

# First Alliance

a christian & missionary alliance church

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## Weekend Services

Saturdays 6:30 pm  
Sundays 9:15 & 11:15 am

## Congregational Care

**In Hospital/Care:** Jack Ashby, Harold Baugh, Susan Gregoire, Clark Whitcomb. For updates, please contact Anne Freeman [afreeman@faccalgary.com](mailto:afreeman@faccalgary.com)/403-258-8290.

*NOTE: A funeral service will be held for Les Cross on January 22, 3:00 pm in the Harvest Rooms.*

## January Giving Update (as of Jan. 13)

	<b>Budget to Jan. 31/16</b>	<b>Received</b>	<b>Required</b>
General	\$3,237,700	\$3,085,914	\$151,786
Capital/Debt	658,835	617,902	40,933
Missions	569,767	541,169	28,598

**Numbered offering envelopes** are available for pick-up at the North Entrance. For questions about giving, contact Carey Thiessen [cthiessen@faccalgary.com](mailto:cthiessen@faccalgary.com)/403-212-8844.

## An Update From One of Our International Workers:



Two more Fulani believers were baptized! Don't you love our bright orange baptismal tank? The guys were happy with it because the sun warmed the water – an important factor in cool season.

One of them is a man I'll call "Grandpa." He's been a believer for about a year, and was hesitant to be baptized until a few weeks ago. But once he decided, there was no turning back. He arrived about an hour before anyone else that morning. He walked over to the barrel, dropped his hat and started to take off his shirt, ready to jump in. It took some convincing to get him to wait for the others to come!

Afterwards, a few of us were talking, and Grandpa said with grateful wonder, **"Everything bad I've ever done has been wiped away! Jesus has given me new life!"**

Praise the Lord for these two men who have publicly declared their intentions to follow Jesus wholeheartedly. Please pray that their faith will continue to grow and that God will use them to show others His love and the forgiveness He offers. Pray especially for Grandpa's wife who left him shortly after he became a Christ-follower. He's pretty lonely and is praying for her to come back. – *Written by Lisa*

**Let's also pray for those baptized at FAC this weekend!**

## Ask James!

Have a question about this week's Bible reading? Submit questions through ...  
**#FACAskJames**, [facthisweek.com](http://facthisweek.com),  
or the FAC Experience App.



# 40 Days in the WORD

## How The Bible Changes Us

January 16/17, 2016 | John 6:60-69

# WELCOME!

## 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.

## 40 Days in the Word: Writing the Word

Imagine ... together as a church writing out the entire Bible by hand, ending up with a beautiful public display here at FAC as a result! Here's what to do:

1. Visit [facthisweek.com](http://facthisweek.com) to select **one chapter** to write out.
2. Use any paper, but only write on **one side of a page**.
3. Drop off your hand-written Bible chapter by **February 13/14** at the Connect Desk, and we'll create a creative compilation out of the entire hand-written Bible for display at FAC!

## The Arts

**Dinner Theatre Auditions:** Actors age 17 yrs.+ are invited to audition Monday, February 1, 7:00 pm in the Rehearsal Room (backstage) for our performance of Thornton Wilder's, "The Matchmaker" May 25-27. Auditions will be fun and relaxed – no prep required. Info available at [faccalgary.com/arts](http://faccalgary.com/arts), at the Info Desk, or email: [auditions@faccalgary.com](mailto:auditions@faccalgary.com).

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

### Global Impact

**Belarus Mission Trip Meeting:** January 24, 4:00 pm in Meeting Place 1; come explore joining a team of adults August 3-15, 2016.

**The Weber Family** invites you to an info reception February 4, 7:00 pm in the Prayer Centre to learn about their move to SE Asia.

### Opportunities to Serve

**Male DivorceCare Facilitator:** Join a team to help facilitate a 13-week DVD curriculum and come alongside and journey with others through small group discussion. Training provided. Please contact Hilarie Forkheim [hforkheim@faccalgary.com](mailto:hforkheim@faccalgary.com)/403-258-8292.

**Funeral Reception Team:** Serve grieving families by preparing coffee/tea, arranging sandwiches/squares on trays and looking after clean up for funeral receptions at FAC. Training is provided and a team leader will be present to help. Contact Sandy Taylor [staylor@faccalgary.com](mailto:staylor@faccalgary.com)/403-258-8294.

**Harvest Help for Men's Conference:** (January 29-30): Prep and/or serve food Friday evening or Saturday daytime as men attend "Soul on Fire." Contact Gail Hunter [ghunter@faccalgary.com](mailto:ghunter@faccalgary.com)/403-258-7245.

### DiscoveryLand

**Family Pizza Party:** Kick off your Family Day weekend by connecting with other families Friday, February 12, 6:00-8:30 pm in the South Atrium! Enjoy games, a movie and floor hockey. Cost: \$20 per family (includes pizza, drinks, snacks and entertainment). Please register online or contact Jessica Roy [jroy@faccalgary.com](mailto:jroy@faccalgary.com) /403-539-2253.

### Students

**Parent Breakfast:** January 30, 9:00-11:00 am, Prayer Centre. \$5; pay online or at the door.

**Cuba Bottle Drive:** Leave bottles behind your vehicle January 23/24 at FAC in support of the Sr. High mission trip on March 18-26, 2016! For upcoming event info contact Sara V. ([403-212-8849/svanderveen@faccalgary.com](mailto:403-212-8849/svanderveen@faccalgary.com)) visit [faccalgary.com/students](http://faccalgary.com/students) or the Info Desk.

### Marriage Matters

We'd love to help you build a marriage that honours God in 2016! Winter classes begin soon; for info stop by the table on Main Street this weekend, contact Anne Freeman [afreeman@faccalgary.com](mailto:afreeman@faccalgary.com)/403-258-8290 or visit [faccalgary.com/couples](http://faccalgary.com/couples).

## NEED TO KNOW

### Grow in 2016

There are lots of upcoming opportunities to grow in your walk with Jesus at FAC ...

- **Growing Stronger in Your Faith** (begins January 21)
- **Resolving Everyday Conflict** (begins January 21)
- **Spiritual Warfare: Overcoming the Enemy** (begins January 21)
- **Precept Ministries Bible Studies: Acts** (begins February 3)

Check out the bulletin insert this weekend for even more! To register, visit: [faccalgary.com/registrations](http://faccalgary.com/registrations), stop by Cornerstone Marketplace or contact Janet Loewen [jloewen@faccalgary.com](mailto:jloewen@faccalgary.com)/403-252-7572.

### "Soul on Fire" Men's Conference

What's *really* fuelling your life these days? Guys, join us January 29-30 in the Harvest Rooms as Dr. Bill McAlpine challenges us to be the men God calls us to be! Cost: \$49/ person; register online ([faccalgary.com/registrations](http://faccalgary.com/registrations)) or at Cornerstone Marketplace. Contact Pastor Grant Sylvester [gsylvester@faccalgary.com](mailto:gsylvester@faccalgary.com)/403-212-8843.

### DiscoveryLand: Backstage Pass Weekends

Ever wonder what happens in DiscoveryLand during weekend services? Sign up for a **guided behind-the-scenes tour** during any service on January 23/24 or January 30/31 and discover the amazing "church within a church" we provide for kids here at FAC! Stop by any DiscoveryLand Desk this weekend to sign up for your pass.

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