

# MADE NEW



**PORTAGE  
AVENUE  
CHURCH**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 3**

# BIBLE READING PLAN

Sunday	Dec	27	2 Chronicles 33	Revelation 19
Monday	Dec	28	2 Chronicles 34	Revelation 20
Tuesday	Dec	29	2 Chronicles 35	Revelation 21
Wednesday	Dec	30	2 Chronicles 36	Revelation 22
Thursday	Dec	31	catch-up day :-)	
Friday	Jan	01	Ezra 1	Acts 1
Saturday	Jan	02	Ezra 2	Acts 2
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Jan</b>	<b>03</b>	<b>Ezra 3</b>	<b>Acts 3</b>
Monday	Jan	04	Ezra 4	Acts 4
Tuesday	Jan	05	Ezra 5	Acts 5
Wednesday	Jan	06	Ezra 6	Acts 6
Thursday	Jan	07	Ezra 7	Acts 7
Friday	Jan	08	Ezra 8	Acts 8
Saturday	Jan	09	Ezra 9	Acts 9
Sunday	Jan	10	Ezra 10	Acts 10
Monday	Jan	11	Nehemiah 1	Acts 11
Tuesday	Jan	12	Nehemiah 2	Acts 12
Wednesday	Jan	13	Nehemiah 3	Acts 13
Thursday	Jan	14	Nehemiah 4	Acts 14
Friday	Jan	15	Nehemiah 5	Acts 15
Saturday	Jan	16	Nehemiah 6	Acts 16

## *How To Journal*

- S** Scripture - write out the key thought, phrase or word that stands out to you
- O** Observations - write down your observations
- A** Applications - write out the application to your life
- P** Prayer - write a short prayer

# WHAT'S HAPPENING

**Care Giver of the Week:** Peggy Jensen

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## **Christmas Jelly Bean drive**

We want to make sure our church family is connecting and reaching out this Christmas even though we can't visit in person. We encourage you to contact at least 5 people this Christmas season with a phone call or by sending an encouraging card. They can be people you know in our church family or people in your community. Please call Pastor Scott and let him know who you contacted. For each person you contact we will put a jelly bean in our jar and you can watch it fill up with joy!

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## **PAC 2020 Dry Bean Update**

Together, we sent Harvest Manitoba \$2,690. Praise God!

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## **Knead & Knit - Saturday, Jan 16 - Postponed**

Unfortunately the Knead & Knit gathering this month has been postponed due to current restrictions. We hope to gather again soon.

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## **Bible Reading Plan - 2021**

New Year, new start! We are continuing our Bible Reading with the 2nd year of a two year plan. If you would like to join in using your computer or smart phone go to [www.pachurch.ca/bible](http://www.pachurch.ca/bible).

If you prefer a paper copy you may use the bulletins each week or you may stop by the office and pick up a paper copy of the readings for the entire year.

"For the word of God is alive and powerful. It is sharper than the sharpest two-edge sword, cutting between soul and spirit, between joint and marrow. It exposes our innermost thoughts and desires." Heb 4:12



**Christmas  
Jellybean  
Drive**



# MISSION UPDATE - Isra & Sandra Chavez Plett (Multiply)

“Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be removed,” says the Lord, who has compassion on you. Isaiah 54:10

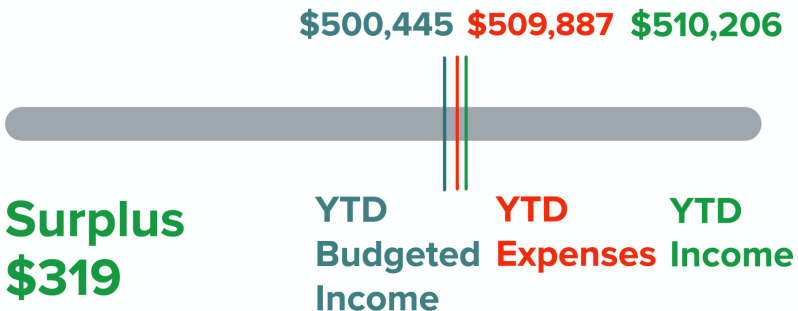
## Celebrating Advent with RETO Pinar

We've been back in Mexico for just over a month and have jumped back into our ministry activities. Because of the situation with Covid in Mexico, we continue to meet as a church online. Typically Advent is a religious custom of the Catholic Church in Mexico and is seldom celebrated as such in the Evangelical Church here. Personally I find such beauty in this season of waiting in anticipation, and love how practicing Advent helps me to slow down and reflect on different themes. So this year Isra and I decided to focus our four weekend services before Christmas on themes of hope, peace, faith and joy.

Because we haven't met in person since March, and we haven't had face-to-face connection with a number of our members since then, we decided to put together an Advent gift-bag and hand-deliver them to our church families. The idea is that each weekend during our online service we will open a gift together, and light an advent candle as an act of unity and focussing together on the season. We were so impacted at the joy on people's faces as they received these small gifts and a personal visit. A reminder of how we all need personal connection and care!

Note: for the full update go to <https://mailchi.mp/acf3bc00ca83/well-trained-disciples-serving-among-the-nations?e=be0b339b30>

## Financial Position **projected** to December 31, 2020



**Surplus**  
**\$319**

This includes \$98,819 received from CEWS federal government subsidy plus \$5000 from Manitoba government Bridge grant.  
Additional \$40,000 transferred to Major Repair Fund and \$8,000 transferred to Capital Fund.

# MISSION UPDATE - Dave & Louise Sinclair-Peters (Multiply)

Thank you!

We have reached our target for the matching grant!!! We have surpassed \$85,000! The Coram Deo Foundation has promised to match this amount by donating another \$86,000! For a grand total: \$169,000! The additional funds raised will be used to fund other Holy Spirit initiated Myanmar church planting projects through out the year.

It's time to celebrate, don't you think?

From the mountains of Northern Myanmar where 5 unreached mountains will hear the Gospel for the first time this year.

To Pastor Isaiah's newest church on the coffee mountain in western Myanmar.

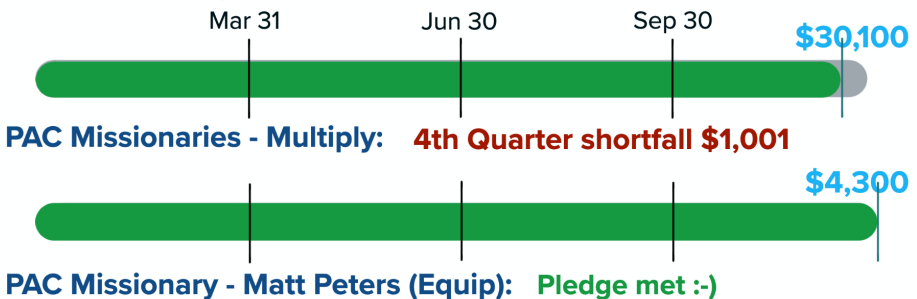
To last week's outreach in Bangkok with our Myanmar church planters and MCA partners, where over 40 Buddhists chose to follow Christ and be baptized.

Friends, we think it's time to celebrate and thank God for all he has done!

Remember you can order Lighthouse Coffee and have it delivered right to your door! Go to [LighthouseCoffeeRoasters.ca](https://LighthouseCoffeeRoasters.ca).

Note: for the full update go to <https://www.smores.com/ztpvm-sp-s-in-s-e-asia?ref=email>

## Missionary Support As at December 31, 2020



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

**Total Mission Income Received \$156,689**

# PRAYER ALERT

## Pray for those who are in the hospital

**Anne Kroeker** - Victoria Hospital

## Pray for those who are shut-in

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

**Bethania** - Jake & Betty Suderman

**Bethel Place** - Agnes Pauls

**Concordia Place** - John E. Friesen

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

**Deer Lodge Centre** - Charlotte Liebig

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

**Donwood Manor Apartments** - George Petkau

**Pembina Place** - Helen Doerksen

**Riverwood Square** - John W. Sawatzky

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

**Seven Oaks Hospital** - Helen Litz

**Sturgeon Creek Retirement Residence** - Bertha Toews

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## Pray for UGM Students

This year, we as a church family are sponsoring two students from the inner-city to attend UGM's Faith Academy. Please pray that God continues to work in the lives of these students, and their families. Pray that parents would make responsible decisions in family matters. If you have questions about our students please call Gilbert Plante, the Family Ministries Manager at UGM at 204.586.7790 ext 306.

**Sara** - grade 12, birthday: May 27, 2003

- Pray for my Grandma. She isn't doing the greatest at the moment. Pray that she gets better. Pray that God would help provide money for Bible College. Pray for a good last school year!

**Hannah** - grade 6, birthday: November 1, 2009

- Pray for the school year that we will be cheerful and we will stay safe.

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## Friday Night Prayer via Zoom at 7:30pm

Please join us! You can call in to 204.272.7920 and enter the meeting ID 859 5515 4680, then wait and you will be connected.

# SERMON NOTES

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## For Further Reflection

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

- 1.) Do you often make New Years resolutions and if so, how often are you able to keep them?
- 2.) In what areas of your life do you need a reinstated by God in regards to your relationship with Him?
- 3.) In what areas of your life do you find it most difficult to relinquish control and give it over to God?
- 4.) What did you learn about God through the message?
- 5.) What does your response need to be?



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## THIS WEEK

Sun. Jan 3	10:00 am	Communion Worship Service Speaker: Scott Koop
	11:15 am	Fellowship Café (Zoom)
	2:00 pm	PAC Korean Bible Study (Zoom)
Tue. Jan 5	7:30 pm	BOT meeting (Zoom)
Wed. Jan 6	7:30 pm	PAC Korean Praise & Worship (Zoom)
Fri. Jan 8	12:30 pm	Dad's Zoom Meeting
	7:30 pm	Prayer Night (Zoom)

## NEXT WEEK

Sun. Jan 10	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:15 am	Fellowship Café (Zoom)
	2:00 pm	PAC Korean Bible Study (Zoom)
Tue. Jan 12	7:00 pm	CAB meeting (Zoom)
Wed. Jan 13	7:30 pm	PAC Korean Praise & Worship (Zoom)
Fri. Jan 15	12:30 pm	Dad's Zoom Meeting
	7:30 pm	Prayer Night (Zoom)
Sat. Jan 16	11:00 am	Knead & Knit - POSTPONED

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