Missions Update

From Alexander and Natasha Velichkin

Natasha has returned to her hometown, Kiev, to see how the Lord might want to use them in ministry to the refugees. They wanted to meet with those involved in the refugee ministry, but also



to connect with friends and contacts from the time they lived in Kiev. (Before they were expelled from their country.)

The Lord has given some very special opportunities for her to connect with four unsaved elderly people that she knew in the past. Please pray for Alexandra, Wladislav, Vera and Esther as Natasha has been able to share the gospel with them and continues to dialogue with them.

It is very special to see how the Lord is using our sister Natasha to reach those people who knew her during the years of persecution. Please pray for God's wisdom as she shares the Gospel of Christ with all those the Lord places on her path.

The concern for world evangelization is not something tacked on to a man's personal Christianity, which he may take or leave as he chooses. It is rooted in the character of the God who has come to us in Christ Jesus. Thus, it can never be the province of a few enthusiasts, a sideline or a specialty of those who happen to have a bent that way. It is the distinctive mark of being a Christian. — James Stewart

Staff:

Lead Pastor – Tim Beerman Assistant Pastor – Gerry Benn Worship Director – Paul Elliott Office Administrator – Danielle Pollnow Custodian – Dave and Stephanie Nickel Bookkeeper – Barbara Gorman

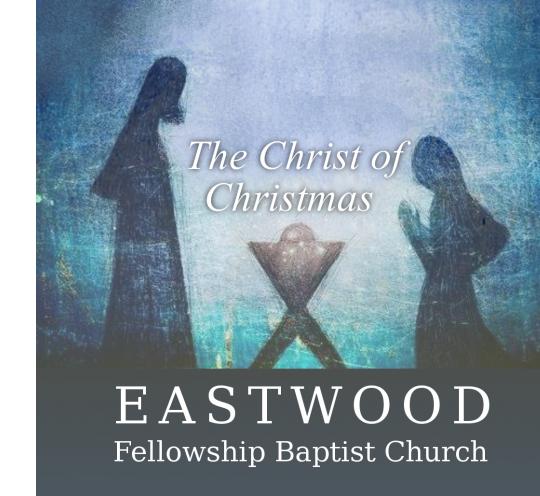
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Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 8:30am - 3:00pm



Sunday, December 13th, 2015

Sunday Morning - 10:45am
Pastor Tim
"The Christ of Christmas: Jesus the Light
That Shines" John 1:4-13

Sunday Evening - 6:00pm Growth Groups **Welcome!** We are delighted you have come to worship with us today. Our prayer is that you would experience God's presence and leave with renewed hope and joy. We would appreciate having a record of your visit so please complete the grey welcome card in the pew rack. You can place it on the offering plate or hand it in to the Welcome Centre in the foyer.

This Week at Eastwood:

Tuesday:

9:30am – Women of Power / Men's Bible Study (Studying Luke and his writings) 1:00pm – Staff Meeting

Wednesday:

7:00pm-Sr. High Bible Study (In the MEZZ – come in through the back doors) 8:30pm-Men's Basketball

Thursday:

10:00am - Prayer Meeting / Bible Study

6:30pm – Jr. High Epic Christmas Party! Christmas games, snacks and a gift exchange. (Bring a gag gift for the gift exchange)

Saturday:

9:00am - Worship Team Practice

9:00am - Clothing Cupboard

5:00pm – Sr. High Ugly Festive Christmas Party. Christmas dinner, games and gift exchange at the Pollnows. Prize for the ugliest sweater! (129 Manor Road)

Sunday:

9:30am - Sunday School (Classes for all ages)

10:45am - Morning Worship Service

6:00pm - Growth Groups

Prayer Concerns

If you have a need that you would like our prayer teams to be praying for, please contact Vern and Phyllis Peterson (519-631-4987).

<u>Health Needs</u>: Sandy and George Clarke, Bill Dean, Coby Fondse, Ruth Fowler, Cindy Glen, Tammy Knowlton, Verlyn McQuiggan, Henry Patrick, Barbara Ramshall, Glen Rice, Colton Somerville, Cassie Stafford, Barb and Keith Vernum, Sandra Wallman, David Winder, Alex and Grace Wood.

<u>Shut-Ins</u>: Walt Carter, Doreen Martin, Vonne Mannering, Ferne Jameson, Anna Mae Barrett, Iva Baker, Lorna Shaw, Mary Alice Vezina and Vi McLorn.

Just a short note to thank you for your prayers, cards, phone calls, love and support. It has been encouraging for us to have so many Christian friends. I am feeling much better now.

With Christian Love, Floyd Brown

Adult Ministry:

Sunday School – two new adult classes will begin December 13th. "The Life of David" taught by Pastor Gerry and Jason Keillor as well as "Unlocking the Mysteries of Genesis" taught by David Pentz and Roy Orchard.

Men's Ministry. Weekly Bible study kicking off Saturday, February 6th. Men will gather weekly @ 7:00am on Saturday morning and will study the "33 Series". Please sign up at the welcome center if you are planning on attending.

Other Announcements:

Staff Christmas Gift. It's that time of year again where we like to bless our church staff with a special Christmas gift. If you would like to contribute towards that, please see Al Birt, Vince Wallman or Jason Keillor.

Christmas Eve Service: Thursday, December 24th at 6:00pm.

There will be **no Sunday School** on December 27th or January 3rd.

Stamps for Christian Literature. Bring in your stamps (as they come on your mail) and drop them in the box under the mail folders.

Angel Tree Prison Fellowship. Once again we have the opportunity to partner with Angel Tree ministries and provide gifts for children who have a parent in jail this Christmas. We have three children this year that we are taking care of. Please contact Danielle in the office if you would like to be involved.

Church Membership

We look forward to welcoming Vicki Hougton and Rob & Sarah Singleton into membership at our next Lord's table on Sunday, January 3rd. Please take time to introduce yourself and get to know Vicki, Rob and Sarah. Any concerns about this may be forwarded to Jason Keillor, the Chair of the Elders.

Eastwood Housing News

Congratulations to Greg Young on his retirement on December 31, 2015 after 22 years of dedicated service to Eastwood Housing. If you wish to contribute to a retirement gift for Greg please contact Jon McCurry or Judy Verbeek. Congratulations Greg and we pray God's richest blessing upon you as you begin this new adventure in your life.

Financial Update:

December 6th \$ 12,074.55 Fall Campaign to Date \$ 5,400.00

Although the fall campaign has come to an end you can still donate towards the goal of \$15,000 for a new church sign.