MEADOWLANDS BAPTIST CHURCH 19 FEBRUARY 2021 NEWSLETTER



The headlines appear in every major news outlet across the country: "Alberta Pastor Jailed for Violating Health Orders." This should be of great concern to all of us. Although several pastors across Canada have been issued fines for defying government restrictions on churches, this is the first time a pastor has been arrested and held in custody. This sets an alarming precedent that could harm churches in years to come.

Over the last several months, our church has taken a different path than Pastor James Coates and the GraceLife Church of Edmonton. We have chosen to comply with the regulations as we continue to gather regularly for singing, prayer, Bible teaching, worship, fellowship, and the ordinances of baptism and the Lord's Supper. In this challenging time, local churches have made different decisions based on their context and understanding of how Scriptural principles apply to the situation. This is not a time to criticize fellow believers; this is a time to pray. Will you take time this weekend to pray?

- Pray for Pastor James Coates and his legal counsel.
- Pray for his wife and children as they are separated from him.
- Pray for our brothers and sisters of GraceLife Church.
- Pray for our authorities that serve us in AHS, RCMP and the judiciary.
- Pray for our political leaders as they make decisions that affect our lives and churches.
- Pray for unity in local churches and among Gospel-centered churches in our province.
- Pray for the spread of the Gospel in Edmonton and Alberta.
- Pray that the trying of our faith would produce spiritual maturity.
- Pray for Christ to be glorified.

This Sunday we will continue our study of Christ's High Priestly Prayer in John 17. I plan to address how we can love our fellow believers and promote Christian unity in this present situation. See you Sunday!

WEDNESDAY PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY/ KIDS 4 TRUTH 7 PM



This mid-week service takes place inperson in the auditorium. If you would like a Zoom link to participate, please email the church office.

"Trust in Him at all times, you people; Pour out your heart before Him; God is a refuge for us."

Psalm 62:8

Need to contact us?

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donations@meadowlands baptist.com. Your donation will be automatically accepted and you will receive a confirmation of the transfer. SUNDAY, 21 FEBRUARY WORSHIP SERVICES: 9:30 AM, 11 AM OR 6 PM

In-person services (with singing) take place in the gym. Services are simultaneously livestreamed in the auditorium (no singing) or available to you at home.

- "WHEN MORNING GILDS THE SKIES"
- PRAYER
- "ROCK OF AGES"
- CHILDREN'S STORY
- SO SEND I YOU"
- "I LOVE YOU, LORD"
- MESSAGE: "THAT THE WORLD MAY BELIEVE" JOHN 17:21
 PASTOR KEVIN WILLIAMS
- PRAYER
- "MY SOUL FINDS REST
 IN GOD ALONE"

MEADOWLANDS YOUTH BIBLE STUDY ZOOM MEETING

Youth in grades 7-12 are invited to a Zoom meeting at 2 pm this Sunday, February 21 to see how things are going and to discuss options for Bible study. To receive the link to participate, please email Giselle Pienaar at greneau@gmx.com.



SINCERE HEARTS LADIES' MINISTRY "BIBLICAL THEOLOGY WORKSHOP" LIVE WEBCAST: MARCH 6

To find out more about this event, please go to the Sincere Hearts' Facebook page or see Holly Williams for details.

I'll set my gaze on God alone

And trust in Him completely;

With ev'ry day pour out my soul,

And He will prove His mercy.

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