

July 26, 2020



WELCOME

## BIBLE READING PLAN

Sunday	July	19	Judges 3	Acts 7
Monday	July	20	Judges 4	Acts 8
Tuesday	July	21	Judges 5	Acts 9
Wednesday	July	22	Judges 6	Acts 10
Thursday	July	23	Judges 7	Acts 11
Friday	July	24	Judges 8	Acts 12
Saturday	July	25	Judges 9	Acts 13
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>July</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>Judges 10</b>	<b>Acts 14</b>
Monday	July	27	Judges 11	Acts 15
Tuesday	July	28	Judges 12	Acts 16
Wednesday	July	29	Judges 13	Acts 17
Thursday	July	30	Judges 14	Acts 18
Friday	July	31	Judges 15	Acts 19
Saturday	Aug	01	Judges 16	Acts 20
Sunday	Aug	02	Judges 17	Acts 21
Monday	Aug	03	Judges 18	Acts 22
Tuesday	Aug	04	Judges 19	Acts 23
Wednesday	Aug	05	Judges 20	Acts 24
Thursday	Aug	06	Judges 21	Acts 25
Friday	Aug	07	Ruth 1	Acts 26
Saturday	Aug	08	Ruth 2	Acts 27



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# WHAT'S HAPPENING

**Care Giver of the Week:** Nadya Nezvesciuc

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## Guideline Update

Please note that the government announced that the 50-person sub-group restriction has been lifted. This means that we no longer need to keep people restricted to one half of the sanctuary. We do ask that you continue to remain physically distant and do not congregate in the foyer. We will continue to take attendance and have the Fellowship time outside after the service. Thank you for your careful attention to these guidelines.

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## "You must be shorter than this line..."

We have marked off the last few pews to reserve them for families with young children. This is to make it easier for them to worship with us. Thank you for respecting this tradition.

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## YouTube Subscriber Challenge

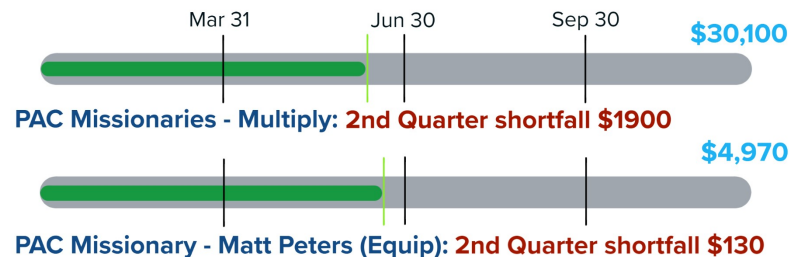
We have recently created 3 YouTube channels: one for our devotionals and other videos, one for our church services and one for our Korean Fellowship videos. We want to give them friendly names to make them easy to find online, but in order to do so we need 100 subscribers for each. Please go to: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZIVIM0n5VSutD5IJ\\_hw2IQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZIVIM0n5VSutD5IJ_hw2IQ) and click the subscribe button.

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## Jr. High Youth Video Game Night

All Jr, High youth (including those who are starting grade 6 in the fall) are invited to hang out with Pastor Jedidiah, at his house, to play video games. Snacks will be provided. The winner will have bragging rights... until next time! Please register at Church Connect.

## Missionary Support As at July 24, 2020



NB: Quarterly support payments are sent only once pledge has been met.

**Total Mission Income Received \$77,244**

# WHAT'S HAPPENING

## Multiply Missions Update

The Summer 2020 edition of the Witness magazine had been published. There is a paper copy on the missions bulletin board. You may also access it online at <https://multiply.net/witness>.

## Editorial - Randy Friesen

The Church is at a crossroads. Due to the changes and restrictions of the current pandemic, we are being invited to consider new ways of fulfilling our mission together.

As Mennonite Brethren, we recall our beginnings in Russia during the 1860s when our movement began as a result of revival. We met in homes to read Scripture, worship, and break bread together. We lived on mission regardless of the cost, sharing our renewed faith in Jesus freely with family members and neighbors.

By 2020, we have become a global network of churches, united by a common mission of making disciples in the way of Jesus. We have a strong heritage of Biblical teaching in the context of gathered worship services. Small groups and Sunday School classes have provided additional teaching, fellowship, and prayer. We've done well, but the world is changing. During this crisis, we are being given an opportunity to re-evaluate our methods and to refresh our disciple-making mission according to our new reality.

We have emphasized discipleship-in-mission training, which means creating a context that is Gospel-centered, Spirit-led and team-based. When people experience that same kind of intimate community, as well as the clarity of witness and the discipleship accountability, lives are transformed. How can we experience more of that kind of discipleship in our local churches?

Discipleship movements are often characterized by small missional communities that feature close relationships, vibrant spirituality, and genuine hospitality and sharing. As these groups grow, they multiply. Often, a few of the leaders take on coaching roles and oversee multiple groups.

As MBs, do we understand ourselves collectively as a mission? We exist as a disciple-making mission, but do our structures, whether locally, nationally, or globally, serve that mission well? In both Canada and the US, we are working toward collaborative strategic plans within our national conferences that are focused on mission. We are learning to listen together and work together that the world may know Jesus!

In this issue of *Witness*, we have focused on how our global family is finding opportunity to make disciples during the changes and challenges of today's world. We pray that you will be encouraged to live on mission right where you are and to get involved in our collaborative efforts among the least reached around the world. Thank you for your ongoing prayer and support!



## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### Thou Shalt Not Enter (...Sundays only) :-)

Please note that we have closed off access to the mailboxes, library, and church office on Sundays only. We apologize for any inconvenience. It is a temporary measure that will be eliminated as soon as we are able to. You are more than welcome to pop by during the week during office hours to check your mailbox and use the library - we would love to see you!

### Looking to Join a Small Group or Connect with a Ministry?

Please check out our new display in the foyer — it shows how diverse we are! If you are interested in learning more about a ministry or would like to join a small group, please email [PastoralCare@pachurch.ca](mailto:PastoralCare@pachurch.ca) or call one of our pastors to be matched with a small group in your area, or plugged into a ministry where your gifts and talents fit best.

### Staff on vacation

Please note that Pastor Scott will be away on vacation from Tuesday, August 4 to Friday, August 10.

The office will be closed on August 4 in lieu of the Civic Holiday.

### Conversational English Class - Friday, August 7th at 6pm

If you are interested in participating please come and join us. If you are interested in being a coach (all that is required is a willingness to have a conversation with a new friend) please contact Pastor Jennifer Choi or the office for more information.

### Address Update

Please note that Mary Witzke has moved from apartment 219 to apartment 216. The online directory has been updated.

	<p><b>Jr High Youth Event - Video Game Night</b></p> <p>Pastor Jedidiah's house Snacks provided</p> <p><b>JULY 28 6 PM-9 PM</b></p> 
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## PRAYER ALERT

### Pray for those who are shut-in

**At home** – Peter Brown, Erna Friesen, Rudy & Susanne Thiessen

**Bethania** – Jake & Betty Suderman, Mary Unger

**Bethel Place** – George Petkau, Agnes Pauls

**Concordia Place** – John E. Friesen

**Concordia Village** – Margaret Pospishell, Martha Tielmann

**Donwood Personal Care** – Louise (Lois) Peters, Martha Reimer, Helen Wiens

**Donwood Manor Apartments** – Arnold Teichrieb

**Parkview Place** – Abe Funk

**Pembina Place** – Helen Doerksen

**Riverwood Square** – John W. Sawatzky

**Riverwood Square (Harmony Court)** – Mary Bergen

**Sturgeon Creek Retirement Residence** – Bertha Toews

**Tuxedo Villa Extended Care** – Cornie Schroeder

### Friday Night Prayer

You are welcome to join us in prayer here at the church on Fridays at 7:30 pm. If you are unable to attend in person please send us your prayer requests and praise reports to our prayer line at 204.774.4414 ext 5 or email them to [pastoralcare@pachurch.ca](mailto:pastoralcare@pachurch.ca).

*James 5:16—Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.*



**Weekly Prayer Night**

**Fridays at 7:30pm**

## SERMON NOTES

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### For Further Reflection

Use these questions for personal reflection or with your small group.

- 1) In what ways are we similar to the religious leaders that are standing in opposition to Jesus' ministry?
- 2) What are some ways we imitate the religious leaders' behaviour?
- 3) As a church family, how do we work together on the priorities of Jesus' ministry and not on the rules and structures as the religious leaders did in Jesus' day?
- 4) What did you learn about God through the sermon?
- 5) What does your response need to be?

## ARE YOU PLUGGED IN?



Check out our list  
of small groups and  
ministries and let  
us know what interests  
you.  
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"Yes, the body has many different  
parts, not just one part." 1 Cor 12:14

## THIS WEEK

Sun. June 26	10:00 am	Worship Service Speaker: Jedidiah Carpentier Fellowship - Outside
	1:00 pm	PAC Korean Bible Study via Zoom
Tue. July 28	6:00 pm	Jr. High Video Game Night
Wed. July 29	7:30 pm	PAC Korean Praise & Worship
Thurs. July 30	2:30 pm	Jr. High Zoom Chat
Fri. July 31	12:30 pm	Dad's Zoom Meeting
	7:30 pm	Prayer Night
Sat. Aug 1	10:00 am	Worship Practice

## NEXT WEEK

Sun. Aug 2	10:00 am	Worship Service Speaker: Jedidiah Carpentier Fellowship - Outside
	1:00 pm	PAC Korean Bible Study
Tues. Aug 4		Office Closed - in lieu of Civic Holiday Pastor Scott on vacation Aug 4 - Aug 10
Wed. Aug 5	7:30 pm	PAC Korean Praise & Worship
Thurs. Aug 6	2:30 pm	Jr. High Zoom Chat
Fri. Aug 7	12:30 pm	Dad's Zoom Meeting
	6:00 pm	Conversational English
	7:30 pm	Prayer Night
Sat. Aug 8	10:00 am	Worship Practice

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