

Meadow Brook Calendar

- Mar 25 – 730pm – Open House Worship
- Mar 30 – 10am – Good Friday service
- Apr 3 – 930am & 645pm – Precept Study begins
- Apr 8 – Mission Sunday & Mission's Pizza Lunch – must RSVP
- Apr 14 – 7pm Volunteer Appreciation Night
- Apr 8, 15, 22, 29 – 9-1015am - Pathway Classes
- Apr 21 – Leadership Retreat
- Apr 29 – 730pm – Open House Worship

MBYouth

JR HIGH

Apr 5 BOWLING - Be at Empire Lanes at 7pm. Pick up is at 9pm. Cost: \$15.

Apr 12 Bible Studies

Apr 19 SCAVENGER HUNT

Apr 26 Bible Studies

SR HIGH

Apr 5 GUYS/GIRLS NIGHT

Apr 12 Bible Studies

Apr 19 BREAK N' ENTER

Apr 26 Bible Studies



Tuesday April 24 will be the last day of MB Kids Club until fall.



April 2018

MINISTRY MANAGEMENT TEAM

New Projectors! We now have new and brighter HD projectors for the screens in the sanctuary, which should make the visibility easier, especially from the back of the church! Thanks to the AV team and their helpers for getting everything up and running!

Volunteer Appreciation Night If you have served in *any* area of the church from the beginning of 2017 up to now (even if you've stepped aside in that time), we want to invite you to an evening set aside to show our appreciation for you on Sat, Apr 14th at 630pm in the gym! Dessert and coffee will be served, childcare will be provided, and we hope to see you there! Please RSVP by signing up at the Welcome Centre or email the office@meadowbrook.ca so that we know the numbers!



You are invited to the
Meadow Brook Church Volunteer Appreciation Dessert Night
Saturday April 14 6:30 - 8:00 pm in the church gym
RSVP at the Welcome Center by Sunday April 8
Childcare will be provided

Summer Jobs Program Every year we apply for (and have received) a financial grant from the government that allows us to hire students to help us with our summer programs here at the church. You may have seen in the news that this year, the government required all applicants to affirm that they are in agreement with some things that we are actually not in agreement with as a church. The wording that we were asked to attest was fuzzy, and we did not feel that we could affirm what was asked of us in the way it was written, and so we didn't, sending a letter instead that clarified our beliefs and practices. This application has been rejected, so we have reapplied one more time in a similar fashion, which we assume will be rejected as well. Nonetheless, we have decided that our summer programs will continue regardless, so stay tuned for more info, and for where we are going to need lots of help!

NEW & EVENTS

Open House Worship Night is always on the last Sunday of the month at 7:30pm. If you want to take some time to just spend an hour with God with no agenda other than being in His presence, please join us. It takes place upstairs in the Youth Centre it is for everyone.



COMMUNITY LIFE

JOURNEY TO ISRAEL AND JORDAN

On Wednesday April 25 at 7pm in the Fellowship room Linda Hurst, Rosemary Gorbald, Sharon Girardin and Doris Schroeder will be sharing their journey to Israel and Jordan in 2017 via pictures and stories. Everyone is welcome to join them. No passport or visa required!

LOST & FOUND

Please check the Lost & Found shelf for articles left behind. We will donate these items if unclaimed, at the end of March. (Lost & Found items are in the Main Entrance Coat rack area. Also check the Welcome Centre for small, lost items).

...and He HIMSELF
bore OUR sins in
HIS body on the
CROSS

1st Peter 2:24

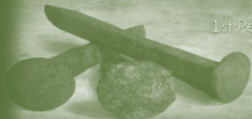


PHOTO Directory

It's time for our Photo Directory Update. Many newer families have inquired about obtaining a copy, or being included in our current one. There are several ways to make this happen:

- ⇒ Pick up a copy of our Data Form at the HUB – return to the office
- ⇒ Learn how to become part of it at Starting Points
- ⇒ Email the church office to have an electronic form sent to you office@meadowbrook.ca

Precept Study

We'll be studying "Breaking Free From Fear" - a 6 week No-Homework study from April 3- May 8. We meet Tuesday mornings @9:30-10:30am and evenings@ 7:00-8:00pm. Cost:\$12.00

Contact Elly Dyck if you'd like to attend. Everyone welcome!

ellydyck@gmail.com or [519-398-8438](tel:519-398-8438)

MISSION FOCUS

DP is working in a most challenging mission field, that of the First Nations people. Some of the challenges that D faces all the time are substance abuse and spiritual warfare. People continue to come forward asking for deliverance. Pray that D will be able to freely proclaim the gospel to people asking for this kind of help.

D would appreciate our prayers for the following items:

1. There are two couples working with D on church planting in the reserves around Georgian Bay. Pray for their safety and for hearts to be prepared to receive the Lord.
2. The Canadian Aboriginal Fellowship work needs our prayers.
3. Although things are going well at the Mohawk Reserve Church, political conflict is creating strained relationships which, in turn, affects the church.
4. Please pray for KS as he struggles with demon possession, and also for DD who needs healing from a mental health crisis.
5. Ernie has been helping D pastor at the Moosedeer faith circle and is preparing to be credentialed as a pastor with the Mennonite Brethren denomination. Pray for Ernie's health, his family and that many people of his community will meet Jesus.
6. It is BJ's desire is to study with YWAM but she needs \$3500.00 before April 1. If any of you would like to help BJ reach her goal, D will forward the YWAM form to you and you will receive a tax receipt.

D will be the speaker for both services on Sunday, April 8. The Missions Team is planning a pizza luncheon in the fellowship room that Sunday. Anyone who wishes to attend can do so by responding to Marilyn White at marikath12@gmail.com or at 519.326.2382. Please RSVP by Thursday, April 5. Thanks!

Isaiah 53

He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground. He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.

He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain. Like one from whom people hide their faces. He was despised, and we held him in low esteem.

Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by him, and afflicted.

But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed.

We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.

By oppression and judgment he was taken away. Yet who of his generation protested?

For he was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of my people he was punished.

He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth.

Yet it was the Lord's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the Lord makes his life an offering for sin, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the Lord will prosper in his hand.

After he has suffered, he will see the light of life and be satisfied; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities.

Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors.

For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

- Friday April 6 – 7pm - An evening of music and stories of hope: **Generation Rising** presents Christian touring band Double Portion! Featuring the testimony of Pastor Jose from Honduras - who will share how he continues to boldly proclaim God while surviving terrible gang violence. Free admission with a freewill donation. All funds raised will help children in Honduras receive quality Christian education. Friday, April 6th at 7:00 p.m. at the Deer Run Church.
- Saturday April 7 – 9am-3pm – **Women of Influence Conference @ St Mary's Hall Maidstone.** "Connecting & Influencing" – Guest Speakers and Concert by Courtney Lynn. Bridal Fashion Show Feature. Tickets \$40 (incl hot lunch). See Shari for tickets.
- Monday, April 9 – 6pm - Ladies - **Leamington After 5** dinner at Colasanti's. Cost is \$20. Enjoy a fashion show by Northern Reflections and Inspirational Speaker, Sonja Pretorius - "A New Beginning". For reservations call Sharon by Friday, April 6, 519-326-0421.
- **Meat Canner** Leamington April 30th – May 3rd, 2018 Calling all canners - first timers and veterans! Many shifts available to work on as a group or as an individual. Contact: Jake Neufeld 519-825-7173 Marlene Schmidtgall 519-326-7709 Where: Southwestern Ontario Gleaners, 40 Industrial Rd, Leamington, ON What: We plan to process 20,000 pounds of poultry, our 19th year of canning. When: April 30 - May 3, 2018- Peter Fiss at (519) 999-8855 or peter.fiss@gmail.com
- **CareLink Health Transit** is accessible transportation for adults and seniors 55+ or those living with disabilities. User fees based on area of residency and destination. Registration and advance booking is required. Serving all of Windsor - Essex, Chatham-Kent and Sarnia-Lambton. Afterhours, weekend and holiday service available at an additional cost. 1-855-728-1433