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Emmanuel Mission Statement

Relying on the enabling presence and power of God, to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ, to teach, baptize and disciple unto maturity in Christ.



Mission For the Now - Pastor Dan

Today's culture is shifting beneath our feet. The response of many is to be fearful, or even angry. But what are we called to, and whom do we serve? The Mission Statement of Emmanuel Baptist Church (written above) is based on the marching orders that Jesus gave his disciples in the Great Commission. We have been charged with a task: to bring the good news of Christ to our community and to the world, and to bring others along in their own journey with Christ. However, Jesus hasn't asked us to work in our own strength and with the power of our own abilities. He has given us the Holy Spirit to lead us

and guide us. And, He has promised that He will be with us always.

Last year my brother-in-law and I entered an Adventure Race with our good friend. It was 30 hours and 150 km of intense hiking, navigating, mountain biking, and canoeing. Why we thought this was a good idea is anyone's guess. It started off ok, we were making decent headway. However, we managed to get lost, then lost again, and then lost again. It was in our our sixth hour canoeing in the pitch-black, unable to see more than twenty feet in front of us, that I started to wonder if we could finish. Eventually we finished the paddle and took to the hike. By our twenty-first hour we found ourselves totally exhausted, lost, defeated, and void of any hope. After twenty-four hours we called it. A boat was sent for us and our race was over. At first, I



was happy that it was over. I had been sick and all I wanted to do was go home to my own bed. But it wasn't long before I was feeling regret. Maybe we should have rested for an hour, eaten something, made a plan, and kept going. We certainly hadn't entered the race with the intention of coming up short.

The cultural climate we find ourselves in today seems very anti-Christianity, full of hate, and lacking a clear sense of morality. In fact, it can seem downright hopeless. Where our mission is taking us, and how to get there can, at times, feel impossible to figure out. But God didn't call us an easy undertaking. In fact, Jesus' call, which we have answered, is to come and die. I felt serious regret when we failed to finish our adenture race. Well, as followers of Jesus we are in another race. The stakes are much higher, and the task much greater. But God is not asleep. God has not turned a blind eye. Even now He is moving, calling people to himself, and preparing a way for the Gospel to go forward and reach the lost.

In 1921, Sir Cecil Spring Rice wrote these words about the Kingdom of God in a poem: "And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase, and her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace." Even in the darkest of times, when it seems like God is distant, He is moving, seeking, saving, working. Emmanuel Baptist Church is called to be a part of what God is doing. I look forward to being amazed by what God will do through us, as we trust in, and rely on, Him.

Ministry Updates

Missions - By Paul Cairns

As a local expression of the Body of Christ called Emmanuel Baptist Church (Emmanuel) we look outside of the building where we gather for opportunities to support individuals and organizations that serve in "Great Commission" work. Hence, we have a missions budget. The net of influence from Emmanuel is spread quite wide and you are able to catch a glimpse of that by reading about it on the church website.

In 2024, significant funds were designated by many individuals over and above their regular giving to work of the Lord at Emmanuel. These gifts were designated for a variety of endeavours already supported through the mission's budget, most notably for significant projects at the CarePoint community of Enhlanhleni in Eswatini (Swaziland) namely the construction of a community multipurpose building and a new two room home for one grandmother who solely raises her grandchildren and helps in the community in relation to the



CarePoint. These are wonderful expressions of the love of Christ in this unique connection between Emmanuel and this community in Africa. Bob Burkinshaw serves this particular mission endeavour with skill, commitment and passion! Talk to Bob about it!

There were some areas of support change in 2024. Eli Verkyl stepped down from his role as the Prince Edward County representative with Quinte Youth for Christ. Support for Pastor Spencer and the associated children's work in Haiti came to an end as a result of ongoing violent unrest in this Country. Involvement in collecting clothes and paying for shipping to Trinidad and St, Vincent through a local contact will not be continued in 2025.



We are very pleased to announce new opportunities that Emmanuel will begin supporting in 2025. A longstanding connection to Haiti will continue in a different way. Some of you will be aware of the work of Mission Aviation Fellowship throughout the world. We will be joining the support for a brave, young pilot currently working in Haiti. Her name is Deborah Edwards and she is a personal friend of a family here at Emmanuel. In addition, Emmanual will be starting monthly support of the Belleville Pregnancy

and Family Care Centre. The work of the centre which serves Prince Edward County is a much-needed ministry and opportunity to share the hope of Christ in the lives of those who come through their doors.

The current mission committee members (Carol Pierce, Ken How and Paul Cairns) hope to work on improving communication with our supported missionary families and providing opportunities for them to share with the congregation when they are present among us. We want to acknowledge the service of Bonnie Lewis, Andrew Burkinshaw, Ken Conley, Herman Prinzen and Bob Scrivens, who each one, having served for some time, have stepped down from this area of service in 2024. They remain a valued source of support and advice to the current committee.

Jesus, hope of the nations. Our reason for being and serving.

Celebrate Recovery - By Bob Burkinshaw

God has been good to our CR group this past year.

A number of new people have joined us and we are seeing God changing lives. About 25 people consider CR their group and our attendance on Tuesday evenings usually ranges between 15 and 20. We were thrilled to have abut 50 people at the celebration of our 6th anniversary last month. Thank you for your encouragement!

We have a good mixture of people; some with little or no church background who have come to us with serious addiction issues and are finding new life in Christ and also a number of church people (from Emmanuel and several other churches) who come because they are dealing



with issues that are hindering their walk with Christ: hurts (trauma, abuse etc), habits (smoking, pornography, food addictions etc) and hangups (anxiety, anger, control issues, co-dependency etc).

In addition, a separate but affiliated Depression Support Group started up last Spring in the aftermath of Phil Smith's very well received series on how he lives with depression as a Christian. About 8 – 10 people belong to that group led by Phil.

How can you help our CR group?

- let people in your circle know that CR is very welcoming ofpeople struggling with any hurt, habit or hangup. If they are worried about showing up for the first time, offer to come with them for a time or two until they feel comfortable!
- pray that God would use CR to work in the lives of people presently in the group and that He would lead others to group.
- pray for God's protection and encouragement of the leaders.
- are you willing to help us with a CR dinner once per month? Dorothy Prinzen has been a great help to us but she is not able to come Tuesday evenings and the CR leaders are so busy with people and the program that we don't do a good job in the kitchen!



Evangelism - By Peter Spragg

The population of Prince edward County is currently estimated at 26,500. My estimate for average Sunday Church attendance in the County is around 1,300, that's about 5%. So even accounting f or those who aren't in attendance on a regular basis, that leaves well over 20,000 unchurched people in the County. So how do we reach these people with the Good News? That's the hard part.

Soon we will be starting an evangelism website for the County and

beyond. It will be widely advertised in multiple outlets, including newspapers, billboards, social media and any other way that we can get the website name out there. We plan to come up with a domain name that will cause curiosity.

The website will tell people the Good News of Jesus and give opportunity to ask for prayer, and ask questions about faith.

In addition, I am hoping to have two outreach meetings (Picton & Wellington) in the fall, linked to the name of the website (which still has to be determined).

Please be praying for God's direction and for the Holy Spirit to go ahead of us, I'm excited to see what God will do.

2025 Proposed Budget and Actuals

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	2024 Budget	2024 Actual	Difference	2025 Budget
INCOME				
Interest				300
Celebrate Recovery		1,426		
Men's Fellowship		3,671		
Womens Ministry		744		
SNO CAMP Donations		5,300		
Funeral donations		2,241		
Student Wage subsidy		20,535		
HST Rebate		11,894		13,500
All other		803,503		
TOTAL INCOME FOR BUDGET		849,314		
In & out (Missions)		84,660		
In & out SNO CAMP Donations		4,655		
In & out Trips (Geo) Donations		2,928		
In & out Pinecrest Housing		27,610		
IN & OUT INCOME		119,853		
EXPENDITURE Facilities	2024 Budget	2024 Actual	Difference	2025 Budget
Building Improvements	30,000	28,639	-1,361	30,000
Maintenance - External	17,000	12,281	-4,719	17,000
Maintenance - Internal	9,000	11,928	2,928	9,000
Cleaning Supplies	2,000	1,991	-9	3,000
Insurance	8,500	8,519	19	9,500
Kitchen, food, funerals	5,000	7,141	-100	5,000
funeral contributions		2,241		
Utilities	19,500	19,825	325	21,000
	91,000	90,324	-676	94,500
Admin				
Office Supplies/Equipment	7,000	7,771	771	8,000
Computer Software	4,400	570	-3,830	1,000
Legal	1,000	0	-1,000	500
Quickbooks/payroll	-	1,488	1,488	1,500
Dues/memberships	4,000	3,862	-138	4,000
HST paid on goods / services		5,893	5,893	6,000
Internet Cogeco, MSFT, OSM	2,500	1,924	-576	2,000
Accounting/Audit/Bank Fees	10,500	9,759	-741	10,000

Payroll				
Payroll Expenses	20,000	56,311	15,776	38,000
Payroll Expenses Student Wage Su	,	20,535		
RRSP contributions	8,000	8,467	467	8,500
Health Insurance	22,000	23,979	1,979	24,000
Payroll (incl Kids Ministry & Tech Ser	340,000	313,839	-26,161	368,718
Car Usage	2,000	1,720	-280	2,000
CPP & El Contributions	2,000	2,7.20	200	2,000
Staff phone	6,500	3,314	-3,186	3,500
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	333,333	107,000	3,230	,, 20
Congregational Care	2024 Budget	2024 Actual	Difference	2025 Budget
Library	1,500	1,213	-287	1,500
Meals Ministry	1,000	638	-362	1,000
Hospitality/Visitation	250	391	141	500
Flowers/cards	2,500	2,131	-369	2,500
Welcome Team	2,000	1,824	-176	2,000
Other Family Care Ministries	500	0	-500	0
Programs				
Ladies Fellowship THRIVE	3,000	1,136	-1,864	3,000
Men's Fellowship (Larry)	4,000	3,410	-4,261	4,000
Men's Fellowship Donations	,	3,671	,	•
Bursary		2,010	2,010	0
CAP Counselling	16,882	16,882	0	0
Emmanuel Counselling	0	595	595	12,000
Leadership Training & Development	3,000	5,524	2,524	10,000
	34,632	35,754	1,122	36,500
Discipleship Ministry				
Youth				
	F 000	10.459	150	F 000
College, Surge, Fusion	5,000	10,458	158	5,000
SNO CAMP Donations	2 000	5,300	022	2 000
Trips (Geo)	3,000	6,851	923	3,000
Trips (Geo) Donations	2 000	2,928	4.450	4 000
Discipleship Resources	3,000	4,450	1,450	4,000
Adult Christian Education	4 500	4 200	200	4 500
Small Groups, Bible Studies	1,500	1,300	-200	1,500
Marriage ministry	1,000	2,354	1,354	2,000
Women's bible studies	2,500	3,246	2	3,000
Women's bible studies donations		744		
Celebrate Recovery	3,500	2,933	-1,993	3,500
Celebrate Recovery donations		1,426		
Children's Ministry	2 222	4	4	
Mid week Kids programs	3,000	1,292	-1,708	3,000
VBS	2,000	3,158	1,158	2,500
Sunday School	2,500	5,186	2,686	2,500
Nursery	500	360	-140	500
Leader Training	1,000	62	-938	0
(new) Childrens Special Outreach		6,495	6,495	5,000
	28,500	48,145	19,645	35,500

350	300	-50	325
210	210	0	210
	1,525	1,525	1,500
4,000	2,011	-1,989	3,000
34,085	35,144	1,059	36,600
29,795	30,289	494	41,200
	1,426		
1,300		-1,300	
11,000	9,000		9,000
80,740	78,479	-2,261	91,835
	30,025		
ns	57,721		
	44,716		
	132,462		
	210,941		
2024 Budget	2024 Actual	Difference	2025 Budget
18,500	11,126	-7,374	12,000
19,000	16,124	-2,876	18,000
1,000	1,086	86	1,000
			10,000
			10,000
38,500	28,336	-10,164	51,000
200	83	-117	200
			2,500
-	-		7,000
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	-		0
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			11,250
11,000	11,500	342	11,230
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