

FEBRUARY 2020







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FROM THE MINISTRY MANAGEMENT TEAM

THE BRIDGE SOUP FUNDRAISER

Join us at The Bridge on Sat Feb 8 or Sun Feb 9 from 11am-2pm for their classic soup fundraiser! Donations accepted for all-you-can-eat soup – lots of delicious options available!

COMMUNITY MEAL PROGRAM

Starting this year, we will be partnering with other churches in town to host an outreach meal at the United Church. Meadow Brook will be taking on one Monday evening a month to provide the funds (approx. \$200) and some people who can come and help serve. We will be approaching different Life Groups and ministries to see if a group might taken on one of Meadow Brook's turns this year, donating the funds and the time to help out. If you're group is interested, please talk to Susan Friesen!



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF MEADOW BROOK CHURCH

ANNUAL GATHERING MEETING

Please join us for our Annual Meeting on Monday, Feb 10th at 7pm. We will be highlighting 2019, discussing our church finances, looking ahead to 2020, and voting on a few important matters. Voting members are expected to attend!

"RENOVATIONS" SERMON SERIES

On Sun, Feb 2, we will be kicking off our new sermon series called "Renovations: Being Transformed to be Like Jesus," looking at the topic of "spiritual formation" – the process by which the Holy Spirit forms us from our broken sinful selves into people who reflect the character of Christ! How does this process happen? Come and find out! There is a Study Guide available for this series, which can be purchased for \$5 at the HUB.

MISSIONS SPOTLIGHT

As you know, Dave and Mel Berg serve the Lord in Austria. Usually this means church planting, evangelism and building relationships with people in order to introduce them to the Lord. However, this Christmas Dave and Mel found themselves serving the Lord in a different way. Their teammate, Kenton Miller, went into the hospital on Christmas Day and was diagnosed with Lymphoma cancer. Kenton is only 35 years old and he and his wife, Kidron, have three young children, Mira, Mateo, and Maylee. This diagnosis came as a huge

shock to everyone. Kenton began his chemo treatments on Jan. 9/20. The past few weeks have found Dave and Mel busy with helping them, by babysitting, spending the nights with Kidron, so she wouldn't have to be alone, praying for them, organizing child care and the list goes on. As anyone who has done this kind of thing to help out a friend knows, this is exhausting and time consuming. As Mel said, this is a HUGE prayer request right now.

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Join us at the Cafe on Sundays between services!

(Missions Spotlight continued)

Something else that keeps both Dave busy is learning the German language! Mel completed a course through November and December and Dave is currently taking a course. Pray for patience and endurance because it is just hard to learn another language!! While they are making progress, some days are discouraging.

A third prayer request involves building a relationship with new Turkish friends. While sharing a delicious Turkish breakfast with these new friends, they very quickly got into discussing some heavy topics. Please pray that the Holy Spirit will work in their hearts and make them hungry and thirsty for Jesus!

Please pray for safety for Dave as he travels to encourage the believers in other parts of the world.

And last but not least Dave and Mel would appreciate prayer for their three children as they often find school to be quite challenging.

CALENDAR

SUNDAY JAN 26

OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY FEB 2

'RENOVATIONS' SER-MON SERIES BEGINS

MONDAY FEB 10

ANNUAL GATHERING MEETING

FRIDAY FEB 28 - SUNDAY MARCH 1

JR & SR HIGH YOUTH RETREATS