FEB Central Church Planting

Fall 2020 Update & Prayer Requests



God is still building His Church

We have been blown away this Fall by the launching of 4 churches so far and are looking forward to 2 more by the end of 2020.

City Centre Baptist Church in Mississauga launched an Arabic site on September 13th.

Grandview Baptist Church in Kitchener launched a daughter church, Heritage Grace, on September 20th.

Christ Almighty Baptist Church in Toronto launched a daughter church, Life Church, in Pickering on September 27th.

Emmanuel Baptist Church in Barrie launched a new site, Emmanuel North Barrie, on October 4th.

We are looking forward to the launches of Morningstar Ajax Lighthouse on November 28th and Fellowship Baptist Church Port Hope on November 29th.

Please pray

Pray that the Lord of the harvest would continue to call and send out workers into his harvest... The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. We thank God for the privilege of working alongside local FEB Central churches to fulfill the Great Commission. Continue reading for our full update.



Introducing Greg & Caitlin Armstrong (Eliana) who will be planting Saturate Church in Mississauga, 2021



Introducing Nathan Kapetyn (and Elaine) who is the new church planting apprentice at Liberty Grace Church with Church Planter Darryl Dash

Updates and Prayer Requests

AJAX

Ajax Lighthouse Site (Morningstar) - Oliver & Marie Ipwanshek



We have begun meeting in person again since September 19th. We meet every Saturday @7pm to worship at Ajax Baptist Church. We have access to our own auditorium in the basement, to the gym, and to a kids room too. We have had approximately 40 people in attendance each week. Praise God for all he has done and what he continues to do in the Ajax community. We are planning a more formal public launch on November 28th.

BARRIE

Emmanuel Church, Barrie – North Barrie Site – Jordan & Olivia Wilcox



Praise God for the successful launch of this site on October 4th at the North Barrie Cineplex. Pray that they may be able to continue using this venue and that God will lead them each step of the way and multiply His kingdom impact by reaching a new community in North Barrie with the gospel of Jesus.

Emmanuel Church, Barrie - Arabic Site - Fateh & Kifa Salloum



Praise God for the Arabic speaking families that have been connected with in the Barrie area. Please pray that we will be able to develop healthy relationships with them and tell them the good news about Jesus. Pray as we make plans to begin meeting on Sundays in the chapel and develop the core team who will eventually form an Arabic church.

BELLEVILLE

Harbour Church, Belleville – Dave & Jocelyn Drabiuk



Harbour Church just turned one! We have been meeting in house churches over the summer and held once a month outdoor services. This fall we have transitioned to meeting at Parkdale Baptist Church temporarily as we are actively looking for a location and meeting regularly in missional groups. Please pray for a location to open up soon and for wisdom as we navigate leading the church plant through the pandemic.

BRAMPTON

Arabic Site of Bramalea Baptist - Joseph & Eliane El Massaad



Praise God for the growth of the Arabic Site. that has happened during this time. There have been salvations and new doors of ministry opened. Please continue to pray that the Arabic speaking population of Brampton will be reached through the efforts of Joseph and Eliane and the core members of their church plant

Church of the City, Brampton ON - Jeremiah & Kathryn Thomas



Church of the City Brampton has adjusted well during these difficult times. Our missional communities are thriving while meeting in smaller numbers. God has provided for us abundantly and continues to give us more opportunities to connect with people from Hindu, Sikh and Muslim backgrounds. Please continue to pray for us!

CAMBRIDGE, ON

Restoration Church, Cambridge ON, Aaron & Nikki Ottaway



We are praising God that even during this pandemic year, we have seen our church grow in a number of ways. We are seeing more people coming on Sundays than we did pre-COVID, we have almost 50 adults currently in weekly Bible Studies, and we are seeing people who are from church backgrounds, but walked away, now coming back to Jesus! Another huge answer to prayer is that we have found a place to gather on Sundays called Tapestry Hall. Of course, we are out of our normal place, Southwood Secondary School,

for an unforeseeable time, but we're been at Tapestry Hall for 2 weeks and are loving it! Pray of course that COVID case number in Waterloo Region would remain low, but more importantly, that we would disciple new people, and also that the Tapestry Hall staff that are there every Sunday would come to faith

GRAND VALLEY, ON

The Grand Valley site of Compass Community Church is not presently able to meet in Grand Valley due to the restrictions of the school board. There are active small groups meeting, with some watching the Worship services together online or attending the in-person service at the Orangeville site. Please pray for wisdom for the leaders to make decisions as government mandates continue to unfold, for safety of all who attend, for the gospel message to multiply, and financial needs to be met through continued generosity of God's people.

GUELPH

Guelph Baptist Mission, Guelph ON- Arnel & Cherry Lindogran



Sunday School and Worship Services are continuing online at this time since they are still unable to use the community centre. Please pray for members training in the tech areas to improve their quality. They are also wanting to add cell groups and children's Sunday School to the online platform. Please pray as they plan ahead for 2021 budget and calendar of events that they will prioritize and follow God's leading.

KINGSVILLE/LEAMINGTON

Kingsville Christian Fellowship (PIBC), Kingsville ON- Pablo & Angelica Aguilar



On July 5, 2020 the church begun to meet again in person for our Sunday Worship Service and the average attendance in the last 4 weeks is 27. Praise God for the 4 new attendees and the opportunity to share the gospel to the newly arrived 20 migrant workers. Please pray that the seed from the word of God planted in them will grow. Praise God too for the opportunity for the Kingsville congregation to help in a church plant in Leamington.

KITCHENER

Heritage Grace Church - Aaron & Mariah Roeck



We are so blessed to be meeting in person at Woodland Christian High School where we had our public launch on September 20 and have been meeting weekly since then. We are learning more and more every week but God has been so good to us already and we have seen new faces every Sunday so far! Our biggest prayer request would be that we would all not slip into thinking that we can do this on our own, but that we would lean completely on God as this church is planted!

FEB Central Church Planting Apprentice - Josiah & (Rachel) Rock



A FEB Central Church Planting Apprenticeship is a great opportunity for potential church planters to learn the practical skills of church planting. Josiah is working alongside Aaron and Mariah to plant Heritage Grace Church. Please pray for him to balance his life well as a new husband, student, and also working part-time in a warehouse. Pray that he will learn lots and be a great asset to the team.

LINDSAY

The Centre Community Church, Lindsay ON - Mike & Amanda Kleinhuis



Praise God for new people who connected through our online ministry and have started attending in person now that we've reopened. Pray that our charitable status application will be accepted. Please pray for the Christmas hampers and Christmas outreach - both will look different this year. Pray for wisdom at how to best proceed. Pray for the many struggling with mental illness in our neighbourhood, and how we as a church can best come alongside them.

LONDON

All 4 One Biker Church, London ON – Graham & Brenda Morrison



Praise God that the charitable status application was accepted and All4One Church can move forward in its journey. Pray for Graham and Brenda as they are in the process of moving. Pray for connections during the limitations of the pandemic to continue and grow in new and creative ways. Pray for opportunities to reach new bikers with the good news of Jesus in the London area.

West Park Arabic Site, London ON - Mark & Sura Namourrah



Praise God for some salvations and new families that have joined the church plant even during the Pandemic. Continue to pray for outreach opportunities and salvation of the Arabic speaking people in London. Pray for Mark as he attends Heritage College to study towards his Master of Divinity.

Chelsea Green Community Church, London ON - Peter & Samantha Barnaby



Please pray for our church as we take steps towards independence, and for our church family to continue to make a gospel impact in our community. We have been blessed with amazing opportunities to partner with organizations who serve the neighbourhood in meaningful ways, pray for these to continue and thrive. Pray against a sense of disconnectedness and fatigue as many in our congregation choose to worship from home on Sunday mornings. Please uplift Peter, Samantha and their family in prayer, that they will be strengthened as they serve the Lord.

MARATHON & WHITE RIVER

Grace Community Church, Marathon & White River ON - Bill & Gerri Morgan



We are back to regular services at White River and this year we decided to hold services every Saturday and now are renting a venue that is suitable for COVID regulations. Marathon is the prayer concern. We had begun our bible study but the host house backed off due to new regulations. The only evangelical church there has only a dozen people attending in a community of 3000, so the need is very great!!!

MISSISSAUGA

City Centre Baptist Church, Arabic Site, Mississauga, ON - Armen & Zina Hakopian



Praise God for the successful launch on September 13th with a great attendance. Please pray as they build up the core group and continue to reach out to the Arabic speaking population in Mississauga with the gospel. Pray that there will be much fruit and many salvations resulting from their ministry.

God's Kingdom Fellowship, Mississauga ON - Luel & Annabelle Declarador



Praise God for the renewal of our lease for only ½ the cost. We are continuing our Worship in person and live streaming as well. Please pray for our daughters as they are making decisions regarding future schooling or applying for Visa as church workers. Pray as we expand the border of God's kingdom (a new cell group in a new location has been started). Pray for God's divine protection for all. Pray for our Church Planting Apprentice Fredie Buen and his wife Melissa.



The Meadows Baptist Church, Mississauga ON - Graeme & Julie Melvin



At the start of October, The Meadows Church celebrated their 6th anniversary. We have seen drastic transformation and God graciously sustains us as a light in our neighbourhood in Mississauga. COVID continues to be a challenge for us as we can no longer rent our school for Sunday gatherings. Instead, our services are online and we host in-person communion services every third Sunday afternoon. Pray for the families in our church who are going through economic challenges because of COVID and for God to open new opportunities as our region has reverted back to a Stage 2 lockdown.

MONTREAL

Reach Montreal, Montreal ON - Dustin & Raquel Boreland



Reach Montreal has been back to in-person gatherings since early September. Because of the current restrictions, we are meeting our church's needs with multiple services on Sundays. Although we are experiencing the difficulties of this season, we are also encouraged by the 20 prospective members walking through our membership process, as well as the two elder candidates we are looking to officially elect on October 25th. Please pray that we will identify the right ways to equip our church for the work of ministry in this season, as we look to build a culture of discipleship.

OAKVILLE

Faith Baptist Arabic Site, Oakville ON – Nadalla & Rachelle AlRajo



Praise God for some salvations during this time. Please pray for those who are afraid to come and meet together for prayer. This time has been difficult on the core group. Nadalla had some serious health issues and has had to step back from his job at the Shwarma place. Please pray for complete healing of Nadalla's health. Continue to pray for Rachelle's permits to immigrate to Canada so that they can serve the Lord together.

PETAWAWA

Trailhead Baptist Church, Pettawawa ON - Tim & Stephanie Roddick



We praise God that we have been granted use of a hall at the local civic centre to hold weekly worship services. Praise God that Tim has been granted increased access in a local school assisting with teaching supply needs. Please pray for wisdom in the face of increased challenges in attracting people to worship together in person, particularly those whom we are trying to reach. We need the Lord's direction as we prayerfully consider future ministry in 2021 and beyond

PETERBOROUGH

Equip Church, Peterborough ON – Shannon & Melissa McConnell



The fear of COVID has certainly done its damage...but this is still Jesus' church. When we went online, He used it to extend our reach! When some said they weren't comfortable coming back yet, He brought us 3 amazing new families! We are watching the Lord grab hold of our people in a whole new way - baptisms, dedications, 1st-time ministry engagements, 1st-time sharing/praying, smiles on previously hard faces, Bibles being bought...and used!!! It's hard work, yet wonderful. Please pray that the Lord would use us in a healthy, growing capacity as He reaches Peterborough with His gospel.

PORT HOPE

Fellowship Baptist Cobourg launching a site in Port Hope - Ben & Naomi Mills



We were excited this past week to announce we will be launching our weekend gatherings on November 1st at the historic Capitol Theatre. The official public launch for the community is November 29th. Please pray as we get ready for our launch and as our missional groups continue to bring the love of God and Hope of Jesus to Port Hope.

PICKERING

Life Church, Pickering, ON – Lendl & Mia Salangsang



Praise God for the successful launch of Life Church on September 27th with an in-person Worship Servic. We are grateful for the use of The Family Christian Church's facility. We have since held an online service and will continue to offer both in-person and online services. Please pray for a facility of our own to use in Pickering so that we can establish a presence in the community and reach out and invite people in and build relationships that will lead people to Jesus.

SMITHS FALLS

Evergreen Chapel, Smiths Falls, ON – Tim & Shannon Tysoe



We're really thankful to have found a new building (hotel conference room, quite large and holds our group comfortably). We need prayer for unity and for those families who cannot meet in person, that they might be shepherded well. We also need prayer for a church with room and personnel to help oversee our charitable processing. We are praising God for a strong church emerging from a chaotic season!

TORONTO

Liberty Grace Church, Toronto ON – Darryl & Charlene Dash



Since late July, we've been able to meet again at a new rental location (yoga studio). About half of our people still attend online. We're encouraged by a women's Bible study taking place very week on Zoom, and by the privilege of welcoming Nathan Kapteyn as a church planting apprentice, along with his wife Elaine. Please pray for our outreach in Liberty Village during this pandemic.

WINONA

Q50 Community, West Niagara Area - Graham & Sharon Bulmer



The COVID experience has been good for our church family. During the lock-down we connected families with each other, each family rotating through so everyone connected with everyone. It has gained momentum and is now a key part of who we are. We are now gathering again, thanks to the generosity of the Cairn Christian School. The whole coronavirus thing has heightened spiritual sensitivity in some families - so pray that we will respond well to them.



Training by Zoom

We have had to change our format for Round Tables and Greenhouse Training for church planters. We thank God that technology allows us to continue training during the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Assessments by Zoom

Bechara and Roula Karkafi (in Lebanon) working alongside Darryl Dash and Mike Thiessen in Hamilton to assess new church planters for a Kurdish plant





Please pray for our team

Led by Church Planting Director Tom Haines, the team works together to advance church planting in the FEB Central Region.

Pictured left to right

Darryl Dash, Advance Church Planting Institute
Director

Bechara Karkafi, Ambassador to Arabic & Islamic Communities

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