you like to see in the library? If you have ideas or input please email, call or text Lisa K.



LADIES, are you finally ready for an evening of fun and fellowship? Be sure to come to our church shower this Wednesday @7 to bless our soon-to-be bride, Charlene V. Please bring a plate of goodies to share. Donations toward our group gift are still accepted either in the box on the Welcome Centre or in the drop off box. This will be a **fragrance-free** event.

GEMS GIRLS CLUB (Girls Everywhere Meeting the Saviour) - The GEMS Counsellor Team is excited to begin our new season and to learn more about our theme, Act, Love, Walk. We will be meeting every other Wednesday evening starting on Wednesday, October 5th, 6:30 to 8:00pm. All girls in grades 4-8 are invited to join us as we learn, grow, worship and have fun together! If you have any questions please contact Leanne K or Charlene V

ANNUAL SAFE CHURCH TRAINING & REFRESHER is required for all volunteers. This video has been recorded and is available to be viewed at www.ebenezercrc.com. Under Ministries you will find Safe Church Ministry and you can follow the link provided there. Once you have viewed the video, please fill in and sign the Safe Church Completion Form which can be found on the website. There will also be copies available at the Welcome Centre. These can be dropped off at the office.

Coming Up @ Ebenezer

Sunday, September 4 @ 10:00 am Worship Service

Tuesday, September 6 @ 7:15 pm Council Executive Meeting

Sunday, September 11 @ 10:00 am Worship Service
Campo De Vida

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS — Wendy T & Carrie B are eager to jump into Fall! Beginning September 6, the Church Building will be open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00 am—1:00 pm.

PRAYER CALENDAR

The September prayer calendar is available in your mailboxes. Join us each day in praying for the matters raised by denominational agencies and for two households from our Ebenezer congregation.

Sunday September 4: ReFrame Ministries: Today Devotionals

Church Families:

Monday September 5: Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations: Shared Hope

Church Families

Tuesday September 6: Calvin Theological Seminary: New Academic Year

Church Families

Wednesday September 7: Resonate: Cambodia

Church Families:

Thursday September 8: World Renew: West Africa

Church Families:

Friday September 9: ReFrame: India

Church Families:

Saturday September 10: Pastor Church Resources: Church Leadership

Church Families:

Sunday September 11: Resonate: Mission Emphasis Week

Church Families:

Deacon's Corner

1st Offering — EBENEZER MINISTRIES This offering is used to cover day-to-day expenses of the church, fund the various ministries at Ebenezer, cover the salaries of staff, and contributes to the ministry shares that we are committed to as members of CRC Denomination.

2nd Offering — HOPE & HEALING INTERNATIONAL (Formerly Christian Blind Missions) Focused on famine relief and the Crisis in Ethiopia

Hope & Healing International staff and volunteers go to the world's poorest places in order to ensure the most vulnerable persons are not left behind. With your help, they set up remote surgical units, battling brown-outs and tropical diseases, to give the miracle of sight to adults and children. Their mandate is to ensure people with disabilities are included in development programs and emergency relief efforts.

NEXT WEEK 2nd Offering — **TUITION RELIEF CCS** The tuition relief fund for Covenant Christian School helps families who desire a Christian education but are unable to afford the cost. Covenant's core purpose can be summed up as "Flourishing Learners, Delighting in God, Inspired to Serve. For more information please see <u>ccs.blackgold.ca</u>

E-TRANSFER: To send an e-transfer donation use finance@ebenezercrc.com.

Denomination News

WORLD RENEW - **60's the new 40**, let's give thanks to the Lord! Mark your calendar and join us to celebrate World Renew's 60th Anniversary. **Friday September 23**, **2022**, **7PM** @ The King's University in Edmonton. "Imagine More" - With a sense of pandemic relief, the World Renew community continues its development and shines bright like a diamond for all to see. Come enjoy fellowship, stories and memories compiled by Lou Haveman in an evening of celebration. There is no cost to attend but an RSVP to <u>worldrenewalberta@gmail.com</u> or the facebook event would be greatly appreciated.

GEMS CAMP was held this past week and a wonderful time was had by all! Our theme verse was Colossians 2:7, "Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness." And we are thankful! Thank you to our wonderful cooks, counsellors and CITs, nurse, and directors for all their energy and enthusiasm. Thanks also to our churches and everyone who organized, donated and/or transported food for camp! Your support of this ministry is greatly appreciated!

PARENTS OF 3-5 YEAR OLDS, Summer is here, which means Summer Sunday School. Summer Sunday school is parent led and ran. We have assigned families throughout the summer to teach these classes. Two classes will be run; 3 year old's and 4/5 year old's. If we find there isn't enough kids to run two classes we will change the schedule and combine the classes. If you are unable to do your assigned Sunday please find someone to switch with. Please find your own helper (high school/junior high student). Curriculum is up to you. The Church has some resources available if you would like. Any concerns or questions please contact Cindy H.

Thank You To Our Volunteers

WORSHIP TEAM: Reuben NEXT WEEK: Wilbur

PROJECTION & AUDIO: Jamie/Matt **NEXT WEEK:** Dan

SERVING ELDER: Harold H

GREETERS: Gerard & Wendy B

USHERS: Luke K, Alyse K

WELCOME CENTER: Maroc D **NEXT WEEK:** Alyse K

COFFEE DUTIES: Jan & Marisha K, Mitchell & Diana M

NEXT WEEK: Jay & Francine K, Michelle O

NURSERY

Infants: Alesha S, Leanne K Toddlers: Dale H, Clara D

NEXT WEEK:

Infants: Linda H, Tammy M Toddlers: Joel P, Rebecca K

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Age 3: Heather L Age 4 & 5: Jamie B

NEXT WEEK:

Age 3: Nicole P Age 4 & 5: Jenna D



NEXT WEEK: Dan V

NEXT WEEK: James & Cindy H

NEXT WEEK: Mitchell M, Diana M