

Upcoming Special Events

LSC Annual Membership Meeting: Tuesday, February 21 at 7:00 p.m.



"The World is My Neighbor"

February 24 - 26

Shaw Conference Centre - Edmonton

Keynote Speakers: Vince Antonucci,
David MacFarlane, Maralee Dawn,
Asmick Jean-Jacques
For more information call 780.451.0080
or visit the website at www.mfest.ab.ca

Living Stones Church Missions Festival: Sunday, March 11.

General Information

Church Office Hours: Office hours are Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Please note that the Office will be closed Monday, February 20 for Family Day.

Sermons: If you would like a copy of any of our weekly sermons, you may access an audio version by: purchasing a CD at the Info Centre for \$4 (can be copied within a few minutes) or listening on-line or downloading via podcast at www.livingstones.ab.ca.

Special Announcements And Prayer Requests

Thank You: For your prayers and the flowers that were sent. ~ David and Lianna Richmond.

Thank You: For the Poinsettia and all the prayers that gave us peace and strength at a difficult time. ~ Rosemary Soroka

Thank You: For the visit. ~ Evelyn Parker

Sympathy: Is extended to Rosemary & Philip Ignacio and Family at the passing of Rosemary's mother.

Sympathy: Is extended to Jackie Hvizdos at the passing of her father.

Please Pray For Healing For: Twila Milgate, Lloyd Brownell Sr., Bob Studer, Tom Cameron, Peter Ryan, Kyle Dade, Cathy Kitchen, Rose Roy, Sharon Blackwood, Dorothy Stone, Rosemary Soroka, Lloyd Brownell Jr., Gord White, Hunter Brownell, Shane Young, Cynthia Raabis and Rachel Collins.

Living Stones CHURCH

Passion for God, Compassion for People



February 2012
Monthly Events &
Ministries Bulletin

Sunday Morning Services: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Sunday Prayer & Testimony: 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday Night Ministries: 7:00 p.m.

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Message from Pastor Paul



Recently, I spoke on the supremacy of wisdom in a person's life. Biblical wisdom is simply trusting God and embracing His ways by following them in our lives. When King David was instructing his child, Solomon, he encouraged him to secure wisdom. "Wisdom is supreme; therefore get wisdom. Though it cost all you have, get understanding" (Proverbs 4:7). This deeply impacted the life of young Solomon. Later, as King, God appeared to Solomon in a dream. What did Solomon ask God for? Solomon asked for wisdom (1 Kings 3:5-9).

As Solomon reflected on the value of biblical wisdom, he outlined three powerful ingredients revealing the supremacy of God's wisdom: security, stability and ultimately a satisfying life.

Our security is found in a relationship with God, and not in what this earthly life often promises. All that is seen is temporary. There is only one safe place in life, and that's putting our complete trust in God. When we walk with God, we will have an elevated life—a high position of rank, power and authority.

We often fail to realize our spiritual authority as God's children. The apostle Paul communicated that we have spiritual blessings in heavenly places (Eph. 1:5). What are some of these blessings? We are chosen, forgiven, made holy and blameless, loved, adopted, redeemed, lavished with wisdom and understanding. God wants to make known to us the mystery of His will.

Biblical wisdom also gives us the ability to stand when others around us are falling. When we embrace God's way, we find God as a refuge. Proverbs 4:11,12 states, "I guide you in the way of wisdom and lead you along straight paths. When you walk, your steps will not be hampered; when you run, you will not stumble."

So, how can we be strong? How can we stand when others are falling? Though we may feel weak, discouraged, afraid or insufficient for what lies before us, we can find strength and courage from simply understanding and resting in the realization that God is with us. God will neither forsake nor fail us (1 Chronicles 28:20).

Biblical wisdom eventually brings a deeper satisfaction with life. However, there are always challenges that come our way. There is a spiritual battle transpiring to defeat us from walking in safety, stability and satisfaction. It's the battle for our hearts. Solomon warns us to guard our hearts. Just like soldiers are commissioned to guard against intruders or enemy agents that would try to infiltrate their camp. When speaking of the heart, the ancient writers understood this to mean more than a physical organ, or just human emotion. The heart speaks of the core personality—our soul which includes the mind, the will and the emotions. When we are guarding our heart, what we are doing is watching over our soul.

The analogy that Solomon gives is that of an illuminated pathway. Those who venture from this path of wisdom or illumination, find themselves walking in the dark where there are obstacles that one can easily stumble over. We must guard our words, our vision and our actions. The path of wisdom is an ever brightening and more rewarding way (cf. Proverbs 4:18).

General Ministries

Café: Sunday Buffet is served after both Sunday morning services (located in the Fellowship Hall). Times, menus and prices are posted in the Foyer.

Divorce Care Ministry for Adults: Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in Room #5. Cost is \$12 for the participants manual.

Wednesday Night Ministries: Something for everyone! For complete details, check out the new brochure. Registrations and brochures are available at the Information Centre.

Stephen Ministry Supervision Group Meeting: Sunday, February 19 at 9:00 a.m. in Room #10.

Small Group Leaders' Monthly Support Group: Sunday, February 26 at 9:00 a.m. in Room #10.

Grief Share (a grief recovery support group): Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in Room #8. Cost is \$15 for the participants manual.

My Faith—A look at the basic doctrines of our faith: Runs from February 26 to April 29 on Sundays at 11:00 a.m. in Room #8. Led by Pastor Tomas Belchior. Register at the Connection Centre.

My Service—Discovering your spiritual gifts, abilities and passions: Runs from February 26 to April 29 on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in Room #8. Led by Gina Neamtu. Register at the Connection Centre.

LSC Missions Festival 2012

Sunday, March 11

Various LSC Missionaries will be Highlighted for this Event

"Taste of the World"

Samples of ethnic dishes will be offered with the regular Café menu after each Sunday morning service. If you would like to cook an ethnic dish for approximately 100 people, the Church will help with the cost of the ingredients (up to \$150 with receipts). Please contact Kimberly at the Church Office for complete details.



Women's Ministries



Ladies' Coffee Break: Tuesdays at 9:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$2. Childcare is available (\$2 per child to a maximum of \$5).

Ladies Event: "Princess Gala" on Saturday, May 12. Watch for details as the date gets closer.

Men's Ministries



Men's Pre-Service Prayer with the Pastor: Sunday mornings from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. in Pastor Paul's office.

Men's Breakfast: Tuesdays at 6:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Suggested meal donation of \$7.

Seniors' Ministries



Multi-Church Seniors Monthly Luncheon: Wednesday, February 22 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Our Guest Speaker will be *Terri Brigden* from Comfort Keepers—a nonmedical in-home care service.

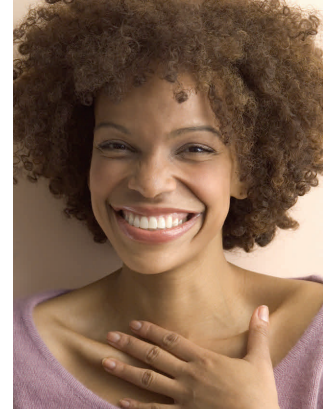
The Seniors are collecting Canadian Tire Money to give to a Christian School to purchase sports equipment. See the Canadian Tire Box at the Info Centre.

Planning Committee: We would love to have you join our team in planning our luncheons. Please call Sandy Bodwell or Mark Stevenson at the Church Office.

Seniors Bible Study: Hosts are Rosemary & Bill Nelson (Phone: 403.343.0426). Held every other Monday. Study led by Pastor Mark Stevenson and David Lewis.

Guest Ministries

Dinner with the Pastors: If you are a guest of Living Stones Church and are considering it as your church home, you and your family are invited to be our guests of honour at a complimentary dinner with our pastors and others from our church family. Our next *Dinner with the Pastors* will be on Thursday, February 23. The RSVP deadline is Sunday, February 12. We sincerely look forward to the opportunity to get to know you on a more personal level. You can register for this event at Guest Reception in the Foyer or at the Church Office.



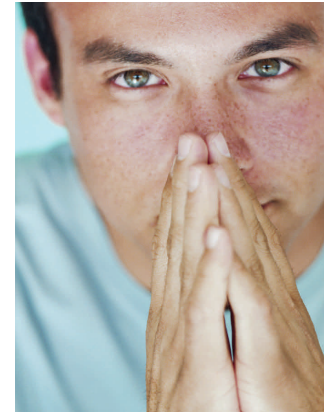
Prayer Ministries

Weekly Prayer & Testimony: Sundays at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Emergency Prayer Requests: Please feel free to call in urgent prayer requests to our prayer chain by notifying Marlene Cabelka (403.748.2516), Bea Mearns (403.342.1249) or Sandy Bodwell at the Church Office.

Next Prayer and Fasting Dates:

Sunday, April 1 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary and Monday & Tuesday, April 2 and 3 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.



Missions Ministries

Mission Emphasis: Loaves and Fishes

Their Mission: To show the love of Jesus by providing food for the hungry, refuge for the weary and comfort for the brokenhearted. Their ultimate goal is to share Jesus—the greatest gift of all.

Benevolence Pantry: Our church food bank is in need of the following non-perishable or canned items: soups, chili, tuna, salmon, fruit, vegetables, crackers, peanut butter and jam. Please note that we are unable to accept homemade items or food requiring refrigeration.



Children's Ministries



Winter Age Level & Classroom Assignments (Sundays):

- 5 to 23 months: Nursery—Room #2**
- 24 to 36 months: Nursery—Room #3**
- Ages 3 & 4 - 9:00 a.m. Room #7**
- Age 3 - 11:00 a.m. only Room #4**
- Age 4 - 11:00 a.m. only Room #7**
- Ages 5 & 6: Room #6**
- Ages 7 - 11: Room #5**

Please note that all rooms are open at 8:45 a.m. & 10:45 a.m., respectively, to pre-sign your child/ren in for Kids' Church. Please note that children join us in the sanctuary for the worship portion of the service. Please escort your child to his/her classroom when they are dismissed during the announcements.

club 456
kids' club

Check the website www.club456.com for details.

*Come and bring a friend
Grades 4,5,&6!*

Living Stones Wednesday Night Ministries

"Excited for God, Caring for People!"



C² Club

Children of Christ



Would you be interested in serving.
Please prayerfully consider helping out!

Contact Christina @ 403.347.7311

Youth Ministries

Please note that both middle and high school join us in the sanctuary for the worship portion of the service and are dismissed to their respective classrooms during the announcements (9:00 a.m. service only). For all 11:00 a.m. services, the middle and high school youth join the congregation in the sanctuary for both the worship portion of the service and the sermon.



Middle School (grades 6 to 8):

Middle School Youth Night: Wednesdays from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Discipleship: Wednesday nights from 6 - 6:45 p.m.

- February 1: "The Giver and the Judge"**
- February 8: "Cheap Bread and Stinky Fish"**
- February 15: "Lord of the Waves"**
- February 22: "Flesh and Blood"**
- February 29: "Chosen"**

THE WAREHOUSE—Senior High Youth

Senior High Youth Night (grades 9 - 12): Wednesdays at the Warehouse. Pre-event Party at 6:45 p.m. Event starts at 7:15 p.m. **February's Theme:** Revolutionary LOVE.

- February 1: "What is It?"**
- February 8: "Experience It!"**
- February 15: "Live in It!"**
- February 22: "Let's Start a Revolution!"**
- February 29: TBA**

PURSUIT—Young Adults

Young Adults (18 - 25): Tuesdays at the Warehouse.

February 7, 14, 21, 22 and 28 (The Big House): Café opens at 6:45 p.m. Event starts at 7:15 p.m.

Healthy for Healthy Relationships: A bi-weekly home group Bible Study on Mondays. For more information, contact Tomas at the Church Office.

