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1:30–5:30 p.m., Tues
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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.)

Director of Music, Grant Gwynn

BOARD OF DEACONS

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Ebenezer Baptist Church

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

Sunday, August 12th, 2018



"When the disciples saw Jesus walking on the lake, they were terrified. 'It's a ghost,' they said, and cried out in fear. But Jesus immediately said to them: 'Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid.'"
(Matthew 14:26–27)

10:30 a.m. Communion
""Walking by Faith""
(Matthew 14:22–33)
Dr. John Oakes

WORSHIP CELEBRATION
Ebenezer Baptist Church
 August 12th, 2018, 10:30 a.m.

We Gather as a Community

Welcome and Call to Worship
 Hymn #319: *Blessed Assurance*
 Prayer & Greeting

We Worship in Spirit and in Truth

Songs of Praise and Worship
 Children's Focus
 Announcements
 Pastoral Prayer
 Offertory Song: *Take My Life and Let It Be*

God Speaks to Us through His Word

Reading: Matthew 14:22-33
 Message: "Walking by Faith"

We Respond and Go Forth to Serve

Hymn #321: *It Is Well with My Soul*
 Benediction
You are invited to join us for refreshments in the narthex immediately after the service.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Monday



Antonio Lopez, Field Coordinator, Hispanics for Christ, Calgary, Alberta. Antonio currently leads a Hispanic congregation at South Calgary Community Church, reaching the burgeoning Hispanic community there. The mission of the church is to make disciples for Jesus Christ, extend the Kingdom of God through evangelism, and plant Spanish-speaking churches, training leaders and pastors for them. We pray for Antonio and his wife, Yanet, and their ministry in Calgary through Hispanics for Christ.

Tuesday

We intercede for our neighbourhood and for all who live and work in South Vancouver. We thank God for the opportunities we have to serve and reach out to them and we ask God's help and guidance to do so more effectively.

Wednesday

We pray for the Elders as they seek a new staff member to become Youth and Family Ministries Coordinator, as God leads.

Thursday

On our BC Baptist Association (NAB) prayer list this week, we remember Executive Minister, Bob Krahn, together with his wife Dawn and their family. As we give thanks for their membership at Ebenezer and for Bob's wider work in the Association, we ask God's continued provision for and blessing on his ministry and pastoral care for member churches.

Friday

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

Saturday

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.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank You!

Our **sincere thanks** to our church family for the beautiful orchid bouquet and your kind wishes **on our 50th Anniversary**. *John & Sharon Iseli*

Challengers Outing

On TUESDAY, August 14, 11:30 a.m, **Challengers (55+)** are **invited to meet at the church** to go for a **special Chinese luncheon** being organized at the Flamingo Restaurant, 1652 S.E. Marine Drive, Vancouver.

Outdoor Service and Picnic

Weather permitting, we'll be holding another **outdoor service in the courtyard off 53rd Avenue on Sunday, August 26, at 10:30 a.m.** We're also **inviting folks to bring their own lunch**, so that we can **stay for a church picnic outside**. Tea, coffee, soft drinks and other light refreshments will be provided.

New Bible Studies

We plan to launch a few **new Bible studies in the Fall**, beginning with a brief series of gatherings for study leaders. **Please see Pastor John if you'd be interested in leading a new group.**

Temporary Housing

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Youth and Family Ministries Coordinator Search

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Fall Membership Class

If you're interested in attending a **Saturday morning church membership class in the Fall**, please contact **Pastor John**.

BSF Invitation

Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) class is hosted at our church **every Tuesday morning, 9:30–11:00 a.m., starting September 11**. This year's study is a new Old Testament course called "People of the Promised Land." **All women are invited**. There is a pre-school programme for children between 0–5 years of age. So moms and grandmas are especially invited to come.

REGULAR MID-WEEK PROGRAMMES

Challengers and **UPLIFT** on Wednesdays and **Choir** on Thursdays and Sundays will resume in **September**.

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THIS MORNING

Greeters

Our greeters for August are Regino and Rhea Cabang

Prayer Partners during the Worship Service

August 19: Doug Reichert; Diana Reichert

Nursery (*Located near the ramp on the north side*).

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Noah's Place (2-4 yrs); Children K–Grade 6; Youth Sunday School
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