May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Romans 15:5-6



# Welcome to Bethel Church January 5, 2020

Prelude – Sebastian Elias Welcome – Gerald Thiessen Adoration & Praise Missions Report – Joel & Margaret DeHart Prayer Ministry – Pastor Randy Offertory – Emma Klassen Children's Feature Scripture & Prayer – Ken Wieler - Ephesians 4:7-16 Messenger – Pastor Mark – "Diversity in Unity" Our Response in Song Prayer & Benediction



Adult Classes beginning TODAY will include 1. A study of What We Believe. This study will follow the Bethel Confession of Faith and explore important matters of Bible teaching (Youth Room led by Keith Gislason and Pastor Mark Sawatzky) 2. A study of the OT

**book of Exodus** - *The record of God's people as they followed God from slavery to their new land.* (MPR led by Jakob Toews and Wayne Derksen) **3. The Mom's and Tots Class** will continue their studies in the nursery.

What's up this Week -----

MON	6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Bill & Karen's Care Group@ their home (supper @ 6:00, study @ 7:15) Senior Youth
TUES	7:00 am 7:00 pm 7:15 pm	Men's Prayer Breakfast @ Country Kitchen Junior Youth Women's Bible Study @ church
WED	7:00 am 7:00 pm 7:15 pm	Men's Breakfast @ Mulligan's Ministerial Mtg Awana
THUR	7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Gerald & Tina's Care Group @ Elmer & Ruth Toews' Don & Nancy's Care Group @ John & Alvina Goertzen's
SUN	9:15 am 10:30 am	Sunday School Worship Service – Pastor Randy Parent/Child Dedication

# What's Coming Up ~



## **JANUARY 18**

**Women's Brunch** - Our guest will be Ang Braun from Genesis House, bringing an awareness of their organization in our community. Come and bring a friend!

JANUARY 19 The Lord's Supper/Membership Reception

JANUARY 26 Parent/Child Dedication

## Praise & Prayer Highlights -----

Missionaries of the Month:

Elijah & Grace Muinde – Kenya



### Prayer Points:

\* Continue praying for a car because the one I have is twenty years old and according to the laws of Kenya cannot insure comprehensively a car of that age.

## Remember to pray for ...

- ... Sarah Buhler
- ... Frank (Mary) Enns
- ... Jacob Elias (father of Mark Elias)

## **Church Council Note:**

We have received membership applications from **Gerhard** and **Susana Heinrichs.** A member reception is being planned for Jan 19<sup>th</sup>. If you have questions please contact Pastor Randy.



**January 6<sup>th</sup>** is a day honoured by many Christians as **Epiphany** – a time to remember the arrival of the Magi to visit the King who had been born in Bethlehem. The

Magi were Gentiles or non-Jews and their arrival signalled the fact that Jesus was born for all people in the world and not just a chosen nation. The response of the wise men when they saw the Child was that they worshipped and gave gifts of honour. Bethel does not have a special service on this day but we do encourage you to take time for personal prayer and worship as we consider the importance of God's gift of salvation for our lives today.



**Nominating Committee:** Pray for the Lord's guidance for the Nominating Committee as they prayerfully consider the Bethel Annual Meeting elections. This year's committee is Dustin Letkeman (chair), Gerald Letkeman, Brian Falk, Brian Hiebert

and Lyndon Giesbrecht. Positions available: Council Treasurer, Council Secretary, Women's Ministry (2), Education, Missions (2), Service, Finance (2), and Social Committee (2)



**Mexico Missions Trip Opportunity** is being planned for March 27 - April 5, 2020. It will take place in the San Carlos Sonora area. We are working together with

Brenda Koenes of the Casa Esperanza ministry. It will include children's ministry, handing out food hampers, clothing, projects, and encouraging those who are involved in ministries we are connected to. It is open to people of all ages including families. The cost is \$900/person. This amount can be receipted through Bethel. We will be doing some fundraising etc. to cover additional costs. If you are interested please contact Gerald Thiessen @ 204-362-6377. The deadline for signing up is January 15, 2020



At Bethel we encourage prayerful participation in considering who would serve as Deacons. They are part of the Ministerial of the church - working with the pastors to

provide spiritual care for the church family. Male members of our church body are eligible for nomination. Your prayerful consideration of nominees is valued. Although no terms are expiring this year, we welcome nominations to fill a spot that currently remains unfilled. Nomination forms are by the mailboxes. All nomination forms must be signed and turned in to Evan Toews (Congregational Chair) or Kenton Doerksen (Ministerial Chair).

## - Our Mission -

Exalt Christ - Equip for Service Edify one Another - Evangelize the Lost Extend Christ's Love

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