

THE BRUNSWICK BANNER

The Weekly Newsletter of Brunswick Street Baptist Church
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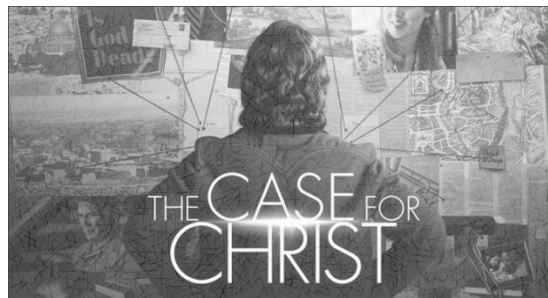
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Dr. Brian MacArthur, Interim Senior Pastor

Rev. Greg Geldart, Interim Senior Associate Pastor

Rev. Jodie LeBouthillier, Associate Pastor to Youth & Young Adults

Pastor Steve Patterson, Contemporary Worship Coordinator



Meet them "Up Close and Personal"!



Next Sunday night we get to see Erica & Aaron Kenny, our Partners in Mission, "up close and personal". They come to share up-to-date news on their important work in Africa in general, and Kenya in particular.

If you've not had the privilege of meeting or hearing the Kennys before, let me encourage you to come out next Sunday night. Aaron & Erica are two of the most down-to-earth people you would ever want to meet and two of the most captivating servants of Jesus Christ you'll ever come to know. Here's a "brief" description of the work they do on behalf of Christ and with support of Canadian Baptists:

Aaron & Erica Kenny serve as Africa Team Leaders, providing continental leadership and support for Canadian Baptist Ministries' (CBM) team, partnerships, and programs. In addition, the Kennys direct CBM's Muslim Ministries in Kenya where they are involved in strengthening local churches in reaching out to their Muslim neighbors through integral mission. They are leading peace and reconciliation initiatives, self-help groups, literacy projects, food security and micro-enterprise development. At the heart of integral mission is the great command to love God and to love our neighbors – these two cannot be separated.

The Kennys joined CBM in 2006 and first served among the displaced refugee population living in Eastleigh (an urban ghetto in Nairobi), helping to start and empower women's self-help groups. They also provided leadership for CBM's Relief and Development ministries in the North Eastern Province – a region susceptible to drought and civil conflict. They have a passion for ministering among the most marginalized and cultivating Christian/Muslim relationships. In 2010, they became the coordinators of the Guardians of Hope program in Africa. Prior to their appointment to CBM, Aaron & Erica ministered in churches in NS and NB. They have three children – Tristan, Emma and Ava.

cbmin.org/who-we-are/field-staff/aaron-erica-kenny/

This is a York Association Rally service so members of our sister Baptist congregations will be here too. We'll 'warm up' for the rally with a hymn sing at 6:10 pm. The rally will include congregational singing and special music – but just enough to enrich the evening so the Kennys will have plenty of time to share.

If you give through the Sunday offering, part of what you give goes to support the work that Erica & Aaron do! That makes you their 'partner in mission'. Invite family and friends to come next Sunday night (6:30 pm) to hear from the folks you support. There will be a light reception which will follow to give you an opportunity to greet them "up close and personal"!

Pastor Greg

OUR PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for our senior friends not always able to be with us... Mae Green, Joan Hamilton, Marjorie Miller, Marion McBride, Violet McDonald, Dorothy O'Brien

Please pray for our Maintenance Director, Tom May as he enjoys a time of vacation beginning tomorrow, October 23. He will return on Monday, November 6

What's Happening October 22-28, 2017

SUNDAY

Library is open at 10 am and after morning worship.

- 9:30 am Sunday School for All Ages
- 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)
- 4:00 pm Propel Women (Family Room)
- 6:30 pm Small Group Bible Study (3rd Floor)
- 7:00 pm College & Career Fireside
(Home of Toon & Shelley Pronk, 320 Sunset Dr)
- 7:00 pm Small Group Bible Study (Family Room)

MONDAY

- 10:00 am English Second Language (3rd Floor)
- 10:30 am Seniors Exercise (Church Gym)
- 6:45 pm Board of Deacons (Family Room)

TUESDAY

- 9:00 am Pastoral Staff Meeting
- 9:30 am Shake, Rattle & Roll (Church Gym)
- 11:00 am Church Staff Meeting (Meeting Room)
- 12:00 pm Chinese Fellowship Prayer Time
(Board Room above Main Kitchen)
- 1:00 pm Myrtle Burden Quilting Group (Quilting Room)
- 6:00 pm Fredericton Ladies Choir (3rd Floor)
- 6:15 pm Youth Handbell Choir (Choir Room)
- 6:30 pm DivorceCare (Family Room)
- Topic – *New Relationships*

WEDNESDAY

- 10:30 am Seniors Exercise (Church Gym)
- 12:00 pm Finance Committee (Meeting Room)
- 12:00 pm Small Group Bible Study (Family Room)
- 5:15 pm Church Family Potluck (Church Gym)
- 6:00 pm Junior Choir (Choir Room)
- 6:00 pm Youth Choir (Sanctuary)
- 6:30 pm Girls Adventure Klub (2nd Floor)
- 6:30 pm Otters (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:30 pm Timber Wolves (Church Gym)
- 6:30 pm Middle School/Senior High Cross-Training
(3rd Floor)
- 6:30 pm Wednesdays in the Word (3rd Floor Assembly)
The Early Church – Dr. Matt Sears
- 6:30 pm Small Group Bible Study (Barnabas Centre)
- 7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir (Choir Room)

THURSDAY

- 7:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast (Coffee Mill)
- Women's Prayer Breakfast (Coffee Mill)
- 9:30 am New Life (Barnabas Centre)
- 10:00 am English Second Language (3rd Floor)
- 1:30 pm Ladies Bible Study (Family Room)
- 6:30 pm Worship Team Practice (Barnabas Centre)
- 7:00 pm Woodsmen (Church Gym)
- 7:00 pm GriefShare (Family Room)
- Topic – *Complicating Factors*
- 7:00 pm Adult Handbell Choir (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 pm Movie Showing – "Vulnerable"¹ (3rd Floor)

FRIDAY

- 10:30 am Seniors Exercise (Church Gym)
- 5:00 pm Sisterhood (Barnabas Centre)
- 6:00 pm Friends Are Us Puppets (Puppet Room, 2nd Floor)
- 7:00 pm Middle School and Senior High
Youth Groups (3rd Floor, Church Gym)
- 7:00 pm Chinese Fellowship (3rd Floor, 2nd Floor, Nursery)
- 9:00 pm Mission Tour Reunion Overnighter (3rd Floor)

SATURDAY

- 9:30 am Sanctuary Choir Retreat (Choir Room)
- 10:00 am Badminton (Church Gym)
- 12:30 pm Worship Team Practice (Church Gym)

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 5 Remembrance Sunday
November 6 Baptist Women's Day of Prayer
November 8 'Purpose Driven Life' Bible Study Begins²
November 11 Remembrance Day
November 13 Church Offices Closed
November 16 Social Action Team Presentation
November 18 Green Hill Lake Camp Variety Show
Fundraiser
November 18 DivorceCare "Surviving the Holidays"
November 19 Sunday Night Hymn Sing

MINISTRY FOOTNOTES

¹**EUTHANASIA DECEPTION: WE ARE ALL VULNERABLE** will be shown on the third floor this Thursday, October 26 at 7 pm. This 50-minute Canadian documentary about euthanasia will be presented along with news updates. The film features testimonies from Belgium (legalized euthanasia in 2002); and Canada (legalized euthanasia in 2016). For more information please contact David Clark (455-3028).

²**PURPOSE-DRIVEN LIFE BIBLE STUDY** – Wednesday evenings, November 8 to December 20 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm in the Board Room above the main kitchen. This study is led by Daniel Savard and offers an invitation to people who are wondering 'Why am I here? What is my purpose in life?' The study has been adapted for people who have English second language. For more information visit <http://purposedriven.com/>.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

THANK YOU – I wish to thank the church body for the wonderful gift. This will come in handy this winter for a getaway to warmer climate. As Treasurer I have enjoyed working with various boards, especially Board of Management who gave me support and corrections. I have enjoyed serving in this position for many years and never felt it a burden. God gives us a gift to further His kingdom until He returns; and I felt I was blessed with this gift. I pray God will continue to bless our church as we move forward. We are blessed with a dedicated staff and many volunteers. *God Bless, Gordon & Shirley Elliott*

WHEN THEY ASK – To complement "The Case for Christ" small group study, your pastors are offering a sermon series entitled, "When They Ask"- addressing tough questions that cause struggle for many people. Since "The Case for Christ" study will help us better support our faith with fact, we offer these sermons as a means of exploring Biblical truth which supports these key elements of the Christian faith. We'd ask for your prayerful support as we prepare and deliver these sermons, that the Holy Spirit would make this a time of spiritual exploration that takes our roots deeper in Christ. **Sunday, October 22**, "Does God Exist?", Pastor Brian; **Sunday, October 29**, "Is the Bible Reliable?", Pastor Brian; **Sunday, November 5**, "Does Science Contradict the Bible?", Pastor Jodie; **Sunday, November 12**, "Can God Be Good If He Allows Suffering?", Pastor Brian; **Sunday, November 19**, "Isn't It Intolerant to Say that Jesus is the Only Way?", Pastor Greg; **Sunday, November 26**, "Do Christians Ever Doubt?", Pastor Brian.

THE CASE FOR CHRIST MATERIALS – As you plan for your participation in our fall study we invite you to purchase the resources you can use for your personal study and for each small group. The book on which the study is based is available in soft cover for \$10. The DVD (for personal or small group use) is \$30; the study guide book to accompany the video and provide you with further material for personal reflection is \$15. Materials are available at the Connections Centre on Sunday mornings or the church office during the week. Thank you for paying for your materials at the time you pick them up...and correct change is always appreciated!

IT'S BUDGET TIME – If you are responsible for submitting a budget proposal for ministry in 2018, now's the time to submit! You can email your submission to the church office before October 25th (bsbc@bsbc.nb.ca) or drop your submission in the mailbox of Chris Graves or Ken Reimer. Thanks for your cooperation.

SMALL GROUPS are waiting to receive new members. How do you sign up? Please see Denise Mersereau in the Connections Centre following this morning's service or contact her at churchfamilylife@bsbc.nb.ca.

Sunday

7:00 pm in the Family Room, led by Mary McMulkin

Monday

7:00 pm at 438 Mansfield St, led by Ken Reimer

8:00 pm at 21 Young St,
led by Matthew & Leanne Gordon

Wednesday

12:00 pm in the Family Room, led by Mary Tingley

6:30 pm in Barnabas Centre – NEW GROUP
led by Adam Lambert

Thursday

1:30 pm in the Family Room,
Ladies Study led by Carol Bray

GOT BOOTS? Have you ever wondered how you could pass on some gently-used boots (or other winter apparel) and get the satisfaction of helping someone in need? My UNB nursing clinical group in partnership with the Fredericton Downtown Community Health Centre are collecting gently-used winter boots, coats, socks, hats and scarves that will be used to provide appropriate winter clothing for those who access this centre. There is a great need for men's and women's footwear but children's sizes are also appreciated. There will be a marked box in the Connections Centre from Wednesday, October 25 until Sunday, November 5 where you can drop off your items. If you have any questions please contact me – thanks so much for your help!

Bethany Steeves (472-5420), Third Year UNB Student

AUDIO/VISUAL MINISTRIES COORDINATOR – Are you interested in serving as our Audio/Visual (A/V) Ministries Coordinator? If you are a 'people person' who has ~10 hours per week to offer, this job may be for you. Working in concert with Anthony Brown (Information Technology Coordinator) and the Pastoral Staff, the A/V Coordinator is responsible for the recruitment, training and scheduling of those volunteering within the A/V Ministry. But be assured that if you need training in A/V we provide that too! You don't have to come trained on soundboard, microphones, etc. There is an annual honorarium of \$4,500 for this position. To apply, please speak to one of the Pastoral Staff, Board of Management Chair Chris Graves, or myself by Sunday, October 29 (one week extension). We anticipate the new Coordinator accepting his/her position near the end of November. Please join with me in thanking Elaine Pond for all she has done behind the scenes to equip our Sunday morning Tech Team over these four years.

Traci Simmons, Personnel Committee, Board of Management

BABYSITTING COURSE will be offered at BSBC on Friday, November 10 from 8:45 am until 4 pm – open to Middle School and High School students, aged 11 and over. We believe this will be a benefit to our youth who provide leadership and support in BSBC programs for younger children. It is also highly recommended for anyone who wants to babysit.

- Areas of focus include child caregiving, first aid, injury prevention, leadership, and business skills
- Youth learn through interactive, fun activities, and problem-solving scenarios and practice
- Participants receive the Canadian Red Cross Babysitter's Manual, which includes key information on caring for kids of different ages, as well as an emergency contact form, sample resumés, business cards, glossary, and more

The cost is \$52 and must be paid to confirm registration. Spaces are limited. Deadline for registration/payment is October 31 or sooner if spaces are filled. Please contact Lori Wightman to register or for further information (455-1112, lori@wightmanfamily.org).