

What is "Becoming a Christian"?

[2 Corinthians 5:17, Mark 1:15, Acts 20:21, 1 Thessalonians 1:9-10]

Sermon Notes:

Praise & Prayer

- Pray for Paul and Melissa Ewing who serve in church planting and leadership training in Japan.
- Pray for those from our church who are physically unable to attend: Lise D, Lynda D.
- Pray for those from our congregation who are dealing with serious health issues: Brian M who is undergoing chemotherapy treatment.
- Praise God for his many blessings over the past year, and for his faithfulness to us as a congregation.



Why do we do this thing called "church"? Why do we observe the "Lord's Supper" once a month? What is baptism all about? Is church membership even biblical? Even for those of us who have gone to church as long as we can remember, those are not easy questions to answer. Over the next six weeks, we'll be focusing on various Scripture passages to get back to the fundamentals of what it means to be the church, and what the Bible says about our life together. Join us as we get back to "Church Basics."

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.

Parents

A staffed nursery is provided at any time during the service for children from 6 months to age two. **Please note:** There is no Junior Church this morning so children ages 3 to 5 are asked to remain seated with their parents.

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welcome to
ROWANDALE BAPTIST CHURCH



Equipping and enabling disciples to make disciples

Order of Service

Welcome
Opening Song
Scripture & Prayer
Worship in Song
Announcements
Scripture Reading
Ezekiel 36:22-28 (page 768)
Prayer
Offering
Worship in Song
Message
Closing Song
Benediction

Worship Team

Lilly R
Bev S
Donna J
Fred L

Video: Michael G
Sound: Gordon R

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

Thank you for muting your cell phone during the service.

Rowandale Baptist Church

Stats for December 24, 2017

ATTENDANCE 251
GENERAL OFFERING \$25,794
WEEKLY GOAL \$10,300
GIVING TO DATE \$515,198
BUDGET TO DATE \$504,700

Today's Schedule

Worship Service 11:00 am
Bethsaida Fellowship 9:00 pm

Next Sunday

January 7, 2018
• Worship & Communion @ 11:00 am
• Bethsaida Fellowship @ 1:30 pm
• Prayer Meeting @ 6 pm

Dates to Remember

Jan 18 – Three-Score Plus Bible Study @ 2:00 pm
Jan 28 – Movie Night

Prayer Meeting

Join us Sunday, January 7 at 6 pm in the Prayer Room as we start off the New Year by spending an hour together in prayer.



2018 Bible League Day Planners

These inspirational practical daily agendas from 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.

Junior Church activity packs are available from the ushers this morning for kids **ages 3 to 5**



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

Rowandale Youth

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, January 12 [7-9:30 pm]
Glow In The Dark Night
(in-house)

Friday, January 19 [7-9:30 pm]
Worship Night (in-house)
Sponsored by Camp Nutimik

Friday, January 26 [7-9:30 pm]
Youth Night (in-house)
followed by

Junior High Youth Retreat

[FRIDAY, 9:30 PM – SATURDAY 3:00 pm]

Contact Pastor Ben for more info

young adults

Saturday, January 13 [5:45-9 pm]
Union Gospel Mission

Saturday, January 27 [6 pm]
Game Night location TBA

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

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!

Missionary of the Week



Walter and Florence Grob
NAB Missionaries
Cameroon

Walter has been the controller for the Cameroon Baptist Convention (CBC) for more than two decades, helping to oversee financial matters for NAB missionaries and the CBC. At the board meeting this past June, the CBC decided it was time to have a Cameroonian head the Finance and Development Department. As Ntam Ephraim takes over heading the department, Walter will continue to handle missionary finances and serve as a resource person for Ntam. Pray for the transition into new roles for both Walter and Ntam. Continue to pray as well for the ongoing transition to a new accounting system that the department is undergoing. To find out more, visit nabonmission.org/missionaries/walter-florence-grob.

Ministry of the Week

Emmanuel Baptist Church
Morris, Manitoba

Nathan (Jenn) Brandes – Senior Pastor

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.

save the date!
Rowandale Winter Camp
February 9-11, 2018
Lake Nutimik Baptist Camp