

Meadow Brook Calendar

- Feb 26 (Sunday)
7:30pm Open House
Worship
- Mar 3-5 – Sr High
Youth retreat at Hidden Acres, Kitchener
- Mar 3 – (Friday) 2pm –
World Day of Prayer
(being hosted at
Meadow Brook)
- March 5 (Sunday both
services) – Baby
Dedication
- March 7 – April 18
(Tuesdays – 930am &
645pm) – Precept
Study
- Apr 18 & 25 –
(Tuesdays) – 7-9pm –
Next Pathway Classes
- May 7 (Sunday)
Baptism

2017 Photo Directory

If MBC is your home church, we'd love to include you in our upcoming photo directory. We require a Data Information form plus a photo of you/your family.

If you have access to a computer, please go online and fill out the form on this link as soon as possible. <http://www.meadowbrook.ca/resources/resources/church-directory/>. (Paper copies are available at the HUB but we need them asap, to be included).

To the skies, heavy with blessing, lift your eyes, offer your heart.
Jesus Christ opened the Heavens, now we receive the Spirit of God.
And with great anticipation we await, the Promise to come.
Everything that You have spoken will come to pass, let it be done!

Elevation Worship

March 2017

BOARD OF ELDERS

Annual General Meeting

Thanks to all of those that were able to attend the meeting on Monday, February 6th. We reviewed the different portfolios of staff and prayed over them and their ministries. Clarity was provided as Lead Pastor Mesh will oversee leadership of the staff and staff development, discipleship/growth groups, preach 6-8 sermons per year, focus on outreach/evangelism, utilizing our Community Connection ministry with the Leamington Youth Hub. Chris Walker will focus on teaching/preaching, weddings/funerals and pastoral care.

The discussion around Women in Leadership will be communicated in April/March as to how MBC will continue to align our practices with our bylaws.

We took time to recognize how blessed we are financially at MBC and reflected on how God has been at work at MBC! We are looking forward to our Leadership Team retreat on Saturday, March 25th to further discuss the mission, vision and ministry plan for 2017!

MINISTRY MANAGEMENT TEAM

Annual General Meeting We had a wonderful time on Mon, Feb 6th, thanking God for what He did in 2016 and looking forward to what He is doing and will be doing in 2017! Thank you to all who came out to participate in this awesome night! Rob Dueckman and Henry Peters were affirmed as Elders for a 3-year-term, and Jake Friesen and Merissa Gleason were voted in as Discernment Team members.

Children's Director Sarah will be finished in her role as the interim Director at the end of May, and the search team continues to look at resumes and candidates for our opening Children's Director position. Please be praying for this process!

Leadership Retreat Please be praying for the Ministry Management Team and the Board of Elders on Saturday, March 25th as we gather for a day of prayer, discussion, and planning for the future of Meadow Brook Church!

MISSION FOCUS

Eric and Julia Rose praise the Lord for:

1. Eric is thankful for how well their "Uncover McGill" event went. Over five days, 18 different events were attended by about 1500 people! They think about half were not Christians. They were encouraged by the good conversations after the events and also that a number of their Christian students brought their non Christian friends.
2. It's been exciting to see at least 4 new Christians on the CEGEPs that Eric is helping to oversee in Montreal.

They would appreciate our prayers for the following:

1. Feb. 26- Mar.1 - Eric is taking a van load of students to Queen's university in Kingston to help the Power to Change movement there. Please pray for God's direction and work during this time. Eric's students are giving up their free time to do this for the Lord.
2. Pray also for an outreach they are having on the Nature of God on Mar.16.



MB KIDS The month of candy hearts and oversized stuffed bears has arrived. It's the month we set aside each year to celebrate our love for those we hold near and dear. And what says "I love you" better than a box of chocolates or cards that play music when you open them?

As thoughtful as these things are, Jesus has a few different ways of showing us how much He loves us. Jesus shows His love for us by simply wanting to spend time with us. Jesus wants us to come to Him – anytime, anywhere – just come. Jesus shows He loves us by helping us. And, Jesus loves us no matter what. Jesus' love is SO big!

As we continue to learn about how great God's love is for us, we have been brainstorming different ways that we can show His love to others. We have been collecting food all month for the Access Centre, written appreciation cards to those who serve us, and have been encouraged to do random acts of kindness for others each day. It has been a fun and challenging month in MB Kids and MB Kids Club!

SENIOR HIGH WINTER RETREAT MARCH 3-5, 2017

Our winter retreat will be a time with lots of fun activities and most likely some crazy times! It will also be a time to grow closer to God. We will be spending lots of time learning more about God and hearing from Him through worship and speakers.

The retreat is held at Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp which is approximately two hours away and has a long history of hosting youth retreats and week camps.

Every student is required to submit a registration and waiver form, signed by a parent or legal guardian to attend the retreat. This must be handed in asap to pastor Xavier. For more detailed information, visit <http://www.meadowbrook.ca/srhighretreat/>

Please pray for the Leaders and campers for this exciting, but spiritually impactful weekend!!

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER March 3, 2017

Imagine if you knew that on a specific day people all over the world were gathered in groups to pray specifically for God to work in your country? This is the purpose of the World Day of Prayer held each year on the 1st Friday in March. Both men and women from all over the world gather, to learn about the host country and pray for them. This year's emphasis is on the Philippines.

Leamington's World Day of Prayer will be held in our church, Friday March 3 at 2 p.m at Meadow Brook.

Please join people worldwide, learning about and praying for the people of the Philippines!

TOOLSHEED

Next Precept Class Galatians- What does it mean to live under grace: Do you have to keep the Law to be a Christian? All of it or just part of it? Who is right? How will we know? This is a 7 week course: Tuesdays, March 7- April 18 930am -1145; or 645pm-830. The cost is \$17.00. For more information, call Elly Dyck @ 519-398-8438 or email ellydyck@gmail.com

No need to pre-register.

Essex County Community Bulletin Board

- March 13 (Monday) – 6pm - Leamington After 5, Christian Women's Club meets at Colasanti's. Cost is \$18. Speaker is Wendy Taylor, Windsor. Music by Mary Dietz. Feature is Lindsay Ecker, "Essential Oils", natural solutions for your health. Reservations by Friday, March 10 with Barb 519-326-7631.
- March 17 (Friday) – 630pm - Far East Broadcasting Canada is holding their Friendship Dinner at Meadow Brook. Everyone is welcome and the dinner is complimentary. Rudi Wiens-- FEBC Director for Central Asia will be the guest speaker, so reserve your spot by contacting: John & Margaret Faust 519-326-8821 or Linda Derksen 519-326-7082.