

THE BRUNSWICK BANNER

The Weekly Newsletter of Brunswick Street Baptist Church

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Rowan Hampton, Summer Ministry Intern

Thankful Hearts

One of the first things most parents teach their children is to express thanks. I clearly remember my mother underscoring the need for thankful expressions when I left the house to do something with a friend's family. "Be sure to say thank you." (This was often preceded by "Remember your manners." Apparently I needed a lot of guidance!). God's Word encourages us to build each other up with expressions of thankfulness and encouragement.

Which brings me to focus of today's column – encouragement for you to find ways to express thankfulness to Pastor Jodie and family as we approach this time of transition. While Pastor Jodie is on vacation we want to highlight the ways in which you can "exhibit" thankfulness for his heart for ministry and his faithful service with us. There are four ways that your Board of Deacons would like to commend to your consideration:

LOVE OFFERING – This financial gift has been a long-established tradition at BSBC. Members of the church family are invited to contribute to a Love Offering for Pastor Jodie. Envelopes for this purpose can be found on the gym Welcome Table, in the Sanctuary foyer and at the Connections Centre; OR you can put your gift in any envelope, mark it "Love Offering" and place it in the offering or drop it by the church office (*please note that Canadian Tax law does not allow for such gifts to be receipted for income tax purposes*).

BLESSING CARDS – Everyone loves to get mail. When we present the Love Offering we will also present him a box of blessing notes from the church family. It's our hope that you will pick up a Blessing Card which can also be found at the gym Welcome Table, sanctuary foyer or at the Connections Centre...write a personal note and place it in the offering plate or drop it by the church office. Let's provide Pastor Jodie & Marybeth with a box full of encouragement and love that will be a blessing to them.

MINISTRY CELEBRATION – A third way you can show a thankful heart is to be present on Wednesday, August 29, 6:30 pm for the Celebration of Ministry at which time we will honour Pastor Jodie & Marybeth.

We look to this being a program that includes laughter and tears as we offer a loving send off – followed, of course, by a reception time when you can share your personal greetings.

PRAY – The number one way you can express thankfulness is to pray for the LeBouthillier family as they move from ministry with us into God's plan for their next steps. Please add them to your daily devotions and ask for God's blessing on them.

A thankful heart is not only a blessing to others; it also creates an "attitude of gratitude" which allows us to be more sensitive to all that God is doing in the world around us. To borrow from the hymn writer – *Come, you thankful people, come!*
Pastor Greg



July 22-28, 2018

SUNDAY

Library is open at 10 am and after morning worship

10:30 am Chinese Worship (3rd Floor)
Contemporary Worship (Church Gym)
Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
Childcare for Infants to Age 4 (1st floor)
KidzTown for Children Grades K-5 (2nd Floor)

MONDAY

6:45 pm Board of Deacons (Family Room)

TUESDAY

12:00 pm Chinese Fellowship Prayer Time
(Board Room above Main Kitchen)
1:00 pm Myrtle Burden Quilting Group (Quilting Room)
1:30 Chinese Special Sisters Fellowship
and Bible Study (Family Room)

WEDNESDAY

7:00 pm Indoor Family Movie Night¹ (Church Gym)

THURSDAY

6:30 pm Worship Team Practice (Barnabas Centre)
6:30 pm Badminton (Church Gym)

FRIDAY

5:00 pm Chinese Fellowship Potluck and Service
Note change of time! (Barnabas Centre)

SATURDAY

2:00 pm Anniversary Celebration Open House²

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 1	Youth "Great Getaway" ³
August 6	NB Day – Church Offices Closed
August 11	College & Career "Breakout Saint John" ⁴
August 12	Service of Communion
August 18	Youth Special Event – Magic Mountain

MINISTRY FOOTNOTES

¹**FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT** – Join us this Wednesday, July 25 at 7 pm for a movie night in the gym. We will be showing *I Can Only Imagine*, based on the story behind MercyMe's hit song. Enjoy a relaxing evening with friends and family. Popcorn and drinks will be provided! All are welcome – feel free to bring your favourite lawn chair to be comfortable!

²**CELEBRATION!**

We invite you to our OPEN HOUSE

CELEBRATING
"100 YEARS OF MARRIAGE"

Jim McLellan married Lois Page
17 August 1968

Herb Page married Nellie McLellan
13 September 1968



Come celebrate with us!

Saturday afternoon
28 July 2018, 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Brunswick Street Baptist Church Gym
161 York Street, Fredericton

Best Wishes only!

³**GREAT GETAWAY IS ALMOST HERE!** Come enjoy an evening of fun swimming and playing together on Wednesday, August 1. BBQ will be served. Youth will meet at the Church at 5 pm sharp (leaving shortly after). Bring a bathing suit, towel and lots of energy. Also, we recommend footwear that can get wet (flip flops, beach shoes, etc.). Pick-up will be at 10 pm at BSBC. Any further questions can be directed to Rowan Hampton at J625M@unb.ca.

⁴**BREAKOUT SAINT JOHN** – BSBC College & Career will be headed to Saint John on Saturday, August 11 at 1 pm. Cost is \$24 per person. To join us, either reply to the event on the BSBC College & Career Facebook page or contact Rowan Hampton by August 1 (J625M@unb.ca). There will be a time of fellowship over appetizers after the conclusion of the Escape Room (this is not covered by the \$24 cost).

OUR PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for our senior friends not always able to be with us... Evelyn Ginson, Mae Green, Joan Hamilton, Marjorie Miller, Madeline Oliver, Lottie Phillips, Paul & Marjorie Rouse, Stella Sansom, Lucille Soucie

Please pray for our church staff on vacation this summer ...

Pastor Jodie – July 9-29

Pastor Steve – July 24-31; August 30 – September 9

Pastor Greg – July 27 – August 26

Janet Mitchell, Receptionist – August 1-15

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

OASIS 2018: TURNING POINT is a time of spiritual refreshment – inspiring times of worship and challenging speakers designed to appeal to all ages! OASIS will be held from August 23-25 at Acadia University in Wolfville, NS. BSBC is allowed to send 10 members to represent our church family. Please contact Lisa Kitchen to be registered (458-8348, bsbc@bsbc.nb.ca). For more details visit www.oasis.baptist-atlantic.ca.

JOIN OUR 'ONLINE DIRECTORY' – This is going to be a great ministry tool – you'll be able to go online and view photos of our church family and find contact information and more. But to be eligible to access the online directory you have to be in the directory! Send your contact details (names of all in your household, address, home phone, cell phones, email addresses, birthdays, anniversary – or as much as you want to share – and a photo). You can send your information to Lisa in the church office – bsbc@bsbc.nb.ca.

Financial Report

Report to July 15 (28 weeks)

	Operations	Building
Received July 15	\$8,308	\$2,475
Required each week	\$17,173	\$2,500
Receipts to Date	\$452,883	\$55,157
Required to Date	\$480,844	\$70,000

YOUTH MINISTRY TRANSITION

Your Board of Deacons is pleased to announce the appointment of Jon Wilton as Interim Youth and Young Adult Ministry Coordinator at BSBC for the period of one year. Jon has grown up at BSBC, has experience in youth and young adult ministry leadership, and many years of program leadership at Green Hill Lake Camp. With a start date of Monday, August 20 Jon will have two weeks to work with Pastor Jodie to facilitate a smooth transition of leadership.

