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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

Family Ministries Coordinator, Tim Froese

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Ebenezer Baptist Church

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

Sunday, July 15th, 2018



“Through him you believe
in God, who raised him
from the dead and glorified
him, and so your faith
and hope are in God.”
(1 Peter 1:21)

10:30 a.m. Worship
“How is the Bible Different”
(1 Peter 1:19-21)
Dr. George Sears

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Ebenezer Baptist Church

July 15th, 2018, 10:30 a.m.

We Gather as a Community

Welcome and Call to Worship

Hymn #3: *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

Prayer and Greetings

We Worship in Spirit and in Truth

Songs of Praise and Worship

Children's Focus

Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

God Speaks to Us through His Word

Reading: 2 Peter 1:19-21

Hymn #122: *Standing on the Promises*

Message: "How is the Bible Different" — Dr. George Sears

We Respond and Go Forth to Serve

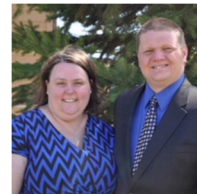
Song: *O Praise the Name*

Benediction

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

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Monday



Brandon and Marci Jones, NAB Missionaries, Brazil. Once they have completed fundraising, they will be joining Lyndell Campbell-Réquia at the seminary in Rio Grande do Sul, which they hope to do by October. They are looking forward to August and September when they will visit Marci's parents in Kenya, where they are missionaries; this will be the first time Marci has been back in 18 years and the first time the rest of the family will see where Marci grew up. Pray for their ongoing fundraising and for their upcoming travels to Kenya.

Tuesday

We intercede for our neighbourhood and for all who live and work in South Vancouver. We thank God for the connections we were able to make through VBS. We ask God's help and guidance to serve and reach out to our neighbours.

Wednesday

We pray for Youth Week, which runs Tuesday to Saturday. We ask God to bless each of the leaders throughout the week. We pray for each youth that attends. We pray that their lives will be impacted by the good news of Jesus as we discover the wonders of God.

Thursday

On our BC Baptist Association prayer list this week, we remember Redeemer Chinese Baptist Church. Pray for Reverend Joseph Li and the staff and leadership as they minister in the city of Surrey. As God to bless them as they share the love of Jesus with their community.

Friday

We pray for our Senior Pastor, Music Director, Family Ministries Coordinator, 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

Pastoral Vacation

Pastor John is taking his four weeks' **summer vacation**. We are grateful to all those pastors providing **pulpit supply in his absence**, including Dr. Loren Stark, Dr. Lyle Schrag (July 8), and Dr. George Sears (July 15 and 22). **Pastor Loren is generously making himself available for emergency pastoral cover**. He can be contacted on **604-992-0345 (cell)**. All other leadership enquiries and concerns should be directed to the Elders.

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Vacation Bible School

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Temporary Housing

Regent College Student Housing Services is looking for hosts to provide free housing and local telephone use **for up to one week** (between July 1 and September 15) **for incoming students** searching for permanent housing. Please contact the housing coordinator at housing@regent-college.edu, if you're interested!

REGULAR MID-WEEK PROGRAMMES

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THIS MORNING

Greeters

Our greeters for July are Rajender and Raj Rani Kumar

Prayer Partners during the Worship Service

July 22: Doug Reichert; Diana Reichert

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

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