

JESUS ON UNANSWERED PRAYER  
LUKE: JESUS FOR PAGANS AND SKEPTICS

**First Reading**  
James 1: 22-27

**The Gospel**  
Luke 22: 21- 46

\*Free Bibles available on  
stage near Besserer door.



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Making disciples gripped by the gospel, living for God's glory.

**May 10, 2015**  
**Easter V**

Questions and/or comments about the sermon or scripture text? Email [george@messiahchurch.ca](mailto:george@messiahchurch.ca).

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## WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH!

We are a prayerful, Bible-teaching, evangelical church in the heart of the city with a heart for the city and the world. We are a member of the Anglican Network in Canada and part of the Fellowship of Confessing Anglicans. We seek to be a biblically faithful and orthodox church within the Anglican Way of following Jesus.

### Are you new? Get connected!

Are you interested in learning more about Messiah and getting connected? Email [info@messiahchurch.ca](mailto:info@messiahchurch.ca) or call **613.235.0596**. Also check out our website at [messiahchurch.ca](http://messiahchurch.ca).

### Nursery & Sunday School

Nursery (0 - 24 months) and Sunday School (2 yrs - Grade 6) are available at the 10am Service. For Nursery, please bring children to the lobby before or during the service. For Sunday School, kids are invited to "follow the cross" during the third worship song.

## LEADERSHIP TEAM

<b>Rev. Canon George Sinclair</b> Rector	<b>Jeremy Giles</b> Ministry Intern	<b>Wardens</b> Dick Butler Gary Graber
<b>Shirley Allan</b> Administrative Manager	<b>Daniel Gilman</b> Ministry Intern	John Rayson Shannon Ripley
<b>Jeremiah Smith</b> Worship Leader		Karl Ruban Dana Scherf

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### Giving

If you are visiting, please feel free to let the plate go by.  
If you would like to donate, there are two ways to give:

- 1) Place cash or cheques payable to "Church of the Messiah" in the offering plate on Sunday, or mail to the church office.
- 2) Visit [messiahchurch.ca/give](http://messiahchurch.ca/give) to donate online via CanadaHelps.

### Financial Update at April 30:

Target Offering: \$97,319  
Actual Offering: \$90,736

## WE ARE NOT VAMPIRES

Dear friends,

Vampires look for blood. Churches that want to grow just for the sake of growth are sort of like vampires.

Mission and vision statements are secular tools. However, no Christian should be opposed to using a tool and Christians should not demand to only use Christian tools. Whoever heard of a Christian hammer? We can use mission and vision statements in a prayerful Christian manner to help us be disciples of Jesus rather than vampires. A well thoughtout mission and vision statement can help us plan and organize, and they can help us to pray. I encourage you to pray Messiah's mission and vision statements!

Firstly, please pray for yourself in light of our mission statement. Pray, "Dear God, please make me a disciple of Jesus gripped by the Gospel who lives for Your glory." Then, secondly, pray that God will use you in a certain way. Pray, "Dear God, please use me and use Messiah to make disciples of Jesus gripped by the Gospel who live for Your glory." At Church of the Messiah, our goal should not be merely large numbers on a Sunday morning. God does not need an unconverted crowd. Our prayer should be that as Christians come needing a new church home, and as seekers come to hear about Jesus, that all will be growing into disciples of Jesus who are gripped by the Gospel and are learning to live their lives to the glory of God.

Then, please pray our vision statement. Please pray something like this, "Dear God, please build us into a prayerful, Bible-teaching evangelical church with a heart for Ottawa and a heart for the world." In fact, you can break down the vision statement to pray its parts. "Dear God, please make me more prayerful and please make Messiah a more prayerful church. Dear God, please help me to read and memorize the Bible and please help Messiah to teach and preach the Bible well to Your glory. Dear God, please help me to live a Gospel-shaped life and please help Messiah to be a Gospel-shaped church where the Gospel is shared. You get the idea, I hope!

One final prayer. Pray that God will use us to build up other churches. Please pray, "Dear God, please use Messiah to build up prayerful, Bible-teaching evangelical churches with a heart for their city and the world."

George +

**I need to develop godly attitudes.**

- A) Pray for godly attitudes in general & certain attitudes in particular.
- B) Ask others to pray the same thing for you.
- C) Repeat the attitude to help it sink in. Do this in conjunction with A & B!

**Attitudes.**

- 1) My will is not God's will.
- 2) Dear God, today, not my will but Your will be done.
- 3) "As long as the world, the flesh and the devil exist, I will be tempted." J.C. Ryle

**I need to grow in prayer.**

A great way to do this is to learn to pray the Bible. Pray this prayer until you can pray without reading:

Dear God, I confess to You my desire to tower over others. I confess to You my fear that if I cannot tower over others I will cower over others instead. I confess that I will compare myself to others and forget You. Thank You that Jesus knew my frailty and sin and still He died for me, and still He intercedes for me. Please help me to live humbly for Your glory. In Jesus' name. Amen.

**I need to get God's word in my mind and heart.**

"saying, "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done." Luke 22: 42

**I need to do something or start to do something.**

Complete the following sentence: "In light of God's word, the Holy Spirit is leading me to \_\_\_\_\_."

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**Getting to know me.**

What was the lowliest job you ever had?

**Getting into the Bible.**

Please remember to ask God to have his Word enter into the "control centre" of who you are.

- 1. Read Luke 22: 19-46
- 2. Read Luke 22: 24-27. Then read Philippians 2: 1-13
- 3. Read Luke 22: 37. Then read Isaiah 52: 13 - 53: 12

**Getting real.**

Has God convicted you in some way as you read His word? Can you share something of this so others can pray for you?

**MON / MAY 11 Jeremy and Kendra Giles Information evening**

7 - 9pm @ The Allan's - 205 Bolton St. - Apt 308 (ringer: 3067) Come out to hear about the Giles' upcoming mission work with Operation Mobilization in Zambia and how you can support them in their ministry.

**TUE / MAY 12 Messiah Prayer Meeting**

7pm @ Messiah Office / 315 Lisgar St.

**The House (Home Group)**

7pm @ 148 Augusta St.

**Lowertown Home Group**

7pm @ 110 Nelson St.

**WED / MAY 13 Church on Wednesday**

7pm @ uOttawa, Agora

**The Wurtemberg Home Group**

7:30pm @ 84 Fairmont Ave.

**THU / MAY 14 Jeremy and Kendra Giles Information evening**

7 - 9pm @ The Ndiokubwayo's - 584 Tweedsmuir Ave  
Come out to hear about the Giles' upcoming mission work with Operation Mobilization in Zambia and how you can support them in their ministry.

**FRI / MAY 15 Revive Youth!**

7pm @ Ecole Sainte-Anne / 340 York St.

**WED / MAY 20 Jeremy and Kendra Giles Information evening**

7 - 9pm @ The Ripley's - 84 Fairmont Ave.  
Come out to hear about the Giles' upcoming mission work with Operation Mobilization in Zambia and how you can support them in their ministry.

**SUN / MAY 24 The regular 10 am worship service will be held at 9am.**

**FRI / MAY 29 30-hour famine**

**SAT / MAY 30**

Support the Messiah Revive Youth as they fast for 30 hours and raise funds for World Vision. You can donate by cash or cheque (see a Youth) or by credit card: 30hourfamine.org/donate Click on Donate - Find a Famine student or group - enter the name "Revive"