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Church Office Hours:
9:30 am–5:30 p.m., Wed & Fri

CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAM

PASTORAL STAFF

Senior Pastor, Dr. John Oakes

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(Pastor John is available for pastoral counselling and visitation by appointment. His weekdays off are Monday and one other day.)

Director of Music, Grant Gwynn

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Ebenezer Baptist Church

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

Sunday, November 11th, 2018



"If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be given you. This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples." (John 15:7–8)

10:30 a.m. Worship
"The True Vine"
(John 15:1–17)
Dr. John Oakes

WORSHIP CELEBRATION
Ebenezer Baptist Church
November 11th, 2018, 10:30 a.m.

Gathering of the Community

Welcome and Call to Worship

Hymn: *O Canada*

Remembrance Sunday Silence

Choir: *God's Faithfulness Medley*

Prayer and Greeting

Worship and Word

Songs of Praise

Children's Focus

Reading: John 15:1-17

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Hymn #449: *Take My Life and Let It Be*

Message: "The True Vine"

Response and Dismissal

Songs of Response

Announcements

Hymn #478: *Abide with Me*

Benediction

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

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Monday



Kristi TenClay, NAB Missionary, Cameroon. Kristi teaches missionary kids and international students at Rain Forest International School in Yaoundé. For the past two years, Cameroon has been in the midst of political unrest, mostly in the English-speaking areas of the country. Yaoundé is one of the safer areas, which means families have relocated there to escape the unrest. Many have applied to have their children attend the school. We pray for additional teachers because of the increase in students but also due to a number who are nearing retirement age. We keep the nation of Cameroon in our prayers as well.

Tuesday

We pray 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 lift up the preparations for our next semi-annual general (business) meeting on November 18. As we move towards approving a new budget for 2019 and making necessary changes to our Constitution and Bylaws, we pray that God will guide and empower, bless and uphold all our members, as we work together to become an ever more fruitful and outward-looking community.

Thursday

On our NAB prayer list this week, we remember Senior Pastor Wayne Alguire, Executive Pastor Darcy Smith, Teaching Pastor Tim Schroeder, all the other staff, leaders and people of the largest NAB congregation in Canada, Trinity Church, Kelowna. As they pursue Jesus' calling "to make a difference" and to "represent [him] in every culture," we ask God's continued provision for and blessing on their ministries and outreach.

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.

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REGULAR MID-WEEK PROGRAMMES

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