### Meadow Brook Calendar

- Oct 31 (Tues) Whoopalooza
- Nov 12 (Sun) Shoeboxes due back
- Nov 15-17 Shoebox Packing Week
- Nov 26 (Sun) Baby Dedication
- Dec 3 (Sun) Baptism
- Dec 3 (Sun) Christmas Banquet
- Dec 24 (Sun) 10am service and 6pm Christmas Eve Service
- Dec 31 (Sun) 10am Pancake Breakfast/service

# **Community Connections**

- The Bridge our Sewing ladies are making quilts for the Youth Centre and will be starting Monday, Oct 30 for 4 weeks. If you are able to help out (sewing, cutting, ironing etc), please join the ladies from 9am -4pm every Monday. Bring a lunch.
- The Baking Bunch will be having an all day 'baking spree', blessing our community neighbours, shut-ins from MBC and our Seniors.

# **Essex County Community Bulletin Board**

• November 4 (Sat.) - The After School Bible Club program would like to invite you to attend their annual Soup and Dessert at Harrow Baptist Church. Admission is \$5.00 for bottomless bowls of delicious soup and wonderful desserts. For more information contact Judy Hiebert at 519-322-8899



## November 2017

#### MINISTRY MANAGEMENT TEAM

**Prayer Day** On Tues, Oct 17, we set aside a day to seek the Lord and pray for our church! Thanks to Sarah E and Heather M for all of their work in setting up the event, and thanks to everyone who came out to participate! It was a great day!

**Leadership Retreat** On Sat, Oct 21, the staff and Board got together for a day of reflection, discussion, planning, and prayer, as we seek what God has next for Meadow Brook! Thanks for praying for us, it was a productive and meaningful day!

**Christmas Banquet** Starting Nov 5, we will be selling tickets for our Christmas banquet on the evening of Sunday December 3! Space is limited, so please make sure to get your tickets early!

### **NEW & EVENTS**

WORSHIP OPEN HOUSE TONITE! - 730pm. Come for a worship evening to reflect, pray, participate, and bring God glory!

WHOOPALOOZA -On Tuesday, Oct 31, Whoopalooza is happening! Invite friends and neighbours. It's going to be a great time!

Samaritan's Purse Christmas Shoeboxes - Pick up a shoebox in the lobby. Note that shoeboxes are due back to the church by Sunday Nov 12.

**Elder Nomination Toolkits** available at the Hub. The Discernment Team is asking the voting membership to prayerfully submit names of voting members who you would like to have considered serving on the Board of Elders starting in February 2018. These nominations must be submitted no later than Sunday November 12.

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## **Somdy and Chanh Jusse**

Somdy is very conscious of having been sent to Thailand by the Lord, MB Mission and those of us who make up his home church. In March he started a church in the city of Phon Phisai in Nong Khai province and in June this church was officially licensed by the Thailand Mennonite Brethren Foundation. Since March, several people have come to Christ, and 14 people have been baptized, though a few have fallen away. Ed and Ingrid Russell are also part of the team. This church really needs our prayer support because the city of Phon Phisai is the centre of serpent worship- a dark spirit that controls the people there. Somdy and his team have entered into spiritual warfare and they need our prayers and support until they have victory over the forces of darkness there. Somdy hopes to return to Thailand for Christmas and then they, as a family, hope to return to Thailand for two years starting in April, 2008. They are very grateful for our prayers and support.

Please pray for these items:

- 1. that new believers will be firmly grounded in Christ and those who have drifted will come back to the Lord
- 2. for the Lord's strong protection as they are actively involved in very real spiritual warfare in Thailand.
- 3. Safety in travel to and from Thailand.

#### WORSHIP NEWS

# Words from the Worship Team

Worship at Meadow Brook is so closely tied to our identity as a church. Worship certainly means much more than singing songs, but that type of worship - corporate worship - unites us as one body to praise and declare the power in His name! That focus and emphasis on corporate worship has long been and continues to be one of the things that makes Meadow Brook an amazing church! And yet, through our current series on spiritual warfare, we have seen how when we worship, we are in fact also fighting back against the enemy and engaging in spiritual warfare!

As the worship leaders and the worship team work hard to help the church come together in worship, we're constantly looking for new songs to bring to the church. New songs of worship have a way of getting us energized and excited about worship, so we are intentional about prayerfully seeking new songs to bring to the church. The leadership team met recently and we're excited about the batch of new songs we will be introducing this year! Below is the list of new songs. The songs are all easy to find online on YouTube or music streaming services such as Spotify. We hope knowing the songs in advance will help everyone get familiar with the songs before they are introduced and excited about singing them together at Meadow Brook!

- Mighty Warrior (Elevation),
- Lion and The Lamb (Bethel),
- Overcome (Elevation),
- Only a Holy God (CityAlight),
- Good and Gracious King (CityAlight),

Your Glory/Nothing But The Blood (All Sons and Daughters)

Lastly, we also want to remind you that a list of the songs we sing each Sunday is available at the Hub and the Welcome Desk. Each Sunday's setlist is also available on iTunes and Spotify. Our hope is that having access to worship songs through all those mediums will help you be as excited about worship as we are!