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July 9/10

resources at facthisweek.com or through our FAC Experience app

WELCOME!

New or Visiting?

We're glad you're here! Check out the attached Contact Card, stop by the Info Desk, or use our free "FAC Experience" app – we'd love to connect with you. For more info, visit us online: faccalgary.com.

Need Prayer?

Let us know how we can pray for you; fill out a **Contact Card** from the seat back, call our prayer hotline **1-877-677-2948**, or visit **faccalgary.com/prayer** anytime.

Get Connected!

Small group settings can be the best way to serve, pray, learn, and grow in your journey with Jesus. Don't get lost in the crowd; we'd love to help you get connected! Drop by the **Connect Desk** this weekend or contact Janelle Emery jemery@faccalgary.com/403-258-8289. We exist to build lives that honour God ... all for Jesus!

DiscoveryLand

Summer Blast: Over the summer we have 2 opportunities for Grade 1-4 students to reconnect with friends! Join us for Summer Blast during the services on <u>July 23/24</u> and <u>August 20/21</u>! Just sign in at the Admin Desk upstairs at the beginning of the service. For more info contact Colleen Hoare choare@faccalgary.com/403-258-8285.

Students

Junior High (JHS) & Senior High (SHS): Sikome Lake and Wiener Roast <u>Thursday, July 14</u>; 5:00-8:00 pm, cost \$5. Drop off and pick up at Sikome Lake (no pre-registration required). For more info contact Sara Vanderveen svanderveen@faccalgary. com/403-212-8849.

Show 'N Shine

Our car show is back! Join us <u>NEXT SATURDAY</u>, from 10:00 am-3:00 pm right here at FAC. There will be all types of cars, food, prizes, and events for the whole family. You don't want to miss this FREE event! For more information visit show-n-shine.ca.

Serve

Not sure how to get involved in serving?

- Look for serve opportunities listed in the weekly bulletin
- Browse for opportunities at faccalgary.com/ministries
- Take the online Gifts Assessment to discover your areas of interest/strengths (faccalgary.com/getinvolved)
- Stop by the Serve Kiosk any weekend and chat with us
- Contact Cindy Bartlett cbartlett@faccalgary.com/ 403-258-4355

Mosaic Ministries

International BBQ: Enjoy an afternoon of family fun, games, and international food! Join us <u>Saturday</u>, July 23, 11:00 am at the Neufeld Residence. For more info and to register email Michelle Peters mpeters@faccalgary.com/403-212-8847. Please RSVP by July 19.

Congregational Care

In Hospital: Jerome Brenner, Rebecca Kurlyowich, Kevin Moss, Mickey Panchuk. For updates contact Anne Freeman afreeman@faccalgary.com/403-258-8290.



First Alliance

12345 40 Street SE Calgary Phone: 403-252-7572 Website: faccalgary.com

Weekend Services

Saturdays Sun<u>days</u> 6:30 pm 9:15 & 11:15 am

The Exchange Church

Sundays

5:30 pm

July 2016 Giving

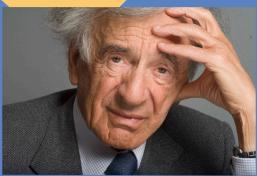
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	Budget	Received	Required
General	\$318,034	90,504	-227,530
Capital/Debt	42,524	7,503	-35,021
Missions	58,018	15,453	-42,565
Total	418,576	113,460	-305,116

Thank you for your generous giving towards building lives that honour God ... all for Jesus! Contact Carey Thiessen cthiessen@faccalgary.com/403-212-8844.

ON WOUNDED FAITH

"Doubt is there all the time," (Holocaust survivor Elie Wiesel) says. "The questions are there, and all my questions are stronger than all my answers ... I accept having faith. I call it wounded faith, **my faith is wounded. But I believe.** A very great Hasidic master once said, 'No heart is as whole as a broken heart.' And I paraphrase it differently: No faith is as pure as a wounded faith because it is faith with an open eye. I know all the elements of the situation; I know all the reasons why I shouldn't have faith. I have better



Elie Wiesel (1928-2016)

arguments against faith than for faith. Sure, it's a choice. And I choose faith."

Wiesel described how witnessing such inhumanity led him to abandon faith. "Never shall I forget that smoke. Never shall I forget the small faces of the children whose bodies I saw transformed into smoke under a silent sky ... Never shall I forget those moments that murdered my God and my soul and turned my dreams to ashes," he wrote.

When Wiesel was about twenty years old, he began studying secular philosophy, trying to find answers to his esoteric questions apart from faith. "But ... I never doubted God's existence. I doubted his justice, his presence, his kindness, his compassion, his love, all the attributes I loved."

"I am a person who has problems believing, and yet, in spite of them or perhaps because of them, I do believe."

(Cathleen Falsani (July 2, 2016), ELIE WIESEL ON 'WOUNDED FAITH' [blog post], retrieved from www.cathleenfalsani.com/?p=36066, posted on Elie Wiesel's passing this month)