# WELCOME to Grace Mennonite Church - December 1st, 2024

WORSHIP TEAM Wendy Unruh

MISSIONS SPOT LLCM

**ADVENT READING**SPEAKER

Josh Unger, Kathryn Unger
Pastor Darryl Neudorf

"God Speaks Through a Baby (1st Sunday of Advent)" - Hebrews 1:1-4

## **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:**

**Supervised Nursery** during the worship service for ages 1 & 2 (in the Upstairs Nursery space; ask an usher for directions if needed).

**Children's Church** for ages 3-5 will be dismissed by announcement (in the basement; ask an usher for directions if needed).

#### MOMS & TOTS in the GYM

For young moms and their preschool children every Tuesday at 10am in the church gym. Invite a friend!

### KIDS OF GRACE

Wed, Dec 4<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Party! for kids age 4-grade 6, 6:30-8pm.

## CHRISTMAS TREE FUND:

The total amount received will be given as a gift to our missionaries.

If you would like to donate to this fund, please note that on your cheque or e-transfer memo.



Please have all yearend giving in by December 30<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

## YOUTH MINISTRY:

## **SENIOR YOUTH Grades 10-12**

Bible Study

Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7-10pm

## JUNIOR YOUTH Grades 7-9

Bible Study

Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7-9pm

## **YOUNG ADULTS:**

\*\*\*No Young Adults on Dec 2nd\*\*\*

Talk with Stuart Mufford if you have any questions.

# MEN'S BREAKFAST:

December 14<sup>th</sup>, 8-9:30am In the Dining Hall

Guest Speaker: Stephen Moorgen: Mobilizing the church in the fight against human trafficking.

## **Operation Christmas Child Follow-Up:**

Thank you for your donations and for packing shoeboxes! In total, 312+ shoeboxes are being sent from NGMC, and 166 of those were packed by the Junior Youth!

#### THIS WEEK:

Mon, Wed, & Fri – **Drop-In Indoor Walking** 9-10:30am in the Gym.

Monday - Adult Drop-In Pickleball 2-4pm in the Gym.

**Christmas Day Choir Practice** 7:30pm in the Sanctuary.

Tuesday – Moms & Tots in the Gym 10am-12pm.

**Adult Drop-In Floor Hockey** 9-10pm in the Gym.

Wednesday – Kids of Grace Christmas Party 6:30-8pm.

**Evening Prayer Meeting** 7pm in the Conference Room.

Thursday – Adult Drop-In Pickleball 7-9pm in the Gym.

\*Please check your church mailboxes! Notices of nomination are in the mailboxes; replies are *due today*, *Sunday*, *Dec* 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### **CHRISTMAS UPCOMING:**

- Sunday School Christmas Program Choir Practice: Dec 8<sup>th</sup>, 2-3pm.
- Sunday School Christmas Program Dress Rehearsal: Dec 21st, 9a-12p.
- Sunday School Christmas Program: December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm.
- Christmas Eve Candlelight Service: December 24<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.
- Christmas Day Worship Service: December 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am.
- **Sunday, December 29:** Worship service at 10:30am no Sunday School, Children's Church (CC), or Supervised Nursery.
- **Sunday, January 5, 2025:** Regular schedule and programming resumes; Sunday School at 10:00am, worship service at 11:00am with Nursery + CC.

**Osler Mission Chapel presents:** A Christmas Drama – The Star and the Journey (written by Gord Neudorf) on Friday, Dec 6, at 7pm.

Annual General Meeting 2025: Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 7pm – All are welcome! \*Committee reports need to be handed in to Clarissa by Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>.

## PRAYER & PRAISE:

## Mission Focus this Month: Operation Christmas Child

- Xavier Stobbs (3-year-old son of Graham & Monica Stobbs, grandson of John & Shirley Martens) battling high-risk cancer.
- Pray for Jon Epp as he continues to battle cancer.
- Curtis Doering away with Operation Mobilization till January.
- Conflict in Israel and Ukraine.
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The Youth Farm Bible Camp's "Journey Through Christmas" is looking for volunteers on December 13<sup>th</sup>, December 14<sup>th</sup>, and December 15<sup>th</sup> for active roles in their live nativity. If you are interested, please see the signup sheet on the bulletin board.





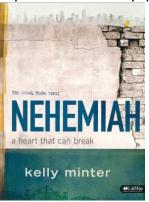
# WOMEN'S MINISTRY: Bible Study

# Nehemiah: A Heart That Can Break by Kelly Minter

Brunch + Bible Study beginning Friday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 9:30-11:30am in the Dining Hall

Meeting weekly for 8 weeks for all women age 18+.

- \*Childcare will be provided.
- \*Sign up on the bulletin board.
- \*Contact Courtney Neudorf with any questions.



# **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:**

## **VBS Director(s) Needed!**

The Missions Committee needs a VBS director for this summer's VBS program (July 14-18). Curriculum has been ordered. Please talk with Clark Giesbrecht, Edith Thiessen, Jill Wiebe, or Jonney Ginther if you would like to serve in this way.

