

# First Alliance

a christian & missionary alliance church

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## Congregational Care

**Those in Hospital:** Jim McLellan. For updates, please contact Anne Freeman 403-258-8290/ [afreeman@faccalgary.com](mailto:afreeman@faccalgary.com).

## Yearend Giving (as of Dec. 10, 2015)

	Budget to Dec. 31/15	Received	Required*
General	\$2,934,595	\$1,965,232	\$969,363
Capital/Debt	602,177	276,910	325,267
Missions	518,422	353,073	165,349

\*Required by December 31, 2015. To keep your pre-numbered offering envelopes or to order some, please email [Wale Aderoju: waderoju@faccalgary.com](mailto:waderoju@faccalgary.com) or fill out a form at the Info Desk.

# Because you gave ...

- **14,200 lbs. of food** will be given to hungry Calgarians through the **Calgary Food Bank**
- **3,421 children** will receive a shoebox full of gifts and hear that Jesus loves them through **Operation Christmas Child**
- **50 men** will experience the hope of Jesus through sponsored addiction recovery at **Teen Challenge Alberta**
- **Nearly \$90,000** will help bring hope and justice through the work of **International Justice Mission** over the next year



## "Thank you

for living your faith "out loud," for making Jesus famous in our city, for choosing to live lives that honour God ... all for Jesus!"

– Pastor James

# Bethlehem

**The Place of Sacrifice**

December 12/13, 2015 • 2 Samuel 23:13-17

# Welcome!

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

## New or Visiting?

Feel free to fill out a **Contact Card** in the seat back in front of you, or stop by the **Info Desk** – we'd love to answer any questions you have, and we have a coupon for you to enjoy a Café/Bistro drink as our guest! Visit us online: [faccalgary.com](http://faccalgary.com).

## Need Prayer?

After every service, our prayer team is available at the front of the Sanctuary. 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 [faccalgary.com/prayer](http://faccalgary.com/prayer) anytime.

## Get Connected

We'd love to help you get connected with a small group for regular Bible study, prayer, and community! Drop by the **Connect Desk** this weekend or contact Janelle Emery [jemery@faccalgary.com](mailto:jemery@faccalgary.com)/403-258-8289.

## Ways to Serve

**Christmas Serve:** Help provide childcare in our **DiscoveryLand** infant-kindergarten classrooms Christmas Eve (2:00, 4:00, & 6:00 pm), December 27 or January 2/3. **Guest Services:** parking team, greeters & ushers needed on Christmas Eve! **Christmas Day Lunch:** drivers, table hosts, set-up/take-down on December 25. (11:00-2:00 pm). Sign up at the SERVE kiosk on Main Street after the service or email: [christmas@faccalgary.com](mailto:christmas@faccalgary.com).

**Love Fly Fishing?** Help promote the Fly Tying group at FAC at the western Canadian Fly Fishing Exposition ([January 15-17, 2016](#)) and connect with the community over fly fishing information. Contact Colin Callbeck [fouroaks@explornet.com](mailto:fouroaks@explornet.com)/403-938-1312.

**Assistant Stage Manager:** Help maintain flow and remove distractions during weekend services as the "hands and feet" of the Technical Team. Contact Rosalind Coben [rcoben@faccalgary.com](mailto:rcoben@faccalgary.com)/403-212-8848.

## DiscoveryLand

**Grade School** will join their parents in the main services on Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 27\* and January 2/3\*. (\**DiscoveryLand-On-The-Go will be available at the Sanctuary entrances for these dates.*) **Infants to Kindergarten** classrooms will remain open through the Christmas season, including the 2:00 pm, 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm Christmas Eve services on December 24.

## Students

**Worship Together:** Grade 5&6 and JHS will join the main services December 19/20, Christmas Eve, December 27 and January 2/3. For more info stop by the Info Desk, contact Sara Vanderveen [svanderveen@faccalgary.com](mailto:svanderveen@faccalgary.com) /403-212-8849 or visit [faccalgary.com/students](http://faccalgary.com/students).

## Community Impact

Huge thanks to the **Calgary Dream Centre** for their beautiful "Festival of Trees" display here at FAC! Discover how they're building lives that honour God in Calgary; visit [calgarydreamcentre.com](http://calgarydreamcentre.com).

# Need-to-Know

## Yearend Giving: Easy Ways to Donate

- **Cash/Cheque:** in-service offering baskets, drop off in the safe (left of the Café), through the church office (Mon.-Fri., 8:30 am-4:30 pm) or mail in
- **Direct Deposit:** automatic withdrawal forms are available at the Info Desk
- **Online – Now Mobile!** (via credit card) [faccalgary.com/give](http://faccalgary.com/give) OR through our new "FAC Experience" App
- **Debit/Credit Card:** thorough Cornerstone Marketplace; credit donations can also be made in the Action Centre
- **Stocks or Gifts in Kind:** Church office (Mon.-Fri., 8:30 am-4:30 pm)

Thank you for prayerfully giving towards *building lives that honour God ... all for Jesus*. Donations to be included in your 2015 tax receipt need to be received/postmarked before 11:59 pm on December 31, 2015. (The building will be open till 8:00 pm December 31 to receive yearend donations.) For more info contact Carey Thiessen 403-212-8844/ [cthiessen@faccalgary.com](mailto:cthiessen@faccalgary.com).

## Christmas Eve

**VOTE** online which Christmas carols we sing! [faccalgary.com/christmaseve](http://faccalgary.com/christmaseve)  
**Service Times: 12:00 pm, 2:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm & 8:00 pm**

- **DiscoveryLand** offered for infants-5 yr. olds during 2:00, 4:00 & 6:00 pm services.
- **Spanish** translation available at 2:00 and 4:00 pm.
- **Mandarin** translation available at 4:00 and 6:00 pm.
- **Farsi** translation available at the 6:00 pm.

(There will be no Saturday 6:30 pm service December 26; join us December 27 for our regular Sunday 9:15 & 11:15 am services.)

## Christmas Day Lunch

Don't spend Christmas alone. If you have no plans on December 25, join us for a free, home-style turkey dinner, music and games, 11:00 am-2:00 pm in the Harvest Rooms. Please RSVP by December 22 and let us know if you need transportation; visit [faccalgary.com/registrations](http://faccalgary.com/registrations), email: [christmaslunch@faccalgary.com](mailto:christmaslunch@faccalgary.com) or call 403-258-4363.

## "40 Days in the Word" Host Info Session

We're starting the New Year with a 6-week "40 Days in the Word" series and are looking for table hosts for an on-campus "Sunday Super Group" led by Pastor James starting January 10 OR people to host their own 6-week small group. Stop by the Action Centre after any weekend service **THIS WEEKEND** or December 19/20 for a 10-minute info session!