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(Church Life)

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(Administration)

Harry D
(Pastoral Care/Deacons)

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(Education)

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(Finance)

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(Discipleship)

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(Deacon Chair)

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(Vice-Chair)

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(Treasurer)

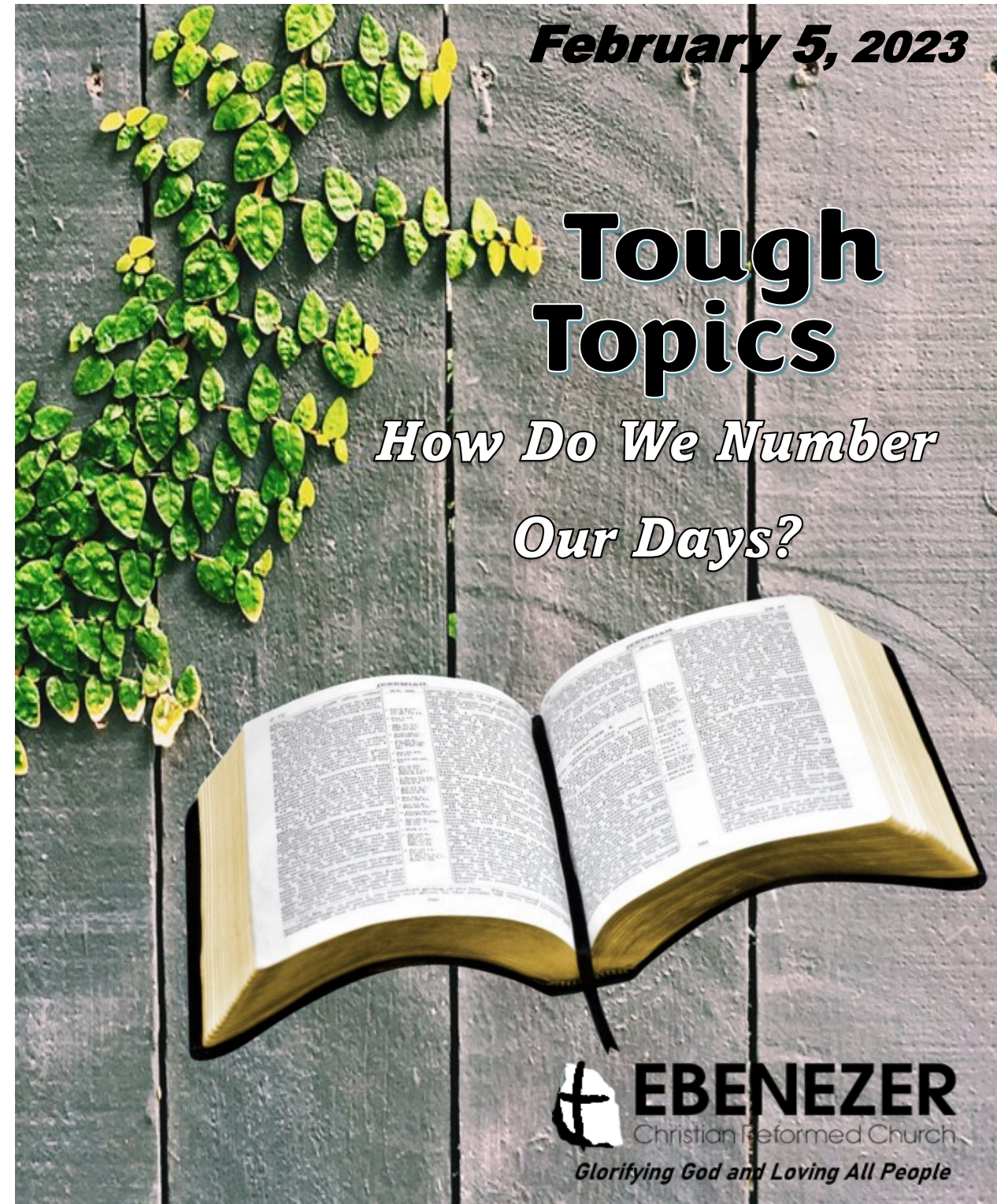
Jamie B

Roy V

February 5, 2023

Tough Topics

*How Do We Number
Our Days?*



 **EBENEZER**
Christian Reformed Church
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.

If you are new or visiting and would like to talk to someone or would like more information about our church, come visit the Welcome Centre or fill out one of the envelopes found in the back of the chairs and place it in the offering bag.

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

SONGS — *How Great Is Our God*
Blessed Be Your Name

GOD'S GREETING & WE GREET EACH OTHER

SONG — *10,000 Reasons*

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

SONG — *Lord I Need You*

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

THANK OFFERING 1 - Ebenezer Ministries
2 - GEMS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(Ages 3—Grade 3 are dismissed for Sunday School)

SCRIPTURE — Psalm 90

SERMON — **How Do We Number Our Days?**

SONG — *Everlasting*

PARTING BLESSING &

CLOSING SONG — *Goodness Of God*

Church Family

After seeing a specialist, **Bryan M** has had his diagnosis changed from fibromyalgia to chronic fatigue syndrome. Bryan is currently off work as he participates in an intensive 8-week treatment program to hopefully improve symptom management as there is no cure. We ask for prayers at this time. **Bryan and Emily M**

Tom T has been transferred to the Leduc Hospital for rehab. Please continue to pray for his ongoing recovery.

Jacob H received his walker at the end of last week and it looks great. Next Thursday (Feb 9) Jacob goes in for surgery to get a g-tube placed which will be very helpful for keeping up his caloric intake and making sure he is getting his full doses of medication. We are so thankful for the continued support and prayers. **Dan & Emma H**

Gea T was discharged from the hospital this week and is recovering at home. We thank God for His healing hand and pray for a quick and complete recovery.

We continue to pray for **Gary F, Henny G, Jacob H, Shirley L, Arlene L, Per & Bernice S, Jerry V, Jenny V, Ed V, Erin V, and Colleen 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.

2023 CADET CALENDARS ARE IN! Ebenezer Congregation, we are so thankful for your many, many years of support of this fundraiser for the Cadets!

This summer, our Cadets will be flying to Hamilton, Ontario, to spend a week in God's Creation, enjoying the camaraderie of their fellow Cadets, and digging deep into the Scriptures; and, it's all happening near the wondrous Niagara Falls!

Your support of \$20 for a congregational birthday calendar helps offset the expenses of sending our Cadets to the International Camporee every three years.

Many of our Cadets, over decades of support, have been able to attend this momentous event; in part, with thanks to you all, for your financial assistance!

If you are unable to pick up a copy of the calendar in person, please let the office know, and we will have a Cadet bring one to your door! Again, our deepest thanks!

The Ebenezer Cadets!

Ebenezer News



PUZZLE EXCHANGE: Do you like to puzzle? Assorted puzzles are available in the Church Library. Leave one, Take One!

USED POSTAGE STAMPS FUNDRAISER Please save your used postage stamps and bring them to the church. They can be put into the jar at the Welcome Centre.

PRAYER MEETING Did you know...There is a prayer meeting in the Library each Sunday morning at 9:30. Everyone one is welcome and encouraged to attend.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY The Admin Team is looking for more people to volunteer as Greeters on Sunday mornings. Are you looking for a way to get involved in the church? Do you like to meet new people? This is a great way to do both. For more information contact the church office or stop by the welcome centre.

Denominational News

EMMANUEL HOME 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: Join us as we celebrate 50 years of God's faithfulness to Emmanuel Home on Friday, February 10 from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. at Emmanuel Home, 13429 57 street in Edmonton. Enjoy coffee, cake and fellowship and a celebration of our Lord's goodness to our seniors over the years.

BIBLICAL STUDY TOUR TO ITALY (May 22 - June 2, 2023): Visit the Vatican with its Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Cathedral; the impressive monuments of ancient Rome; Pompeii and Mt. Vesuvius; Assisi (home of St. Francis); Florence; Ravenna; and St. Mark's Basilica in Venice. Join Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar, for this inspirational tour. Contact Dr. Weima at weimje@calvinseminary.edu or [616-328-3110](tel:616-328-3110).

MARANATHA CRC invites you to our Mission Sunday Service at 10:30 a.m., February 19, 2023, focusing on the Persecuted Church. We are privileged to have with us Greg Musselman, Minister at Large, The Voice of the Martyrs Canada and Host/ Minister at Large, 100 Huntley Street. To learn more about Voice of the Martyrs visit: www.vomcanada.com To learn more about Greg Musselman visit: <http://www.100huntley.com/watch?id=226813> Please join us for the service, attending would be very encouraging to the work of The Voice of the Martyrs. There will be time over coffee to meet with Greg after the service.

YOU ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE! On behalf of the ministries of the Christian Reformed Church in North America, thank you for your gifts to ministry shares. Your support enables congregations to do so much more to further God's Kingdom than any one church could do alone. Our denomination could not impact the world through missions, media, and church development without your incredible and faithful support. Thank you! To discover more visit crcna.org/ministryshares.

Coming Up @ Ebenezer

Sunday, Feb 5	@ 9:30 am	Prayer Meeting
	@ 10:00 am	Worship Service
	@ 11:45 am	Catechism
Monday, Feb 6	@ 7:00 pm	Friendship
Tuesday, Feb 7	@ 7:00 pm	Elders Meeting
	@ 7:30 pm	Deacons Meeting
Wednesday, Feb 8	@ 9:30 am	Coffee Break
	@ 7:30 pm	Women's Bible Study
Thursday, Feb 2	@ 7:00 pm	Youth
Saturday, Feb 4	@ 7:30 am	Men's Meeting
	@ 9:00 am	Days For Girls Sewing Bee
	@ 9:30 am	Cadets
Sunday, Feb 5	@ 9:30 am	Prayer Meeting
	@ 10:00 am	Worship Service

Prayer Calendar

The February 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 February 5: Calvin Theological Seminary: New semester

Church Families:

Monday February 6: Resonate: Colorado

Church Families:

Tuesday February 7: Raise Up: TLT: Training

Church Families:

Wednesday February 8: ReFrame: Egypt

Church Families:

Thursday February 9: World Renew: Sustainability

Church Families:

Friday February 10: Resonate: Ukraine

Church Families:

Saturday February 11: Chaplaincy and Care: Training

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 — OPEN DOORS For almost 60 years Open Doors has worked in the world's most oppressive and restrictive countries, strengthening Christians to stand strong in the face of persecution and equipping them to shine Christ's light in these places. When Christians are strengthened in the Lord, they begin to demonstrate God's forgiveness and reach out in love, even to their oppressors. One of the greatest challenges to Christians living under oppression is isolation - from God's word and from the body of Christ. 1 Corinthians 12:26 says "If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together." Open Doors empowers persecuted Christians by supplying Bibles and Christian literature, training Christian leaders, facilitating social/economic projects and uniting believers in the West in prayer for Christians, who are the most persecuted religious group in the world and are oppressed in at least 60 countries. <https://www.opendoorsca.org/>

NEXT WEEK — GEMS The mission of GEMS Girls' Clubs is to help bring girls into a living, dynamic relationship with Jesus Christ. Our vision is to see girls around the world actively and enthusiastically expressing love for God and others—girls equipped, motivated, and passionately engaged in living out their faith. Together, our goal for every club meeting is to grow bigger hearts. Together, we will learn how to love and care for one another, other people, ourselves, and our relationship with God. And we'll do this by learning about Jesus Christ, what He has done for us, and His plans for each of our lives. For more info see gemsgc.org

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

COUPONS can be ordered and picked up through the church office during the week or from one of the deacons on Sunday morning. They come in \$2, \$5, \$10, \$20 and \$50 amounts. You can pre-purchase coupons and use them in the offerings of your choice.



REFUGEE SUPPORT COMMITTEE UPDATE - We have been in contact with The Mennonite Central Committee, they are the organization that submitted the refugee application on behalf of the Syrian family that we raised money for in 2021. Although it feels like things are moving very slowly, they assured us that this is completely normal and is not a reason for concern or alarm. At this point we have to continue to wait and trust in God's timing. Please continue to pray for the family as they wait for their application to be processed. We will keep you updated once we receive more information. In the coming weeks we are planning to organize a **furniture drive** for Ukrainian refugees who are arriving in Edmonton, stay tuned for more information!

Thank You To Our Volunteers

WORSHIP TEAM: Josiah / Lois

PROJECTION & AUDIO: Seth or Luke / Mike

SERVING ELDER: Graeme B

GREETERS: Brent & Lisa

USHERS: Norm H, Eric H

WELCOME CENTER: Charlene V

COFFEE DUTIES: Bryan & Emily M, Elly M

NEXT WEEK: Dave & Heather T, Alex P

NURSERY

Infants: Carrie B, Ethan V

Toddlers: Justin Z, Tavia T

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Age 3: : Francine K, Rachel K, Chaim H

Age 4: : Elly M, Tyler T

Kinder: Clara D, Rory L

Grade 1: Maricha K, Conner H

Grade 2: Niki U, Pippa A

Grade 3: Karen G, Georgia D

NEXT WEEK: Marilyn / Michelle

NEXT WEEK: Wes / Matt

NEXT WEEK: Harry D

NEXT WEEK: Wim & Jenny

NEXT WEEK: Alice V, Terry V

NEXT WEEK: Wendy T



NEXT WEEK:

Infants: Emily M, Linda K

Toddlers: Quentin A, Lily H

NEXT WEEK:

Age 3: Susan / Graeme B, Rebecca K, Amy A

Age 4: Elly M, Brody U

Kinder: Lois D, Hadassah S

Grade 1: Christine / Glen H, Lily H

Grade 2: Becky V, Wesley U

Grade 3: Chris / Lindsay H, Arabella R

SUNDAY SCHOOL PARENTS: The sign in clipboards will continue to be at the Welcome Desk every Sunday morning if you could please sign all children in once you arrive and then ages 3 & 4 out again once church is over. The clipboards will be moved down to the classrooms once church has started. **Just a reminder to also please fill in a child registration form for each child attending Sunday school, these play a crucial role for Safe Church and are needed as soon as possible.** These can be found by the sign in and once completed put in my church mailbox or leave at the Welcome Desk. Thank You.

NURSERY is requesting parents to complete the **NURSERY REGISTRATION AND CONSENT FORM** for each child attending the nursery. Please place the completed form in Mariska Z's mailbox. This form can be found by the Nursery.

CLASSROOMS If you use the classrooms during the week for meetings, please make sure to leave the room the way you found it so that the rooms are ready for Sunday School on Sunday mornings.