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### CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAM

#### PASTORAL STAFF

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## Ebenezer Baptist Church

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

**Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019**



*"Then Peter said, "Ananias, how is it that Satan has so filled your heart that you have lied to the Holy Spirit and have kept for yourself some of the money you received for the land? Didn't it belong to you before it was sold? And after it was sold, wasn't the money at your disposal? . . . You have not lied to [us] but to God."  
(Acts 5:3-4)*

**10:30 a.m. Worship**  
**"Ananias and Sapphira"**  
**(Acts 5:1-11)**  
**Dr. John Oakes**

**WORSHIP CELEBRATION**  
**Ebenezer Baptist Church**  
**March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019, 10:30 a.m.**

**Gathering of the Community**

Welcome and Call to Worship

Hymn #48: *Come, Thou Almighty King*

Prayer and Greeting

**Worship and Word**

Songs of Praise

Children's Focus

Reading: Acts 5:1-16

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Hymn: *Before the Throne of God*

Message: "Ananias and Sapphira" (Dr. John Oakes)

**Response and Dismissal**

Songs of Response

Announcements

Hymn: *By Faith*

Benediction

***You are invited to join us for refreshments in the Narthex immediately after the service. If you would like prayer after the service, please go to the front row and someone will pray for you.***

**PRAYER AND PRAISE**

Monday



**Ken MacDonald, Southwest Community Church in Edmonton, Alberta.** SWCC is the first church plant out of Terwillegar Community Church. Both churches are led by Ken, who commutes from Terwillegar to Southwest between services in order to preach at both. Southwest has experienced strong growth. Every Sunday, a lunch is served after the worship service, allowing people time to get to know one another. We pray for effective connections with the community and that everyone who calls Southwest home would be involved in a Life Group.

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.

Wednesday

We lift up all our prayer ministries at Ebenezer, including the Prayer Chain, led by Sharon Iseli and Freda Ross, those who meet to pray regularly before and during our Sunday worship services, our monthly congregational prayer meetings, and all who pray privately and in groups for the needs of our church and our world. We especially lift up our 40 Days of Prayer for Lent and our Prayer and Dessert Night on Friday, April 12. May God bless us as we reach out to him and may God use our prayers for the extension of his Kingdom.

Thursday

On our BC Association of NAB prayer list this week, we pray for Senior Pastor Jacob John, the other leaders, house churches and people of our neighbouring congregation, Acts 29, based at 6075 Inverness Street, Vancouver. We ask God's continuing provision and empowerment for them on them as they pursue their mission "to equip people, to disciple nations, one life at a time."

Friday

We lift up our Senior Pastor, Music Director, Elders, Deacons, other staff and leaders. May they know the presence, enabling and guidance of the Holy Spirit, especially during this busy season in the church year.

Saturday

We pray for our sick, shut-ins and bereaved, and for all who care for them. We especially remember Ebenezer members who can no longer attend regularly for health reasons, including Eugenie, Irene, Daralee, Jose and Elena, Pearl, and Sylvia. May they find healing and wholeness, comfort and peace, in Christ.

**If you would like prayer for any person or reason, please contact Pastor John, Sharon Iseli (604-244-1636), or Freda Ross (604-326-5123). We can pray for folks publicly by name during the Pastoral Prayer and/or list them in the Sunday bulletin, as well as through the Prayer Chain.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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