



# Welcome

## Bethel Gospel Chapel

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## May 2021



### MORNING SERVICES



#### Every Sunday Morning

**9:30 AM**

Remembrance Service/Lord's Supper

**11:00 AM**

Family Bible Hour



Taking notes of the weekly sermon is a good way to remember the speaker's points and to help understand the Word of God. Pre-printed 'Sermon Notes' pages are provided on the trolley at the entrance to the auditorium for everyone's use.

#### Spring & Summer Series: Return & Diaspora 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Waves

This series will finish off our chronological journey through the Old Testament. It picks up where we left off in Ezra (first wave return) and takes us through the second and third waves under Ezra and Nehemiah respectively, ending with the prophets Joel and Malachi.

#### May

- 2 - Ezra 9/ Fighting on Your Knees Frank Parker
- 9 - Ezra 10/ Response, accountability Luc Tremblay
- 16 - Nehemiah 1/ Sad news; prayer Trefor Higgins
- 23 - Nehemiah 2/ Commission; inspection Frank Parker
- 30 - Nehemiah 3/ Rebuilding begins George Boddy

#### June

- 6 - Nehemiah 4/ Opposition George Idema

### ANNOUNCEMENTS



#### Face Masks

In accordance with the latest AHS directives, face masks are mandatory for all in-person church services.



#### Children's Programs

**Nursery** – AHS restrictions do not allow us to offer nursery services at this time. Parents can still supervise their own children in the nursery as necessary.

**Sunday School** - Please pray for the Sunday School and those teaching the children.

#### Fellowship Time

Pre-packaged snacks and beverages are available in the fellowship hall between meetings. As per following Covid protocol as well as for your and others safety, we ask you please use wipes on the taps and press buttons of our machines before and after each use, as these are considered "high touch" areas. Used beverage containers should be put in the blue recycling bins, rather than the garbage. Please maintain social-distancing protocols as you visit! Thank You from the Social Committee.

#### Bethel Online

We will continue to offer **Bethel Online via Zoom** from **9:30 (Breaking of Bread)** until the end of the **Family Bible Hour**. Those wishing to participate audibly in the Breaking of Bread, should use the Zoom 'Chat' feature first, so that the host can un-mute you. Please be patient with the sound techs as technology can be unpredictable.

#### Bethel Bulletins

Bulletins are **ONLINE** on the website for those who are unable to come in to church to receive one. Just go to the Bethel Website and enter the password on the 'Member's Page' to access it and other Bethel Information such as the Annual Meetings etc. If you've forgotten the password, talk to Frank, Sonja or Bethany.

#### Bethel Food Pantry

We are currently hosting a Food Bank initiative for our neighbourhood. Non-perishable food stuffs and donated clothing are available free of charge **every Monday afternoon, 3-5 PM**. If you, or anyone you know, is in need of some extra food assistance, access to the food storage can also be arranged during the week. For more information, or to help out, talk to Frank Parker.

#### Meadowlodge Bible Camp

In anticipation of a loosening of restrictions this summer, Meadowlodge is pressing ahead with plans to run a full slate of camps – albeit as day camps. The schedule, along with camper registration and volunteer application forms are available at <https://www.meadowlodgebiblecamp.org/>.

For more information talk to Frank Parker, or check the camp bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

#### Baby Shower Gift Contributions

Thank you for your contributions toward Isaac & Enomwen Edomwonyi's new addition, Emmanuel. We were able to pass along to them some parenting and "baby's first..." books as well as some cash for them to use as needed for their new baby. If you have any questions regarding this, please speak to Sarah T.

#### DRC Container Project

As mentioned previously, we are pressing ahead with sponsorship of a shipping container of medical equipment, educational supplies, food staples and clothing to Eastern Congo. If you would like to support this project, you can either include it in your regular offering envelope (noted on the outside), or a separate envelope designated DRC Container Project. For more information talk to Pascal Gisenya.

#### Looking Ahead

May 9<sup>th</sup> – Mothers' Day  
22<sup>nd</sup> – Camp Tree-Cutting  
29<sup>th</sup> – Camp Clean-up

June 13<sup>th</sup> – Bethel @Meadowlodge  
20<sup>th</sup> – Fathers' Day  
21<sup>st</sup>- 24<sup>th</sup> – 55+ Day Camp  
30<sup>th</sup>-July 1<sup>st</sup> – Meadowlodge 60th Anniversary!



#### WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

##### Men's Bible Study

The men's Bible study meets **on Tuesday mornings at 6:30 AM via Zoom**. We are currently studying the Pastoral Epistles. For more information talk to Frank.

##### Mid-week Prayer & Bible Study

Join us on **Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM at the chapel**. We are studying the Gospel of John, followed by a time of prayer for the needs of the assembly. For more information talk to George Idema or Frank Parker.

##### OTHER WEEKLY ACTIVITIES SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE



Listed below are the people serving with the following duties for the month of **May**.

**Persons on Duties subject to change.** If you are not able to fulfill your duties, please remember to arrange for an alternate. Thank you.

| May            | 2 <sup>nd</sup>    | 9 <sup>th</sup>   | 16 <sup>th</sup>   | 23 <sup>rd</sup>  | 30 <sup>th</sup> | June 6 <sup>th</sup> |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| LS Setup       | Theryn M           | Theryn M          | Theryn M           | Theryn M          | Theryn M         | Theryn M             |
| Door Duty      | Theryn M           | Theryn M          | Theryn M           | Theryn M          | Theryn M         | Theryn M             |
| LS Opening     | George B           | John K            | Dave W             | Joe J             | Frank P          | George B             |
| Announcements  | George I           | George I          | George I           | George I          | George I         | Dave W               |
| FBH Usher      | Steve MCP          | Steve MCP         | Steve MCP          | Steve MCP         | Steve MCP        | Ethan F              |
| Soundboard     | Theryn M           | Rob S             | Bethany I          | Theryn M          | Rob S            | Bethany I            |
| FBH Chairman   | George I           | Frank P           | Dave W             | George I          | Paul F           | Dave W               |
| LS/FBH Pianist | Sarah T/<br>Anna S | Dave W/<br>Anna S | Sarah T/<br>Anna S | Dave W/<br>Anna S | Dave W           | Sarah T              |



#### Bethel Bulletin-Back Blog (BBBB)

Five Hundred Thirty-Ninth Posting

May 2021

#### Ezra 9

The affairs of the church were in a very good posture, we may well suppose, now that Ezra presided in them. Look without the government was kind to them. We hear no complaints of persecution and oppression their enemies had either their hearts turned or at least their hands tied their neighbours were civil, and we hear of no wars nor rumours of wars there were none to make them afraid all was as well as could be, considering that they were few, and poor, and subjects to a foreign prince. Look at home we hear nothing of Baal, or Ashtaroth, nor Moloch, no images, nor groves, nor golden

calves, no, nor so much as high places (not only no idolatrous altars, but no separate ones), but the temple was duly respected and the temple service carefully kept up. Yet all was not well either. The purest ages of the church have had some corruptions, and it will never be presented "without spot or wrinkle" till it is "a glorious church," a church "triumphant," Ephesians 5:27. We have here, I. A complaint brought to Ezra of the many marriages that had been made with strange wives, Ezra 9:1,2. II. The great trouble which he, and others influenced by his example, were in upon this information, Ezra 9:3,4. III. The solemn confession which he made of this sin to God, with godly sorrow, and shame, Ezra 9:5-15.

Taken from: <https://www.studylight.org/commentaries/eng/mhm/ezra-9.html>

#### Ezra 10

In this chapter we have that grievance redressed which was complained of and lamented in the foregoing chapter. Observe, I. How the people's hearts were prepared for the redress of it by their deep humiliation for the sin, Ezra 10:1. II. How it was proposed to Ezra by Shechaniah, Ezra 10:2-4. III. How the proposal was put in execution. 1. The great men were sworn to stand to it, Ezra 10:5. 2. Ezra appeared first in it, Ezra 10:6. 3. A general assembly was called, Ezra 10:7-9. 4. They all, in compliance with Ezra's exhortation, agreed to the reformation, Ezra 10:10-14. 5. Commissioners were appointed to sit "de die in diem"--day after day, to enquire who had married strange wives and to oblige them to put them away, which was done accordingly (Ezra 10:15-17), and a list of the names of those that were found guilty given in, ver. 18-44.

Taken from: <https://www.studylight.org/commentaries/eng/mhm/ezra-10.html>

#### Nehemiah 1

Here we first meet with Nehemiah at the Persian court, where we find him, I. Inquisitive concerning the state of the Jews and Jerusalem, Nehemiah 1:1,2. II. Informed of their deplorable condition, Nehemiah 1:3. III. Fasting and praying thereupon (Nehemiah 1:4), with a particular account of his prayer, Nehemiah 1:5-11. Such is the rise of this great man, by piety, not by policy.

Taken from: <https://www.studylight.org/commentaries/eng/mhm/nehemiah-1.html>

#### Nehemiah 2

How Nehemiah wrestled with God and prevailed we read in the foregoing chapter now here we are told how, like Jacob, he prevailed with men also, and so found that his prayers were heard and answered. I. He prevailed with the king to send him to Jerusalem with a commission to build a wall about it, and grant him what was necessary for it, Nehemiah 2:1-8. II. He prevailed against the enemies that would have obstructed him in his journey (Nehemiah 2:9-11) and laughed him out of his undertaking, Nehemiah 2:19-20. III. He prevailed upon his own people to join with him in this good work, viewing the desolations of the walls (Nehemiah 2:12-16) and then gaining them to lend every one a hand towards the rebuilding of them, Nehemiah 2:17,18. Thus did God own him in the work to which he called him.

Taken from: <https://www.studylight.org/commentaries/eng/mhm/nehemiah-2.html>

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If you would like a visit from the elders, contact George Idema (780-433-7599),  
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Please have items for the bulletin sent to Sonja by the Thursday prior. Thank you!