

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Contact: Cynthia McClare, Children's Pastor (403-249-8605 x226 or cynthia@bethanychapel.com).

Come spend some time making an investment in the life of a young person. We have a few positions available in children's ministry and so if you'd like to get involved, please call or email me with questions.

Baby Snuggler – 1-2X per month Nursery Greeter – 1X per month PS Praise Greeter (sub) – when needed
 Grade 3 Small Group Leader – 2X per month

Sat., Feb. 6: Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast.

TODAY Babies: 3 – 24 months; Nursery Toddlers: 2 years; Nursery area
 PS Praise: 3 - 5 years; Lower CE sCool Kids: Kindergarten to Gr. 5; Upper CE (dismissed from service at about 11 a.m.)

YOUTH MINISTRY

Contact: youthtransitionteam@bethanychapel.com

- **MEIGMA is held on Sunday mornings for Grades 6-12 in Rooms 123 A&B from 9:30-10:30 a.m.** *Please join us as we discuss relevant issues & hot topics in a search for Biblical answers.* Jan. 31 - The Groaning Globe: Living responsibly in a troubled world.
- **EDGE meets Wednesday nights from 7:15 - 8:30 PM** in the Sanctuary.
- **Youth Lock-In at Bethany, Jan 30-31.** 7:30 PM till 9 AM. Cost is \$30 and \$25 (each) for multiple child families. Bring extra \$ for snacks. Bowling, pizza, games, and *potentially no sleep!* Grades 6-12 and friends are welcome to join us. Dress in your best 80's costume - neon, spandex, big hair, etc. Registration forms will be emailed out and can be picked up at the youth board.

COMMUNITY

Contact: Heather Webber 403-249-8605 x236 heather@bethanychapel.com
 or **Meg Thoutenhoofd** 403-249-8605 x229 meg@bethanychapel.com

*Thank you to everyone who donated items for the **Threads Shed**. We are good for now but will keep you posted re future needs.*

- A special thank you to the Tkalych Connecting Group for cooking and hosting the **Tuesday night Community dinner**, to the ladies who sorted the many donations for the Threads Shed, and to the Youth for entertaining the kids at the dinner.
- **Play Cafe.** Fridays from 9:30-11:30 AM. A fun program for families living in the Rutland & Lincoln Park communities & for Bethany families. Parents with babies & preschoolers come for a fun play morning and take out a book/toy from our toy-lending library.
- **ESL classes. Wed. evenings,** 7:00 -8:30 PM in the Fellowship Room. Free childcare available on request. The Time Out ESL class is offered Tuesday mornings from 9:30-11:30 AM and starts this week. Newcomers are always welcome.
- **Momentum Savings Circle Program** - A great budgeting/savings program for lower income families or individuals. If you or someone you know would be interested, please call Heather Webber for details. This free program runs bi-weekly on Thursday afternoons from 1-3 PM at Bethany from Jan. - June.
- **Annual Garage Sale - Sat. May 8, 9 AM-2 PM.** Save your treasures from your spring cleaning and plan to bring them the first week of May for our Playschool Garage Sale. No drop offs now please. Mark your calendars and plan to come for some great bargains.

ELDERS

Steve Bowen Gordon Johnson,
 Preston Busch Ex-Officio
 Bill Clements Bruce Woods
 Peter Jamieson, Chair Gordon Wright
 Doug MacLachlan

PASTORAL STAFF

Preston Busch Senior Pastor
 Gordon Johnson Executive Pastor
 Cynthia McClare Children's Pastor
 Michael Skinner Worship & YA Intern
 Margie Stinton } Parish Nurse and
 Sharon Strachan } Pastoral Care (p/t)
 Heather Webber Community Development
 Pastor

Gordon Wright Pastor of Worship and Young Adults

SUPPORT STAFF

Mary Dyck Administration
 Joseph Jali Building Maintenance
 Sheila Jepps Administration
 Louise Prefontaine Accounting (p/t)
 Randy Senft Building Maintenance
 Meg Thoutenhoofd Community Liaison Assistant (p/t)

PLAYSCHOOL STAFF

Heather Webber Elaine Carle Teacher
 Administrator Arlene Cummins Co-Teacher
 Rosanne Perrin Melodie Funk Co-Teacher
 Director / Teacher Sharon Senft Co-Teacher

DEACONS

Dan Brantner Cam Olson, Treasurer
 Bob Clyde Denis Perron, Chair
 Erich Dyck Bruce Raddatz
 Gordon Johnson, Tom Ramsay
 Ex-Officio Mark Sawatzky
 Asa Leslie Alvin Tan
 Kevin McDonald

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TODAY

9:15 AM BREAKING OF BREAD WORSHIP SERVICE

10:45 AM WORSHIP CELEBRATION SERVICE

**GORDON WRIGHT
 PASTOR OF WORSHIP & YOUNG ADULTS
 LUKE 7: 36-50**

PRAYER TEAM C

7:00 PM ALPHA MARRIAGE

NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 31, 2010

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10:45 AM WORSHIP CELEBRATION SERVICE

TODAY	
BREAKING OF BREAD WORSHIP SERVICE (Acts 2:42)	
9:15 AM	Fellowship Room
GROWTH GROUP	
9:30 AM	Fireside Room
MEIGMA YOUTH GROUP	
9:30 AM	Room 123 AB
CORPORATE PRAYER TIME	
10:15 AM	Prayer Chapel
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY	
10:45 AM	Babes, Toddlers & PS Praise
11:00 AM	sCool Kids (Gr 1-5), Castle
WORSHIP CELEBRATION SERVICE	
10:45 AM	Sanctuary
CALL TO PRAYER	
The prayer team will be available at the front of the sanctuary for our call to prayer this morning. If you would like prayer today, please consider coming forward as we present our requests before the Lord.	
COFFEE CONNECTIONS	
12:00 PM	Foyer
ALPHA MARRIAGE	
7:00 PM	Fellowship Room

THE GROWTH GROUP	
Sundays, 9:30 -10:30 AM Fireside Room	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Join us for this elective that focuses on community building, prayer, study, discussion & a good place to connect. We are studying the Truth Project video series. <i>Newcomers welcome!</i> <i>Hosted by Steve & Susan Bowen</i> 	

2010 DONATION ENVELOPES & 2009 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS	
2010 Pre-numbered Donation Envelopes	
2010 Pre-numbered envelopes sets are now available. Please check your lobby mailbox or the table beside the Information Centre in the foyer if you don't have a mailbox. Note: <i>Please do not use old numbered envelopes from previous years.</i>	
Automated Giving (Pre-Authorized Payment)	
If you have converted to automated giving, please <u>do not use pre-numbered envelopes</u> previously assigned as new donor numbers are assigned with automated donations.	
2009 Income Tax Receipts	
Income tax receipts will be available in the LAST week of January 2010. If you have a lobby box, they will be there and if not, they will be mailed out.	

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP	
GENERAL FUND <i>(January month-to-date)</i>	
Budgeted Giving	\$ 68,100
Actual Giving	53,823
Percentage Received	79.0%
This Week's Budgeted Amount \$ 17,700	
2010 year to date	
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MEN'S MINISTRY	
MEN'S DISCIPLESHIP GROUP	
Thursday at 6:30 AM in the Alcove	
Thurs., Jan. 28 1 Pet. 4: 3-6	
Living for Christ II	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All men are invited for study, prayer and fellowship as we endeavour to build each other up as disciples of Christ. Call Fred at 403-251-5849 for info. 	

UP & OVERS LUNCH	
Friday, February 5	
Punch at 11:30 AM; Lunch at noon	
Guest Speaker: Gordon Johnson	
Special Music: Shirley Johnson	
Cost: \$8.00	
All seniors (55+) are invited for lunch and an enjoyable time of fellowship. For more info or to reserve a ticket, please call Grace Lavergne 403-455-3342 or Esther Emery 403-640-2034.	


WOMEN'S MINISTRIES	
CONNCTIONS	
Monday, January 25	
Punch at 6:30 PM; Dinner at 7:00	
Reminder for Ticket Holders	
Call Carol 403-283-7571 for info.	
LADIES EVENING BIBLE STUDY	
Wednesdays, 7-8:30 PM, Library	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Women of all ages are very welcome to join us for an informal time of worship, study and prayer. <i>Newcomers welcome.</i> Our study is "Anointed, Transformed, Redeemed - A Study of David" by Kay Arthur, Priscilla Shirer & Beth Moore. Call Sharon 403-249-4527 or Diana 403-202-0931 for info. 	
LADIES TIME OUT	
Tuesday Mornings, 9:30-11:30 AM	
Classes run Jan. 26 - Mar. 16	
Join us <i>this Tues.</i> - you can still register. Come and enjoy one of the fun activities being offered (scrapbooking, card making, quilting, ESL and more). Bring a friend. Childcare available for a nominal fee. Brochures available at the Info. Centre. Call Heather or Meg at 403-249-8605.	
WOMEN TOGETHER	
<i>Growing in relationship with God & each other</i>	
Thursdays, 9:15-11:15 AM, Fireside Rm.	
Our study is <i>Believing God</i> by Beth Moore Video/Bible Study/Small Group Discussion Women of all ages are warmly welcomed. Childcare available for a small fee. Call Shirley at 403-547-7251 for more info. <i>Newcomers welcome.</i>	


PASTORAL CARE / HEALTH MINISTRY	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sharon Strachan & Margie Stinton share the Parish Nurse/Pastoral Care role and are available on a part-time basis Tues. to Thurs. each week. Call them at 403-249-8605 x241 or e-mail them at parishnurse@bethanychapel.com. Lists of Doctors Accepting New Patients are available at the pastoral care cart. 	

THIS WEEK	
MONDAY, JANUARY 25	
6:30 PM	ConnXtions dinner, Foyer
TUESDAY, JANUARY 26	
9:30 AM	Time Out
3:30 PM	Homework Club, Fellowship
7:00 PM	YA Study - Wrights' home
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27	
7:00 PM	Ladies Evening Study, Library
7:00 PM	ESL, Fellowship
7:15 PM	Youth EDGE, Sanctuary
THURSDAY, JANUARY 28	
6:30 AM	Men's Bible Study, Alcove
9:15 AM	Women Together, Fireside
7:30 PM	Choir, Fireside
FRIDAY, JANUARY 29	
9:30 AM	Play Café, Fellowship
7:30 PM	Youth Lock-In (ends Sat at 9 AM)
SUNDAY, JANUARY 31	
9:15 AM	Breaking of Bread Worship
9:30 AM	Youth Meigma class, 123A
9:30 AM	Growth Group, Fireside Room
10:15 AM	Corporate Prayer Gathering, 125
10:45 AM	Worship Celebration Service
10:45 AM	Nursery & Pre-School programs
11:00 AM	K-Gr. 5 sCool Kids, Castle
12:00 PM	Coffee Connections, Foyer
7:00 PM	Alpha Marriage, Fellowship

MULTIMEDIA MINISTRY	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CDs of Sunday sermons are available 10 minutes after the service for \$2 at the MMM desk in the foyer. Previous sermons or programs can be ordered. 	

MEMBERSHIP CLASS	
Sunday, February 7	
1:30-5:30 PM in the Fireside Room	
Anyone interested in becoming a member at Bethany or who has questions about membership, is encouraged to attend this class. To register, please contact Pastor Gordon Johnson (403-249-8605 x 239 or gordonjohnson@bethanychapel.com) or elder Bruce Woods (403-244-3336 or brucecarol.woods@gmail.com).	

PRAYER	
PRAISE AND THANKS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For the great response to the Bethany Community Dinner on Tues. and to all those who helped out with it. 	
PLEASE PRAY FOR	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our condolences to Dave & Gisela Macphail & family on the unexpected passing in December of Dave's brother Hugh Rose Macphail Jr. in Surrey, BC. The memorial service was held yesterday in BC. Janessa Volk (one of our Bethany youth), as her good friend Brittney McInnes (17) died tragically this week. Pray also for the McInnes family on their sad loss. Greg Rollings as he prepares to leave for Haiti where he plans to volunteer at God's Littlest Angels Orphanage for the month of Feb. Please pray for safety and decisions. Gary Inrig, a former Bethany Senior Pastor, now pastoring in Redlands, CA, who has been diagnosed with prostate cancer. Pray for medical wisdom, healing for Gary and comfort for the family. Kathy Cousley, for strength & comfort as she experiences difficult side effects from ongoing chemotherapy. Naomi Barker, for a suitable donor as she awaits a liver transplant. Pray for strength, patience and comfort for Naomi, Bob and family. Sheila Bryant's father Alec Oloske, for physical and spiritual healing as he recovers in the Westlock hospital. 	
PLEASE ALSO PRAY FOR...	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Those people needing God's healing touch. Please pray for their strength and encouragement. Those people who are experiencing loneliness or transition. Please pray for God's close presence and His sustaining grace. Those grieving the loss of loved ones. May they know God's comfort and peace. 	
<p><i>Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Phil. 4:6-7</i></p> 	
PRAYER CHAIN	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bethany is blessed to have a faithful group who share prayer requests by phone and pray regularly for them. To put a request on the prayer chain, please call Elva (403-240-9330) or Dorothy (403-242-1391). 	
PRAYER WITH ELDERS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two elders will be available each week in the prayer chapel immediately after the 10:45 Worship Service, for any congregants wishing prayer or counsel. Anyone wishing to meet with the elders is encouraged to do so. 	
BETHANY PRAYER GATHERINGS	
You are welcome to pray with others in the Prayer Chapel at the times noted: Sundays.....9:30-10:15 AM Sunday Corporate Prayer..10:15-10:40 AM Wednesdays with Elders.....7:00 PM <i>(The elders usually meet the second Wed. of the month. You are welcome to join them in prayer or request prayer. The Prayer Chapel is also available during regular church office hours.</i>	

COFFEE CONNECTIONS	
Today in the Foyer after the Service	
	
Please join us today for a time to connect with friends and newcomers. Newcomers and visitors please feel free to ask any questions you may have.	

The Alpha Marriage Course

Why settle for your current quality of marriage if it could be improved?



Cost: \$60.00 per couple (includes materials and 7 gourmet desserts)

Please Register with Jennifer or Dave Welsh 403-246-0371 jmharris@shaw.ca.
The class starts tonight but you are still able to come and register at that time.

Dates: Sunday Evenings

Jan. 24, 31; Feb. 7, 21, 28; Mar. 14, 21

Time: 7:00 - 9:00 PM Place: Fellowship Room

The "Alpha Marriage Course", which originated with the creators of the popular "Alpha Course", is a series of 7 presentations and structured discussions aimed at strengthening both new and experienced marriages. The course provides:

- Gourmet desserts served in a quiet and intimate candlelit environment to encourage quality discussion.
- A video presentation and individual discussion time for each couple, using the course workbook. There are no group discussions or counseling, and all conversations are private between the man and woman in each couple.
- Topics including communication, quality time, sex, dealing with in-laws, and conflict resolution.

The course is appropriate for church folks and non-church folks alike, as it builds on Christian themes and principles, but is geared towards a general audience. For more information, please contact Jennifer or Dave Welsh at 403-246-0371 or jmharris@shaw.ca.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY AT BETHANY CHAPEL

Bethany is looking for a part-time Children's Ministry Assistant to work 15 hours a week. Please see our website for the details on this position and the qualifications required. Please send your resume to Bethany Children's Ministries, Attention: Cynthia McClare. If you have questions, please contact Cynthia at 403-249-8605 x226 or cynthia@bethanychapel.com

SANCTUARY CHOIR

**Thursdays, 7:30-9:30 PM
Fireside Room**

- Join with this wonderful community as we prepare pieces for worship and special programs. *Newcomers are always welcome!*
- For more info., contact Pastor Gordon Wright at 403-249-8605 x 235 or gordon@bethanychapel.com.

CONNECTING GROUPS

- Deepen your connection to God and others by joining a Bethany Connecting Group. Groups meet on various nights in several neighbourhoods. They provide a great opportunity to get to know well a small group of people for study, prayer, social activities and support. To join a group or obtain more information, please contact Leanne at 403-242-2867 Connectinggroups@bethanychapel.com.

Elders' Notebook



At Bethany Chapel an elder must display the spiritual qualifications and character as outlined in 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:5-10. He must have a sense of calling and possess the confidence of the congregation. As elders, we encourage congregational members to submit names of men whom they consider qualified and have shown effectiveness in areas of ministry. We continue to covet your prayers as we speak to other men in the body.

Today we are pleased to present Mark Sawatzky as a candidate for the role of elder. We would appreciate receiving your comments by either speaking to one of the current elders, sending us an email (addresses are in the directory) or by dropping a note in Peter Jamieson's mailbox. Please provide your feedback by next Sunday, January 31. Thank you in advance for your response.

Mark Sawatzky

Mark Sawatzky grew up in small town Alberta, including Vegreville, Grande Cache and Whitecourt. He attended both High School and University in Edmonton. Mark has lived and worked as an Engineer in Calgary since graduating in 1993.

Mark was raised in a strong Christian home and environment and came to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ at an early age. He was baptized at Bethany in 2000.

Mark and Gaylene were married in 1994 and have four children: Tyler (11), Damiane (10), Levi (8) and Nathan (7). The Sawatzkys have been members at Bethany since February 1997 and have been involved in various children's ministries including teaching Sunday School. Mark has also been involved as an AWANA leader, co-home group leader, and is currently completing a term as a member of the Deacon board.

MINISTRY FEATURE



SENIORS' UP & OVERS MINISTRY

CONTACT PERSONS: ESTHER EMERY & GRACE ULMER

Seniors at Bethany fill an important role in the life of Bethany Chapel. They are active in our prayer ministries, in mentoring and many continue to serve and participate in various aspects of church life. Additionally, on the first Friday of the month, (Oct. to Dec. & Feb. to May), Bethany hosts an Up & Overs Luncheon for Seniors. This event provides a great lunch, warm fellowship, special music, and a guest speaker for Bethany members, attendees, and guests 55 years of age and older. If you are over 55 and have not been to an Up & Overs lunch yet, you are missing out and are encouraged and warmly invited to attend the next luncheon on Friday, February 5.

We continue to honour and value the service of our Seniors as they fill volunteer positions assisting our office staff, visiting shut-ins and those convalescing at home or in hospitals, and serving in volunteer roles in various ministries.

If you have some time to offer during the first Friday of the months listed above, the Up & Overs' ministry would welcome and greatly appreciate more help in the areas of food preparation, serving and clean-up of their luncheons and they would also welcome your participation and assistance on their planning committee in coordinating the details for upcoming luncheons. You don't have to be available for every luncheon - additional help at even a few of them is always appreciated.

For further information regarding this ministry and / or to offer your assistance with it, please contact Esther Emery (403-640-2034) or Grace Ulmer (403-693-2333).



BETHANY CHAPEL

2010 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday, March 7, 2010

Registration is at 6:00 PM in the Gym. Please join us then for appetizers, desserts and beverages.

The meeting will start at 6:30 PM sharp.

The trustees of Bethany Chapel of Calgary wish to invite members and attendees to the 2010 Annual General Meeting on Sunday, March 7, 2010 commencing at 6:00 PM in the Gym. The audited financial statements for 2009 and the budget for 2010 will be presented, as well as various reports.

The minutes of last year's AGM will be posted in the foyer in February for your reference. Also posted there will be our membership list. To help us update our records, please take the time to find and initial your name on that list. If you believe you are a member but your name is not on the list, please contact Bruce Woods at 403-244-3336.

If you have a question concerning Bethany Chapel that you would like addressed, there will be a form provided in the bulletin in February. Please fill out the form and place it in the container at the Information Centre marked AGM Questions.

Copies of the 2009 Annual Report will be available at the Info Centre on Sunday, Feb. 28 (one per family please). Please take a copy and read the interesting and informative reports on various ministries and programs prior to the AGM.

Please plan to join us the evening of March 7 for a time of celebration of God's faithfulness over this past year.

Please bring a plate of appetizers (cheese, crackers, veggies, etc.) or desserts (squares, cookies, fruit, etc.) to share.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENT

Bethany Chapel is pleased to announce that Garth Koop has been hired as our new Youth Pastor. He will begin employment on February 8th. Garth is married to Carly and they have 2 young sons, Tysen (7) and Rylen (5). Please pray for their family as they transition to Calgary from Prince George.