

- Health Needs: Lorraine Hort, Gord Rue
- Email us your prayer requests or to join the Prayer Line!

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

**Children's Church**  
 Children's Church is Bethany's during-the-service kids program, designed to teach children ages 4-8 the truths of the Bible. We meet from roughly 11:00 am to 12:00 pm each Sunday, except for the first Sunday of the month. Please pray for the hearts of the children as they build their knowledge of the gospel and the Bible. Pray that this ministry will supplement and support what families are teaching their children at home. Pray for Morgan Duke, who leads and schedules volunteers, asking for wisdom, encouragement, and strength. Pray for our volunteers as they minister to the children each week, that they would serve with joy, patience, and love. Pray for families as they guide their children in understanding what it means to have a personal relationship with Christ.

JOIN OUR LIFE GROUP

- EVERY SUNDAY AFTERNOON
- Tim & Michelle Archibald
- EVERY OTHER SUNDAY
- Martin & Lorna Scholz
  - Tom & Tina Smith
  - Peter & Nancy Erratt
- EVERY WEDNESDAY
- Don & Jan Collier
  - David & Laurel Street
- EVERY THURSDAY
- Mark & Shannia Guenther
- EVERY OTHER THURSDAY
- Lyndon & Leah Unger

**TUESDAY MARCH 10**  
 6:30 pm Adventure Club  
 6:30 pm Youth Group

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 11**  
 6:30 am Men's Breakfast  
 9:30 am Seniors' Ministry

**SATURDAY MARCH 14**  
 7 pm SingPlus @ Bethany

**THURSDAY MARCH 19**  
 7 pm Membership Council Meeting

**FRIDAY MARCH 20**  
 6:30 pm Men's Night

**SUNDAY MARCH 22**  
 12 noon Newcomers' Lunch

**FRIDAY MARCH 27**  
 6:30 pm Women's Night

**FRIDAY APRIL 3**  
 10:30 am Good Friday Service

**SATURDAY APRIL 4**  
 9 am Easter Egg Hunt

**SUNDAY APRIL 5**  
 10:30 am Easter Cantata

**SATURDAY APRIL 11**  
 9 am Apologetics Conference

**As God's child, there's never a moment when you're not under God's care, never a time when you're not the object of His love.**  
**- Paul Tripp, 40 Days of Love**



**The purpose of Bethany Baptist Church is to bring glory to God by making disciples who reflect the character and priorities of Jesus Christ.**

SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

- 9:00 AM Sunday School
  - 10:30 AM Worship Service & Children's Church during sermon
  - 6:00 PM Prayer Meeting
- Nursery is available in the supervised room downstairs or the unsupervised room in the back of the sanctuary with audio

SERMON

**Scripture: 1 Cor 4:14-21**

**Speaker: Pastor Daniel**

Imitate Faithful Leaders ...Correction and Encouragement

OUR ELDER SHEPHERDING GROUP

- A-B → Lyndon Unger
- C-D → Tim Archibald
- E-H → David Street
- I-M → Pastor Peter Erratt
- N-R → Tom Smith
- S → Cory Leniuk
- T-Z → Dennis Burriss

According to the first letter of your last name, feel free to bring any questions or concerns to your assigned elder or email them at [elders@bethanybaptist.ab.ca](mailto:elders@bethanybaptist.ab.ca)

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**February Financial Report**

General Fund Donation	Monthly Budget	Received
	\$31,835	\$26,795.35

**OFFERING**

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OR DROP OFF YOUR ENVELOPE AT THE OFFICE

**Donation Policy**

The spending of funds received by Bethany Baptist Church is confined to Church approved programs and projects. Each gift designated toward an approved program or project will be used as designated with the understanding that when any given need has been met, or the specified program or project cannot be reasonably carried out or has not been approved, designated gifts will be used where needed most. Where appropriate, an official receipt for tax purposes will be issued as soon as possible after the year end.

#### ANSWERED PRAYER!

Last week I stopped into the office of our school president Andrew Royer. I shared with him a burden I have been feeling the past few weeks. God has richly blessed Ethnos360 Bible Institute over the last few years. We have grown to about 200 students in our two-year campus program and the number who are enrolled in our online program has also taken off. I talk to more and more students who tell me that they are seeing their path to the mission field more clearly than ever.

But these blessings aren't the whole story. Although our student body continues to grow, for the first time that I can remember we are pressed for staff. All our staff serve as volunteer missionaries supported by churches and individuals to make our Bible program affordable and not hold back missionaries from going to the field because of school debt.

In my last letter I told you that two couples who served in the kitchen left because they were called to other ministries. But there is more. Last summer God blessed us with funds for two new elevators to replace the antiques that we can't get parts for anymore (our main building is over 100 years old), but the contractors are finding the conversion to a modern system very challenging. We also are in great need of all new windows (estimated cost 1.2 million dollars; I checked my bank account and I don't have that much).

At the same time, our admissions department reports over 450 people have started applications for fall of 2026. That could potentially double our student body! Where will we put them all?

So, I met with Andrew and said that we needed to present these needs to our students and set aside time for prayer. Not only is this the right thing to do, but it is also a teaching moment for those going to the mission field. He heartily agreed and confessed that he was also feeling the burden for these needs.

So, a week ago we had a special chapel where I presented all that is going on and asked the students to join us in prayer. And we prayed! On Friday, Andrew asked me to do a follow up chapel to tell the students that the Lord brought in the 1.2 million for new windows! We now expect to put them in this summer.

I had also asked the students to pray for Andrew, because I knew all the responsibilities he carries on his shoulders. Andrew asked me to thank the students for praying and inform them that he had experienced debilitating back pain for the previous 23 days but the Lord had taken away the back pain.

#### GOD ANSWERS PRAYER!

Please continue to pray:

- That God will bless the difficult work installing our new elevators for our five-story building. Some at the school rely heavily on these elevators because of physical disabilities.
- That God will provide the kitchen staff that we need.
- That God will guide us and the applicants as we all consider who should be studying at the Bible school next year.

There are several definitions for spiritual leader, and the term brings to mind different things to different people. Some think of a spiritual leader as a sort of guru. Others think of him/her as a life coach, one who can guide others through the problems and trials of life. The Bible describes a spiritual leader as one who possesses the spiritual gift of leadership, the ability to lead others as a direct result of the gifting received from, and performed by the power of, the Holy Spirit.

The biblical spiritual leader understands that his/her leadership is one of servanthood. The spiritual leader leads by example, as Jesus did, who said He came to serve others, not to be served by them (Matthew 20:25-28). The spiritual leader recognizes that he is first and foremost a servant. Jesus modeled the true servant style of leadership, when He, the Lord incarnate, bent down and washed the feet of His disciples, teaching them that the true measure of a leader is his willingness to first serve others (John 13:12-17).

The spiritual leader also recognizes that his role in the church is "to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ" (Ephesians 4:12), and he concerns himself with doing just that. Spiritual leaders know that their main task is to sanctify the people of God, and their prayer is the same as Jesus' prayer to the Father: "Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth" (John 17:17). Like Jesus, the spiritual leader knows that the Word of God is the food of the soul and that it alone sanctifies. Rather than acquiescing to the "felt needs" of the people he leads, he shepherds others to maturity in the faith by speaking the truth in love so that those he leads "will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ" (Ephesians 4:15).

Finally, the spiritual leader is concerned with the souls of those he leads. This is not to say that he cares nothing for the physical needs of his people. But his primary responsibility is leading them to spiritual maturity so that they will be fully equipped and "no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming" (Ephesians 4:14).