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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 weekdays off are Monday and one other day.)

Director of Music, Grant Gwynn

BOARD OF DEACONS

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Ebenezer Baptist Church

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

Sunday, September 2nd, 2018



*"If two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them."
(Matthew 18:19–20)*

10:30 a.m. Communion
"Healthy Communication"
(Matthew 18:15–20)
Dr. John Oakes

COMMUNION CELEBRATION

Ebenezer Baptist Church

September 2nd, 2018, 10:30 a.m.

We Gather as a Community

Welcome and Call to Worship
 Hymn #131: *The Church's One Foundation*
 Prayer & Greeting

We Worship in Spirit and in Truth

Songs of Praise and Worship
 Children's Focus
 Announcements
 Pastoral Prayer
 Offertory

God Speaks to Us through His Word

Reading: Matthew 18:15–20
 Message: "Healthy Communication"

We Share in Communion

Song: *Come to the Altar* (Chris Brown, et al.)
 Communion
 Special Offering

We Respond and Go Forth to Serve

Hymn #31: *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* (Hyfrydol)
 Benediction
You are invited to join us for refreshments immediately after the service.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Monday



Rommel Ticas, Casa De Luz, Stockton, California. Through partnering with both Casa De Luz in Sacramento and Quail Lakes Baptist Church in Stockton, Pastor Rommel held the inaugural service of Casa De Luz, Stockton. Forty individuals attended the launch service, eager to hear the Gospel in Spanish. We pray for this new church in its efforts to reach out to the Hispanic community in Stockton.

Tuesday

We intercede 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 pray for Pastor John and the Elders as they seek a new staff member to become Youth and Family Ministries Coordinator, and for potential candidates, as God leads.

Thursday

On our BC Baptist Association (NAB) prayer list this week, we remember Pastor Steve Gee (Lead Pastor), Pastor Brendon Buntain (Next Gen.), Pastor Sanders Mah (Pastoral Care), Pastor Caleb Park (Korean Ministries), and all the staff, leaders and people of Immanuel Baptist Church, our Vancouver neighbours. We ask God's continued provision for and blessing on their ministries and outreach and on our gospel collaboration in the city.

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.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Wednesday Bible Study

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Youth and Family Ministries Coordinator Search

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Fall Membership Class

Regular attenders, who are interested in becoming church members are invited to join a **church membership class on a Saturday TBD in September, 9:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. in the Pastor's Study on the 3rd floor**. Please contact **Pastor John**, if you wish to join this class and/or for further information.

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!

BSF Invitation

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Challengers (55+) resumes this Wednesday, September 5, at 11:00 a.m. in the Lower Auditorium. Rev. Tony Tremblett will be our speaker. Please bring a sandwich for your lunch. Coffee and tea are provided.

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Our greeters for September are George and Fe Whitelaw

Prayer Partners during the Worship Service

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

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