GRACE SHAPED LIFE: THINKING LIKE A MISSIONARY?

First Reading: Romans 15: 14-33	*Free Bibles available on stage near Besserer door.
Gospel: Luke 16: 19-31	Listen to sermons on iTunes: Church of the Messiah

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

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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!

Is this your first visit to Church of the Messiah? Thank you for being with us. We are glad you're here. Interested in learning more about Messiah and getting connected? Contact us: info@messiahchurch.ca or 613.235.0596. Check out our website at 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 last worship song.

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Rev. Canon George Sinclair

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Shirley Allan

Wardens: Dick Butler,

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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

- 1) Place cash or cheques payable to "Church of the Messiah" in the offering basket on Sunday, or mail to the church office. Please contact the office if you are interested in using offering envelopes.
- 2) Email your contribution to givings@messiahchurch.ca Please use the security question: "What is the pastor's first name?" and the answer: "George"
- 3) You can use PayPal to donate to the church. Click on the "Give" tab (far right side) on our website (messiahchurch.ca)
- 4) Pre-authorized debit You can authorize the church to debit your bank account for a fixed amount on a recurring basis of your choice. To get started, please contact the office: info@messiahchurch.ca

FINANCIAL UPDATE AT APRIL 30, 2016

Target Offering: \$ 99,150 Actual Offering: \$ 91,728

GROWING "SMALLER" AND WIDER

Dear friends,

I have asked you to pray DWBS for Messiah. Pray that we will have a DEEPER walk with Jesus. Pray that we will have a WIDER impact for His glory. Pray that we will grow into a BIGGER church. Pray that we will get SMALLER by developing Bible-studies and mentoring relationships and friendships. Today I want to share with you about the privilege of becoming smaller in a different sense - a way to become smaller so that we become wider to the glory of God - sending and partnering with missionaries.

Roland was a great member of the congregation for four years. A year ago he left to pursue graduate studies. We miss him still! We have just learned that he will go on a short-term missions trip to China. He has asked us to partner with him financially and by prayer. We have said "yes" to this. Please pray!

B**** is about to go to *s**. He is a career missionary. He has been part of our congregation for a longer-than-intended sabbatical. He is about to leave for the mission field. He is still seeking financial and prayer support. In our flesh we would want him, and the others I have and will mention, to stay and be part of our congregation. On one hand, it is sad when they leave. But, it is also a great privilege and joy to get smaller so we will have a wider, "to the ends of the earth" impact for the good of people and to the glory of God. Please pray for B**** and contact the office for info. (info@messiahchurch.ca)

P and J are long-term missionaries sent from Messiah. They will be visiting with us in a couple of weeks. If you are interested in being a missionary they would love to talk with you. Contact the office if you would like to connect with them when they are here. (info@messiahchurch.ca)

Kendra and Jeremy were part of Messiah for over a decade. They have been in Sarnia for the last season for family reasons. They will leave soon to go to Zambia with Operation Mobilization. Please pray for them!

Steve, with his wife, Stella, have been in Guatemala. They will be moving to Nigeria. Please pray for an open door for Steve in teaching and training pastors and church leaders.

Richard has a city ministry in Ottawa and across the country in mobilizing and equipping pastors and churches to come together in prayer and in evangelism. Please pray for him.

Please pray for Paul, serving with YWAM (Youth with a Mission) in Greece and working closely with refugees.

The following are not from Messiah, but have close connections to us. Please pray for Norm and Audrey in Angola; Aaron in Jerusalem; Robbie and Malia in Uganda and D**** in London.

Please pray! Ask the Lord to build us into a prayerful, Bible-teaching, evangelical church in the city with a heart for the city and the world.

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) By God's grace, I will grow into a person of prayer.
- 2) By God's grace, I will enter into a season of striving in prayer.
- 3) I need to see the world as if I am a missionary.

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 Lord, please help me to look within and without. Please help me to see the needs of fellow Christians. Please help me to see the many people and the many people groups who have never heard the Gospel. Please help me to strive in prayer for both. Please help me to be open-handed and generous with the resources under my care. Please make me a disciple of Jesus gripped by the Gospel living for Your glory. Please make us a prayerful, bible-teaching evangelical church with a heart for the city and a heart for the world. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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

... but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect... 1 Peter 3:15

I need to do something or start to do something.

Complete the	following sente	ence: "In light	of God's word	, the Holy Spirit is
leading me to				

GOING DEEPER

Getting to know me.

What was the first work you did outside of the home that you got paid for?

Getting into the Bible.

Please ask the Lord to speak to your heart as you read His Word written.

- 1) Read Romans 15: 14-33
- 2) Read Romans 15: 15-21. Then read Matthew 28: 18-20; 1 Corinthians 9
- 3) Read Romans 15: 25-28. Then read 2 Corinthians 8 and 9.

Getting real.

Has the Lord convicted you in some way? Can you share about this so others can pray for you?

MON / MAY 30	Monday Night in the Park
TUE / MAY 31	6:30pm @ Strathcona Park Lowertown Home Group 7pm @ 110 Nelson St.
WED / JUNE 1	Hintonburg Home Group 7:30pm @ 84 Fairmont Ave.
THUR / JUNE 2	Old Ottawa South Home Group
	7:15pm @ 267 Sunnyside Ave
	King Edward Home Group
	7:30pm @ 703A King Edward Ave.
FRI/JUNE 3	Help pack lunches for The Big Give
	3 to 6pm @ 315 Lisgar St
SAT / JUNE 4	The Big Give
	10am @ the OLT

Church of the Messiah will be participating in *THE BIG GIVE* next Saturday, June 4. Over 60 Ottawa-area churches will be participating in this event where people of faith bless those in the community by giving things for free. We will be:

- handing out packed lunches to the needy in Lowertown
- paying for people's laundry in Lowertown laundromats Volunteers will go out in groups of two or more. They will be provided with cards identifying them as Big Give volunteers. They will have Bibles to give out, too, if appropriate.

We need your help!

- Friday, June 3 (at The Bible House) between 3 and 6pm to pack lunches
- Saturday, June 4 between 10am-2pm for lunch and laundry money distribution. Meet at the OLT @ 10am

Can't help in person? We would welcome your financial support. You can give via the offering plate. Please clearly indicate that your donation is to support The Big Give. You can send a donation directly to the office via PayPal or e-transfer (Email your contribution to givings@messiahchurch.ca Please use the security question: "What is the pastor's first name?" and the answer: "George") Contact the church office for help.

Most importantly, we would welcome your prayer support!

BETWEEN-SERVICE PRAYER has resumed for the summer! Please join together in the area near the coffee bar for prayer at 9:30 each Sunday morning.

ELECTORAL VESTRY - Monday, June 20 - 7pm @ 315 Lisgar St. All are welcome to attend this meeting. The election of several officers will take place and there will be an overview of church ministries and finances.