

*Pastor's Corner*

**The Quest for Community**

Our mission is to be an ABC—an Authentic Biblical Community. God's plan for the church is that it be a community where people are cared for, and loved, and encouraged, and appreciated, and accepted. The Church is not just about **believing**. It's about **belonging!**

There are so many "one another" texts in the New Testament. Twenty-one verses indicate that we are to "love one another." But there are many things God commands us to do for each other in the church...

Romans 12:10 "Be devoted to one another in brotherly love."

Romans 12:10 "Honour one another above yourselves."

Romans 12:16 "Live in harmony with one another."

Romans 15:7 "Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you."

Galatians 5:13 "Serve one another in love."

Galatians 6:2 "Carry each other's burdens."

Ephesians 4:2 "Be patient, bearing with one another in love."

Ephesians 4:32 "Be kind and compassionate to one another..."

Ephesians 4:32 "Forgiving each other, just as Christ God forgave you."

Ephesians 5:21 "Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ."

Colossians 3:16 "Teach and admonish one another with all wisdom."

1 Thessalonians 5:11 "Encourage one another and build each other up."

Hebrews 10:24 "Spur one another on toward love and good deeds."

Hebrews 13:1 "Keep on loving each other as brothers."

James 5:16 "Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other."

1 Peter 1:22 "Love one another deeply, from the heart."

1 Peter 4:9 "Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling."

1 Peter 5:5 "Be very humble with each other."

1 John 1:7 "Have fellowship with one another."

Greetings. I want to take a poll to see how many people are reading our newsletter. So this month please let me know that you read this publication and what you think of it, either in person or by email at: [btaypir@live.ca](mailto:btaypir@live.ca) Also, if you have suggestions on what you would like to see in the newsletter, let me know as well. Thank-you. - B. T-P Editor

My question for you today is this—What is the best way for us to accomplish all these things? By attending church on Sabbath? Not on your life. **These things happen best in a small group environment.**

This is the New Testament model. Jesus had twelve disciples - a small group. These guys spent three years together with Jesus. They went places together. They did ministry together. They did life together. They lived in community with each other - Authentic Biblical Community. The early Christian Church followed this same model. The believers met together for worship in large groups at the Temple. But they also met in small groups in their homes. "Every day in the Temple and in people's homes they [the apostles] continued teaching the people and telling the Good News - that Jesus is the Christ." - Acts 5:42 NCV

We need more than the Bible in order to grow. We need other believers. We need to learn from each other, and hold each other accountable. Being a Christian involves more than just making a commitment to Christ. It involves making a commitment to other Christians. That's why God says, "Be devoted to one another in brotherly love." - Romans 12:10 NIV

May you always enjoy the benefits of belonging in an Authentic Biblical Community. May you be blessed as you "do life" in relationship with other believers. May your commitment to be part of a small group be richly rewarded. - Pastor Jeff Potts

**Our Vision** is to raise up a new generation of Christ-followers who will change the world.

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The Lighthouse is proud to be a Seventh-day Adventist congregation. We welcome people of all faiths (or no faith) to join us for worship and fellowship.

# NOVEMBER 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Daylight Savings Ends: turn clocks back	2 Lighthouse Leadership meeting	3	4 DANIEL PROPHECY SEMINAR 7pm w/ guest speaker	5 Lighthouse 401 7-9 pm	6 SUNSET AT 4:57	7 Paulette's Birthday DANIEL PROPHECY SEMINAR 4pm POTLUCK 5:30 w/ guest speaker
8	9	10	11 Remembrance Day DANIEL PROPHECY SEMINAR 7pm	12	13 SUNSET AT 4:32	14
15 DANIEL PROPHECY SEMINAR 7pm	16 DANIEL PROPHECY SEMINAR 7pm	17 Kayla's Birthday	18 DANIEL PROPHECY SEMINAR 7pm	19 DANIEL PROPHECY SEMINAR 7pm	20 Allison's Birthday SUNSET AT 4:39	21 DANIEL PROPHECY SEMINAR 4pm BAPTISMS
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THE LIGHTHOUSE  
hope for your journey

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Alternate days for Daniel Seminar:  
Tuesdays & Fridays  
[www.LighthouseOfHope.ca](http://www.LighthouseOfHope.ca)

## Praise & Worship

### Thanksgiving Praise & Worship Night

"The faithful love of the Lord never ends! His mercies never cease. Great is His faithfulness; His mercies begin afresh every morning..."

- Lamentations 3: 22-23

God was more than faithful once again and worship night on Thanksgiving weekend was just so amazing. Those who showed up to have an encounter with God did not leave disappointed. On behalf of the worship team, we were more than just inspired and blessed for having the privilege of hosting such an event and especially having you there with us. We do hope to have more of those times, so stay tuned and make sure that you show up. There is everything to gain by coming, and bring some friends with you. We are very excited to serve you all in word and song every Sabbath but we get more excited about Worship Night so keep your ears open. God Bless you



Praise Team: Allen, Roi, Soni, Stormy, Lisa, Faith, Mark  
October 9, 2009

### Ten-Minute Prayer Challenge:

At the beginning of September, Pastor Jeff challenged us to spend an extra 10 minutes in prayer each day through the end of October and some of you have devoted much time in prayer with fantastic results!

God always hears our prayers. Even if we don't pray, God knows what we are in need of. But He would still prefer for us to ask. God's power can literally move mountains; He is that mighty! If your heart is right with God and what you ask for is in His will for your life, He will grant it. Most of the time, it takes place in His timing, not ours; but He will definitely answer prayer. You just need to be patient. Sometimes God is answering prayer and we don't even realize it yet. Prayer becomes even more effective if two or more gather in His name to pray. If you are unsure whether a particular prayer would be His will for you; consult scripture. Even though there were many authors of the Bible, God is its true author. He directed and guided all the writers. Some things in scripture were given to a people at a certain time for a certain reason and other things are for all times. Remember:

For those who love the Lord, anything is possible.  
- Bradley Taylor-Pirogov, Editor

### Birthday Wishes

November 7 - Paulette Wilson  
November 17 - Kayla Woodhouse  
November 20 - Allison Wiebe

**Encounter God Retreat:** Our annual spiritual retreat is coming up in January. If you haven't yet been to Encounter God, you owe it to yourself to take in this life-changing weekend. Stay tuned for more information.

**Lighthouse 401:** My Life Mission – Nov. 26, 7pm  
Come learn how to share your faith with others.

## KIDS KORNER



Praise Kids, directed by Lisa  
October 10, 2009

**Church Building Fundraiser Supper:** Saturday, Feb. 18 at 6:30 pm here at The Lighthouse. This event will officially kick off our fundraising campaign for our new church building project. In addition to a delicious meal (at \$25 a plate) there will be a talent auction. All church members are encouraged to donate a specific talent that will be put up for auction. For example you may donate several hours of house work, or a 3-course meal, or painting someone's portrait, or a night of babysitting, or three hours of computer tutoring, or whatever. It will be totally FUN.

## Small Group

*An interview with Stephanie Yamniuk*



*What is a small group?*

A small group is a comfortable way to study the Bible and make friends. You meet regularly, once per week, and by doing that you are able to be a good support for your group and learn the Bible together.

*How many small groups are there currently?*

Four right now. Six, by January.

*How does one join a small group?*

Oh, it's so easy! Either talk to someone who's already in a group and find out where and when they meet... Or call me.  
My job is to make sure people are in a group that works for them: time-wise; area-wise; and study-wise. And free baby sitting is provided at some groups.

*If someone wants to lead a small group, how do they go about it?*

Give me a call, or talk to Pastor Jeff. There are monthly training meetings for small group leaders. So there is lots of support and resources available.

The only "requirement" [for joining or leading a small group] is to have the heart to share their love of Jesus with others and wanting to grow their relationship with God.

**Christmas Eve:** This year we're planning a special worship service for Christmas Eve, Thursday, Dec. 24. Rather than inviting the public to join us for a special service on the Sabbath before Christmas, we've chosen to do it this year on Christmas Eve. This is a time when many people who don't usually attend church are open to an invitation. Why not make a list of the individuals you want to invite, and keep them in special prayer over the next two months?

**DANIEL PROPECY SEMINAR** concludes the week of Nov. 14-21 inclusive. Please join us nightly at 7pm.

## Treasurer's Report

**TITHES:** Year-to-Date (Jan to Sept, 2009) = \$40,124.58  
Last Year-to-Date (March to Sept, 2008) = \$30,374.05

**LIGHTHOUSE BUDGET:** Full Year Budget 2009 = \$15,000.00  
Year-to-Date (Jan to Sept) Budget = \$11,250.00  
Actual Year-to-Date (Jan to Sept) Budget Offerings = \$8,546.48  
Budget Offerings to Receive by Dec 31, 2009 = \$6,453.52  
(to meet full year budget)

As reported by  
Allison Weibe

**For Sale:** Christian books, videos and CDs. Call Denise at 661-8626 to set up an appointment to view the materials.

## Small Group

**BIBLE STUDIES:**

**Tuesdays 7 pm** @ Ben & Krystal's home (489-3086)

**Wednesdays 7 pm** @ the Lighthouse w/ Pastor Jeff

**Fridays 5:30 pm** SMART group @ the U of M

**Fridays 7 pm** @ Harry & Stephanie's home (275-1133)

*Our Mission Statement:*  
To be an authentic biblical community that transforms people into fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

Anyone wishing to submit something to the Newsletter can send it to: [Newsletter@LighthouseOfHope.ca](mailto:Newsletter@LighthouseOfHope.ca)