



July 19, 2020

## From the Lead Team

Kaci and Isla, our oldest 2 girls share a bedroom and we usually read them a devotional before bed. Sometimes a story as well if it's not too late or Isla begs long enough and dad caves in. We started this when Kaci was pretty young and Isla joined when she was younger as well and we didn't expect them to take much away from it; more about positive habit building at first, but it's been amazing to see what they pick up on especially as they get older. (Ok some evenings are a write off and I'm pretty sure I'm the only one hearing the devo.) And the things they get out of the message is sometimes a little different than what I get from it but that's the power of the Word and Holy Spirit teaching us what we need at that time.

Often while I'm reading these kid's devos I'm reminded of the power of the Word regardless of age. I'm also then reminded of how valuable and necessary it is for me to read God's Word. Here's an excerpt from the NIV

Adventure Bible Book of Devotions that sums that up for all ages.

"Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.' Matthew 4:4 Healthy food is important for your body. In the same way, God's words are vital for your soul. Feed your body good food daily. And be sure to read your bible and listen to God's voice, so your spirit will be well fed too."

Summer is here in full swing with busy work schedule, busy weekdays and weekends and just all around busyness, I'll confess it can be real easy for me to prioritize other things over reading his Word. I'm glad that my God loves me enough to give me gentle reminders through my kids' devotionals.

Have a great week!

Will Wiebe

## Coffee with Staff



Tuesday, July 21 at 7 pm we will host an evening coffee with staff. Bring your own lawn chair and pray for good weather. (regretfully, we request that you do not bring small children or keep them with you at all times)

## POOL PARTY

Our annual Grace Pool Party will be Thursday, August 6 from 7-9 pm. Please sign up by calling or emailing the office. Bring snacks to share. The pool has removed their chairs so bring a lawn chair. Hope to see you there!!

## Staff Vacations

Pastor Sean will be on vacation from July 17-31. Pastor Steve will cover his duties while he is away.

# Witness Surplus update

Disbursement of the Surplus Funds: After lots of discussion, time to think and much prayer, the Missions Team decided to only distribute half of the surplus funds at this time because we do not know how the current situation will continue to effect our missionaries and partners moving forward. We took the time to talk to our partnership liaisons and missionaries to determine the most pressing needs.

K&K will be relocating shortly and had made a request for some financial help with the move and some of their increased costs. \$5 000 was sent to them to help with this need. They send their thanks!

We felt that MCC was the hardest hit by covid-19. First the thrift stores closed reducing their income. The second piece that we looked at was the stifling need for aid in many countries of the world where MCC is at work. The world's poorest individuals do not have the means for medical treatment, the extra funds for feeding a family when the economy plummets or the benefit of CERB. As a result \$5 000 was sent to MCC's "where it is needed most" fund to provide some relief during this crisis. They also sent their appreciation.

The third organization to receive funds was The Bunker. We were pleased to be able to fulfill their request for \$500 to help with summer staffing.

Please pray that the use of these funds would bring people into a life saving relationship with Jesus. Thank you!

Submitted by Renée Klassen

## Prayer and Praise

Pray for our shut-ins and those with on-going health issues:

- Margaret Peters
- Marie Klassen
- Agnes Giesbrecht
- Dennis Wiebe
- Harv Thiessen
- Maria Loewen
- Marie Brown
- Katherine Krahn

## Partnership focus



The smell of pork is back in the air! COVID restrictions have put a damper of some of what is going on at The Bunker, but thanks to their new certified food truck, they are able to keep many hungry bellies happy and full! The Bunker is now offering these lunches on three different days for more pork enjoyment! Wednesdays @ Integrity Parts Plus, Thursdays @ The Bunker, and Fridays @ Morden YFC. Their menu consists of Pulled Pork, Baked Beans, French Fries, Deep Fried Perogies, Coleslaw, and Drinks. Come on down! The Bunker and your belly will thank you!

## Renovations

Saturday, July 25 we need volunteers. We'll be installing drywall. Work day will start at 9 am. If you'd like to help or need more information contact Reyburn at 204-332-1077 or reyburnfranz@gmail.com.

## Condolences

We extend our condolence to Helene & Harv Thiessen on the passing of Helene's sister, Martha of Saskatoon on July 1st. May the peace of God be with you in this time of loss.

Please pray for Helen Zacharias of BC who is struggling with cancer. Helen is mother to Michelle Penner and sister-in-law to Helene Thiessen.