


PRAYER FOCUS - OCTOBER 2, 2016

To activate the Prayer Chain, call:

Ruth Wiebe @ 306-931-2982 or Mary Friesen @ 306-382-5865

- Missions:** Pray for Ken & Bertha Guenther, serving in Kyiv, Ukraine with SEND International. "During the past few months, we have been asking you to pray with us as we investigate how God wants us to serve here in Kyiv. Ken's ministry in training and providing leadership for SEND's International Office takes up the majority of his time. Bertha is quite involved in teaching at Kyiv Christian Academy. But we also want to be involved in a local evangelistic outreach through a church in the city where the Lord has placed us. Ken has been invited to join the leadership team of Lighthouse International. This is a church of many different nationalities. Bertha has been asked to help with teaching Sunday School. Prayer requests: (1) For SEND's work in Russia. We are concerned about the potential impact of new laws prohibiting some forms of public evangelism; (2) For David (our son) and Nicole as a newly married couple, serving in Taiwan; (3) For wisdom for Ken as he decides what training projects are most critical for him to work on during the next few months." 
- Church Family:** Amy Erickson - David/Olayinka Fasooto, Emmanuel, James, Rebecca - Aron/Tina Fehr - Greg/Teresa Fehr - Kaitlyn Fehr
- Illness:**
 - Tina Fehr remains in St. Paul's Hospital with a broken sternum and lung issues. Pray for Tina as she waits for an open bed at City Hospital where she will go for physio therapy, in hopes of building up some strength. Pray also for Aron as he looks after Tina and deals with his own back pain.
 - Pray for Hilda Wiebe, who is dealing with the return of cancer.
- Our church:** Pray for our Spiritual Life Board: Pastor Dale/Sheryl Doerksen, Betty Guenter, James/Sheryle Loeppky, Lindsay/Kathy Neufeld, Donny/Barb Regier, Pastor Chris Stein.
- Sister Churches:**
 - Region #1, SK/AB: Wynyard Gospel Church: Steven/Shirley Wiebe
 - Region #2, MB C: Lakeside Gospel, St. Laurent: Bruce Janke (Chair)
 - Region #3, MB S: Glencross Mennonite Church: Peter/Maria Redekopp
 - Region #4, ON: Aylmer EMM Church: Michael/Anne Marie Krahn
 - Region #6, MX: Hopelchen EMMC: Franz/Anna Friesen
- EMMC Missionaries:** Henry & Tina Redekopp serving in Shipyard, Belize
- Westside Pastors' Group:** Pastor Brad Mayer - City Centre Church
- Para-Church Ministries:** Power to Change Saskatoon - Justin Hiebert

Welcome to
Sutherland
Evangelical Church



And I am sure of this.

HE WHO BEGAN A GOOD WORK IN YOU

will bring it to *completion* ...

Philippians 1:6



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Pastor: Dale Doerksen
Youth Pastor: Chris Stein
Sunday School: 9:30AM
Worship: 10:30AM

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TODAY @ SEC:

9 AM: Pre-service Prayer Time in Toddler Room (every Sunday).
All are welcome.

Ushers: Zach/Lyndon/Lindsay

Greeters: Don & Janice/George & Verna

Order of Service

Prelude: Nancy Dyck

Welcome & Opening Prayer: Kyle Peters

Worship in Song: Heart of Worship

Pastoral Prayer: Pastor Dale

Kadesh Report: Shirley Epp

Ministry Reminders: Kyle Peters

Worship in Giving-Offertory: Verna Andres

Worship in Song: Heart of Worship

Scripture Focus: Philippians 1:1-11 - Kyle Peters

Children's Prayer: Kyle Peters

Message: "Partners in Mission" - Philippians 1:1-11 - Pastor Dale

Closing Song: Heart of Worship

Benediction: Pastor Dale

Following our worship service (12:15): Prayer service to pray for
our community, city and personal prayer requests.
Meet in the overflow area.



THIS WEEK @ SEC:

Sunday (today), 7PM: Growth Group at the church studying "Prayers of the New Testament." Led by Rachel Peters. Meet in the overflow area.

Tuesday, 7PM: His Praise practice.

Wednesday, 7PM: Growth Group at the church studying Philippians. Led by Pastor Dale. Meet in the overflow area.

NEXT SUNDAY @ SEC:

Ushers: Ken/Mary/Sheldon Greeters: Pete & Mary / Maria

Worship Leader: Ken Power Point: Darlene

Speaker: Pastor Dale Theme: The Word of God Cannot be Contained



SEC NEWS:

October 14-16 - SEC Mission Conference. See insert for details. Please plan to show your support by attending this annual event which focuses on such an integral aspect of SEC!

October 22, 9AM - Church Yard Cleanup Day! Bring your trucks and trailers and garden tools and help get our yard ready for winter. We are also looking for 2 or 3 guys willing to use our large A-frame ladder to prune some low hanging tree branches.

November 5, 9AM - 3:30PM - "Walk Thru the Old Testament" seminar, led by Gerald Barkman from Walk Thru the Bible. This 6 hour, live event, will help you understand the major themes of the O.T. and make the connection between His story & your story. Registration fee: \$20, which entitles you to a workbook. To register, contact the church office, or see Betty Guenter on Sunday morning - she will take your registration fee. See the signup sheet on the back table.

November 25 & 26 - EMMC Regional Retreat for church leaders at Shekinah. "Faithfulness with the Entrusted Word of God" with Norm & Leona Derksen. \$135/person. The SEC Council is encouraging SEC leadership to attend. For more info, please talk to Ken Peters.

January 14, 2017 - Financial Workshops @ SEC with Harold Penner from Mennonite Foundation of Canada. This is an opportunity to hear some solid teaching on finances from a Biblical perspective. Please see the signup sheet on the back table and indicate which topic(s) you are interested in.

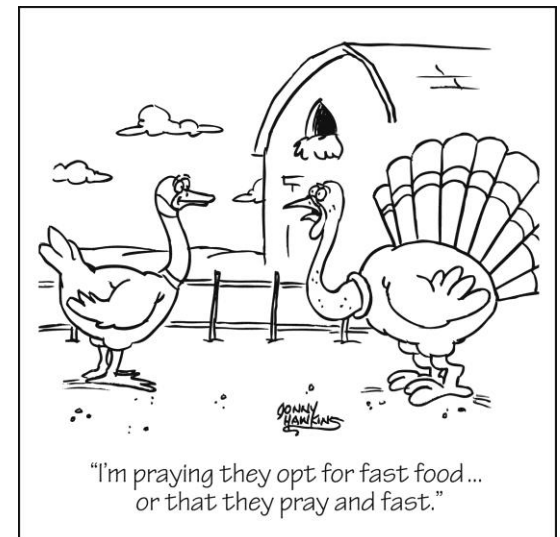
COMMUNITY NEWS:

Oct. 3, 7PM - Hillsong: Let Hope Rise documentary/movie; Scotiabank Theatre – One night only!

Oct. 9 - Glory Boys concert @ Elim. Tickets @ Kennedy's.

Oct. 20, 7PM - Jim Brady Trio & Mark Trammell Quartet concert @ Elim Church.

Oct. 28, 6:30PM - Mennonite Disaster Service SK Awareness Supper @ Nutana Park Mennonite Church, 1701 Ruth St E. Call 306-342-4344 for reservations.



Partners in Mission

Philippians 1:1-11 SEC Oct. 2, 2016

Introduction:

A. Background to the letter:

1. Church in Philippi founded in _____. Acts 16:6-40
2. First converts were _____.
3. Paul stayed long enough to establish a close _____.
4. Issues in Philippi:
 - ↳ Some sort of _____ and opposition. (1:27-30; 3)
 - ↳ Selfish _____, posturing and rivalry. (2; 4:2-3)
 - ↳ Grumbling and _____. (2:12-18)
5. Purpose: That they progress in the _____. (1:25)
6. Theme: _____.

B. Paul's _____ in the Gospel. (3-8)

1. Breeds _____. (3)
2. Cause for _____. (4)
3. Continued _____. (5)
4. Future _____. (6)
5. Common _____. (7)
6. Deep _____. (8)

C. Paul's _____ for the believers. (9-11)

Content:

- ↳ Abounding _____. (9)
- ↳ Knowledge and _____. (9)
- ↳ Establish _____. (10)
- ↳ _____ character. (10)
- ↳ _____ with righteousness. (11)

Means: Through _____. (11)

End: For the _____ of God. (11)

Conclusion:

What You Sow

Be careful what you sow. Everyone--*everyone*--sows one kind of seed or another. We either sow to please our sinful nature, or we sow to please the Spirit. We can't do both. Sowing to please the sinful nature means I cultivate those impulses that indulge myself and mock God. I treat lust as a flower, not a weed. I vent anger instead of controlling it. When a seed of greed, or anger, or gluttony, or envy, or fear--and such like--germinates, I tend it rather than pluck and burn it.

But does anger ever get spent by venting it? If I'm mad at my neighbour, do I exhaust my anger by pouring it out? More often, I just get angrier. The same is true for any impulse of my sinful nature: I only increase such impulses by indulging them. I yield to craving, and crave more. I give in to greed, and covet more. I fuel bitterness, and feel it biting deeper.

Such is sowing to the sinful nature.

I can choose what I sow; I can choose, because I have the Spirit, to sow that which pleases the Spirit. I can nurture the little seedlings of the Spirit's promptings--promptings to be a man of peace, of gentleness, of self-control, of love, and the like.

And in due time, I will reap a harvest that's worth storing up.

In the split second when I refuse to sow to the flesh, I always hear, though often thin and far away, the Spirit speaking. I experience the faint pulse of the Spirit's invitation. "Come," he says, "and let me show you a more excellent way. Come take my yoke on you." What I've learned is that when sinful impulses abound, Holy Spirit promptings abound all the more. They just take some attuning to. But the more I practice this, the more I see that circumstances which trigger the flesh are even more opportunities to heed God. But I have to choose, in that moment that I choose not to sow to the sinful nature, to instead sow to the Spirit.

Most Christians' battle against their sinful natures stops at the act of defiance or resistance. We just say no. That's a decent start. To finish the race, there's another leg. Every temptation, every ambush by the flesh, comes also with a just-say-yes opportunity. We can sow to the Spirit. We can further the kingdom of God within us and among us. The Spirit asks us and empowers us not just to defeat sin but actually to displace it, drive it out. The Spirit doesn't want just to keep the darkness at bay but to flood the arena with light. The Spirit doesn't seek only to conquer evil; he fully intends to overcome evil with good.

What we sow is what we grow. And many times every day, we are presented with a litany of invitations to sow to flesh or to spirit. Every interruption. Every criticism. Every temptation. Every glitch. Every driver cutting in on us. Every line-up at a cashier. Every dog barking in the night. Every gruff or bumbling or irritating person we meet. Everywhere in everything, there is the way of the Spirit, which is peace, joy, love, self-control, and the like. If we sow that seed, it enlarges, multiplies, sweetens. And there is the way of the flesh, which is rage, deceit, boasting, and the like. If we sow that seed, we can expect more of the same. It's both that simple and that hard.

-Taken from Mark Buchanan's book, Spiritual Rhythm.