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## Newsletter



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# BRIDGES

## APRIL, 2025

There isn't enough  
room in your mind  
for both worry and  
faith. You must  
decide which one  
will live there.

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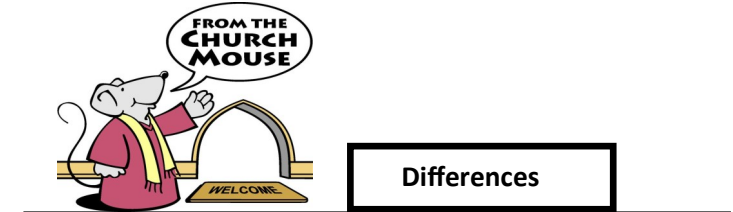
Sharon K. Brayfield, Leadership Coach  
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**On March 16** we held our 135th Annual General Meeting. Our Council members are, Tracey Bartholomew, Julie Villadsen, Angela St Pierre, Len Lewin, David Nelson, Duane Spooner, Graeme Dawes.



**Differences**

When we focus on our individual differences, we see the world as a place of separation, separate bodies, separate minds and separate hearts. We have a chattering internal voice criticizing and judging other people and ourselves. We see the world as a place of scarcity. We tend to put our own selfish needs first.

But, when we begin to focus on the similarities and the things that we, as spiritual beings, each have in common, exploring our inner world and putting our trust in God, we begin to see relationships as opportunities for learning and a challenge for our own personal growth, that we might see the face of God in the other person, reminding us of our own insecurities.

Everyone is deserving of love. We can learn to let go of the blocks of our perceptions that we can once again love each other, ourselves and the source of all life unconditionally. In doing so, our relationships will become healed and we will experience more love and peace than ever before.

Love is changeless. It is unfolding, expanding beyond all limitations. As we choose to love and respect one another, we will discover that happiness is our natural inheritance and our natural state of being.

**Day 1 Crossing the river Jordan**

**Now it came about after the death of Moses the servant of the Lord, that the Lord spoke to Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' servant, saying, <sup>2</sup>“Moses My servant is dead; so now arise, cross this Jordan, you and all this people, to the land which I am giving to them, to the sons of Israel.**

There come times of transition that God calls us to as we follow him. Joshua had been in training for this. He was one of the two faithful men, along with Caleb, who had demonstrated a willingness to obey the call of God even when others backed away. Now was his time to take the helm. He did not choose this role. God chose him for it. When God leads us, the initiative is always His, and it comes with a promise. Our task is to obey.

For the Israelites in this story, the call of God brought them back to something they had tried to avoid. It was time to cross the Jordan into the promised land. They had already said no to that call once. But God doesn't give up on his purposes for his people and he brought them back for another attempt. If they said “yes, Lord” this time, it would be an action of faith that would mark the beginning of a new era for the people.

Maybe there was a time where you came to a transition in your life and did not have the courage to cross over. Rather than obey, you took a route that seemed easier. You avoided that crossing and went looking for another way. But it didn't work. Maybe you found yourself back out in the wilderness, just like the Israelites did. The wilderness where we wander, waiting for the unbeliever in us to die.

As God calls us, we step out in faith to obey. We will see God doing his will among us.

Be blessed. Pastor Boyd

Mark Your Calendars  
**UPCOMING EVENTS**



Join The guys April 12, for Breakfast. We have a special guest speaker joining us for men's breakfast. He is Mark Korte from the Edmonton Elks football team, playing center on the offensive line.

We have great cooks, and a fabulous meal waiting just for you

April 27, 2025

*Potluck*

April 27, please join us for Potluck. Bring your favorite dish and enjoy the fellowship with the people you worship with.



Put your bids in to our Silent Auction. We have a number of donation tables where you can take any item and make a donation towards our Pastor Benevolent Fund.  
Closing date for bidding and sale is April 27.

*The Sharing Corner*

Got a green thumb. This spring, if you have extra bedding plants or want to thin out your perennial plants consider bringing them to our sharing corner to share with others to create beautiful gardens.



April 18 10:15 Service

APRIL 20



**CHRIST THE LORD**  
IS **RISEN TODAY!**

Join us for our Easter Sunday Service at 10:15 am



Join Mark Lenyk for Music Night 5-8 pm on April 12 and 26

**DUNAMIS FELLOWSHIP CANADA**

**DUNAMIS ESSENTIALS #2**  
**IN THE SPIRIT'S POWER**

**NEW** Bethel Community Church  
14204 25th St. NW  
T5Y 1G5  
Edmonton, AB

April 10-12, 2025  
Thursday 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm  
Friday 9:00 am - 9:00 pm  
Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Register by Thursday April 3, 2025

Dunamis Fellowship Canada's  
Dunamis Essentials #2  
In the Spirit's Power  
Thursday April 10-Saturday 12. 2025  
Bethel Community Church, 14204 25th St. NW,  
Edmonton, AB T5Y 1G5  
Tickets are \$100 which includes lunch and snacks.

| DATE          | 06-Apr-25        | 13-Apr-25               | 20-Apr-25  | 27-Apr-25           |
|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|------------|---------------------|
| Speaker       | Howard           | Boyd                    | Boyd       | Russ                |
| Leader        | Russ             | Len                     | Donna      | John                |
| Reader        | Duane            | Dee                     | Chris      | Donna               |
| Greeter       | Mitch/Lorie      | Steve/Laurie            | Frank/Jean | Tracey/Dee          |
| Sunday School | Cheryl/Julie     | Cheryl/Julie            | Duane/Len  | Duane/Len           |
| Music         | Al               | Caroline/<br>Jacqueline | Al         | Video or Volunteers |
| Prayer Team   | Jane/Karen       | Kathy/Kelly             | Dave/Kathy | Chris/Coreena       |
| Ushers        | Frank/Tony       | Tony                    | Tony       | Frank/Tony          |
| Communion     | Dietrich         |                         | Strand     |                     |
| Sound         | Graeme           | Henry                   | Adam       | Neil                |
| Mediashout    | Connie           | Cheryl                  | Lillian    | Julie               |
| Coffee        | Jean             | Florence                | Dianne     | Colleen             |
| Counters      | Theresa/Florence | Colleen/Beth            | Gloria/Len | Nina/Sandi          |

Please remember if you are unavailable, find someone who is willing to trade with you or cover for you.




**March Council Highlights**

- ◆ It's been excellent to see volunteers step in for Worship to cover for Al while he is away
- ◆ There is a guest speaker for the Men's Breakfast in April from the Edmonton Elks
- ◆ Good Friday and Easter planning is well underway
- ◆ Council accepted new members who attended the membership class; Scott Koshieff, Carol Scheetz, Shawn Roberts, Robert Werbicki and Teresa Rossman
- ◆ Election of officers on the new Council
  - Council Chair – Tracey Bartholomew
  - Vice-Chair – Len Lewin
  - Secretary – Julie Villadsen
  - Treasurer – Angela St. Pierre
- ◆ Discussion on the policy for lending furniture/equipment from the church



Here is the February report:

|                               |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Total Offerings for February: | \$14,669.54 |
| Average Per Sunday:           | \$3,667.39  |
| Needed Per Budget:            | \$5,554.81  |
| Average Attendance:           | 79          |



**Pennies for Pastors.**  
Loose change is collected on the first Sunday of the month for Pastors in the Mission field . In March \$270.00 was collected.

# What's Been Happening...

## MEN'S BREAKFAST



**March 8,** We had 11 men join us for breakfast. We had a group discussion on things that made a significant impact in our childhood and what our thoughts on God were back then.

Submitted by Howard Gitzel

## Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

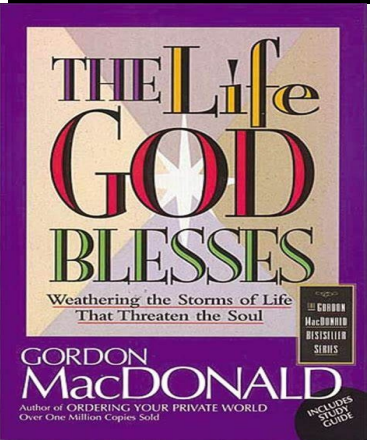


**March 4** Pastor Boyd did some fancy pancake flipping at our Pancake Supper. Approximately 80 people attended enjoying pancakes and sausages with all the trimmings.



## Beth's Book Store

### BOOK OF THE MONTH



### Beth's Book Store

To purchase products from Beth's book Store  
Please E-transfer your payment to Beth at  
[Beth.queren@telus.net](mailto:Beth.queren@telus.net)



We have chosen **"The Life God Blesses"** as the book of the month. (MacDonald steers us toward the disciplines, convictions, silence, beauty, and spirit that feed and prepare the soul to recognize and receive God's blessing.)

Check it out in the foyer

*Our bodies are sacred vessels, housing the divine spirit of God. Caring for ourselves is not just about health, but also about honoring our Creator and nurturing the purpose He has set before us. Today, I pray that we commit to taking care of ourselves—mind, body, and spirit. Let's nourish ourselves well, physically and with love and compassion, recognizing that every choice we make is a step toward fulfilling our divine purpose. May we cherish our bodies as gifts and strive to uplift them in gratitude for all they allow us to experience. Amen.*

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# Here's What's Happening!

## Potluck



**March 16 Potluck.** The tables were filled with so many delectable foods that we had to add a table to accommodate the items. Always a great time for fellowship and to get to know one another.

Praising God  
with Music

AFewMinutesWithGodPodcast.com



**March 8, Music Night** Great turn out and a very successful evening Praising God with music.



## The Silent Auction



We have dishes, new appliances, puzzles, BBQ sauce, caps, nick-nacks, sewing machine, just to name a few of the items for our Silent Auction. We also have some donation tables, where you can pick up what you would like and make a donation for the Benevolent Fund .

Start your bidding on the sheets provided.

Don't let your emotions be your decision maker,  
**STOP** and pray.  
One moment in God's presence changes  
**EVERYTHING.**

Sharon K. Brayfield, Life Coach  
Living Life With Passion™

During the month of March, the Sunday school children learnt the story of Samuel and his call to serve God. The children also started the month learning about lent, and the Easter story, that focused on the importance of the resurrection for all Christians. The teachers in March were a varied of last year's teachers with Abraham teaching on last Sunday. The attendance was from 7 to 18 children (Michelle did awesome job teaching 18 kids), praise God!

Of course for April, the children will once again be taught the Easter story. They will also be taught the story of Solomon to show them that true wisdom comes from God, but they do have to ask for wisdom and God will give it generously – James 1:5. They will learn that God always has a plan for their lives but that they can't always understand his plan (Isaiah 55:9), but He loves us and is doing the best for us. April lessons will be taught by Julie and Cheryl for the 1<sup>st</sup> 2 weeks and Duane and Len for the last 2 weeks, thank you!

Continue to pray that God send His Holy Spirit into our classrooms, into the words of the teachers and hearts of the children.

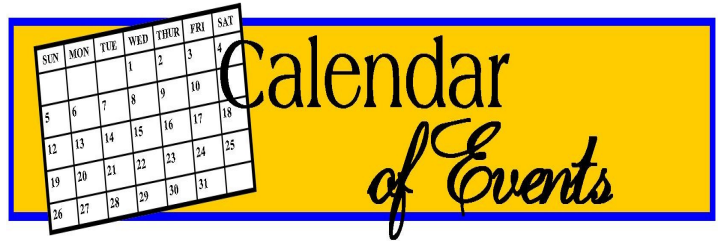


**March 23** Sunday School was well attended with 18 children. They filled a light bulb with sparkles, a cross, palm leaves, tiny mirrors and shells, to represent God's light unto the world and that through God's love all things are possible.



From The Mouths Of Babes!

This particular sermon. 'Dear Lord' the minister began, with arms extended toward heaven and a rapturous look on his upturned face. 'Without you, we are but dust..' He would have continued but at that moment my very obedient daughter leaned over to me and asked audibly in her shrill little four year old voice, "Mom, what is Butt Dust?"



| SUNDAY   | MONDAY                      | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY   | THURSDAY | FRIDAY   | SATURDAY  |
|--|-----------------------------|---|---|----------|--|---|
|  |                             | 1.<br>10:00am <b><u>Prayer Group</u></b><br>7:00 pm <b><u>Ladies Bible Study</u></b>          | 2.<br>10:00-11:30 <b><u>Ladies Bible Study</u></b><br>7:00 pm <b><u>Prayer Meeting</u></b>        | 3.       | 4.<br>10:00-11:30 <b><u>Pastor Bible Study</u></b>   | 5..<br><br>2:00 pm <b><u>Schoepp celebration of life</u></b>  |
| 6.<br>9:15 Confirmation<br><br>10:15 Sunday Service<br>Sunday School<br><br>  | 7.<br><br>Pastor's Day off  | 8.<br>10:00 am <b><u>Prayer Group</u></b><br><br><br>7:00 pm <b><u>Ladies Bible study</u></b> | 9.<br><br>10:00-11:30 <b><u>Ladies Bible Study</u></b><br><br>7:00pm <b><u>Prayer meeting</u></b> | 10.      | 11.<br><br>10:00-11:30 <b><u>Pastor Bible Study</u></b><br><br>10-12:00 <b><u>Moms &amp;Tots</u></b>                         | 12.<br>9:00 am <b><u>Men's Breakfast</u></b><br>Guest speaker <b><u>Mark Korte</u></b><br><br>5-8 pm <b><u>Music Night</u></b>          |
| 13.<br>9:15 –10:00 Confirmation<br>10:15 Sunday Service<br>Sunday School<br><br>  | 14.<br><br>Pastor's Day Off | 15.<br>10:00am <b><u>Prayer Group</u></b><br><br>7:00 pm <b><u>Ladies Bible Study</u></b>     | 16.<br>10:00-11:30 <b><u>Ladies Bible Study</u></b><br><br>7:00 pm <b><u>Prayer Meeting</u></b>   | 17.      | 18.<br><br><b>10:15 Service</b><br><br> | 19.<br><br>  |
| 20.<br>9:15-10:00 am confirmation <br>10:15 Sunday Service<br>Sunday School<br><br> | 21.<br>Pastor's Day Off     | 22.<br>10:00 am <b><u>Prayer Group</u></b><br>7:00 pm <b><u>Ladies Bible Study</u></b>        | 23.<br>10:00-11:30 <b><u>Ladies Bible Study</u></b><br>7:00pm <b><u>Prayer Meeting</u></b>        | 24..     | 25.<br>10:00-11:30 <b><u>Pastor Bible Study</u></b><br><br>10-12:00 <b><u>Moms &amp; Tots</u></b>                            | 26.<br><br><br>5-8:00 pm <b><u>Music Night</u></b> |
| 27.<br>9:15-10:00 confirmation<br>10:15 Sunday Service <br>Sunday School<br><b>Potluck</b><br>Silent Auction<br>final day   | 28.<br><br>Pastor's Day off | 29.<br>10:00 am <b><u>Prayer Group</u></b><br><br>7:00 pm <b><u>Ladies Bible Study</u></b>    | 30.<br>10:00-11:30 <b><u>Ladies Bible Study</u></b><br><br>7:00 pm <b><u>Prayer Meeting</u></b>   |          |  |   |





Attached is a photo of Ana in Holguin Cuba. She is putting Acetaminophen pills into the small bags we supply in each parcel.



This is a message we received from pastor Juan's wife, Eva, in Manzanillo Cuba

Hello, beloved brothers. How are you? The little box has arrived. Thank you very much, you are as kind as always. Thank your wife, who is always so kind with her thoughtful gestures for me. A big hug to both of you, and blessings to the whole family. Psalm 19:7-10 Maranatha "Christ is coming soon."

Submitted by Len Lewin

*Your Faith*  
WILL BE TESTED  
THROUGHOUT  
YOUR LIFETIME.

*Pray* for those who are less fortunate than you.

*Be Kind* to those who are unkind to you.      *Love* those who show hatred towards you.

*Forgive* those who hurt you.

*Keep the Faith*  
Life is... and keep God in your heart at all times.

## Bible Emergency Numbers

|                |                    |
|----------------|--------------------|
| ● Hopeless     | ● John 3:16        |
| ● Anxious      | ● Jeremiah 29:11   |
| ● Discouraged  | ● Philippians 4:13 |
| ● Unpeaceful   | ● Psalms 23:4      |
| ● Helpless     | ● Romans 8:28      |
| ● Angry        | ● Psalms 23:1      |
| ● Unforgiven   | ● Psalms 23:6      |
| ● Hurting      | ● Psalms 23:5      |
| ● Tired        | ● Psalms 23:3      |
| ● Weak         | ● Psalms 4:6       |
| ● Afraid       | ● Matthew 12:20    |
| ● Lack of love | ● Psalms 37:8      |
| ● Worry        | ● John 14:27       |
| ● Guilt        | ● 1 John 4:7       |
| ● Unpleasant   | ● Galatians 3:26   |
| ● Powerless    | ● John 15:14       |