



## ADVANCED ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Canada Day Picnic:** Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup> after our morning service at the home of Cleon and Chris Martin.

More details to follow.

**Sunday school Picnic:** Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup> at Conestoga Bible Camp

**Fall Business Meeting:** Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>.

**FOCUS Weekend:** Friday, November 6 – Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup>

**Alma Couples Christmas Banquet:** Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>



**SONSHINE CLUB:** Unfortunately, due to the ongoing restrictions regarding Covid 19, the committee & church leadership have decided to cancel SonShine Club for 2020. This decision was not made lightly, but for the best in regards to the health and safety of our church family and community.



You can only learn so much from books. You can only learn so much from education.  
Ultimately, it is the wisdom of God that will carry you through in the toughest situations in life.

-Ravi Zacharias

Many Christians have so busied themselves with programs and activities that they no longer know how to be silent and meditate on God's word or recognize the mysteries that are in the Person of Christ.

- Ravi Zacharias





## **CONESTOGA BIBLE CAMP:**

### **MAY 21 UPDATE**

The sun and warm weather are finally here and have us all dreaming about better days: summer and Camp, and all the fun things we love to do in the warm weather! Only this year continues to be very different from all we have ever known. School is now cancelled until at least September, many of our favorite winter and spring activities are not running, and now summer activities are also being affected.

The Ontario government has announced that overnight camps are cancelled for the summer but have deferred offering any guidance for day camps. Many of you are asking where that leaves Conestoga Bible Camp. While we are predominantly a day camp, we are also an overnight camp during Youth Camp and throughout the summer when we feed and house our summer Missionary Staff. This has always been a strength of CBC, but this year it creates some very large challenges.

What does it all mean? The short answer: we are still not sure. The May 19 provincial government announcement offered few details, and mostly hopes that things will improve by July 1. We don't know what the standards will be, who will be setting them or who will be measuring them. Will we have buses for transportation? What limits will be applied to group sizes? What about programming restrictions on the use of pools, boats, and sports equipment? There are so many questions and there are no simple answers.

Above all, we want Camp to be both FUN and SAFE and to advance our mission to Make, Mold and Move Disciples of Jesus Christ. We continue to pray for the Campers and the Staff. (The Staff are as excited as the Campers to be here!) We will communicate with you as soon as we know what our plans are. We asked that you give us until June 1st to let you know. Your patience in this is greatly appreciated. Thank you all for your continued support! Thank you to those that have donated, sent encouragement, and who pray for Conestoga Bible Camp: It is amazing to serve you and your children, and to be part of this fantastic community linked together through Camp.

Terry Ruegg

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It is no little wisdom for a man to keep himself in silence and in good peace when evil words are spoken to him, and to turn his heart to God and not to be troubled with man's judgement. –Thomas à Kempis



### **PRAYER AND PRAISE**

- **As the government is beginning to implement changes; pray that we would be wise in moving forward and continue to be respectful of those who are struggling with aspects of self isolation and health issues.**
- **Pray for our Pastors, elders and deacons as they continue to lead Alma and make decisions regarding future services and meetings.**
- **Pray for the couples from Alma that are planning weddings this year. Pray for peace and strength as they face hurdles in their planning.**
- **Continue to pray for our seniors who are experiencing isolation in their homes and many who are unable to meet with their families.**



There are many opportunities to go online and take advantage of various Christian podcasts, including –

- Grace to You
- Adventures in Odyssey
- Paws and Tales
- Road to Reality
- Insight for Living
- And more.....

**FOR MORE INFORMATION – FAITHFM.ORG**

“God can’t give us peace and happiness apart from Himself because there is no such thing.”

- C.S. Lewis

## LEADERSHIP

If you would like prayer or pastoral care, please do not hesitate to contact one of our elders

### ELDERS

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The Deacon’s Board of Alma Bible Church exists to facilitate the *church community* in meeting the financial, physical and emotional needs of one another”. We encourage you to contact one of us if there is a need.

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