

First Alliance

a christian & missionary alliance church

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WEEKEND SERVICES

Saturdays 4:30 & 6:30 pm
Sundays 9:15 & 11:15 am
The Exchange: Sundays 5:30 pm

PRAY FOR THOSE IN HOSPITAL

Diane Anderson, Leslie Robson, Ruth Graff, Mike Thompson. For updates, contact Anne Freeman
afreeman@faccalgary.com/403-258-8290.

APRIL GIVING UPDATE (as of April 28)

Budget to April 30/15	Received	Required	
General	\$4,751,100	\$4,277,544	\$473,556
Missions	807,450	746,438	61,012
Capital/Debt	1,003,700	650,384	353,316

"All For Jesus" expansion pledge cards can still be dropped off in the offering basket, at the Info Desk, or by contacting Betty Korthuis 403-212-8850/
bkorthuis@faccalgary.com.



My parents led me to faith in Jesus as a child, so for most of my life I have experienced God's care. But I recall an occasion when things seemed more complex. In 2002 we moved to Calgary with 3 young kids, all of whom had begun their education in German. As parents we knew we would be fine, but we really wanted this to be a good transition for the kids, too. And I was worried that they might lose their German language. It might not seem such a big deal from a distance, but to me at the time, it had become a significant roadblock. What would we do?

Imagine my surprise to discover that the Calgary Board of Education was opening their first German bilingual school that very year and that all of our kids could attend. CBE had been planning this for 3 years. A bigger surprise was that our neighbour's kids were going there too. **It was as though God was saying to me, "I've got this. I already knew it mattered to you. I'm way ahead of you."**

I'm reminded of God's promise to Joshua, "The Lord Himself goes before you and will be with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged." (Deuteronomy 31:8) So, whenever I do feel afraid or discouraged, I remember this landmark in my journey of faith. God is so much bigger than me. He's got it!

Pastor James Paton

FAC Lead Pastor Candidate



with Pastor James Paton



LANDMARKS

LEAD PASTOR CANDIDATE WEEKEND | MAY 2-3, 2015

WELCOME!

NEW OR VISITING?

- If you'd like us to get in touch with you, please fill out a **Contact Card** located in the seat back in front of you.
- We're ready to answer your questions at the **Information Desk** – and we have a coupon for you to enjoy a Café drink!
- Visit us online: www.faccalgary.com.

NEED PRAYER?

After every service, our prayer team is available at the front of the auditorium. You can also ask for prayer through the Contact Card located in the seat back, call our prayer hotline 1-877-677-2948 or visit www.faccalgary.com/prayer anytime.

GET CONNECTED

We'd love to help you get connected with a smaller group you can meet with regularly for Bible study, prayer and community that fits your stage of life! Drop by the Connect Desk after the service, or contact Dayla dbrown@faccalgary.com/403-258-8289.

Building lives that honour God ... all for Jesus!

DISCOVERYLAND

Be a Part of DiscoveryCamps (July 6-10)!

There are lots of ways you can get involved with DiscoveryCamps this summer – and as a thank you for serving, we'll offer you a discount on one camp registration! Sign up to help by contacting Keara Moore kmoores@faccalgary.com/403-539-2253.

GLOBAL IMPACT: NEPAL

Please pray with us for the many people who've lost loved ones and for families whose homes have been destroyed in the April 25 earthquake in Nepal. Until **May 25**, the Canadian government will match every dollar donated toward the **C&MA in Canada's Nepal Earthquake Relief Fund**. Learn more & donate: www.cmacan.org/news/nepal-earthquake.

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Thank you for giving towards the costs of our "All For Jesus" building expansion. Pledge cards can still be dropped off in the offering baskets, at the Info Desk or by sending an email to Betty Korthuis: bkorthuis@faccalgary.com.

STUDENTS

Grade 5&6 Students: Join us upstairs during weekend services in Room 255!
Retreat @ Camp Harmattan: May 29-31 (\$120); register online. **JHS (Jr. High):** Join Saturdays, 4:30 pm (Prayer Centre) or 6:30 pm (Harvest Rooms). Next Event: **May 22;** details TBA. **SHS (Sr. High):** Join us Wednesdays, 7 pm in the Gym. **Citywide Photo Scavenger Hunt: May 8,** 7-10 pm, meet at FAC (\$5 at door). **Young Adults: Ladies' Night: May 14,** 7-9 pm at FAC. "Like" facebook.com/groups/thesourcefac.
For more info contact Sara Vanderveen svanderveen@faccalgary.com/403-212-8849 or visit www.faccalgary.com/students.

ASK JAMES! Have a question you would like to ask Pastor James? Email: askjames@faccalgary.com or use question form & dropbox at the Info Desk this weekend – the most frequently asked questions will be answered at the Congregational Meeting.

things you **NEED TO KNOW** ...

SERVE OPPORTUNITIES

Formula 4 Hope "Champion":

Be a valuable representative of this Community Impact campaign which raises awareness and funds for the Calgary Pregnancy Care Centre by handing out baby bottles after each service (approx. 15 min.) **NEXT WEEKEND (May 9/10).** Sign up with Briana Southerland 403-212-8847/ bsoutherland@faccalgary.com.

Funeral Luncheons Coordinator

Do you have the gift of hospitality? Lead a team in providing luncheons following funerals held here at FAC – a huge role in serving family and friends during a difficult time. Additional team members also needed. Contact Anne Freeman 403-258-8290/ afreeman@faccalgary.com.

WOMEN

Sisterhood is a once-a-month gathering for women of all ages. Join us **THIS MONDAY, (May 4),** 7-9 pm in the Harvest Rooms for a panel discussion with Dawn Bon-Bernard, Mora Bundy and Jen Jantzen as we celebrate women in ministry. No cost.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING



Everyone is invited to a Congregational Meeting **THIS TUESDAY (May 5) @ 7:30 pm** here in the Auditorium where members will vote regarding inviting **Pastor James Paton** to become **Lead Pastor** here at First Alliance Church.

- **Proxy ballots** and **James' bio** are available at the Info Desk, and online under www.faccalgary.com/weekendresources
- To inquire about **membership**, stop by the bistro tables out on **Main Street** after the service, or contact Pastor Heather Brown hbrown@faccalgary.com/403-212-8854.

Thank you for praying with us as we seek God's wisdom and direction!

DINNER THEATRE

Invite a coworker or neighbour to join you for a set 3 course dinner followed by a live performance of **"12 ANGRY JURORS"** by Reginald Rose (stage version by Sherman L. Sergel) **May 27-29** in the Harvest Rooms! Tickets: \$25 available online under **EVENTS** (reserved seating). Invites are at the Info Desk! Questions? For more info contact Ben Lahring blahring@faccalgary.com/403-258-4353.

LIFE INTERRUPTED

Life Interrupted is a FREE ongoing adult support group that meets Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 pm upstairs in Room 255. Through large group teaching and connecting in men's, women's and issue-specific small groups, look at 8 Principles for moving through life's hurts, hang-ups and habits toward wholeness and healing in Jesus. Drop-ins are always welcome!