

## THE IDEAL CHURCH (ACTS 2:42-47)

SERMON NOTES:

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2017

### THIS MONTH:

It's often been said that the better we understand yesterday, the better we can understand today. History may or may not be our favourite subject, but without an understanding of where we've come from, it's hard to know where we're headed. This month, we are going to take a trip back in history as we look at the life of the early church in the New Testament Book of Acts. Like us, the early church had its share of success and failure, peace and controversy, popularity and persecution. And yet, regardless of circumstances, the church continued to press on in the cause of the gospel under the Lord's sovereign hand. We have many things to learn from the experiences of these early believers in Jesus Christ, and we will consider a few of these as we journey through the book of Acts to learn some lessons from the early church.

### SERMON SERIES:

**LESSONS FROM THE EARLY CHURCH:** A Study in the Book of Acts

August 6<sup>th</sup> – Acts 4:32-37,5:1-11 – God Wants Your Heart

August 13<sup>th</sup> - Acts 8:1-8 – God's Plan in Persecution

**August 20<sup>th</sup> - Acts 2:42-47—The Ideal Church**

August 27<sup>th</sup> - Acts 6:1-7—The Early Church's Ministry

September 3<sup>rd</sup> - Acts 17:16-34—The Early Church's Evangelism

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We are glad you are worshipping with us this morning. If you are a **Visitor** we ask you to sign a Guest Card and drop it in the offering plate so we can acknowledge your visit.

Throughout the summer months, a **staffed Nursery/Jr. Church** will be provided for children from 6 months to age four. Please drop your children off in the nursery **no later than 10:45 am**.

### PRAISE & PRAYER

- **Pray for** LYNDELL C who teaches seminary and helps in church planting projects in Rio Grande so Sul, Brazil.
- **Pray for** our shut-ins: LISE D and LYNDA D.
- **Pray for** those from our congregation who are in hospital or dealing with serious illnesses: WERNER S, SHIRLEY W, JO-ANNE D, BRIAN M.
- **Pray for** HELGA N and family as Helga's mother LYDIA K went to be with the Lord this past Monday.



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## ORDER OF SERVICE

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### **WORSHIP TEAM:**

BEV S  
DONNA J  
MONICA U  
BRUCE O  
FRED L

VIDEO: GARY S  
SOUND: LEN U

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Worship ..... 10:30 am  
Bethsaida French Fellowship... 1:30 pm

### COMING UP

Aug 27 - Worship @ 10:30 am  
- Bethsaida French Fellowship  
@ 1:30 pm

### **PASTOR AWAY**

PASTOR BEN is out of the office on vacation until AUGUST 27<sup>TH</sup>.

## **ROWANDALE BAPTIST CHURCH** STATS FOR AUGUST 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2017

ATTENDANCE .....	166
GENERAL OFFERING .....	\$12,688
WEEKLY GOAL .....	\$10,300
GIVING TO DATE .....	\$303,718
BUDGET TO DATE .....	\$319,300

## **THANKSGIVING EVERY MONTH**

For the month of August, Rowandale Church is once again partnering with Union Gospel Mission's "Thanksgiving Every Month" (THEM) program, by collecting non-perishable food or personal items to assist those in need. Items needed are: *canned soup, veggies, fruit, meat, macaroni & cheese, peanut butter, rice, pasta, pasta sauce, cooking oil, ketchup, mustard, ground coffee, band aids, soap, toothbrush/toothpaste, shampoo, baby food, formula, diapers (size 5 & 6), laundry detergent, window cleaner, toilet paper, napkins, styrofoam plates & cups, clothing, etc. etc.*

Please place your contribution on the table marked "THANKSGIVING EVERY MONTH" in the church lobby sometime between now and AUGUST 27<sup>TH</sup>.

Thank you for your generosity. For more information, contact SONJA P

### **FALL KICK-OFF SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

Our Fall Schedule will resume  
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>

Sunday School for all ages @ 9:30 am  
Worship Service @ 11:00 am  
BBQ Lunch with inflatables  
following the Service!!

Fellowship Group Responsibilities:  
Set up - Group 3  
Meal - Group 1  
Clean up - Group 2

**ALL ARE WELCOME!!**



## **CAMP NUTIMIK NEWS**

Please take a moment to read the Camp Update letter posted on the bulletin board and read about the amazing things which have happened at camp this summer!

### **CAMP SCHOLARSHIP FORMS**

Scholarship Forms for Camp Nutimik and other camps are available on the table in the lobby. Once completed please place in the Outreach mailbox. Deadline is SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>.

### **BREAKFAST PROGRAM**

Can you join us this fall on Fridays from approx. 8:00 to 9:15 am every 3 to 4 weeks, to serve breakfast to children at Princess Margaret School? If so, please contact the Office.

### **THINKING AHEAD...**

With the school supplies out in the stores at great prices right now, why not think about grabbing a few extra items which can be put into the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes in November. This is a great economical way to fill those boxes!

### **SAVE THE DATE!**

ROWANDALE'S CHILD PROTECTION PROGRAM Sessions will run Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> from 7-8:30 pm or Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> from 10:30-noon. Those working with children and youth are required to attend one of these sessions, so please mark your calendars now!

## MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK



**DENNIS & NANCY PALMER**  
**NAB MISSIONARIES**  
**CAMEROON**

Dennis is, among other things, the medical director of the Internal Medicine Residency Training Program, which he has been doing for nine years, training young Cameroonian physicians. Four new residents just began training this month. Thank God for Nancy and Dennis, who are celebrating his 70th birthday and their 50th wedding anniversary this month. Pray for the logistics behind the hydroelectric dam project at Mbingo Baptist Hospital, part of the REACH: NAB on Mission Together capital campaign. Pray also for a potential partnership with Christian Medical College, Vellore, in India, where they hope to be able to send residents for part of their training. For more information about the Palmers, visit [www.nabonmission.org/missionaries/dennis-nancy-palmer](http://www.nabonmission.org/missionaries/dennis-nancy-palmer).

## MINISTRY OF THE WEEK

**ELIM BAPTIST CHURCH**  
MARK (LINDSAY) REIMER  
PASTOR

Lead Pastor: Rev. Jonathan Kroeker  
Youth Pastor: Ben Clouston  
Office Administrator: Audrey Plew