



Celebration Service



PORTAGE
AVENUE
CHURCH

Testimony Sunday, February 26, 2023

CHAPTER-A-DAY BIBLE READING PLAN

We want to read the Bible together! Join us in following this reading plan, which you can also find on our church website at pachurch.ca/bible, on Church Connect, and in the Bible app. The full three year plan is now available on the information booth.

February 12	Genesis 28	February 27	Genesis 38
February 13	Matthew 11	February 28	Matthew 15
February 14	Genesis 29	March 1	Genesis 39
February 15	Genesis 30	March 2	Genesis 40
February 16	Matthew 12	March 3	Psalms 10-12
February 17	Genesis 31	March 4	Proverbs 3
February 18	Genesis 32	March 5	Genesis 41
February 19	Psalms 8-9	March 6	Genesis 42
February 20	Genesis 33	March 7	Matthew 16
February 21	Genesis 34	March 8	Genesis 43
February 22	Matthew 13	March 9	Genesis 44
February 23	Genesis 35	March 10	Matthew 17
February 24	Genesis 36	March 11	Genesis 45
February 25	Matthew 14	March 12	Genesis 46
February 26	Genesis 37		



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Need help filing your taxes?

Portage Avenue Church will be hosting income tax preparation clinics, starting in March. More details will be coming in the following weeks. If you have any questions and/or would like to volunteer to assist, please contact Kathy Fehr.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Caregivers of the Week: Peter & Justina Suderman

Celebration Sundays

We are excited by a number of upcoming celebrations and testimonies. This Sunday, the Kotliarov family are joining our church family and sharing their testimonies.

Next Sunday, March 5, the Anwari family will be sharing their testimonies and joining our church family. Praise God for the work he is doing in the lives of these families.

Livestream Availability Next Week - Due to the sensitive regions involved, next Sunday (March 5) the service will not be broadcast online like normal. It will not be available on our website or on Facebook. However, you can still tune in to the service at 10am using Zoom, by going to pachurch.ca/zoom

Wedding Shower for Heechan (Philip) Kim and Juhee (Judy) Yu

This morning during fellowship cafe we want to bless this young couple as they are getting married soon, but as they will be travelling to Korea and moving to Vancouver, don't want to burden them with any physical gifts. So the PAC shower fund will send them a financial donation, and we invite donations to replenish the shower fund for our next shower!

GRIEF SHARE GROUP

GriefShare seminars and support groups are led by people who understand what you are going through and want to help. You'll gain access to valuable GriefShare resources to help you recover from your loss and look forward to rebuilding your life.

Saturdays at 2:30pm, starting March 11, 2023

\$25 - Register with Pastor Jennifer ASAP

(jjchoi@pachurch.ca) or pachurch.ca/Connect

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Bean Drive Results - These are the final results for our PAC 2022/23 Dry Bean Drive held December 11, 2022 to January 8, 2023. In total, we raised \$4,249.14. With these funds, we purchased 6.237 tonnes (or 6,237 kg. or 13, 750 lbs.!) of whole yellow dry peas that were donated/delivered to Harvest Manitoba on February 17, 2023. Praise God! Thank you to all who contributed towards this project!

- Jon Dyck, for PAC's Dry Bean Drive Committee

FYI from Scott & Natalie Koop

We realize that you've not seen us very much at church these days and you may be wondering why. Scott has accepted an interim pastoral position at Mclvor Church which began February 1st, and he will be serving that congregation until the end of June, 2023. We are still very much members at Portage Avenue and intend to remain so. We covet your prayers as we navigate these waters with a church that has experienced some difficulty as of late and we also ask that you keep Mclvor Church in your prayers as well.

Job Opportunity - We have an immediate need for a part-time person to join our team in taking care of facility events and would love to meet with you! The working hours will be flexible. Please submit your resume or a letter of interest with your contact information to our church office and to Attention: Personnel.



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LOOKING FORWARD

Our leadership are looking forward to connecting with our other MB churches in our conference, as they head to Winkler on March 4 for the Mennonite Brethren Conference of Manitoba Assembly. Please be in prayer for our leaders and our conference, that they all might be filled with the Holy Spirit, and filled with discernment as they look to God's Word for guidance in important conference decisions.

Tax Filing Class in March - Portage Avenue Church will be hosting income tax preparation clinics, starting in March. We will have volunteers on hand to prepare tax returns for those with modest incomes and simple tax situations. More details will be coming in the following weeks. If you have any questions and/or would like to volunteer to assist, please contact Kathy Fehr.

New Bible Study - Sundays at 11:45am - starting March 5

We have a new Bible study that everyone is welcome to join. Don & Eileen Kroeker are facilitating this study to help provide a place where anyone can study, reflect, and discuss the Bible together. If you have questions, talk to Don or Eileen, or contact the church office. This will start on March 5, in room 14.



Starting March 5

BIBLE STUDY

Discussion, reflection, fellowship
Every Sunday at 11:45am
Join us in Room 14

PRAYER ALERT

Pray for those who are shut-in and in hospital

Bethania - Mary Witzke, Erna Friesen

Bethel Place - Agnes Pauls

Concordia Place - John E. Friesen

Concordia Village - Martha Tielmann

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

Pembina Place - Helen Doerksen

Sturgeon Creek Retirement Residence - Bertha Toews

Please pray:

- For Susanne Thiessen who has been diagnosed with cancer and is undergoing immediate treatment
- For Mclvor church and pastor Scott Koop who is taking on the role of interim pastor there as they are in a period of transition
- For Bettie Teichrieb who is awaiting an angiogram appointment
- For improved health for Ann Hildebrand
- For Anita Beers who is doing well following surgery and treatment, but is still undergoing further treatment
- For Emily Cook as she raises support to work at YFC
- For Marie Dueck as she recovers from stroke at home
- For Jim & Melanie Penner and family as Jim continues to recover from stroke at home
- For Pastor Jedidiah's mother, who is recovering from a stroke.

INTERCHURCH PRAYER VIGIL FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE

**Sunday, March 5
3:00 p.m.**

Calvary Temple
Buntain chapel

440 Hargrave street, Winnipeg
(entrance from the back parking lot)



MISSION UPDATE - Rudi Plett (ICOMB)

Prov 4, 23 - "Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it."

We know this, and teach it to our kids, in the church, in home groups, and many other places. At the same time, we do not always take time to hear and see what our heart is dreaming of, what desires pop up regularly, and what kind of thought flows when we're alone and not occupied with work or entertained.

If we think our heart needs to change, it will not happen by suppressing or ignoring the "unholy" desires. It is redeemed by Christ. I can bring all those desires to Christ without masking them. Jesus loves us the same, with or without these desires. As a valued and redeemed son or daughter, I can let the Holy Spirit heal and fill me with the desire for God. The Holy Spirit wants to lead me to a place, where I can enjoy the presence and love of Jesus, more than fighting "unholy desires".

To read the rest of this update, or to see our other mission updates, visit pachurch.ca/missions or view our mission board in the foyer



THIS WEEK

Sun. Feb 26	10:00 am	Celebration Service
	11:15 am	Fellowship Cafe & Wedding Shower
	11:45 am	Women's Bible Study
Tue. Feb 28	2:00 pm	"Stepping Up" Seniors Exercise Class
	7:00 pm	Council Meeting
Wed. Mar 1	10:00 am	Staff Meeting
	2:00 pm	Prayer Time
	5:30 pm	Korean Language Ministry
	7:30 pm	PAC Korean Worship Service
Fri. Mar 3	10:00 am	Homeschool Group
	6:00 pm	Conversational English
	7:00 pm	PAC Youth
Mar 3-4		MBCM Assembly in Winkler

NEXT WEEK

Sun. Mar 5	10:00 am	Celebration Service & Communion
	11:15 am	Fellowship Cafe
	11:45 am	Bible Studies
Tue. Mar 7	2:00 pm	"Stepping Up" Seniors Exercise Class
Wed. Mar 8	10:00 am	Staff Meeting
	2:00 pm	Prayer Time
	5:30 pm	Korean Language Ministry
	7:30 pm	PAC Korean Worship Service
March 9-26		Jeremy away on vacation
Fri. Mar 10	6:00 pm	Conversational English
Sat. Mar 11	2:30 pm	Grief Share



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