

September 15, 2024
Worship at 10:30 a.m.
Kick-off Sunday



Mission Statement:

Attract people to Christ
Teach them to live for Christ
Relate to them with the Love of Christ
Reach out with the Compassion of Christ

**“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord,
“plans to prosper you and not to harm you,
plans to give you Hope and a Future.”
Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV) (emphasis added)**

CANADIAN BAPTISTS of Ontario and Quebec - A family of
churches, transformed by Christ, revealing God's Kingdom

We warmly welcome you to Murray Street Baptist Church this morning. We hope you'll be blessed as you worship with us. Please join us for light refreshments in Webb Hall following the service.

Prelude	Anne Smith
Scriptural Call to Worship: Psalm 13 (pg. 537 in Pew Bible)	
Opening Prayer: The Lord's Prayer	
Musical Worship: There Is a Redeemer	#308
Jesus Strong & Kind	
O How He Loves You & Me	#349
The Wisdom of God Reading: Proverbs 14:21-25 (pg. 638)	
Gospel Reading: Matthew 12:46-50 (pg. 968)	Brenda Stanford
Offertory & Doxology	#815
Anthem: Total Praise by Richard Smallwood	Choir
Pastoral Prayer & Prayer of Petition	
Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 1:3-7 (pg. 1143)	
Message: Everyday Questions 3: Suffering: Is God Really Good?	Pastor Brad
Closing Hymn: O the Deep Deep Love of Jesus	#352
Taking Our Love of God into the World/Blessing	
Postlude	Anne



Praying for our CBOQ Sister Churches: This week we pray for Little Bethel Community Church, Hamilton and Living Water Community Church, Thorold.

M'Cheyne Bible Reading Plan

Monday Revelation 8

Wednesday Revelation 10

Friday Revelation 12

Sunday Revelation 14

Tuesday Revelation 9

Thursday Revelation 11

Saturday Revelation 13



Church Family News:

† **Needing Prayer:** Michael Fickling, Colin Greer (home), Shirley Nicholls (in hospital), Michelle Peters, Tim Stanford, Paul Tabor.

☘ **Happy 94th Birthday** to Stewart McAfee on Sept. 20th.

THIS WEEK at MURRAY STREET

MONDAY

September 16

1 p.m. **Church Council** meeting.

TUESDAY

September 17

7 p.m. **ActiveFaith:** The Bible Course by Cdn. Bible Society.

THURSDAY

September 19

9:30 a.m. **Prayer Meeting** (online).

10-11:30 a.m. **Closet & Drop In.**

SATURDAY

September 21

8 a.m. **Community Breakfast.**

SUNDAY

September 22

9 a.m. **ActiveFaith: The Bible Course** by Cdn. Bible Society.

10:30 a.m. **Worship.** Pastor Brad preaching.

12 p.m. **Baby Shower** for Megan Smith.

3-7 p.m. **Living Waters Mission Church.**

Introduction to Handbells

Friday, September 27th at 10 A. M.: I will hold an introduction to the handbells this morning. Anyone is welcome to come. This does not commit you to joining the handbell choir. Please come out and try out the handbells. I will explain what is involved in a handbell choir. If this is for you – great. If it is not for you there will be no pressure to join. Anne Smith

The choir will begin rehearsing the Christmas Cantata on **Thursday, October 3rd.** Cantata practice will begin at **7 p.m.** Regular practice at 7:30. We need more voices for this. If you like to sing, please consider joining us. Anne.

There are many opportunities to serve the Lord at MSBC! These areas include: Missions, Evangelism, Property, Audio/Visual, Worship, Greeters and Ushers, Hospitality, Finance and other areas. We would love, and **NEED**, to see everyone serving the Lord and His church in some capacity. Please contact the church office at msbc@cogeco.net to let us know where you feel called to serve.

Read an MSBC Library Book – Eat, sleep, read!

Featured Books are displayed on the table in the library.

Non-Fiction:

God Came Near by Max Lucado – Lucado draws you in with short stories that paint an elegant picture. These short stories fill the book with great life lessons that anyone can relate to. This book is a two-part book; the first part focuses on stories in the Bible. In the second part Lucado writes about life lessons God has taught him and the circumstances surrounding the lessons. A thought-provoking and enjoyable read.

40 Unstoppable Women by Harold Sala– An inspiring collection of real-life accounts of forty women whose faith enabled them to overcome the odds and do great things. The book features saints, reformers, missionaries, social workers, authors, survivors, midwives, and even women of the Bible, among others. These women of faith and courage had convictions of steel and weren't stopped by difficulty, disability, discrimination, or evil. They led God-fearing lives, no matter what came their way.

The God Chasers by Tommy Tenney – If you want to get closer to the God you read about in the Bible this book is a must read. The message of the book is that it is past time, to get real and lay aside the peripherals of life and seek God and His glory. If this is not heeded, then the church cannot expect to see the manifest presence of God in miraculous ways. Thought provoking. Challenging. Convicting.

Fiction:

Crossing Oceans by Gina Holmes – Jenny Lucas is the Prodigal Daughter returning home after walking away six years ago. David Preston had thrown her away when she needed him the most - when she was pregnant with their daughter Isabella. Now she's bringing her daughter home to meet the family she's never met, including her father. But Jenny isn't renewing the relationship with her own father as well as David for old times' sake. She's doing it out of necessity. She must find a home for Bella because she is dying of cancer. This book is a great example of Christian fiction with a realistic faith message. The author creates characters that live in real ways that the reader can embrace and understand.

The Sound of Rain by Sarah Loudin Thomas – Judd Markley leaves behind the Appalachian Mountains after a mine cave-in and tries to make a life for himself on the beaches of South Carolina. There he meets Larkin Heyward, the daughter of his new boss. She's full of life and light and has big dreams of ministering to the needy in his home mountains. Judd and Larkin take a liking to each other ... but with past wounds, secrets, schemes, and differing plans, will their romance be torn apart? A stunning portrayal of life and love and the faith that connects it all.

Wooring Cadie McCaffrey by Bethany Turner - This was an interesting book in many ways! We start at the end of the relationship between Cadie and Will - with a few well-placed flashbacks to help us feel the romance of their early relationship as well as experience some critical stages of decline. They seem so in sync, yet the miscommunication of such vital topics as expectations, marriage, and the future cause a rift between them- and they think it is for different reasons. This is a real and raw story at times but also full of life and laughter.



PRAYERLINE

September 8

MENA Region

- Please pray for CBM partners in Lebanon, Arab Baptist Theological Seminary (ABTS), and Thimar, as they navigate the challenges of ministry during escalating war.
- Please pray for the CBM team as they navigate ministry demands amid this volatile environment.

Africa Region

- Praise God for the recent partnership meeting, which went very well. Our partners in Africa signed an agreement to continue collaboration for the next 5 years.
- There is an upcoming capacity building training for the Africa partner project staff to be held in Kenya and Rwanda for 2 years. Please pray for the success of that training program.

Latin America and Caribbean Region

- Pray for the upcoming Capacity building training for the partner staff in charge of managing projects. The training aims to equip them with basic skills to manage different phases of the projects and practical skills that will enable them to walk alongside the communities that they serve every day.
- Please pray for good political and economic leaders who have a heart for justice and who work for the good of all their citizens.

Europe

- Praise God for the opportunity Felain and Lewis Lam, Field Staff in Germany, had to disciple two seminary students this past summer. Praise God for the work of equipping more students to be faithful and effective workers in His Kingdom.

Asia Region

- The conflicts in Myanmar are escalating and have greatly impacted people's safety and livelihoods. Many people are displaced, and children and young people are unable to access regular education.
- Please pray for Integral Mission workshops in India and on-Air training programs in Hong Kong areas so that the beneficiaries could be better equipped to serve the churches.