

News & Notes

PUZZLE LIBRARY - Open today in the SHARPs room.

A MESSAGE FROM THE FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

We need some extra help over the Advent season on Sunday mornings in the kitchen. We also need extra contribution of fruit and savoury items. Please let the office or Maisy know if you can help on a Sunday during the month of December. Thank you.

Email: maisy@shaw.ca

CHRISTMAS CARD FUND

This year the Mission Council has chosen to support Pat & Peggy Wiens, Pastors of Hope Church and Megan Polowski, Pastor of Dawson Creek and Tupper churches. Donations can be left at the Missions kiosk. Last day to donate: today



LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20TH

7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.



Christmas can be a painful time for some. It may be the first Christmas without a loved family member who has recently died; it may be a time that has always been difficult.

Come out, and join with us in sharing and hearing prayers, scripture, and music that acknowledge that God's presence is for those who mourn, for those who struggle – and that God's Word comes to shine light into our darkness. Everyone is welcome!
Refreshments and fellowship to follow.

CHILDREN'S BELL CHOIR

The Bell choir will be performing on Sunday, December 23rd during the Worship service and on Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24th at 6:00 p.m.. Children in grade one and up may participate. Please note that your child needs to be available for both performances. Please contact Sylvia Seibel if your child would like to take part. Her email is sylvia.seibel@shaw.ca

Practice schedule:

10:00 a.m., Sunday December 16th & 23rd.

5:15 p.m., Monday, December 24th.

All practices will be in Room 107.

ADVENT CALENDARS

Parents, please pick up an Advent calendar or devotional for your family from Sylvia Seibel after the service. She will be in the Fireside room during Fellowship time.

Sunday, December 2nd, 2018 First Sunday of Advent



CALL TO WORSHIP

SONGS OF PRAISE

(led by Matt & team)

SCRIPTURE READING:

Matthew 2:1-12

Reader: Owen Smith

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN GIVING

Offertory: Levi & Gloria Hoeppner

"Carol of the Bells"

PRAYER

"The Bethlehem Project"

presented by the Children of the

Victoria Church of the Nazarene

under the direction of Sylvia Seibel

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

The Hope Candle



BENEDICTION

Prayer teams will be available at the front after the service for anyone who would like prayer.

Please join us in the Fireside Room after the service for a time of Fellowship and Refreshments

ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE TODAY AT
3:00 P.M. IN THE FIRESIDE ROOM

This Week

~ December 3rd to December 9th, 2018 ~

MONDAY, December 3rd

6:00 p.m. Adult "Let's Connect" Group

7:00 p.m. Victoria Freedom Gospel Choir

TUESDAY, December 4th

SHARPS (Senior's Group)

10:00 a.m. Bible study & Exercise

Games & Work bee

Celebrate December birthdays

Soup will be served

***Christmas Party on December 11th**



WEDNESDAY, December 5th

7:00 a.m. Prayer time in the Sanctuary

1:00 p.m. Memorial Service for Dave Elving

6:30 p.m. BUGS, SLUGS, and TEENS

THURSDAY, December 6th

7:00 p.m. Men's Bible study @ Tim Brown's

7:00 p.m. Ladies' Bible study @ Janet Simmonds'

SATURDAY, December 8th

10:00 a.m. Adult Christmas concert practice

SUNDAY, December 9th

9:30 a.m. "Bible Do" class

9:30 a.m. Adult Choir practice

10:30 a.m. Worship service

Adult Choir Presentation

Coming up.....

Dec. 11th	SHARPS Christmas party
Dec. 15th	Memorial for Sheila Beale
Dec. 15th	Mustard Seed Agape Dinner
Dec. 16th	Dance Presentation
Dec. 20th	Longest Night Service
Dec. 23rd	Youth Drama Presentation
Dec. 24th	Christmas Eve Service
Dec. 30th	Last day for 2018 donations
Dec. 31st	New Year's Eve at Golden City Time: TBA
Jan. 1st	New Year's Day
Jan. 8th	SHARPS resumes
Jan. 8th	Church Board meeting
Jan. 9th	Quilting resumes
Jan. 19th	Mustard Seed Agape Dinner

Ministry of Prayer

Please pray for:

The family of Gladys Miller who went to be with the Lord on November 22nd. A memorial service will take place on January 15th.

HEALTH CONCERNS

Dot Austin, Ruby Baker, Graeme & Gail Bartle, Berta Boss, Sam Bowcott, Lise Carlsen, Gigi Cook, John Cook, Patricia Cuthbert, Jean Fortner, Hutchinson Family, Doreen Iseli, Wes Kahn, Margo Kay, Vicki Keizer, Doug Knox, Chris Lembke, Heston Letcher, Fay McLellan, Beth McNutt, Mary Morrison, Doug Morrison, Liza Mueller, Pat Muzyka, Vera Parkinson, Dennis Rainka, Juanita Rattray, Gord Reed, Pam Sims, Laurie Smith, Warren Sogai, Carol Straiton, Dave & Bonnie Swan, Rosemary Tulett, John & Lynn Van Bakel, Bishop Trevor Walters, Andrea Webb, Denise Wellburn, Wayne Wickett

MINISTRY

Ambrose University - Calgary, Compassionate Resource Warehouse, Megan Broadfoot, Pastor Joshua Dalla – Aid Myanmar, Heather-Ann Heyd - Mercy Ships, Wes Kahn – Republic of S. Africa, Marissa Lentz - YWAM, Pastors David & Didim Zo – Aid Myanmar, Rick Wismer– YFC, Darin Reimer – Sanctuary Youth Centre, Ron & Deirdre Corcoran - Wounded Healers Ministry

LINKS MISSIONARIES:

Friday and Mary Ganda, Burundi
Bob and Sue Woodruff, Australia

Sunday School Program

Parents: Drop off and Pick up please

Birth to 3 years	Nursery
Preschool	Room 109
Kindergarten/Grade one	Room 107
Grade two/three	Room 207
Grade four/five	Room 205
Grade 6/7	Room 203
Grade 8-10	Youth room

MUSTARD SEED AGAPE DINNER - Dec 15th

The team would like to hand out socks to all those who attend. Please leave your donations in the foyer.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR DAVE ELVING

A memorial service for Dave Elving will be held at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 5th in the Sanctuary. A reception tea will follow. Please be in prayer for the family at this time.

NAZARENE COMPASSIONATE MINISTRIES

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Arabic TV Program Teaches Holiness

PRAISE: A TV program called *Follow Me* is the sixth television program produced by Nazarene Broadcast Communication Ministries. Host Ayman Kafrouny directs and produces the program with a team of Nazarenes, most of whom are members of the Church of the Nazarene in Beirut, Lebanon, where he serves as lead pastor. Kafrouny observed that few Christian programs in Arabic focused on a clear understanding of holiness; he and his team set out to fill that void. "Our hope, our prayer is to reach out to people who we cannot see face to face," Kafrouny said. "The results, the fruits, we may not see them all. We believe the people we are reaching, that many are becoming [citizens] in the Kingdom of God."

M19 Conference

PRAISE: M19 is scheduled for 11-13 February 2019 in Kansas City, Missouri, USA. The mid-quadrennial conference for Nazarenes on the USA/Canada Region emphasizes mission and evangelism. Leaders will receive opportunities for training, encouragement, and networking, through plenary sessions, workshops, exhibits, worship, and instruction. The theme for the 2019 event is "The Mission: The Gospel Unleashed."

November Missionary Prayer

Join in prayer for:

Kolene and Robert Hintz, serving in New Zealand

Pray for the Hintzes, as they begin applying for new visas. The visa application process is often challenging, lengthy, and involves many details that cannot be overlooked. Pray for Kolene and Robert as they continue to plan for their future together.

Shannon Smith, serving in Cambodia

Pray that Shannon will have continued good health. At 10:10 a.m. and p.m., join Nazarenes in Cambodia in praying a prayer based on John 10:10—"that the thief would be bound and that captives hear and accept abundant life in Christ." Please pray for the Cambodia District as it seeks to touch those most often out of reach to the church, and that in doing so they may plant vibrant churches in the cities. Each congregation has a goal to reach an additional village within the year. Pray that God will provide guidance to achieve that goal, reaching many for Christ.

Intercede for the strengthening and development of Nazarene Compassionate Ministries within Cambodia.

Andrew and Hayley Tarrant, serving in United States

Please pray for the local churches in El Paso to know how to effectively engage in ministry with asylum seekers and refugees. Pray for wisdom in engaging adult missionary kids (MKs) and other mission-minded people, in ministering with and to MKs. Ask God to show the Tarrants how they might connect with MKs and their families on the field.

Sunday, December 2nd, 2018



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OUR VISION

To be the visible handprint of God.

Our Mission

We seek to glorify God by
encountering Him, experiencing
community and engaging in mission.

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