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Fall Alpha

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 days 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 10th, 2019



“The Pharisees said to [Jesus], ‘Look, why are [the disciples] doing what is unlawful on the Sabbath?’ . . . Then he said to them, ‘The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. So the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath.’”

(Mark 2:24, 27–28)

10:30 a.m. Worship
 “Lord of the Sabbath”
 (Mark 2:23–28)
 Dr. John Oakes

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Ebenezer Baptist Church
November 10th, 2019, 10:30 am

Gathering of the Community

Welcome and Call to Worship

Opening Hymn #244: *At the Name of Jesus*

Remembrance Sunday Moment of Silence

Prayer and Greeting

Worship and Word

Songs of Praise

Children's Focus

Reading: Mark 2:23–28

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Song: *Still* (R. Morgan)

Message: "Lord of the Sabbath" (Dr. John Oakes)

Response and Dismissal

Song(s) of Response

Announcements

Closing Hymn #243: *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

Benediction

All are invited to join us for refreshments in the narthex immediately after today's service.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Monday



John Cassidy, Hope Community Church, Antelope, California which launched in March of this year. They have baptized 15 people, and there are currently ten mid-week community groups, including one co-led by one of the recently baptized. Hope Community desires to partner with a local elementary school and we pray that God would open doors for healthy relationships to form and grow. We also lift up their developing leaders, together with the Cassidy family themselves: John, Sarah, Mason, and Cameron.

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

We pray for the whole community of Ebenezer that we may grow in grace and unity, working as one body to glorify God, edify one another, and share the good news of the gospel wherever we have opportunity in pursuit of our shared mission to "win and build passionate, life-long followers of Jesus Christ."

Thursday

On our BC Baptist Association (NAB) Prayer Calendar, we remember our own members, BCBA Executive Minister, Bob Krahn and his wife Dawn. As Bob works with members of the Executive Council, Rev. Matt Dressler (Modertor), Rev. Harry Bicknell, Andre Deepwell, Rev. Tim Doling, and Dr. Ken Klassen, we ask for God's continuing direction, equipping and provision, as they pursue their mission of "transforming communities through healthy, Christ-centred churches that reach the lost for Jesus, develop godly leaders and multiply ministries around the world."

Friday

We lift up all our staff, as we approach the busy seasons of Advent and Christmas. May they know the presence, enabling and direction of the Holy Spirit.

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 John & Frieda Hait, Doug & Diane Reichert, Eugenie Krause, Irene Maas, Daralee Richmond, Jose and Elena Ronsano, Pearl Weiss, and Sylvia Schmuland. May they find healing and wholeness, comfort and peace, in Christ.

If you would like prayer for any person or reason, please contact the church office or Freda Ross (604-326-5123). We can pray for folks publicly during the Pastoral Prayer and/or list them in the Sunday bulletin, as well as through the Prayer Chain.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Meeting—November 24

All members are invited to attend our next semi-annual general (business) meeting on Sunday, November 24 after the Sunday service in the Lower Auditorium. The main item on the agenda: **to approve a 2020 budget.**

Fall Alpha

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Ebenezer Chess Club

The Ebenezer Chess Club meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in November **from 7:00–9:00 p.m. in Room 3B.** Meetings are bi-monthly. **Contact Simon Chan** for details (simon.chan7@gmail.com).

Congregational Prayer Meeting

Our **next congregational prayer meeting** will be on Saturday, **November 16, 10–11:00 a.m., in the Parlour.** All are warmly invited!

Youth and Youth Leaders' Conference

The youth and youth leaders' conference "Awakening" will be at Glad Tidings Church, 3456 Fraser St., Vancouver, November 22–23. Cost is \$50 on the **eventbrite website** and sponsorships are available. **Please contact Amos Bohoussou for more info.**

Family Ministries Ice Skating

The **next Family Ministries event is on Sunday December 1, 2:00 p.m.–4:15 p.m. Ice skating at Sunset Rink, 390 East 51st Avenue, Vancouver.** The **cost for a single entrance fee and skates** will be **\$10–\$12**, depending on age. The **family rate for skating is \$3.20 per person, whether adult or child over 5.** Toddlers 4 years and under are free. **Children under 7 must be accompanied by an adult 16 or older.** Please **sign up at the Welcome Centre.**

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

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