

g GRACE CHURCH

Bi-Weekly E-Newsletter



From the Lead Team

I went biking around Morden Lake with a friend today and we had such a great time! At one point I looked out over the lake and was reminded of how beautiful it is, and more importantly, how far we've come. When I first started riding on the lake trail (a few years ago), it was really hard, there were many up-hills on the trail I couldn't climb - either because I wasn't strong enough, or because I didn't have the right technique - and I would get off my bike and walk it to the top. Now I rarely need to get off my bike, usually I can make it to the top of the climbs and don't need to stop for breaks.

1 Sam 7:12 says "Samuel took a stone and set it up between Mizpah and Shen. He named it Ebenezer, saying, 'Thus far the LORD has helped us.'"

I think it's important to look back at how far God has brought us, to celebrate the victories over sin, God's faithfulness in times of trouble, and His provision in time of need.

Samuel set up an Ebenezer stone, a reminder of how God helped them.

I recently had coffee with a friend and he asked me to share some details of a situation I'd been in and how I'd seen God's provision. It had been a particularly difficult time, but as I shared story after story of how God provided for us, either through friends or family, or through believers who we didn't even know, I had to smile at God's goodness, and it was good to look back and reflect on His care.

I'd encourage you to take some time this week to

look back on God's faithfulness in your own life, and if you have opportunity, share it with someone, or ask how God has helped them thus far.

- Walter Friesen

Fall KickOff
Sept 15

Sunday School Resumes
Lunch - catered by The Bunker
Inflatables, Barrel Train
Everyone is welcome!

Sunday Morning Coffee Fellowship



Resuming Sept 15, every Sunday we provide coffee, tea and snacks from 9:30-10:30 in our Fellowship Hall. We are looking for a few more people to join our team to provide the snacks, set up and clean up. If this is something that might interest you, please contact Wendy for more information.

Lead Team Announcement

Hello Grace church. I, John Neufeld, have decided that my time spent on the lead team has come to an end. I want to thank everyone for their prayers for the lead team. Please continue to pray for the lead team and the work that the Lord is doing among us. Dave Hildebrand will be new Lead Team chair.

- John Neufeld

GRACE YOUTH

Hey Youth!

Hope you all had a great summer. We are excited for the year to start!

Soft Kick Off Week:

- Jr. Youth (Sept 9) - 7:00-9:00
- Sr. Youth (Sept 11) - 7:30-9:30

Kick Off Events:

- Jr. Youth:
 - Sept 16 - Activate. More info to come
- Sr. Youth
 - Sept 18 - Flying Squirrel. More info to come

If you are interested in helping out with youth ministry, we have a couple spots still open. Talk to Brad. ☺

As always, if you have any questions, please ask :)

Blessings,
Pastor Brad

Sunday School

September is upon us, and that means we are getting closer to the start of Sunday School! We are looking forward to welcoming everyone back on Sunday, Sept 15th at 9:30am. We have classes for ages 3 through Grade 12, so if you have a child(ren) that you would like to register feel free to grab a registration form from the Welcome Center or come on kick off morning and we will have the forms there. The K-12 classes will continue on our journey through the Bible with the Answers in Genesis curriculum. We look forward to learning and growing alongside the Israelites as they make their way towards the Promise Land!

We are still in need of some people to listen to verses from 9:20-9:40am. We are hoping for this to be a once a month commitment. If you have any questions about listening to verses, or Sunday School in general please don't hesitate to send us an email!

The Sunday School Team

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Jodi Wiebe- jodimwiebe@gmail.com

Staff Holidays

- Pastor Sean will be out of the office until September 24th. He will be speaking on September 15 & 22.

Adult Bible Study

Adult Bible study will resume on Tuesday, October 8 at 7pm, continuing our study in the book of Nehemiah.



Ladies' Breakfast
9 am | 2nd Thursday
every month
Buttercup Cafe

welcome
little one



Congratulations to Darrin & Jocelyn Rempel on the birth of their son, Kai Luke, on August 15th. Kai was 8lb 6oz and 21 ½".

Prayer and Praise

Pray for our shut-ins and those with on-going health issues:

At Home:

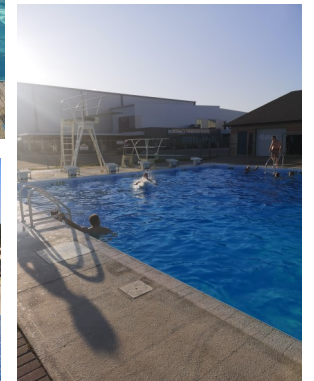
- Marie Klassen
- Katherine Krahn
- Marie Brown
- Anne Enns
- Marilyn Hildebrand
- Marian Harder
- Allan Derksen
- Helene Kuhl
- Walter Siemens
- Agnes Giesbrecht
- Guenter Strempler
- Helen Loeppky
- Margaret Ayala
- Linda Jenkins
- Irene Hildebrand
- Gladys Wiebe
- Dennis Wiebe
- Alexander Sauer

In Swan Lake: Elva Hildebrand

At Salem Home: Mary Friesen

Grace Pool Party

We had a great evening of fun at our annual pool party on August 12th.



Mission Focus



ATTENTION - Summer Camp

Workers - If you worked at camp this summer you are eligible to receive a salary top-up from Grace Church. All you need to do is go to Resources on the Grace Church



PVBC
PEMBINA VALLEY BIBLE CAMP

Website and click on financial assistance forms. There are 3 types of application there. Choose Camp Worker and fill it out. Then hand it in either electronically or a paper copy to the church office or missions mailbox or you may email Renee at rjklass@gmail.com. Please have completed forms in by Sunday September 15th by midnight.



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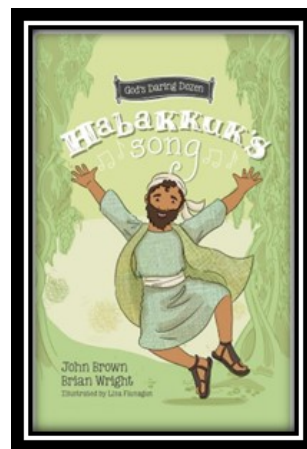
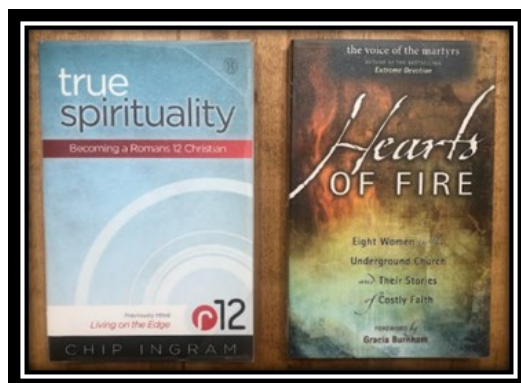
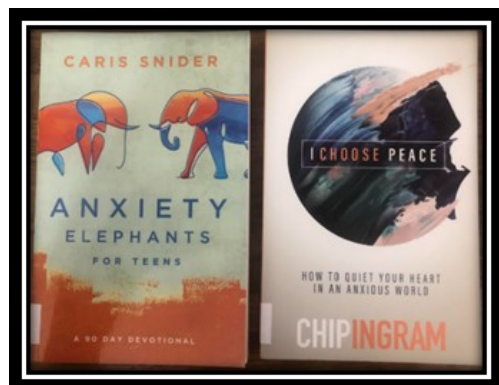
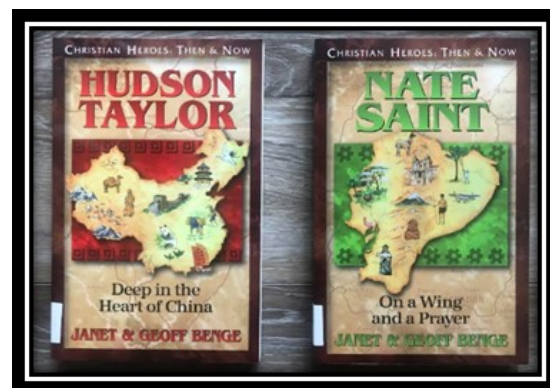
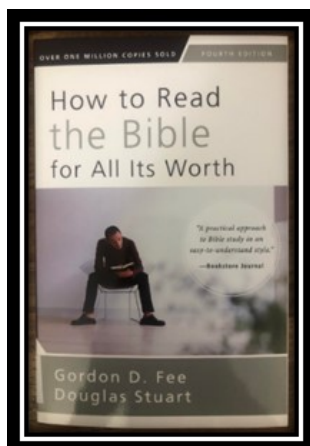
- After hearing the youth missions report, if you are interested in being part of this on-going work, here is your opportunity. There is a team going February 13 - 23. For more information, contact James Klassen 325-5029 or at rjklass@gmail.com.

From the Library

We have purchased several new fiction and non-fiction books for all ages!

Come check them out!

Some of our new books:



The library is open every Sunday from 10:15-10:45.

A sign-out sheet is available if you come after hours.



Community Events

CRUISE FOR HOPE
IN SUPPORT OF PEMBINA COUNSELLING CENTRE

START: ALTONA | PIT STOP: WINKLER | FINISH: STARDUST DRIVE-IN THEATRE IN MORDEN

SEPTEMBER 21ST

SCAN FOR DETAILS

Pembina Counselling Centre

Fundraiser for Winkler Bible Camp

CAR SHOW

SEPTEMBER 8 | 12:00-4:00

Presented by **CRUIZ FOR KIDZ** and **WINKLER BIBLE CAMP**

Join us for a Car Show Fundraiser on Sept 8th from 12 pm - 4 pm! There will be a collection of classic (and some not-so-classic) vehicles, food for purchase and kids activities available including Gaga, Carpet Ball and Connect 4.

All proceeds will go towards sending kids to Summer Camp! This event is presented by Cruiz for Kidz and Winkler Bible Camp.

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HEAD FOR THE HILLS

14 SEPT

Cripple Creek Music Festival Site
8:00 am to 1:30 pm
BBQ lunch and prize giveaway to follow

Interested in riding and raising funds for mental health? Follow these steps:

1. Scan the QR code or call 204-325-5355 to register as an individual or team.
2. Gather pledges for yourself or your team.
3. Choose either the gravel or trail route.
4. Join us on September 14 and ride in support of mental health in southern Manitoba.

Ride to raise funds for mental health

CALL 204-325-5355 TO REGISTER

Join us for Pembina Valley Bible Camp's 25th Annual Ride-A-Thon!

- Friday, Sept 13: Horse Clinics (*advanced registration required*)
- Saturday, Sept 14: Trail Ride (*advanced registration required*)
- Sunday, Sept 15: Cowboy Church Service (*open to the public*) & Fundraiser Pig-Roast Lunch

Support a great cause! All proceeds from the weekend will benefit PVBC's Barn Renovation Project. For more info and to register, visit pembinavalleybiblecamp.com. Mark your calendars and register now for Friday and Saturday's events!

Katie Cares 11th Annual

CELEBRATION OF LIFE FASHION SHOW

September 28, 2024 @6:30pm
Meridian Exhibition Centre
1045 Grandeur Ave, Winkler

\$75 per ticket \$50 tax receipt
\$600 per table \$400 tax receipt

Tickets on sale August 15 @9am in person at Katie's Cottage or call 204-312-8445 or 204-362-1173

Special Thanks to our Title Sponsors:

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Winkler Family RESOURCE CENTRE

CHILDMINDERS NEEDED

Support local families, and cuddle babies at the same time!

- Weekdays, 9:30am-11am
- Honorarium Provided

WANT MORE INFO? email director@wfrcc