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CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAM

PASTORAL STAFF

Senior Pastor, Dr. John Oakes

Tel: 604-779-2356 (cell); Email: seniorpastor@rockofhelp.com (Pastor John is available for pastoral counselling and visitation by appointment. His days off are Monday and one other day.)

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Ebenezer Baptist Church

Winning and building passionate, life-long followers of Jesus Christ

Sunday, July 22nd, 2018



"I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the Lord have spoken, and I have done it, declares the Lord."

(Ezekiel 37:14)

10:30 a.m. Worship "Can These Bones Live?" (Ezekiel 37:1-14) Dr. George Sears

WORSHIP CELEBRATION Ebenezer Baptist Church

July 22nd, 2018, 10:30 a.m.

We Gather as a Community

Welcome and Call to Worship

Hymn #20: Revive Us Again

Prayer and Greetings

We Worship in Spirit and in Truth

Songs of Praise and Worship

Children's Focus

Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

God Speaks to Us through His Word

Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Song: Holy Spirit

Message: "Can These Bones Live?" — Dr. George Sears

We Respond and Go Forth to Serve

Song: In Christ Alone

Benediction

You are invited to join us for refreshments in the Narthex immediately after the service.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

<u>Monday</u>



Marijana Čizmanski, National Missionary, Serbia working alongside Ron and Jeannie Seck in the development of Community Health Evangelism ministries in Serbia. Marijana has a background in hospice care and social services, both of which have helped shape her love for those in great need. Next month, in partnership with Proclaim International, Marijana and her

team will be holding a local fiesta in Bačko Gradište to allow the villagers to get to know them and for the team to bring a little fun to the village. Pray for this event, as well as for all of the connections Marijana and her team continue to make.

<u>Tuesday</u>

We intercede for our neighbourhood and for all who live and work in South Vancouver. We thank God for the connections we were able to make through VBS. We ask God's help and guidance to serve and reach out to our neighbours.

Wednesday

We thank God for blessing our church and our community with VBS and Youth Week. We give thanks for all the volunteers that made these weeks possible. We pray for God's continued work in each of the children and youth that attended.

Thursday

On our BC Baptist Association prayer list this week, we remember Sunshine Ridge Baptist Church. Pray for Lead Pastor Tim Doling, Associate Pastor Mark Frogley, Youth Director Grant Kirlik and the church leadership. Pray for this family of servant missionaries making disciples of Jesus in Surrey, North Delta and beyond.

Friday

We pray for our Senior Pastor, Music Director, Family Ministries Coordinator, Elders, Deacons, other staff and leaders. May they know the presence, enabling and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

<u>Saturday</u>

We pray for our sick, shut-ins and bereaved, and for all who care for them. May they find healing and wholeness, comfort and peace, in Christ.

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