

J.O.Y. FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON- March 15th

Plan now to join with our senior saints for a special St. Patrick's Day luncheon .A devotional will be brought to us by Pastor Rudd of Calvary Baptist. For more info see Grace Dunlop.

AV CAFÉ COMING UP SUNDAY, MARCH 18

Maybe bring something **GREEN** to share. Plan now to spend some extra time getting to know some of the folks you call "family" at Alta Vista!

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE- SET ASIDE THE DAY NOW!

Our Good Friday service will take place at 10:30 am on Friday, March 30th. Please set aside that time to come and contemplate the painful and precious salvation Jesus purchased for us on the cross. Following the Good Friday service, we will then turn our minds and hearts towards resurrection Sunday. Why not consider having some of the church family back to your home for a time of fellowship on either Good Friday or Easter Monday? You'll be glad you did!

MISSIONARY UPDATES

Andy & Janet Wildsmith – missionaries in Kenya. Pray that Kenya will remain peaceful and leaders will seek God's will. Pray for Scott Christian University's future. Pray for the students as its exam time. Pray for Andy that he will recover from his current chronic pain and that Janet will recover from her Carpal Tunnel surgery. Please pray for the strength, energy and discipline we need from God to serve Him faithfully this semester which ends on April 27th.

Jonathan & Elaine Winter's - missionaries in Tokyo, Japan ask for prayer for the Mom Craft/Bible Class. Several of these women in the group are so close to releasing their hearts to Jesus, keep praying for breakthroughs and protection of these ladies.

Steve & Robyn Strongitharm - missionaries with Power to Change. Steve writes: I have sensed God calling me to step out of my current role at Power to Change but will remain on staff. I am entering a time of sabbatical, where over the next 3 months I will take time to seek Gods will for where He is calling me next. Robyn has faced some health challenges and will be seeing a dermatologist in March. We covet your prayers and continued support.



PRAISE ITEMS

- * Diana Kinimah is thankful for all the prayer that went into praying for her mom's visa. It has been approved and her mom will be visiting Diana.
- *For the Audio Visual team who each week take care of the sound.
- * God's blessing on our church family and in the families of our loved ones.
- * God's protection as we make our way to and from in this winter weather.
- * Connie Wight's leadership as she leads the Ladies Breakaway Group. The group is staring a new book called, Mastering Life Before It's Too Late
- * God's blessing of the Elders meeting that took place on Saturday
- *For the new families that have come to Alta Vista Church. Let's encourage one another by meeting someone new today. Say, Hello!
- *Thank you for praying for the staff, we without a doubt have felt your prayers. PRAYER ITEMS

*Betty Pinsent is receiving care at the Civic Hospital – please contact Andy first, if you think you may want to visit.

- *Kevan Harper pray that he has moments free from pain and for continued strengthening of his faith as he battles daily; and for Tara as she cares for him.
- .*For the Lord to open the perfect door for those seeking work
- *For the Mayville family, Patrizia has the influenza virus and the extreme the income property is ready for a buyer, please pray it sells quickly.

For several "unspoken" challenging family situations

- *Jonathan & Elaine Winter's who are missionaries in Tokyo, Japan ask for prayer for the Mom Craft/Bible Class. Several of these women in the group are so close to releasing their hearts to Jesus, keep praying for breakthroughs and protection of these ladies.
- *For Michelle's pregnancy, that God would hold this family close.
- *For the Good Friday Service, that new families would come and experience the Cross.

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"The Blessings of Faithfulness"

Pastor David Elliott

Sunday, March 11th, 2018

Welcome...We're glad you are here!

Below is some information that we trust you will find helpful.

<u>Nursery</u>- Caring and qualified childcare is lovingly provided for newborns up to 24 months during the entire service. The nursery is located at the top of the main entrance stairs.

<u>Jr. Church</u>- Children, age 2 to grade 6, are dismissed part way through the morning service so that they can enjoy a fun and engaging program designed just for them. Children can be picked up on the lower level after the service.

<u>Welcome Gift</u>- We'd love to meet you! If you are new to Alta Vista, please drop by the Welcome Centre in the lobby to receive your welcome gift. As well, we would invite you to fill in the Welcome Card (located in pew) and drop it by the Welcome Centre.

<u>Washrooms</u>- Our main washrooms are located on the lower level at the bottom of the main entrance stairs. There is also a washroom within the small office at the front left of the auditorium for those who are unable to get to the lower level.

Questions- If you have further questions or would like to find out more about the church don't hesitate to speak to an usher, greeter, pastor or the folks at the Welcome Centre located in the lobby. Or simply call the church 613.733.7207



Alta Vista Baptist Church

Exalting Christ and Loving People

WORSHIPPING TOGETHER

Welcome

Be Still and Know We Praise Thee O God, Our Redeemer

> Announcements Offering

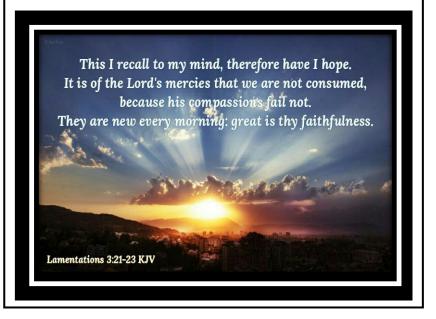
Find Us Faithful

(Children, age 3 to Grade 6, dismissed to Jr. Church)

My Faith Has Found A Resting Place

Message

Faithful One Great Is Thy Faithfulness



Your Week Ahead

March 12-18 March Break

Tuesday

9:30 am Ladies Break Away (Bible Study)

Wednesday

9:30 am Staff Meeting 5:30 pm Missions Meeting 7:00 pm Youth – Bowling 7:30 pm Prayer Focus

Thursday

12:00 pm Joy Luncheon

Friday

7:00 pm Youth – Movie Night

Saturday

9:00 am Worship Leaders Meeting

Sunday

9:30 am Bible School for all ages – Come and join us

10:30 am Worship Service 12:00 pm AV Café - Potluck

Have you checked your mailbox lately? Everyone at AVBC has a mail slot in the foyer. Please check yours.



Students, grades 6-12, meet every Friday night from 7-9 pm

AV YOUTH

It's MARCH MADNESS!! This March break make plans to join us at Walkley Bowl on Wednesday night, March 14, at 7-9 PM for a bowling challenge! It is \$10 per person. And Friday night, March 16, its movie night at the McCallum's from 7-9 PM BRING your FRIENDS! Speak to P. Greg if you have any questions.

Mar. 23 Meet @ McCallum's 7-9 PM

Mar. 30 No Other Name @ The Met \$29 /person, 2:00-10:30 PM

Find us on Facebook @ facebook.com/groups/avyouth



CANADA DAY

Plans are already underway for our 8th annual Canada Day community celebration. AVBC will once again this year partner with the Canterbury Community Centre to put on an afternoon of celebration, food and connection with our community. Please be praying about how you can be involved! More information to come after Faster.

HAVE YOU GOT YOUR FREE GROCERY CARD?

Loblaw discovered that Canadians were overcharged for the cost of some packaged bread products in their stores and other grocery stores across Canada. As a result, Loblaw is offering a free \$25 gift card. You can check out the details at loblawcard.ca Once you have obtained the free gift card please consider giving it away to someone in need such as a hungry student, a family going through a tough time or a senior on a fixed income.

YOUTH ALPHA @ CANTERBURY HIGH SCHOOL

The Holy Spirit is moving in mighty ways through this ministry to students. We had to turn away a few students this past week because we ran out of space in the classroom! We are looking at a larger room to host all those who are wanting to attend. Jesus is working in the hearts of students from all walks of life and different faith backgrounds. Praise God for his faithful answers to prayer and service. Our next meeting is on Wed. March 21 and the topic is "FAITH: How Can I Have Faith?" Continue to pray that students will come with open hearts and minds to the Gospel and the working of the Holy Spirit.

GOD IS FAITHFUL (K.J.Kehler)

Are you confident today that God is always faithful? That He is exactly who He says He is? Aren't you glad He doesn't change His mind or gets moody or forgets His promises? Friends or family may let you down or even betray you. But not God. He is completely faithful throughout your entire life not only to you, but to all His children. "For I the Lord do not change" (Malachi 3:6). Do you lack confidence today? The Bible says, "Faithful is he that called you, who also will do it" (1 Thessalonians 5:24). He will be your adequacy. Are you fearful about something? He said, "I hem you in behind and before; you have laid your hand upon me" (Psalm 139:5). He is watching over you — behind, in front, and overhead. Are you facing an impossible task? Pray and discuss it with Him. "Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we receive mercy and find grace to help us in time of need" (Hebrews 4:16). We just have to ask, and He will answer. Have you messed up? Feel guilty? "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9). He will cleanse you — make you completely pure.

Sod Promises ALWAYS KEEPS HIS Promises