

Thursday We lift up Lead Pastor Lyle Anderson, the other staff, leaders and people of The Grove Church in Langley. May God bless them and their ministries, as they pursue their mission to “develop and nurture committed, active followers of Christ.”

Friday We pray for wisdom for our leaders and staff as they make decisions and lead the ministries of our church during a time of transition and change.

Saturday We continue to pray for those who are sick, shut-in and bereaved, and for all who care for them. We especially remember: Elsie Baum, Russ and Rita Crossley, Bekele Gebreab, John & Frieda Hait, Lavina Hait, Ileen Konnert, Irene Maas, Diana Reichert, Margaret Ronsano’s parents, Rosie and Miguel, Jose and Elena Ronsano, Rick and Carol Townsend, and Pearl Weiss. May they find healing and wholeness, comfort and peace in Christ.

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

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 weekly days off are Monday and Tuesday.)

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EBC Update

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

Sunday, June 27th, 2021



10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration

Sermon: Dr. John Oakes

“Aiming for the Best”

2 Timothy 3:1–13

Music Director: Grant Gwynn

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WELCOME BACK TO CHURCH!

We warmly welcome all to worship here at Ebenezer or online. We are delighted to see you. In keeping with current health guidelines, we ask all in the building to wear your mask, observe social distancing, and refrain from singing, wherever possible. Thanks be to God that we can gather again to worship God "in Spirit and in truth." May God bless you richly today and every other day!

SERVICE ORDER

Call to Worship

Prayer & Peace

Opening Hymn #378: *Be Thou My Vision*

Songs of Praise

Pastoral Prayer

Bible Reading: 2 Timothy 3:1–13

Message: "Aiming for the Best" (Pastor John Oakes)

Song(s) of Response

Announcements

Closing Hymn: *In Christ Alone* (Keith Getty & Stuart Townend)

Benediction

NEXT SUNDAY

Worship Celebration at 10:30 a.m.— Pastor John will continue his sermon series in 2 Timothy, "Training in Christ," preaching on "Armed with the Word" (2 Timothy 3:14–17).

Limited In-person Services We must continue to register for our in-person services until health restrictions are lifted. Please call or email the church office between 9 a.m. Wednesday and Saturday noon.

Sunday Services

Recordings of all our services remain accessible via our website www.rockofhelp.com, [Facebook](#), and [YouTube page](#).

MID-WEEK PROGRAMMES

Women's Prayer Meeting Our women's Zoom prayer meeting will be **taking a break this week**.

Bible Study All are welcome to join the Friday evening **Bible study on Zoom at 7:00 p.m.** Pastor John Oakes is continuing **a series on Jonah**. Go to [this link](#) and enter Meeting ID: 851 704 4556.

Challengers (55+) and Choir Practice meetings are on hold for now. Please contact Jack Masing or Grant Gwynn for further information.

OTHER NEWS

Senior Pastor - As announced during our last Sunday morning service, **Pastor John is resigning from his position as Senior Pastor at Ebenezer effective Sept 1st and taking early retirement** in order to focus on regaining and maintaining good health and full strength for the future. **As a church family, we wish Pastor John well as he continues to recover and wish him and Kirsten** God's blessings as they make this transition and relocate back to Toronto to be closer to their family.

NAB Triennial 2021 "Reimagine Hospitality" will be online July 9-11. Visit <https://nabtriennial.vfairs.com/> for registration information.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

**Monday** We pray for **NAB Missionaries, Tamas and Tunde Modi**, who work with the team of NAB missionaries in Romania at Camp Falcon Rock. Tamas, with his background in construction, is the camp director, and Tunde, who comes from a legal background, serves as the administrator. They are native to Romania but are supported by NAB churches to enable them to serve as God has called them. We especially ask God's blessing on the continued fundraising for and development of the camp's main lodge. and on the upcoming summer months of ministry. Camp Falcon Rock is already booked for the entire summer!

Tuesday We lift up our neighbourhood and all who live and work in South Vancouver.

Wednesday We pray for our whole congregation. May we aim for God's best as we follow Christ, and never be ashamed of the gospel.