

**Thursday** We lift up Lead Pastor David Strauss, the other staff, leaders and people of Rose of Sharon Baptist Church in Langley. May God bless them and their many ministries, as they "seek God and his truth, and then in love obey him together".

**Friday** We pray for wisdom for our leaders and staff as they make decisions and lead the ministries of our church during times 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, Jose and Elena Ronsano, Rick and Carol Townsend, and Pearl Weiss. May they find healing, 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

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# EBC Update

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

**Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021**



**10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration**

**Sermon: Dr. John Oakes**

**"Approved by God"**

**2 Timothy 2:14-26**

**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 #340: *The Solid Rock*

Songs of Praise

Pastoral Prayer

Bible Reading: 2 Timothy 2:14–26

Message: "Approved by God" (Pastor John Oakes)

Song(s) of Response

Announcements

Closing Hymn #131: *The Church's One Foundation*

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 "Aiming for the Best" (2 Timothy 3:1–13).

**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](http://www.rockofhelp.com), [Facebook](#), and [YouTube page](#).

## MID-WEEK PROGRAMMES

**Women's Prayer Meeting** Our women's **Zoom prayer meeting meets online on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m.** Access is available through this [link](#). The Zoom ID is 648 4054 7657, password is 413664.

**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 new series on Jonah**. Go to [this link](#) and enter Meeting ID: 851 704 4556.

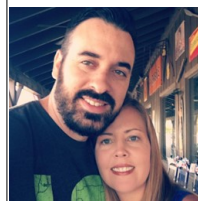
**Challengers (55+) and Choir Practice meetings are on hold for now.** Please contact Jack Masing or Grant Gwynn for further information.

## OTHER NEWS

**NAB Triennial 2021 "Reimagine Hospitality"** Due to the ongoing concerns over COVID-19 and the difficulties in international travel, **the Triennial Conference will be online!** Excitingly, **this also means that it will be free and accessible** to thousands more in the NAB family than usual. "Reimagine Hospitality" **will be July 9-11**. You can access more information to register at <https://nabtriennial.vfairs.com/>.

**Congratulations to Manny and Violet Sadiq** as they celebrate their **55th wedding anniversary** together. We give thanks for them and for their long and fruitful partnership, both in life and in gospel ministry. **May they continue to grow in grace** as their years increase.

## PRAYER AND PRAISE



**Monday** We pray for **NAB Missionaries, Josh and Kasey Huseby with Missio Church in Bismarck, South Dakota**, one of a few church plants to come out of Century Baptist Church in Bismarck in recent years. Missio Church began with one missional community in South Bismarck in early 2020 and has grown from there. We pray as Josh and Kasey build a team to love Jesus and live as people sent to share the gospel.

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

**Wednesday** We pray for our whole congregation. May we stand firm in the truth, share it freely, and never be ashamed of the gospel.