



ARE YOU sharing?

OCTOBER 1/2

For weekend resources visit facthisweek.com, or check out our "FAC Experience" app

WELCOME!

New or Visiting?

We're glad you're here! Stop by **Meeting Place 2** after the service – we'd love to meet you! You can also fill out the attached **contact card** or use our free "**FAC Experience**" app. For more info, visit us online faccalgary.com.

Need Prayer?

Let us know how we can pray for you. Fill out the attached **Contact Card**, 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. Join us for **grouplink** starting October 2, 6:00 pm. Don't get lost in the crowd; we'd love to help you get connected! Fill out the attached **Contact Card**, drop by the **Connect Desk** *this weekend*, or contact Janelle Emery [jemery@faccalgary.com/403-258-8289](mailto:jemery@faccalgary.com).

*We exist to build lives that honour God
... all for Jesus!*

DiscoveryLand

Here's a handy hint for signing in your kids. When our system asks for a "Pager Number," it's asking for your 10-digit cell phone number. This is the number we use if your child needs you during the service or if there is an emergency. Also, remember to keep your cell phone where you can feel it vibrate so you won't miss our call.

Students

Grade 5&6 and JHS (Junior High): Worship Together Weekend October 8/9, during each service.

YA (Young Adults): Worship Service & Small Group Connect October 20, 7:00 pm, Gym. For more info, contact Sara Vanderveen [svanderveen@faccalgary.com/403-212-8849](mailto:svanderveen@faccalgary.com).

Staff News

Carey Thiessen has completed his ministry assignment at FAC. If you would like to contribute to a love offering in appreciation of Carey please designate your gift on an offering envelope before October 31.

Congregational Care

In Hospital: Leila Cross, Lin Harvie, Bill Rubel, Orval Mitchell, Chris Taksas. For updates, contact Anne Freeman [afreeman@faccalgary.com/403-258-8290](mailto:afreeman@faccalgary.com).

Serve

Preschool Small Group Leader: These caring individuals provide a safe and fun place for 3-year-olds to discover God. Contact Jenn Limacher jlimacher@faccalgary.com/403-723-6391.

DiscoveryLand Experienced 1-on-1: Working with a child who has special needs helps him/her to participate and ensures that all children have an opportunity to grow in their faith. Contact Crystal Sylvester csylvester@faccalgary.com/403-258-8293.

Small Group Leaders: Help people connect with God and each other by facilitating discussion and studying God's Word together. Leadership development provided by the church. Contact Cory Haraysm charasym@faccalgary.com/403-258-4364.

Spiritual Gift Assessment Review after the service *this weekend* in Meeting Place 1. Everyone welcome. We want to help you find a place to serve!

Pray for Northern Iraq

Partner with us in prayer for the ongoing concerns in Northern Iraq by emailing prayforiraq@faccalgary.com. We will send you regular prayer updates.

Need to Know

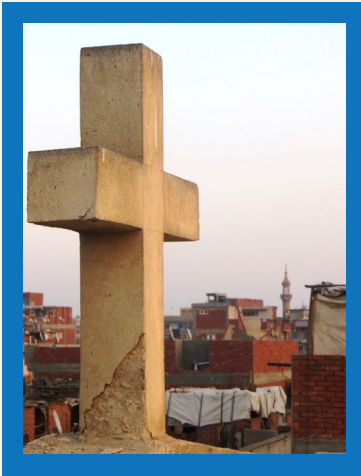
Food Drive

Join us in partnering with the Calgary Food Bank by taking home a donation bag on your way out of the sanctuary *this weekend*, filling it with the items listed and returning your bag by October 15/16. There will be donation drop-off boxes by the North and South Entrances. Thank you for responding to the needs of our community! For more info, contact Michelle Peters mpeters@faccalgary.com/403-212-8847.

Prayer Retreat

Join us in the Harvest Rooms Saturday, October 8, 8:00 am for breakfast, and then explore a variety of prayer opportunities throughout the building. No cost, everyone is welcome. Register at faccalgary.com/registrations or Cornerstone Marketplace. For more info, visit the table on Main Street *this weekend* or contact Pastor Heather Brown hbrown@faccalgary.com/403-212-8854.

Never Ever



He never ever wanted to return to his birthplace. He left his home country at the age of 22 and fled to Canada, the land of opportunity. He understood what persecution and discrimination meant for a Christian there and wanted to escape to a safe place. With the help of the God of miracles he left his country, having signed an official document, promising that he would return. In his heart he knew he would never go back. Never ever!

He became a General Surgeon and enjoyed many opportunities in leadership. He married a Canadian, and raised two children. This was the life he could never have enjoyed if he had remained in his country. But one day he heard a still, small voice clearly telling him to return to his country, that it was time to give back to the poor of his homeland. He couldn't say no to God. With obedience, he responded with a humbled heart, "Yes."

He is now a leader of a surgical residency-training program in a small town in his homeland. Their first resident graduates in December 2016, has been hired at the host hospital, and will be trained to eventually become the leader of the program. For someone who said, "I will never, ever return to my homeland," this is quite the turning of a heart towards the path and purposes of our Almighty God.

We're privileged to partner with this international medical worker, whose name and location we cannot reveal for the security of his ministry. Want to be part of a short-term team of general surgeons going to assist this program? Contact Michelle Peters mpeters@facalgary.com to find out how to be involved.



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Weekend Services

Saturdays 6:30 pm

Sundays 9:15 & 11:15 am

Harvest Culinary Ministries

Connect over a meal!

Cornerstone Café Lunch: [October 4](#)

Wednesday Family Supper: [October 5](#)

Bedrock Bistro Lunch: [October 7](#)

For more info, visit faccalgary.com/kitchen.

October 2016 Giving Update

(as of *September 25, 2016*)

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Required</u>
General	\$1,105,560	947,033	(158,527)
Capital/Debt	158,332	117,235	(41,097)
Missions	213,107	168,400	(44,707)
Total	1,476,999	1,232,669	(244,330)

★ We will be collecting a special "Jaffray Offering," which goes towards the C&MA Global Advance Fund on [October 29/30](#). To learn more, contact Les Bon-Bernard lbon-bernard@faccalgary.com/403-212-8836.