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Ebenezer Baptist Church

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

Sunday, February 9th, 2020



*“The disciples woke him and said to him,
 ‘Teacher, don't you care if we drown?’
 He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the
 waves, ‘Quiet! Be still!’ Then the wind died
 down and it was completely calm.
 He said to his disciples, ‘Why are you so
 afraid? Do you still have no faith?’”
 (Mark 4:38–40)*

10:30 a.m. Worship
 “Calming the Storm”
 (Mark 4:35–41)
 Dr. John Oakes

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 weekly days off are Monday and Tuesday.)

Director of Music, Grant Gwynn

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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Ebenezer Baptist Church
February 9th, 2020, 10:30 a.m.

Gathering of the Community

Welcome and Call to Worship

Opening Hymn #41: *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Prayer and Greeting

Worship and Word

Songs of Praise

Children's Focus

Reading: Mark 4:35–41

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Hymn #334: *Be Still My Soul*

Message: "Calming the Storm" (Dr. John Oakes)

Response and Dismissal

Song(s) of Response

Announcements

Closing Hymn #321: *It is Well with My Soul*

Benediction

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

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Monday



Ron and Jeannie Seck, NAB Missionaries in Hungary. Ron is the Community Health Evangelism (CHE) Central Europe Coordinator, part of which involves overseeing and facilitating expansion of CHE teams into new countries and regions. CHE team members use a holistic approach as they seek to produce healthy Christians, churches, and communities among the Roma in Central Europe.

Ron and Jeannie are travelling with Laci and Eszter Daróczy-Csuhai, NAB Hungarian national missionaries, on a North American church tour. We pray for their travels and for the continued expansion of CHE teams into new areas.

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 Deacon Noel Poddolacion, Chair, members of the Board of Ushers and Welcomers and for our whole team, including greeters, of people who help make Ebenezer a more welcoming and accessible community to all-comers. We ask for God's guidance and direction for them and for the whole congregation seeking to show hospitality to those who come our way.

Thursday

On our BC Baptist Association (NAB) Prayer Calendar, we remember Rev. Andy Dietrich (English Pastor), Rev. Eduard Hahn (German Pastor), Pastor Brent Iseli (Associate), Pastor Dallas Evan (Associate), the other staff, leaders and people of Grace Baptist, Kelowna. We ask for God's provision, guidance and blessing for them, as they pursue their mission "to bring glory to God through lives transformed by the gospel, as we follow Jesus together as his disciples, family, servants and witnesses. developing caring, passionate followers of Jesus."

Friday

We lift up all our staff, as we continue into 2020. 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 Waldemar Becker, John & Frieda Hait, Lavina Hait, Eugenie Krause, Irene Maas, Ann Ramsden, Doug & Diane Reichert, Daralee Richmond, Jose and Elena Ronsano, 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 the church office, Sharon Iseli (604-244-1636) 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

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Congregational Prayer Meeting

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

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

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