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The Christ-Centered Church

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Welcome to our Service

Good morning and welcome to Ebenezer, both in person and Livestream. We are glad you are here today and invite you to stay after the service for coffee and fellowship.

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 cards found in the back of the chairs in the sanctuary and place it in the offering bag.

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG — *Everlasting God*

GOD'S GREETING & WE GREET EACH OTHER

SONG — *Blessed Be Your Name*

CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

SONG — *I Love You Lord*

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRAYER

THANK OFFERING 1 - Ebenezer Ministries
2 - CCS Tuition Relief

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(Ages 3 & 4 are dismissed for Sunday School)

SCRIPTURE — 1 Thessalonians 2 : 13—16

SERMON — The Power Of God's Word

SONG — *This Is My Father's World*

PARTING BLESSING

CLOSING SONG — *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Church Family

We rejoice with **Dave & Marilyn H** as they celebrate **35 years** of marriage today! We are so thankful for you and praise God for His faithfulness through the years.

Congratulations to **Irene & Jonah H**, who were blessed with a baby boy Atreus Jonah (AJ), on Saturday, August 26. Congratulations to Grandparents **Jason & Yoka T**, Great-Grandparents, **Art & Linda T** and Great-Great-Grandmother **Evelyn T**. We praise God for this gift of life and we pray God's blessing on your families.

The **H and G** families would like to thank everyone for their prayers and support over the past couple of weeks. Chad has been discharged from hospital and is recovering at home. We praise God for His healing hand and the peace they have experienced throughout these past few weeks.

Monique T had hip replacement surgery this week and that went very well. She will remain in hospital for Physio for the next while, and is hoping to be transferred to Leduc or Wetaskiwin so that she is closer to home. Thank you for your prayers and support and please continue to pray for a quick recovery, and for patience as her body heals.

Erin returned home from a week in hospital for an infection. She is now continuing her recovery at home. Doctors will decide in a few weeks on how to further treat her cancer. Thank you all for your prayers, support and encouragement. **Grace and Ed B**

*If you are experiencing physical or emotional difficulties, please speak to
Pastor Jason, your district Elder, a Deacon or contact the church office.
We want to support you in your journey.*

We continue to pray for **Gary F, Chad G, Jacob H, Tom T, Monique T, Jenny V, Ed V, Erin V, and Colleen V**. We pray that God will provide you all with peace, comfort & healing.

The **September / October Today** devotionals are available at the Welcome Centre. If you typically receive the large print devotional, you will find a copy in your mailbox. The **September Banner** is available at the Welcome Centre
September Prayer Calendar is in your mailbox.

Ebenezer News

LADIES & LEMONADE Every Wednesday from 9:30—11:00 am (until September 13) COME JOIN US RAIN OR SHINE for fellowship and snacks at the church fellowship hall or patio Wednesday mornings All women are invited & independent play for kids is encouraged.

BOOK ENDS BOOK CLUB will be meeting at Wendy T's home on July 26 at 7:30. We will be discussing the last chapters, (8 – 12) of "Give Me This Mountain." Feel free to join us even if you weren't able to come last month! Bring a snack to share! Any questions, contact Alesha S

AT GEMS GIRLS' CLUBS, girls are discovering that when they put their hope in God, everything changes (Isaiah 40:31). Every club meeting is filled with fun and friends as we dig into Queen Esther's story to learn who God is and what He says about us. Plus, we're putting our faith into action and making a difference in the lives of others.

Are you ready to rise up and join us? Invite a friend and register for the 2023-2024 GEMS season today! We're kicking off on Wednesday, September 20th at 6:30 pm for all girls in grades 4-8! Registration forms are available on our website or through the church office. Our GEMS leaders are getting excited about the upcoming year! We spent a couple of days attending the Summit virtually and mapping out the calendar, learning about this year's theme (IT'S. SO. GOOD!), and brainstorming. We are in need of at least **two more counselors**. So, if you've been feeling a little nudge to get involved with this thriving ministry to girls, talk to any of our GEMS leaders (Christine H, Karen H, KerryAnne H, Kelly L, Michelle O, Carrie T, Nicole V, or Charlene V!

LIBRARY NEWS: The library will be closed for the month of September to do inventory. We are asking the congregation to go through their homes to look for books and dvds that belong to the library. We are also asking that no one signs out books or DVDs for the month of September. Thank you, Library Team

COFFEE BREAK: We are asking the women of Ebenezer to please take a few minutes to fill out this short survey for our Coffee Break Ministry. There are two versions of this survey: this online survey and also a paper version in your mailboxes. Please fill out whichever version is most convenient for you. Thank you for your time. Coffee Break Ministries.
Online Survey: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdTxvp1cGJQmznqG_5ly9ds_vx2VPtI6hw897vENqG0xM1IKA/viewform?usp=sf_link

HOST FAMILY NEEDED Jennifer Stewart (from Penticton, BC) is looking for a host family (no cats, as he is severely allergic) for her son is Patrick, for the coming school year (he would be there until end of June/July). He is 15 and going into grade 10. He would be attending Leduc Composite Highschool. For more info see the notice on the bulletin board.

Coming Up @ Ebenezer

Sunday, September 3	@	9:30 am	Prayer Meeting
	@	10:00 am	Worship Service
Tuesday, September 5	@	7:00 pm	Council Meeting
Wednesday, September 6	@	9:30 am	Ladies & Lemonade
	@	2:30 PM	MEWS Social
Sunday, September 10	@	9:30 am	Prayer
	@	10:00 am	Worship Service

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 3 Educational Care: Uganda

Families:

Monday September 4 Communications: Labor Day

Families:

Tuesday September 5 Resonate Global Mission: Cambodia

Families:

Wednesday September 6 Reframe Ministries: Puerto Rico

Families:

Thursday September 7 World Renew: Haiti

Families:

Friday September 8 Calvin Theological Seminary: New academic year

Families:

Saturday September 9 Thrive: Pastor and Church Support: Mentoring

Families:

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 or print one [HERE](#) There will also be forms available at the Welcome Centre.

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 — CCS TUITION RELIEF Covenant Christian School (CCS) is an alternative Christian program within Black Gold School Division (BGSD). We offer a Christ-centered education to over 300 students in Kindergarten to Grade 9. A Christian worldview is integrated into all subject areas and aspects of our school culture. Their purpose is to create flourishing learners who delight in God that are inspired to serve. Tuition relief aims to help families desiring this education for their family to be able to attend despite financial constraints.

Next Week — RESONATE GLOBAL MISSION Resonate Global mission works to help churches live out the mission to be Christ's disciples in spreading the good news and living out what we are taught. Resonate can help deepen your passion for mission, strengthen your capacity to follow God on mission, and amplify the impact you and your church have in your neighbourhood and around the world. For more information see resonateglobalmission.org

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

FRIENDSHIP MINISTRY 2023-24: We are currently looking for someone to fill Wendy's role on the leadership team for our Friendship Ministry. This ministry starts on Monday, October 16th from 7:00-8:15. Friendship is a relationship ministry between our mentors and our friends for the purpose of studying God's word and deepening our faith. We meet Monday evenings with a worship service including Prayer, singing and a bible story which is told by our storytellers together with our friends. We then break into groups for 1 on 1 time to further study God's word and how we can apply that to our lives. At this time, we also share our prayer concerns and things that are going on in our lives. Our much loved snack ladies provide a snack each week. We close our evening with prayer and a Shalom Circle. If you have a heart for adults with disabilities this could be a ministry for you! Please call me if you are interested in this position or have any questions. Thank you. Carolyn D



SAFE CHURCH FACT — Did you know ... All adults who volunteer in the Nursery and Sunday School are required to have updated Vulnerable Records Checks. If you would like to volunteer in either of these ministries, please contact the Church Office.

Thank You To Our Volunteers

WORSHIP TEAM: Reuben

PROJECTION & AUDIO: Jamie / Pete

SERVING ELDER: Pete M

GREETERS: Brent & Lisa K

USHERS: Mike D, KerryAnne H

WELCOME CENTER: Alyse K

COFFEE DUTIES: Wim & Jenny R, Tina R

NEXT WEEK: John & Carol W, Sadie H

NURSERY

Infants: Christina V, Gea T

Toddlers: Chaim H, Georgia D

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Age 3: Alex A, Hadassah S, Jachin H

Age 4: Ryman H, Levi H

NEXT WEEK: Wilbur

NEXT WEEK: Christina / Dan

NEXT WEEK: Harry D

NEXT WEEK: James & Cindy H

NEXT WEEK: Luke K, Alyse K

NEXT WEEK: Wendy T



NEXT WEEK:

Infants: Candice P, Emily M

Toddlers: Ava Marie L, Kourtney H

NEXT WEEK:

Age 3: Mariska Z, Morgan L, Rebecca K

Age 4: Jenna D, Rory L, Chaim H



ATTENTION: Sunday School is set to begin on **September 24** this year! I am still looking for **6 more teachers!** My plan is to have 3 teachers per class to allow for a rotation of teaching once every 3 weeks. This also allows more flexibility with the schedule. All lessons have been prepped and will be ready to go! If you have questions or concerns please do not hesitate to come talk to me; I can run through a lesson with you and discuss the different classes we have. Please prayerfully consider helping out with this important ministry and letting Lindsay H know as soon as possible. sscoordinator@ebenezercrc.com

NURSERY COMMITTEE is looking to create a substitute volunteer list. This list would be used to cover no shows as well as sick coverage for the nursery Sunday mornings. If this is something that interests you please let Mariska know.



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.