



YOUTH NEWS

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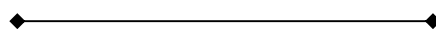
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Youth Leadership Opportunities: In preparation for the fall season Gateway Student Ministries is looking for Adults and Young Adults who desire to get involved in ministry and help out throughout the next season please email Anthony Jansen at anthonie@gatewaycrc.org.

Student Leadership Opportunities: This year we are looking for students who have a desire to help organize and lead activities throughout the year. If you are a student and would like to take part in this opportunity, please contact Anthony via email.



Combined summer evening services: Tonight's service will be held at Trinity CRC at 6:00 p.m.

CRWRC: Millions of people will go hungry this fall and long into winter due to a significant shortage of rainfall in Eastern Africa. Crops simply did not grow. CRWRC has been bringing food to 36,000 people in Kenya, but the drought has dramatically and quickly increased the number of people without food. Please give generously. Mark your cheques "East Africa Drought" and send to: CRWRC, 3475 Mainway, P.O. Box 5070, STN LCD 1, Burlington, Ontario, L7R 3Y8. Or phone 1-800-730-3490, or give online at www.crwrc.org.

FOLLOWING JESUS INTO THE STORMS: Do you like to play it safe? But perhaps God is challenging you to step beyond your comfort zone and enter into a new situation or relationship. Where can you find reassurance in these risky situations? Find out on the Sept. 6 Back to God Hour. Visit BacktoGodradio.net to find a station in your area or listen to a sermon. You can also download our podcast. No station in your area? Can't listen on line? Call or email to request a CD to be sent to you.

Join us as we celebrate **The King's University College's 30th anniversary** (1979-2009) where we will reflect on three decades of Christian education at King's as presented by students, faculty, alumni, and members of the King's community. Special events have been planned for September 26 and 27. For more information of all anniversary events, please check out our website at www.kingsu.ca/anniversary.

WELCOME TO GATEWAY COMMUNITY CHURCH

August 30, 2009

Helping people to love and serve Jesus

We extend a warm welcome to all who have come to worship with us today. Whether you are a member or a guest, whether you come as a family or by yourself, please know that we are a church family that celebrates God's grace in Christ Jesus and desires to embrace all who come, just as you are, and whoever you are.

We invite everyone to join us for coffee and fellowship following the service. If you have trouble reading the words on the screen, the ushers will gladly provide you with song sheets and Bibles at your request.

If you have any questions about our church or anything you would like us to pray for, please feel free to talk to one of our pastors or greeters. If you'd like a copy of today's worship service, please contact the church office.

Bringing a gift to God is a regular part of our worship. If you are a guest here, we want you to know that although you are welcome to contribute to the morning's offering, as our guest you are not expected to do so. We're just glad you came, and hope you'll be blessed by your presence here.

Worship Services

Today's Service will be led by **Pastor Slofstra**. We'll conclude our study of Old Testament stories involving the prophet Elisha.

Next Sunday our service will be led by **Pastor Slofstra**. We will be privileged to hear the public profession of faith of **Rylan Brink** and **Ana Fictorie** (reaffirmation). We will also celebrate the Lord's Supper.

Church Family:

Anno Oosterhof remains at Mission Hospital after suffering a series of seizures, but his condition is improving daily; he is currently waiting for a place to become available at an extended care facility in the area so that he can receive the physiotherapy he needs to enable him to return to live at home.



Wedding Bells: **Brad Luymes** and **Amanda Keis** will be united in Christian marriage this week Friday, September 4 at 2:00 p.m. at Living Hope CRC in Abbotsford, with Pastor Slofstra officiating. The congregation is invited and welcome to attend the ceremony.

Please continue in prayer for **Jannie Johnson**. If you'd like to send a card to the Johnsons, their address is: Howard and Jannie Johnson, 1840 Skimikin Road, Tappen, BC V0E 2X3.

Happy Birthday to **Stella Hill** who celebrates her 87th birthday on Saturday, September 5. May God bless you with a great day!

Church Potluck Picnic: On Sunday, September 13, we will be having our Church Potluck Picnic right after the morning service. It will be held rain or shine. We do need help with some of the food. There are two Food Sign-up sheets in the hall today, so please sign up if you plan to come. Please bring your perishable food in coolers which you can leave in the coffee room at church. Remember to mark your coolers. Serving utensils are not necessary as we have plenty at church and often tools brought from home seem to get lost. We hope many of you will stay for the picnic. If you have any questions, please contact Betty Lou VanKampen at 604-859-9041.



A CRY FOR HELP: If Liz and his friends can raise enough money, they will travel to Ireland to help start a Christian internet radio station. Can they do it? Find out on this week's Kids Corner. Kids Corner is a member of the HisKids.net alliance--working together to provide quality entertainment for kids that is Christ-centered and Bible-based. Visit HisKids.net to find great Christian programs and music for kids.

Weekly Calendar:

Today, August 30

9:45 am Prayer in Room 107
10:00 am Morning service

Wednesday, September 2

7:30 pm Praise Team practice
7:30 pm Admin Board meeting



Are you a girl in grades 3-7 who loves to sing, do crafts, meet friends, and learn more about your relationship with Jesus? Then **GEMS Club** is the place to be! You are invited on Tuesday evenings from 7-8:30 pm each week. We'd love to have you come and bring a friend if you can! Mark your calendars because we begin on September 15. Details to follow.

Received the following gifts on August 16 and 23, 2009:

Budget envelopes	\$13,346.73	Building Fund	\$12,739.30
Tuition Relief	1,053.00	Benevolent Fund	500.00
Life Recovery	1,043.00		

Bethesda's Board of Directors invites you and your family to our **Annual General Meeting** on Friday, September 11, 2009 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at Bethel Reformed Church, 3260 Gladwin Road, Abbotsford. We look forward to sharing with you the highlights of our work this year in supporting individuals with disabilities and their families. Light refreshments will be served.

Calling All Cyclists! Bethesda Christian Association is hosting its sixth annual Cycling for Kids. The purpose for this event is to raise funds in support of children with disabilities and their families. This one day event is scheduled for Saturday, September 12, 2009. Participants can choose to cycle the full fifty kilometers or a lesser distance. If you love cycling and would like to join the Bethesda team, contact our head office at Bethesda for more information and registration (phone number 604-850-6604).

servicing each other

Greeters

This week morning:
Harry & Ann DeJong

Next week morning:
Rich & Marian Vanderwal



Ushers

This week:
Lloyd, Jake, Tracey, Anthony

Next week:
Lloyd, Gord, Dave, Wayne, Ron, Len

Nursery

Parents of Month: Theo & Linda

This morning:
Heather & Nathan, Liz N, Rita W, Jennifer S, Vivienne V

Next week morning:
Brian & Karla, Calvin & Karen, Juwa I, Heidi O

Collecting Deacons

Today: Ron M & Aubrey

Next week: Ron T & Ken

Offering Schedule

August 30—Benevolent Fund

September 6—Budget

September 13—Food Bank

Coffee

This Sunday—Anthony & Jenn

Next Sunday - Brigitte & Sandra team

Library

This Sunday - Loreen, Vivienne, Henny

Next Sunday - Punk, Johanna

**Bulletin deadline is
Thursday at 11 am**

Kidz Church News

As we see the end of another summer and anticipate the start of school, we are also beginning another year of Kidz Church. Classes will start September 13. This year we have 53 kids from age 3-8 registered with another 7 entering on their 3rd birthdays for a total of 60 kids! God has truly blessed our church with amazing growth!

We have had a few teachers sign up but would like to extend the call to others in the church. We understand that everyone is busy and has other commitments but we ask that you all consider it. We know that people have many reasons for not teaching; what we need to find is more reasons to teach!

It is a privilege to have so many kids in our program, they are the future of Gateway. At every baptism we promise to help raise these children in the faith and life of the church. It doesn't take much time, only about 45 minutes on Sunday mornings and maybe 30 minutes of prep each week, so please prayerfully consider leading a class to bring these children closer to Jesus.

This year, we are setting up a new team approach for leaders with teams of 3-6 teachers signing up at the beginning of the year. The curriculum is set up in 9 four-week units allowing each teacher to teach for 4 weeks every 3 months or a couple of months at a time. We hope this team atmosphere will help create a stronger sense of community and provide help when teachers have questions or are unable to teach on their Sunday.

As our class sizes are increasing in the younger ages (3-kindergarten), helpers are also needed for the teachers. A helper is asked to commit for 3 months (back-to-back or staggered with another helper). Please consider signing up this year.

Signup sheets are on the tables as you leave church today. Please keep our program in your prayers as we look forward to the start of a new year. If you have any questions, please call Karri Folkerts (604-859-1268) or Michelle Mosey (604-556-0157). Thank you!!!

PS—Do you have any unused CD players at home collecting dust? Please consider donating them to our Kidz Church program. Thanks!

Gateway Community
Christian Reformed Church
August 30, 2009

Kidz Church parents: Please note that there will be Kids Church for 3 and 4 year olds only throughout the summer.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Welcome

Opening song #486 **Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing**

God's greeting

Songs of praise:

Hope Of The Nations

In Christ Alone

I Exalt Thee

WE ARE RECONCILED TO GOD

Prayer of confession

Assurance of pardon

All sing **Take My Life/Holiness**

Children's message

3 and 4 year olds may leave for Kidz Church

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Scripture: 2 Kings 6:8-23 (p. 579)

Message: **If God Is For Us**

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

All sing hymn 221 **We Know That God Works Things For Good**

Congregational prayer

Offering for **Benevolent Fund**

(Music: **Hear Our Prayer**)

WE LEAVE TO SERVE IN GOD'S WORLD

God's parting blessing

Closing song **Step By Step**
