

# the Connection

MEADOWLANDS BAPTIST CHURCH  
13 AUGUST 2021 NEWSLETTER

## "ASSISTANCE NEEDED..."

by Jerry Ascher

I dabble in home improvement projects. As a result, I've become an expert in pushing the button at a certain big box store that informs everyone, "Special assistance needed in..." the area where my project has taken me. My confidence level in the job I'm attempting is directly related not just to how knowledgeable the store associate is who comes to my aid, but also how patient they are to teach me what I need to know and show me the product I need to purchase. Over time, although I might not be able to remember a name, I have begun to recognize those who have been so helpful in the past, and I know, if only I can find *that* person who I talked with before, I will get the instruction, advice, and materials I need. Why? The competence and ability to allay my fears about a previous project has given me confidence that this time will be no different.

Hear these words from the pen of King Solomon: "Do not be afraid of sudden terror, nor of trouble from the wicked when it comes; for the Lord will be your confidence, and will keep your foot from being caught" (Proverbs 3:25-26, NKJV).

How great it is to know that in the trials of life that we constantly face, we can place complete confidence in our God. He has proved over and over to be trustworthy far beyond the capabilities of anything or anyone else. When we are in need, why do we lean on our own understanding and go to God only as a last resort? The Bible teaches that not one word has failed of all God's good promises (Joshua 21:45, NKJV). No human being can even come close to that claim! If we seek Him with our whole heart, He has promised to be found by us. To act confidently on these promises will strengthen our faith, give us the "special assistance" we need, and be a testimony to others who see how our faith affects every area of our lives.



**SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES:  
15 AUGUST 2021  
9:30 AM OR 11:00 AM**

In-person services take place in the auditorium. Services are simultaneously livestreamed in the gym, or available to you at home.

Childcare is available during the 9:30 service for ages 2-3.

- "BEHOLD OUR GOD"
- PRAYER
- "I WILL SING OF MY REDEEMER"
- "FREE FROM GUILT AND FREE FROM SIN"
- CHILDREN'S STORY
- "HE HIDETH MY SOUL"
- MESSAGE: "INSTRUCTIONS FROM A TROUBLED SOUL" PSALM 42-43 PASTOR JERRY ASCHER
- "THE SOLID ROCK"

**CHURCH FAMILY  
FELLOWSHIP**

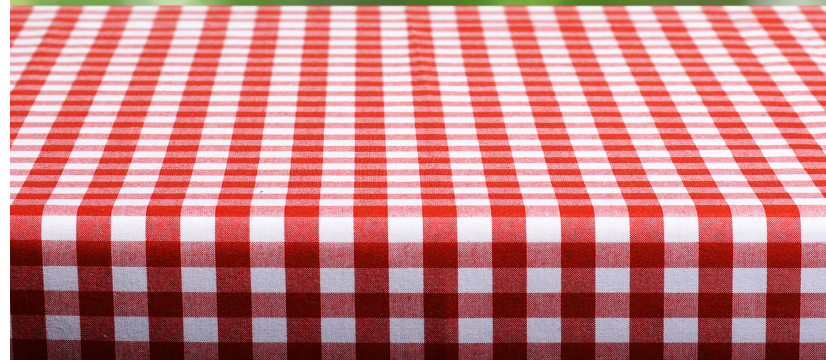


**WHEN: Sunday, 15 August 12:30 pm**

**WHO: Everyone**

**WHERE: MBC**

**Bring a picnic lunch, lawn chair and favourite game**



Whether you are new to Meadowlands or have been here for years, there are always new people to meet and friendships that can grow deeper. This fall, Meadowlands is setting aside three Sunday evenings to encourage small group fellowship. Groups will meet for dinner or dessert hosted by a connect group leader on **September 26, October 24, and November 21**. There are no age restrictions and we encourage everyone to participate.

To join a group, here's what you need to do. Simply [register here](#) or fill out a form at the Information Desk. After registering, you will be placed in a group and your assigned host will arrange the time, place and details. Hurry! **The deadline to sign up is September 15.**

**GIVING**

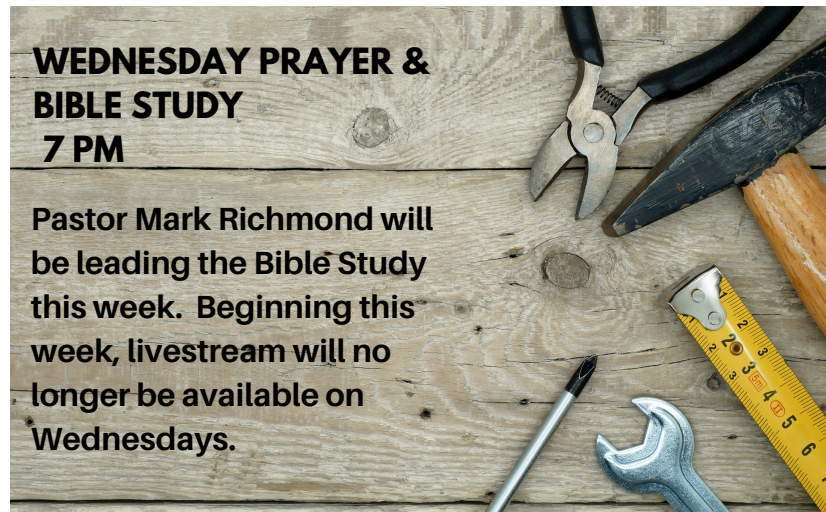
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**WEDNESDAY PRAYER &  
BIBLE STUDY  
7 PM**

**Pastor Mark Richmond will be leading the Bible Study this week. Beginning this week, livestream will no longer be available on Wednesdays.**



## KIDS 4 TRUTH REGISTRATION



Kids 4 Truth is an exciting program for elementary children ages four to grade 6 held at Meadowlands on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:15. Classes begin **September 8** and will continue weekly throughout the school year. For more information or to register, please visit our website.



## A Christian Heritage: Church History Survey Block Class with Kevin Williams 23-28 August

This class will give an overview of the major events, doctrines, and people that influenced Christianity from the beginning of the church (AD 30) to the end of the Twentieth Century. This course is available for credit or audit. For more information, please visit their website.



**"God is our refuge  
and strength, a  
very present help  
in trouble."**

Psalm 46:1

## PRAYER REQUESTS UPDATES:

**Larry & Pam Noland,**  
MBC Missionaries to  
Aklavik, NT:

"The biopsies have shown that the tumor is malignant, but that the cancer has not spread to any of the surrounding area. They have Pam scheduled to have a PET scan, blood work, and to meet with the surgeon and the oncologist on August 18. They will schedule the surgery from there."

**Brian & Heather Hunter:**  
Eliza's surgery had to be postponed and will be re-scheduled at a later date due to a trauma case that came in right before her scheduled time. They are trusting God's perfect time at a later date.



## YOUNG AT HEART BBQ Picnic

**WHEN:** SAT, 28 AUG, 11-2

**WHO:** 55+

**WHERE:** ASCHERS' HOME

**WHAT:** BBQ DINNER:

(pulled pork, brisket, smoked turkey, buns, coleslaw, baked beans, macaroni & cheese, fruit, cookies/brownies, water/pop)

**SIGN UP:** Please sign up on the church bulletin board or phone/email the church office no later than Monday, 23 August.

*Directions are available at the Information Desk.*