

## Upcoming Events

### JOY FELLOWSHIP (for Mature Adults)

- Join us to celebrate the beginning of Spring with musical guests, His Own, on **Thursday, April 19 at 10:00 A.M. in the Fellowship Hall**. The morning will be followed by a great lunch. Cost is \$8.

### BUILDERS FELLOWSHIP (for Mature Men)

- Our special event this month is a Dundurn Castle Tour on **Wednesday, April 25**. We'll be meeting at the church at 9:30 A.M. to carpool. Tickets are \$7.50 and available from Glen Kuik. Following the tour, we'll go out for lunch.

### "GRACE": A WORSHIP MUSICAL

- On **Sunday, April 29 at 9:00 & 11:00 A.M.**, the choir will be leading us in a worship musical called "Grace", inspired by the book by Max Lucado. This presentation will fit in well with Pastor John's current series on Galatians, our 2018 prayer theme, and our "Testifying to God's Grace" CD which was released recently. Invite your family and friends to this special musical event!

### FATHER/DAUGHTER BANQUET

- **Friday, May 11 at 6:00 P.M.** Our special speaker for the evening will be Scott Montgomery with music by Pastor Lee Brubacher. Tickets are \$30 per father/daughter (plus \$10 each additional daughter). See *Rick Thompson or Ken Thomson for tickets or reserve them online at [www.westhighland.org/men](http://www.westhighland.org/men)*.

### HOLY LAND TOUR

- We have a number of additional seats available for the trip to Israel and Jordan from **November 18 to 29, 2018**. This is the final availability! Once these seats are gone, there will be no more sales. Please contact Donna Laidlaw ([donna.laidlaw@gmail.com](mailto:donna.laidlaw@gmail.com)) or Dale Laidlaw ([dalelaidlaw@westhighland.org](mailto:dalelaidlaw@westhighland.org)), before April 29 to get the application and itinerary.

## Church Family News

Condolences to Shelby Logie (fiancée of Nathan Gillespie) on the death of her father, Leonard, on Monday, April 9.

Condolences to Mary Veerabhadra on the death of her husband, John, on Tuesday, April 10. Visitation will take place at Cresmount Funeral Home (322 Fennell Ave. E.) on Tuesday, April 17 from 2:00-4:00 and 6:00-8:00 P.M. The funeral will take place at West Highland on Wednesday, April 18 at 1:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall.

Congratulations to Irene Kosubovich and Ron Anderson on their recent engagement.

## Announcements

**FROM THE ELDERS & MINISTRY TEAM:** Thank you to the cast, crew and the many volunteers who participated in our recent Narnia presentations. Thank you to all of you for using your talents in various ways to make this a tremendous outreach into our community. It couldn't have been done without every one of you.

On behalf of **Pregnancy Support Services of Hamilton** and **The Baby Depot**, we offer our heartfelt thanks for the incredible generosity extended to these organizations through the outpouring of gifts received for the "Shower of Blessings" event earlier this month.

Our **new photo directories** are now available! Pick up your copy at the table in the foyer today.

Are you interested in **short-term missions**? Consider an opportunity serving our friends of Thessalon First Nation in Northern Ontario this summer from **July 28-August 4** or **August 4-11**. For application forms, visit [www.westhighland.org/missions](http://www.westhighland.org/missions). *Application deadline is Sunday, May 13.*

**WE WANT YOU!** We're recruiting volunteers to help fill various roles in our **Vacation Bible Camp (August 13-17)!** If you're interested in being part of this fabulous ministry to children, visit our display in the foyer today for more details and to sign up!



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**WEST HIGHLAND CHURCH**  
**April 15, 2018**



## From Pastor John's Desk...

Brothers and Sisters,

**Every Thursday morning** at West Highland there are about 12 people who gather in the foyer near the Cornerstone Café to pray from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. It's a time of rich fellowship with brothers and sisters in Christ and of sweet communion with our Lord. Our focus in prayer for this hour is Revival and we have been praying that God will send others to pray with us.

What is Revival? **Revival is God revitalizing his church.** Revival is the work of restoring life. In Revival, the Holy Spirit brings believers into a new quality of relationship with the Father and the Son. Revival is a social, corporate thing, touching and transforming the whole community of God's people. Bible prayers implore God to quicken not *me*, but *us*. Bible Prophecies of Revival depict God visiting and enlivening not one or two individual Israelites, but Israel, the whole people. Records of Revival in biblical and later Christian history, tell of entire communities being affected. There is no doubt that Revival comes to Christians individually, but Revival is not an isolated, individualistic affair; God revives his church, and then the new life overflows from the church for the conversion of those outside of Christ and the society is changed.

Jonathan Edwards once wrote, "When God has something very great to accomplish for his church, it is his will that there should precede it, the extraordinary prayers of his people." Is Revival something for which your heart yearns? How about joining us on Thursday mornings?

John Mahaffey, *Lead Pastor*

### **ANSWERED PRAYER? PRAISE GOD!**

If you've had an answer to prayer recently, jot it down on a yellow praise paper (in chair pocket) and drop it in our **THANKOMETER**—the clear, plastic tube at the front of the Auditorium—anytime during congregational singing. Let us rejoice with you!



## Today at West Highland

### **"Reading the Bible Through the Gospel"**

Galatians 4:21-31

*John Mahaffey, Lead Pastor*

TREC .....6:00 P.M.

### **ARE YOU A GUEST TODAY?**

- We would love to get to know you better! Please complete a **Welcome Card** (in the chair pocket) and place it in the offering plate as it goes by **OR** bring it to someone at the Welcome Centre to receive a card for free goodies at our Cornerstone Café for you and your party.
- Pick up a copy of "**Testifying to God's Grace**", a CD of original songs by West Highland musicians. It's our gift to you for visiting us today!
- If needed, we have **Large Print** worship song sheets and **Hearing Assistance Devices** available from our Ushers. **Braille** worship song sheets are available at the Welcome Centre.

### **STAR KIDS—OUR SPECIAL MINISTRY FOR CHILDREN**



- Nursery and programs for children up to JK/SK start at 9:00 & 11:00 A.M. on the lower level.
- Grades 1-6 will be dismissed from the Auditorium during the service.

**CHECK-IN SYSTEM** Please be sure to check-in your children prior to the service, or do so when they are dismissed.

### **PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 7 & 8**

- During our 9:00 A.M. service, students in Grades 7 & 8 will be dismissed from the Auditorium to meet in the Youth Room on the lower level.

## Financial Report—January 2018

Receipts	\$126,564	General Fund Offerings Budget	\$149,520
Expenses	(\$138,186)		
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$11,622)		

## This Week at West Highland

### • MONDAY, APRIL 16

English Among Friends ..... 6:30 P.M.—Room 150  
 GriefShare ..... 6:30 P.M.—Room 225  
 Women's Bible Study..... 7:00 P.M.—Room 146  
 Women's Volleyball ..... 7:30 P.M.—Gym

### • TUESDAY, APRIL 17

Women's Bible Study.....9:30 A.M.—Room 146  
 STAR Kids QUEST ..... 6:30 P.M.—Lower Level  
 The Parenting Teenagers Course..... 6:30 P.M.—Room 222  
 Men's Study Group ..... 6:30 P.M.—Room 223  
 Women's Bible Study..... 6:30 P.M.—Room 225

### • WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

Women's Oasis Bible Study .....9:30 A.M.—Fellowship Hall  
 Worship Practice..... 6:30 P.M.—Auditorium  
 Element (*Sr High*) & Impact (*Jr High*) ..... 7:00 P.M.—Fellowship Hall  
 Fresh Encounters (*Mid-Week Prayer*) ..... 7:15 P.M.—Room 225

### • THURSDAY, APRIL 19

Revival Prayer ..... 6:30 A.M.—Cornerstone Café  
 JOY Fellowship ..... 10:00 A.M.—Fellowship Hall  
 Alpha ..... 6:30 P.M.—Fellowship Hall  
 Self-Defense..... 6:30 P.M. & 8:00 P.M.—Gym

### • FRIDAY, APRIL 20

Mom & Tot Connect .....9:30 A.M.—Gym

### • SATURDAY, APRIL 21

Men's Floor Hockey ..... 10:00 A.M.—Gym  
 Emmaus Road (*Hour of Prayer for Sunday*) ..... 7:30 P.M.—Foyer

### • NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 22

Pre-Service Prayer ..... 8:30 & 10:30 A.M.—Room 225  
 Worship Service..... 9:00 & 11:00 A.M.—Auditorium

**"Gospel Freedom"**  
 Galatians 5:1-15

*John Mahaffey, Lead Pastor*

TREC ..... 6:00 P.M.