

# Don't Forget!

- July 14 Prayer Focus 7:30pm
- July 16 Youth 7:30pm
- July 18 Wilf Wight  
“Have You Understood?”  
Church Picnic @ Habinskis’
- July 21 Prayer Focus 7:30pm
- July 23 Youth 7:30pm

## This Week at a Glance

### **Wednesday, July 7**

Weekly Prayer Focus 7:30pm

### **Friday, July 9**

Youth 7:30pm

### **Sunday, July 11**

Wilf Wight

Communion

### **You are invited to join CEF in welcoming their *CYIA* Summer Missionaries!**

Come meet and pray for the summer missionaries. Talk with them and learn what they are doing this summer while enjoying tea and strawberries!

**July 11th:** First cup served @3pm  
Second cup served @5pm

**Kanata Christian Reformed Church – 46 Castlefrank Rd.**

**Why:** To meet our summer missionaries (*Christian Youth in Action*) that will be bringing the *Word of God* to our children here @ AV and in the Ottawa area.

Wilf Wight

## Let Freedom Ring

July 04, 2010

John 11: 21-26

& vs. 38-44

Today is Independence Day for USA. In 1831 a Baptist minister in Boston, Samuel Francis Smith wrote the lyrics to **America**: "My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing. Land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrim's pride, from every mountainside, **let freedom ring**. Over a century later, another Baptist minister, Martin Luther King Jr. repeated this same expression ten times, "**Let Freedom Ring**" in his famous speech "I Have a Dream" on August 28, 1963, delivered from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington D.C. **John chapter eleven demonstrates that the Lord wants to free us from our sins and release us for the purpose of serving Him.**

**Challenges in Living:** The New Testament does not hide the ..... in the home of Mary, Martha and Lazarus. When Lazarus becomes ill, Jesus did not come immediately and the sisters were .....

**Security in Believing:** We wrestle with our limitations to understand and to explain ..... It is the ..... that helps us.

**Freedom in Serving:** Lazarus is called back to life by the One who said, "I am the ..... and the ..... "(John 11:25). But all he could do was shuffle out of the grave bound in grave clothes. Lazarus had to be loosed ..... limitations and released ..... purpose.

**PRAYER: STEP ONE: Lord Jesus, I am coming to you believing that you died on the Cross for me. I confess you as my Saviour. I accept your gift of eternal life.**

**STEP TWO: Lord, I am a believer but I feel that I am bound like Lazarus. Release me from my sin of ..... that I may live for you. Make it true in my life that you have really made me free. Let freedom ring in my life and testimony. Amen**

Morning Worship 10:00 am

James Drennan

Senior Pastor

Welcome to our service this morning.  
May God's grace flow abundantly so,  
that you may grow in that grace and  
know the fullness of God.

## Welcome to AV!

July 04, 2010

If you are a guest today, we're glad you have joined us! We invite you to complete the *AV Communication Card* and place it in the offering plate or give to an usher. Our prayer is that you will sense the reality of God's presence here today and be drawn closer to Him as a result of our time together.

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Welcome

Worship

Offering

Special Music: "For What Earthly Reason" Lynn Harper-Ciaronni

Message: "Let Freedom Ring" Wilf Wight

Closing

## Next Sunday

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Wilf Wight speaking - "Extravagant Love" John 12: 1-11  
Communion

Did you know that you can keep up with the latest sermons while away on holidays? Just following the link @

<http://altavistabaptist.org/category/sermons/>

THAT'S A GOOD QUESTION



*Is it important that children come to embrace the faith of their fathers, or should they be encouraged to make up their own minds?*

It depends on whether you see religious faith as a matter of personal preference or ultimate reality.

If the various religious faiths are like different colours of paint, then belief is simply a matter of personal preference. In this case, parents should let children pick the shade of faith they find most appealing. However, if religious faith is actually about ultimate reality, we'll need a different approach.

If spiritual realities are as valid and enduring as physical ones, parents can't afford to be unconcerned or uninvolved. Parents understand that physical realities are not matters of personal preference. The law of gravity is not only true for some people; it's valid for all. Why should spiritual realities be any different?

Embracing a religious faith is not like choosing a favorite colour of paint; it's about aligning your life to the contours of reality. For this reason, parents should intentionally seek to pass on their faith to their children. But before they can do this, parents must be convinced about their own religious faith.

Even a cursory study of the world's religions reveals they differ significantly in their views of God, salvation and the afterlife. This wide variance in foundational beliefs means that all religions are not essentially the same. Further, all religious beliefs cannot be equally right. So parents need to investigate their own faith before they try to pass it on.

Christians welcome this kind of honest inquiry. That's because Christians are convinced that those who take an honest look at Christ and His teachings will come to hear the ring of truth in His words. More than that, they will come to see the love of God in Christ's death and resurrection. Those who choose to trust in Christ will discover they have a faith worth passing on.

*These questions and answers originally appeared in the Ottawa Citizen's "Ask the Religion Expert" Special Report.*

CHILDREN



The AV Kids Ministry exists to glorify God by partnering with parents and families to raise children who will know their ultimate joy by faithfully following Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit, wherever they go.

To be a faithful follower of Jesus we stress the acrostic F.O.L.L.O.W. where followers of Jesus:

- Fervent in Prayer
- Obey God's Word
- Love One Another
- Lead Others to Jesus
- Overflow with Praise
- Work for Jesus

*Kids Kamp - July 26-30*

*"One Way Mystery"*

9-4 for ages 6-12 \$45.00

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Wilf Wight will be speaking on:

July 11 – "Extravagant Love"

John 12:1-11

July 18 – "Have You Understood?"

John 13: 1-12

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Elders' on call while Pastor Jim is away:

July 5 – 11 Matthew Colwell

July 12 – 18 Trevor Clark