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Worship Team

Mic M
Bev S
Anika M
Rick P
Kristin H
Jon M
Gillian M
Dave H

Video: Gary S

Sound: Leonard U

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

Thank you for muting your cell phone during the service.

Hope for the Oppressed [Isaiah 9:4-5]

Sermon Notes:

Praise & Prayer

- Pray for Rev. Jeff and Sonya K, in Ndu, Cameroon where Jeff teaches at the Cameroon Baptist Theological Seminary (CBTS), and possibly in Nigeria, and provides Theological Education to the Fulbe People. Sonya is training primary teachers.
- Pray for those from our church who are physically unable to attend: Edgar O, Egon U
- Pray for those from our congregation who are dealing with serious health issues: Brian M who is undergoing chemotherapy treatment.
- Pray that those who attend our Sunday School Christmas program this evening would be open to the gospel and enjoy their time with us.



About seven hundred years before the birth of Jesus, Isaiah prophesied about a Messiah whose arrival would be like a bright light piercing the darkness of this world. This December, we'll be taking a fresh look at Isaiah's ancient words about Jesus, not only about his first arrival into this world as a baby, but his Second Coming as King – and what this means for us.

Visitors

We are glad you are worshipping with us this morning. If you are a visitor, we encourage you to sign a Guest Card and drop it in the offering plate so we can acknowledge your visit. Feel free to stick around after the service and get to know some people. You are also welcome to join us for our weekly Coffee Fellowship on Sunday mornings at 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall (downstairs). Thanks for being with us this morning, and we look forward to meeting you.

[\[www.rowandale.ca\]](http://www.rowandale.ca)

Parents

A staffed nursery is provided at any time during the service for children from 6 months to age two. During the offering, children from age 3 through Kindergarten are dismissed for Junior Church in the Board Room.

SERMON TEXT: Isaiah 9:4-5 (page 607)

Today's Schedule

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| Sunday School | 9:30 am |
| Coffee Fellowship | 10:30 am |
| Worship Service | 11:00 am |
| Bethsaida Fellowship | 1:30 pm |
| Sunday School | |
| Christmas Program | 6:00 pm |

Next Sunday

- December 24
- Sunday School @ 9:30 am
 - Coffee Fellowship @ 10:30 am
 - Worship Service @ 11:00 am
 - Bethsaida Fellowship @ 1:30 pm
 - Christmas Eve Service @ 5:30 pm

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 AM

COFFEE 10:30 AM

WORSHIP SERVICE 11:00 AM

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE 5:30 PM



Dates to Remember

Dec 31 – Worship Service @ 11:00 am

PLEASE NOTE we will have our regular worship service on December 31 at 11:00 am, however there will be no Sunday School, Coffee Fellowship or Junior Church.

Rowandale Youth

UPCOMING EVENTS

NEW EVENT SCHEDULE COMING SOON

Friday, December 22 [7-10 pm]
Christmas Party (in-house)
Contact Pastor Ben for more info

young adults

NEW EVENT SCHEDULE COMING SOON

Sunday School for ages 18+ in Room 10.
Any questions, please see Pastor Ben.

Mary's Little Lamb

Join us this evening at 6:00 for the Sunday School Christmas Program. This is a wonderful opportunity to invite friends and family to share in the celebration of Christ's birth.

Birthday cake, coffee & tea to follow in the fellowship hall.

Rowandale Kids SUNDAY SURVEILLANCE



Hey kids! New worship service activity sheets are available in the lobby.

Rowandale Baptist Church

Stats for December 10, 2017

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|------------------------|-----------|
| ATTENDANCE | 238 |
| GENERAL OFFERING | \$7,642 |
| WEEKLY GOAL | \$10,300 |
| GIVING TO DATE | \$478,854 |
| BUDGET TO DATE | \$484,100 |



SANCTUARY CHRISTMAS TREE

This year, we would like to work together to decorate our tree with warm socks for Union Gospel Mission. Ribbons are provided for you to tie the socks onto the tree or you may leave them in the basket.



❄️ save the date! ❄️

**Rowandale Winter Camp
February 9-11, 2018
Lake Nutimik Baptist Camp**

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES 9:30 AM

CHILDREN meet in the lower level auditorium.

JUNIOR HIGH students meet in "The Attic."

SENIOR HIGH students meet in the Youth Room.

YOUNG ADULTS meet in Room 10:
Gospel in Life

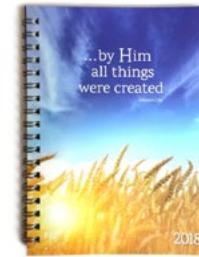
ADULTS have a choice of:

Discipleship Discussion Group in the Prayer Room

Adult Bible Class in the Board Room

REMINDER: Volunteers in Children and Youth Ministry

Please fill out your child abuse registry check applications found in your church mailbox and return them to *Helga N* as soon as possible.



2018 Bible League Day Planners

These inspirational practical daily agendas put out by the Bible League are now available for purchase on the table in the lobby. Planners are \$3.00 each and payment can be placed in the money jar beside the planners.

USHERS NEEDED

We are looking for new ushers to help us out on Sundays, if you are willing to serve in this capacity, please talk to Cheryl L.

STAMPS FOR BIBLES

Please help the Canadian Bible Society provide Bibles by collecting used stamps.

1 pound of stamps = 1 Bible

Leave ¼" border of paper around the entire stamp. Do not remove the paper from the stamp. Please place your used stamps in Martin K's mailbox #55.

Thank you!



Dates to Remember:

Family Fun Day: Monday, Feb. 19

Fundraising Banquet: March 10

www.campnutimik.com

Missionary of the Week



Yuri Nakano
NAB Missionary
Japan

As a Japanese-Canadian, Yuri has a unique, God-given background to reach the people of Japan as a missionary sent from North America. God has placed a burden on her heart to bring the hope of the Gospel to Japan and has called and equipped Yuri to serve in evangelism, discipleship, and church planting alongside a faithful team of missionaries. Pray for the Christmas programs at the Heijo and Kongo churches this week and next. Pray as well for continued good discussions at the Bible studies at those churches. For more information, visit www.createchurch.org.

Ministry of the Week

Elim Baptist Church
Beausejour, Manitoba