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**PORTAGE
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March 12, 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. A print out of the full three year plan is also available on the information booth.



March	1	Genesis	39	March	16	Psalms	13-15
March	2	Genesis	40	March	17	Genesis	49
March	3	Psalms	10-12	March	18	Genesis	50
March	4	Proverbs	3	March	19	Matthew	19
March	5	Genesis	41	March	20	Exodus	1
March	6	Genesis	42	March	21	Exodus	2
March	7	Matthew	16	March	22	Matthew	20
March	8	Genesis	43	March	23	Exodus	3
March	9	Genesis	44	March	24	Exodus	4
March	10	Matthew	17	March	25	Matthew	21
March	11	Genesis	45	March	26	Exodus	5
March	12	Genesis	46	March	27	Exodus	6
March	13	Matthew	18	March	28	Psalms	16-17
March	14	Genesis	47	March	29	Exodus	7
March	15	Genesis	48	March	30	Exodus	8
				March	31	Matthew	22




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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Caregivers of the Week: Frank & Anni Duerksen

Guest Speaker Pierre Gilbert

There will be a special celebration following the service today during Fellowship Cafe to celebrate Pierre's retirement as a long standing professor in our conference.

Bible Study - Gospel of Mark - 11:45am

Everyone is invited to come. If you have any questions, talk to Don or Eileen, or contact the church office. It is happening in Room 14, just past the office and mailboxes.

Vacation - Jeremy is on vacation March 9th to 26th.

Men's Breakfast - the next Men's Breakfast will be March 25 at 9am at the Viscount Gort Hotel.

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.

Knit & Knead

*Ladies Fellowship
and Mentoring*



*All ages are invited!
Bring your friends,
your favourite craft,
some lunch,
and let's visit together*

**Saturday,
March 18, 2023
10:00am**

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Knit & Knead

The next Knit & Knead (Women's Fellowship) is Saturday, March 18, at 10am.

Slavic Fellowship - Saturday, March 18

A new Slavic Fellowship group will be starting up this coming Saturday here at 6pm in the Youth Room downstairs. For more information please contact Alex Nezvesciuc.

Tax Filing Service in March

We will soon be hosting income tax preparation clinics. We will have volunteers on hand to prepare tax returns for those with modest incomes and simple tax situations. If you have any questions and/or would like to volunteer to assist, please contact Kathy Fehr.

Grief Share

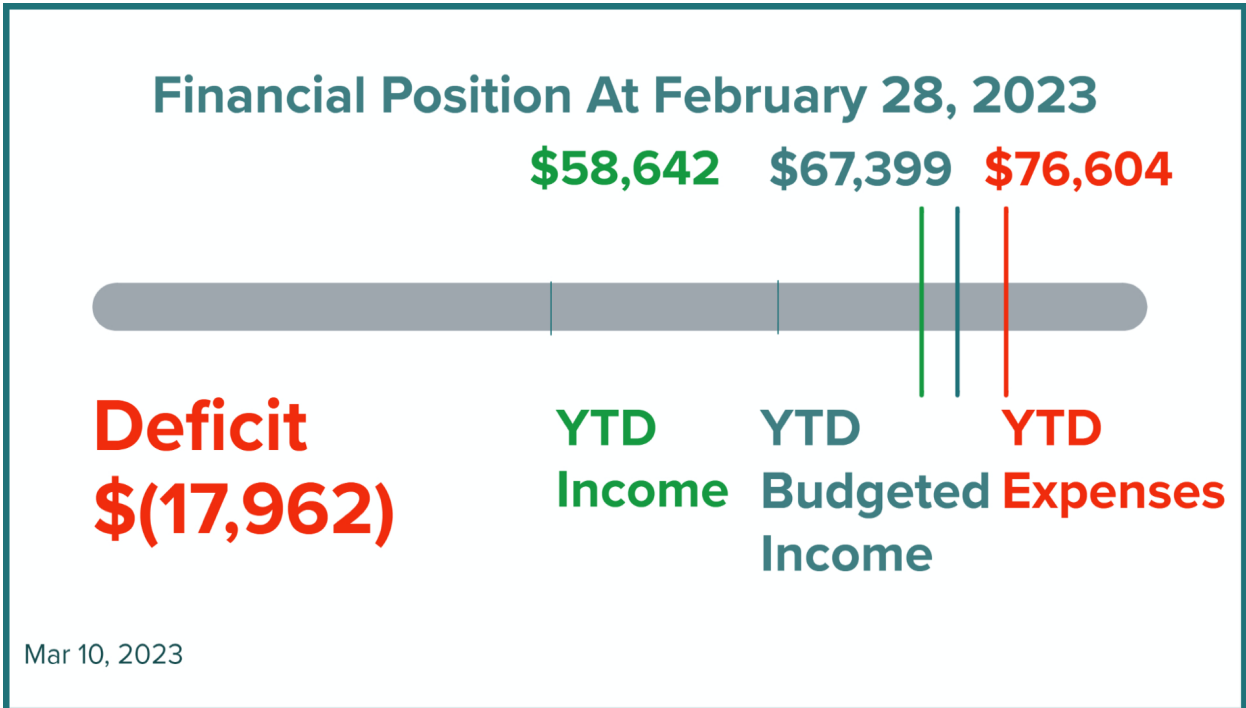
Our Grief Share ministry started up on Sat (11th) at 2:30pm in the Youth Room. If you would like to join you can sign up on Connect or speak to Pastor Jennifer. The cost is \$25 for a workbook.

Bible Studies Happening Today @ 11:45am!

Young Adults Bible Study - youth room

Women's Bible Study - chapel

Gospel of Mark Bible Study - room 14



LOOKING FORWARD

We're excited to share that our church now has unlimited access to RightNow Media—the world's largest streaming library of video Bible study resources. This extensive library has more than 20,000 videos that can be used as part of a group study or for personal devotions, and many series include free discussion guides and handouts.

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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

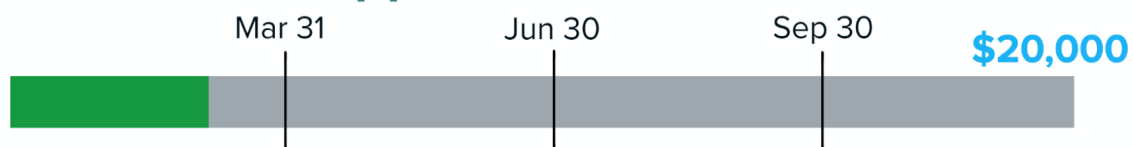
Pembina Place - Helen Doerksen

Sturgeon Creek Retirement Residence - Bertha Toews

Please pray:

- For Bettie Teichrieb who has the heart procedure scheduled for Mar 22
- 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 improved health for Ann Hildebrand
- 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.

Missions Support As Of March 9, 2023



PAC Missionaries: 1st Quarter shortfall \$1,425



Refugee Fund: shortfall \$15,393

Total Mission Income Received \$21,246

Refugee Ministry Update - March 2023

As you heard last week, the Anwari family, sponsored by our church, arrived in Winnipeg just before Christmas. Now he has an excellent job, his children are in school and doing well, and he told us a few days ago that from March 1st he won't need any more financial support from PAC.

Now we are expecting two more families. Since they will still be in danger until they step on the plane going to Canada, we won't use their real names. The next family we are expecting to come is a couple, husband and wife, Adam and Eve. Then there is another family coming: the father, who we will call Benjamin, together with his wife and three children. Both families are Afghan Christians.

Now we need donations to support both families when they arrive - we have an obligation to support them for a full year, if they don't become self-supporting before the year is out. As you know, we have a Refugee Fund. We will be setting up a separate account for each family to track all financial activities.

Adam and Eve will require a total of \$21,800 to support them for a full year. Benjamin and his family will require more than this. Our immediate target is to raise \$21,800, so that we can be confident of supporting the family without dipping into the legacy funds (we can only spend these funds once!). Portage Avenue Church has an enviable record of meeting our refugee's needs without dipping into reserves, and we hope we can keep this up. So we are appealing for donations from the congregation.

Please designate your donations for the Refugee Fund. All donations will be receipted.

We will give you a regular update until we meet the required sum. Currently, we are only asking for money. Later we will ask for practical help and specific household items.

The Lord has blessed this ministry and we pray that we remain faithful.

THIS WEEK

	Jeremy away March 9 - 26
Sun. Mar 12	10:00 am Worship Service
	11:15 am Fellowship Cafe - Celebration!
	11:45 am Bible Studies
	12:00 pm PAC Korean Fellowship
Tue. Mar 14	2:00 pm "Stepping Up" Seniors Exercise Class
Wed. Mar 15	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 17	6:00 pm Conversational English
	7:00 pm PAC Youth
Sat. Mar 18	10:00 am Knit & Knead
	2:30 pm Grief Share
	6:00 pm Slavic Fellowship

NEXT WEEK

Sun. Mar 19	10:00 am Worship Service
	11:15 am Fellowship Cafe
	11:45 am Bible Studies
Tue. Mar 21	2:00 pm "Stepping Up" Seniors Exercise Class
	6:30 pm Homeschool Musical (everyone invited)
Wed. Mar 22	10:00 am Staff Meeting
	2:30 pm Prayer Time
	5:30 pm Korean Language Ministry
	7:30 pm PAC Korean Worship Service
Fri. Mar 24	6:00 pm Conversational English
Sat. Mar 25	9:00 am Men's Breakfast (Viscount Gort)
	2:30 pm Grief Share



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