# PRAYER FOCUS – JANUARY 1, 2023

To activate the Prayer Chain, call/email the church or text Bonnie.

- **Missionary Focus:** Pray for Jake & Shelly Rempel, serving with Assist Canada: "Cuba continues to experience great shortages in resources with no reprieve in sight. We've heard of children going 3 days without food. Although food is provided for tourists, it is very sparse and too expensive for locals. Cuba is in dire need. Pray for medical & humanitarian aid to be allowed past the USA blockade. The Cuban church continues to flourish. Pray for much needed resources and funds to continue to enter Cuba and to be properly distributed. Pray for foreigners such as us to continue to generously donate to the needs of Cuba. Pray for opportunities to speak in churches/events in Canada and for those opportunities to be beneficial to the Canadian and Cuban churches. In one month, a group of ASSIST Canada workers will be travelling to Cuba. Pray for effective ministry, safe journeys, and a meaningful time of group/team building. My predecessor, mentor, and still very active ministerial partner Don Pickel continues to entrust me with more responsibilities within the Cuban Ministry. Pray for God to grant me wisdom, a listening ear, a soft heart, and discernment as the work progresses." (DonateToAssist@gmail.com)
- 2. Birthdays: Beau Janzen (today), Sandy Isaac (Tues), Arie Van Duyvendyk (Wed)
- **3.** Church Family: Riley/Kaitlyn Janzen, Beau Don/Janice Klassen Jake/Lynnette Klassen Kelsey Klassen Shawn/Ashleigh Klassen, Avery, Gideon
- 4. Prayer Requests:
  - -Myrtle Loeppky—rehab at Parkridge Centre.
  - -Karen Faust—assisted living at Luther Riverside Terrace.
  - -Helena Wiebe—living with an inoperable & life-threatening blood clot.
  - -Wayne Bertness (Crystal Nelson's father)—stage 4 cancer.
- **5. SEC**: Ushers: Darrell, Dave (head usher), George, Greg F, Jake, James, Keenan, Ken P, Lindsay, Lyndon, Nathan, Russ, Phil, Sheldon
- 6. Sister Churches:
  - Region 1, SK/AB: Hepburn Gospel Church—Jesse/Kelsey Doell
  - Region 2, MB C: Lakeside Gospel Chapel
  - Region 3, MN S: Altona EMM Church—David/Jessica Friesen
  - Region 4, ON: Aylmer EMM Church—Michael/Anne Marie Krahn
  - Region 6, BZ: Spanish Lookout—Blaine/Melissa Dueck
- 7. EMMC Missionaries: Guadalupe Mercado—Santa Cruz, Bolivia
- **8. Westside Pastors' Group:** Curtis Zoerb Massey Pl Community Church
- 9. Parachurch Ministries: Teen Challenge SK Men's Centre—Brent Cooper (Director)

# **LOOKING AHEAD**



"There is surely a future hope for you, and your hope will not be cut off." ~ Proverbs 23:18



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Sutherland Evangelical Church and its ministries exist to raise up disciples of Jesus Christ who glorify God and love others.

## **ORDER OF SERVICE**

**PRELUDE**: Mary Friesen

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS: Glen Neufeld

OPENING PRAYER: Glen Neufeld
Songs of Worship: Betty Guenter
Scripture Focus: John 14:1-4 (pg 875)
Worship in Giving—Offertory:

Ushers: Nathan & Keenan; Offering Counter: Keenan

**Songs of Worship**: Betty Guenter

Message:

"Looking Forward" – Jake Friesen CLOSING SONG: Betty Guenter

**BENEDICTION** 



# THIS WEEK

The office will be closed on Tuesday.

### FRIDAY, 6PM:

Staff/Council Christmas party in the Youth Wing.

### BIBLE READING CERTIFICATES:

If you have read through the Bible (or the Old Testament or New Testament) in 2022, we would like to recognize your achievement!

Please let the office know **this week!** 

# NEXT SUNDAY: JANUARY 8, 2023

COFFEE: Bonnie
PRELUDE: Betty

**WORSHIP LEADER:** Ken Peters

POWERPOINT: Bonnie
LIVESTREAM: Tyler

Sound: Brendan

**USHERS:** Lyndon & Lindsay

CHILDREN'S CHURCH:

**Message**: Pastor Adam

Next Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, following the morning service, parents with young children (under 8) are asked to stay for a meeting that will include an important discussion regarding children's programs in our church. Please make this a priority.

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." - 1 Peter 1:3

# DATES TO REMEMBER

MONDAY, JAN 9, 7-9PM: Youth Workers' Meeting in the Youth Wing.

WEDNESDAY, JAN 11, 7PM: Bible Study in the Board Room.
THURSDAY, JAN 12, 7PM: Council meeting in the Board Room.

JAN 12/13: C&C and Youth schedule resumes.

# **SEC News**

<u>From our treasurer</u>: Please make sure to date cheque donations with **2023**!



**The EMMC** has produced beautiful journals containing original artwork & photos from the latest EMMC Art Contest. They are \$30 each. A portion of the proceeds will go towards the youth fund of our church. If paying by cheque, make it payable to Sutherland Evangelical Church. You can give your money to our treasurer, Karen Neufeld, or bring it to the church office. They are perfect for Christmas gifts or for journalling in the new year. Contact the office with any questions.

**Our nursery** is giving away some of the abundance of toys that have accumulated! Help yourself from the giveaway pile, in the nursery.

<u>Thank you</u> to all who participated in our Poinsettias in Remembrance! If you brought one, please remember to pick it up on the way out this morning.

## POINSETTIAS IN REMEMBRANCE OF:

- ~Aron & Tina Fehr (Jake/Lynnette Klassen)
- ~Robert Letkeman (Jake/Lynnette Klassen)
- ~Wilf Loewen (Darrell/Darlene & Anne Loewen)
- ~Peter & Tina Friesen (Dietrich/Donna Friesen)
- ~Cornelius Peters (Grant/Anita Loeppky)
- ~Dave & Marion McKenzie, Dorothy Chapman, and Cora McKenzie (Owen/Paula McKenzie)
- ~Ruth Naherney (John & Mandi Letkeman)