

## SPOTLIGHT

### GSCC Community BBQ – Fun, but more!

Last Saturday the Lord blessed us with glorious weather for our 6TH Annual Community BBQ. Over the course of the day we server 1800 hot dogs and drinks to an estimated 900 people. In addition we gave away nearly 300 prizes to those who stuck around for the draw. There was face-painting, crafts and a party bouncer for the kids, as well as the food, but by far the most important part was the interest expressed by many guests in the ministries and programs that were described by our congregation and in the brochures that were distributed. The work continues behind the scenes to contact the nearly 150 people who checked off interest in Alpha, the Marriage Course, Club House, Youth Group, Convergence, etc, but already we have seen newcomers at Christianity 101 as a direct result of the BBQ. Thanks to all of you who helped out in some way – setting up, tearing down, greeting, supervising an activity, and in your prayers. We hope you will all set aside Sept 18TH, 2010 for the 7TH Annual Community BBQ next year!



### Eye on Outreach: Prison Fellowship – Angel Tree

The following is the testimony of an inmate who was blessed by the ministry of Prison Fellowship:

*“The Angel Tree program enabled me to show how much I loved my children and that I was still thinking about them even though I was not physically with them. Then, when summer came, Angel Tree again stepped in and provided a camping experience for both my sons. My youngest son is autistic and the ministry found a camp for him and a counselor who would be with him full-time, allowing my oldest son to have a relaxing holiday at camp for the first time. Again, this was given to them in my name; a reaffirmation of the fact that I loved them and cared for them deeply. I’ve often said that while I did time on the inside, my children did time on the outside. Prison Fellowship helped that time be more bearable for all of us.”*



## The Week at a Glance

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Elders Meeting</b> – 7:00 PM <b>Prayer &amp; Praise</b> – 7:30 PM
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Ladies’ Bible Study</b> – 9:30 AM <b>Alpha Banquet</b> – 6:30 PM <b>Marriage Course</b> – 6:30 PM
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Club House</b> – 6:45 PM <b>Jr Highs &amp; Sr Highs</b> – 7:30 PM
<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Too Hot to Handle / Christianity 101</b> – 9:00 AM <b>Worship Service</b> – 10:30 AM

### Financial update to end of August, 2009

General fund offerings July 1 – August 31, 09	\$45,604
Budget \$50,000	
Other income (rentals, Day Camp)	\$65,889
Total Income July 1 – Aug 31	\$111,494
Total expenses July 1 – Aug 31	(\$79,718)
Amount income exceeds expenses at end of August	\$ 31,776

### General fund offerings for September

Our monthly budget requirement for 2009 /2010	\$25,000
Offerings to September 13, 2009	\$8,082

### Contact information

<b>Pastoral Team:</b>		<b>Email Announcements</b>	Announcements@GSCC.ca
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Carol Smith	Carol@GSCC.ca x 27	Elders	Elders@GSCC.ca
Barb Constable	Barb@GSCC.ca x 24	Condominium concerns	CondoBoard@GSCC.ca
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General Inquiries	Office@GSCC.ca	Alpha inquiries	Alpha@GSCC.ca
Public Prayer Requests	Prayer@GSCC.ca	The Marriage Course inquiries	Marriage@GSCC.ca

**Pastoral Team:** Nigel Chang - Youth Pastor, Barb Constable - Minister of Music, Rob Dean - Associate Pastor, John McAuley - Minister at Large, Carol Smith - Children’s Pastor, Sharon Tam - Lead Pastor, Melissa Weigel - Church Administrator

**Elders:** Robyn Allin, Margaret Barker, Sharon Fiennes-Clinton, Joan Howell, Murray Lahn, Brian McConnell - Co-Chair, Dave McCready, Natalie Nash - Co-Chair, Peter Oulton, Rej Proulx

### Good Shepherd Community Church

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*Encountering Christ and Thoughtfully Following Him*

**Sunday, September 20, 2009**

**Welcome & Greeting** - *Robyn Allin*

**Choral Introit:** “I Will Rejoice” – *Harlan*

**Opening Prayer** - *Nigel Chang*

**Hymn:** “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” (#3)

**Prayer of Confession** - *Peter Oulton*

**Songs of Praise**

**Children’s Ministry** - *Sarah Schuchardt*

**Life and Ministry of the Church**

**The Presentation of Gifts**

**Reflection:** “Everything is Broken”

– *Performed by Glen Soderholm, Lyrics by Bob Dylan*

**Scripture:**

**Acts 16:22-24; 35-39** - *Maureen Oulton*

**1 Thessalonians 2:1-12** - *Neeta Solanki*

**Message:**

**“Church on Fire: Failure or Fruitful”** - *Sharon Tam*

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

- *David Schuchardt*

**Communion Praise**

**Blessing & Commissioning**



## Life and Ministry of the Church

### Welcome!

A warm welcome to those visiting or here for the very first time. Whether a long-time follower of Jesus Christ or exploring for the first time, you are welcome here. Please fill out a Welcome card and drop it in the offering plate to let us know of your visit. If there is any way we can assist you, do not hesitate to contact one of the pastoral team.

### Worshipping Together In Community

Out of respect for other worshippers and for the One we worship, please refrain from eating and drinking during the service. There are sometimes extenuating circumstances (medical conditions, bottled water for speakers and musicians, etc.) which require individuals to partake of food or drink during worship, therefore this is not a hard and fast rule, but rather a plea to respect our fellow worshippers and a request reflecting our desire as a community to cultivate a worshipful environment. If you do eat or drink in the Sanctuary (or other places in the church) at other times, please remember to clean up any messes or spills. Thank you for your participation and cooperation in caring for our facilities.

### Prayer & Praise – changed to Mondays

Due to some scheduling difficulties, Prayer & Praise has been changed to Monday nights at 7:30 PM from now on. We apologize for any confusion and anticipate this to be the final change.



### Ladies' Bible Study

The Ladies' Bible Study has resumed on Tuesdays at 9:30 AM. We're continuing our study of Paul's letters to Timothy and Titus. There's a sharing and intercessory prayer time, ending around 11:00 AM. We welcome newcomers. Contact Jean Miller at 416-497-5072 for info.

### The Marriage Course – Starts This Tuesday Sept 22ND

How do you build a strong and healthy marriage that lasts a lifetime? New this Fall: Please join us for the Introductory banquet and first session of the Marriage Course, *"Building Strong Foundations,"* free of charge to see for yourself if the Marriage Course is for you. Brochures are available in the foyer, or please speak to Rej or Cathy Proulx or Andrew Sit for more information.



### Alpha – Starts THIS Tuesday, Sept 22ND

The Introductory Banquet is Tues., Sept. 22ND at 6:30 PM. Bring your friends, neighbours and co-workers to this wonderful meal and video, *"Is there more to life than this?"* Invite them for the ONE night. They can choose to sign up for the full 10-week course, Tuesday nights from 6:35 PM to 9:20 PM. See [www.gsc.ca/alpha.htm](http://www.gsc.ca/alpha.htm) for details and brochure (also in the foyer). If you plan to bring someone to the wonderful roast beef dinner, please advise Nancy Lahn or send an e-mail to [Alpha@gsc.ca](mailto:Alpha@gsc.ca).

### Alpha II – A Life Worth Living

For those who've taken Alpha and would like something more, we're offering the follow-up study, *"A Life Worth Living,"* a study of the book of Phillipians. Alpha II runs at the same time as Alpha and is a great opportunity to have further study yourself when you bring a friend to Alpha.

### Alpha Help Needed

The Alpha Meal Team is in need of some additional help, especially in the area of cleanup. If you can spend an hour or so on a Tuesday night (or two or three) to help clean up after the meal, then we'd love to have your help! If you'd like to help in other areas, such as cooking or setup, we'd love to hear from you too! Please contact Nancy Lahn (416-299-5507 or [Alpha@GSCC.ca](mailto:Alpha@GSCC.ca)) for more information.

Visit the Good Shepherd Web site at [www.gsc.ca](http://www.gsc.ca) to listen to past messages and services or to sign up for any of our e-mails lists (announcements, prayer requests, or CVC updates).

## Prayer

- ♦ **MONDAY: Board of Elders.** Pray that they would work well together as a team and that God would give them wisdom and guidance to know how to guide and direct the affairs of the church.
- ♦ **TUESDAY: Alpha Banquet and Marriage Course.** Pray for the team and leaders as they prepare for this year. Pray that God would bring people out to the banquet who would feel prompted to join Alpha and the Marriage Course. Also pray that enough leaders and volunteers will be raised up to undertake all the many various tasks for these ministries.
- ♦ **WEDNESDAY: Outreach Committee.** Pray for Margaret Rowe and the Outreach committee as they care for our missionaries and begin their fall outreach activities.
- ♦ **THURSDAY: John Boddy,** one of our beloved members, who is unable to attend regularly due to health issues. Thank the Lord for the blessed promise to be with us through difficult times and that thousands of saints stand as proof he will never leave us or forsake us.
- ♦ **FRIDAY: Ladies' Bible Study.** Pray that they would have a fantastic time this fall studying, learning and praying together. Also that they would grow in Christ's love and continue to grow in their friendship and fellowship.
- ♦ **SATURDAY: Stevenson Solanki, our custodian,** that God would bless him in all his work. Praise God for his strong ability to notice detail and care for the church building. Thank the Lord for his hard work, servant heart and generous spirit.
- ♦ **SUNDAY: Merciful God,** in Christ you make all things new. Transform our sinful nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

Please notify the church office ([office@gsc.ca](mailto:office@gsc.ca)) if you have a prayer request.



### Our Families in Prayer This Week

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