

Let's talk about sex.

Part 3: Damage

January 21/22, 2017 #FACLetsTalk facthisweek.com

Welcome to FAC!

New or Visiting? Need Prayer?

We're glad you're here! Stop by "NEXT" in **Meeting Place 2** after the service – we'd love to meet you.

Prayer teams are available at the front after the service, or fill out the attached **Contact Card**.

Get Connected

We'd love to help you get connected! Visit faccalgary.com/smallgroups or fill out the attached **Contact Card**.

Worship Arts

Music Intern: Please welcome **Grace Young** to FAC! She is on the Worship Team this weekend and will be with us through April.

Worship Team: Do you love to sing or play an instrument? Consider joining a weekend worship team! Auditions will be held on Saturday, **February 4**. Sign-up is required! Contact Gillian Paton gpaton@faccalgary.com.

DiscoveryLand Parents

Get updates, curriculum, and resources to encourage faith at home. Like us on **Facebook:** facebook.com/discoverylandfac, follow on

Twitter: @DiscoveryIndfac, or signup for our **e-Newsletter:** eepurl.com/MtDWN.

Students

Grade 5&6: Cops & Robbers, **February 3**; meet in the Gym at 7:00 pm; \$2. For all student ministries service times, updates, and events visit faccalgary.com/students.

Ways to Serve

Small Group Leaders: Provide a safe, fun place for Grade School kids to deepen their understanding of God.

Early Childhood Leaders: We're looking for leaders for the Green Turtles Room (2-year-olds).

Congregational Care Minister: Care for those in crisis or in need of emotional and spiritual care during services (minimum of 1 service/month).

Contact Cindy Bartlett to sign up
[serve@faccalgary.com/403-258-4355](mailto:serve@faccalgary.com)



Need To Know



Super Group

On February 4/5, we'll begin our 6-week teaching series, "40 Days On Mission." If you're not already in a small group, join our Sunday evening "Super Group" led by Pastor James, designed to help you dig deeper into the weekend teachings using the small group workbook curriculum. To register for "Super Group" (or to be a table host) visit the **Info Desk** or contact Cory Harasym charasym@faccalgary.com/403-258-4364.

Gary Thomas Event

You won't want to miss an evening with **Gary Thomas**, internationally renowned author of *Sacred Marriage* and *Sacred Pathways*. He will be speaking on the topic of sex within the context of marriage. **Sunday, January 29** in the Sanctuary, 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$15/person, available at **Cornerstone Marketplace** or online through funandfaith.ca.

Celebrate Recovery

An adult support group to help you move through life's hurts, hang-ups, and habits to find wholeness and healing in Christ. 7:00 pm **Tuesday nights** (year-round), Room 255 AB. Come for large-group discussion, and connection in men's, women's, and issue-specific small groups. Register faccalgary.com/registrations.



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Services (& Translations)

Saturdays 6:30 pm
Sundays 9:15 am (Spanish)
11:15 am (Farsi & Mandarin)





Freedom from Secrecy

There was a time when my life was controlled by pornography and no one knew about it. I was in grade 7 when I saw images and videos for the first time and this sin would grip my life and control me for the next 21 years. I never realized with each flip of the page, each click of the mouse my mind was creating a false idea of what sex is to be. I couldn't stop. **I would try and fight the craving but the battle was so intense I found it easier to just give in and deal with the guilt and shame that would follow.**

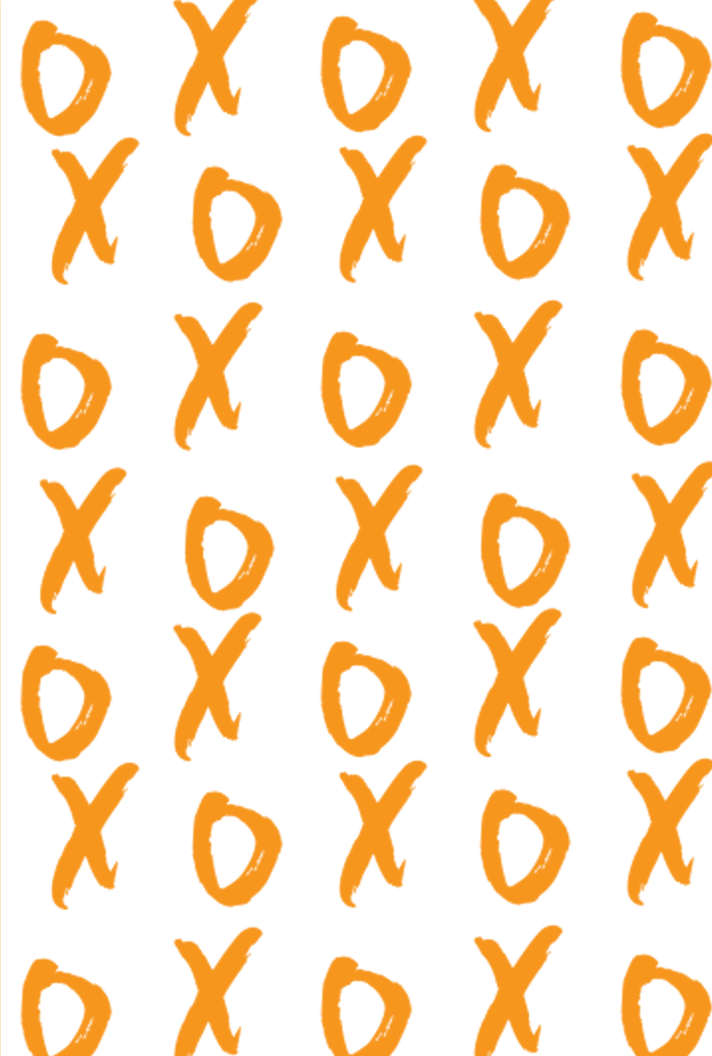
I knew it was hurting my life and my wife's life. But nothing I did helped. As a teen I used to think once I got married I would be

able to stop. But my secret sin continued to grip and destroy my life, **almost causing me to lose it all – my wife, my children, my life.**

It wasn't until I brought my darkness into the light that I began to find hope and freedom. It wasn't until I asked for help and set up true accountability partners that I began to experience the cravings diminishing. **It wasn't until I truly surrendered my all to Jesus that I began the road to recovery.**

Jesus has restored my life, freed me from the chains that pornography had entangled me in, and restored my relationship with my wife. He has taken something Satan had intended for evil and turned it into an opportunity to mentor teens, letting them know they too can find victory over this battle with pornography. Victory is found in the cross, in the empty tomb ... **Victory is found in Jesus.** – Brother in Christ, *Sheldon*

Building Lives that Honour God ...all for Jesus!



January Giving

(as of January 15)



	YTD Budget	Received	Shortfall
General	\$3,158,125	\$2,796,036	\$362,089
Capital/Debt	\$501,923	\$373,323	\$128,600
Missions	\$537,936	\$452,752	\$85,184
Total	\$4,197,984	\$3,622,111	\$575,873

Thank you for your generous giving in the month of December! We were able to bring in over \$1.25 million towards our year-end budget. Thank you for committing to build lives that honour God ... all for Jesus! For more info, contact John Siebring jsiebring@faccalgary.com/403-212-8850.

Congregational Care

In Hospital: Penney Froese, Chris Taksas. For updates, contact Anne Freeman afreeman@faccalgary.com/403-258-8290.

A funeral for Lloyd Matheson will be held at FAC on Saturday, January 28 at 12:00 pm in the Sanctuary. **A funeral** for Leila Cross will be held at FAC on February 3 at 3:00 pm.