

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 or call **613.235.0596**. Also 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 third worship song.

LEADERSHIP TEAM

Rev. Canon George Sinclair
Rector

Jeremy Giles
Ministry Intern

Amy van Hemmen
Administrative Manager

Daniel Gilman
Ministry Intern

Wardens
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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 to donate online via CanadaHelps.

Financial Update / January - August 2014

Actual Offering: \$179,051
Target Offering: \$210,833

Dear friends,

Thirty-nine months ago we walked away from our property. This has made some of us deeply sensitive that we need to trust God to provide for our property needs. We rent our Sunday morning worship space here at the Ottawa Little Theatre. We also rent some office space in (I am not making this up), the Bible House. We share space with another church, Calvary Fellowship, and with the Eastern Ontario branch of the Canadian Bible Society.

We know that at some time God will call us to own some property. Right now we have just over \$400,000 set aside in a fund for us to buy property. In this part of the city, we would probably need somewhere between two to four million dollars to own a building, or buildings, which could handle our weekly needs.

We have a small team that keeps eyes and ears open for potential properties. We have a process whereby the congregation as a whole would discuss whether God wanted us to purchase a particular property - email the office (info@messiahchurch.ca) if you would like a copy! Part of our discernment about a property would be "us" either "raising" the money or the owner dropping the price so we could own. Recently, our property team looked at several church properties, but we decided not to call a congregational meeting because of the problems and limitations of the property.

The key matter for us is seeking to know God's will as we seek to bring Him glory. He may very well decide that us renting shows forth His glory - or He might not. We want to be a community of disciples who serve Jesus, not a community of people serving a building. So, whether we rent or we own, we need to ask ourselves if this property serves gospel ministry. We also need to be open to God calling us to different ways of having our property needs met.

We also have to ask "practical" questions. If we spend too much on rent and/or mortgage, will this mean we have to lay-off staff or cut-back on ministry? If we buy something, can we afford both the mortgage and the upkeep and set aside money for future "major" upkeep. As disciples of Jesus, we need to ask the key spiritual questions concerning God's will and bringing Him glory. We also need to ask the "dollar and cents" question. Please pray that God will build us into a prayerful, Bible teaching evangelical church with a heart for the 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) Greed increases anxiety.
- 2) The moment I die, I have no possessions.
- 3) I am taller when I bow to God. I am smaller when I bow to money.

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.

“Loving heavenly Father, I thank You that it is Your good pleasure to give me full citizenship and participation in Your kingdom through Jesus Christ crucified. Please deliver me from all religious and spiritually generated fear that I must earn my way into Your kingdom. Help me to walk in gratitude for Your grace. In Jesus Name. Amen.”

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

“For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.” (Luke 12:34 ESV)

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 _____.”

GOING DEEPER

Getting to know me.

If you won a contest that would give you any vehicle you wanted, what would you choose?

Getting into the Bible.

Pray first. Ask God to help you understand and do what the Bible says. Read Luke 12:13-34. In Jesus’ journey to Jerusalem to die, He talks about money four times. Read the other three passages: Luke 14:12-33; 16:1-13; 16:19-31. Then read Luke 4:1-13.

Getting real.

How has the Holy Spirit convicted you as you read the Bible and/or during the sermon? Can you share some of this with others so they can pray for you?

MON / OCT 13 Thanksgiving Day**TUE / OCT 14 Messiah Prayer Meeting**

7:00pm @ Messiah Office / 315 Lisgar St.

The House (Home Group)

7:00pm @ 148 Augusta St.

Lowertown Home Group

7:00pm @ 110 Nelson St.

Marriage Alpha Course

6:45pm @ 315 Lisgar St.

WED / OCT 15 Church on Wednesday

7:00pm @ uOttawa, Agora

The Wurtemberg Home Group

7:30pm @ 111 Wurtemberg St.

THU / OCT 16 Old Ottawa South Home Group

7:15pm @ 267 Sunnyside Ave

FRI / OCT 17 Revive Youth

7:00pm @ Sainte Anne’s School / 340 York St.

SAT / OCT 25 Women’s Breakfast

9:00am @ 315 Lisgar St. Sign-up today!

THU / OCT 30 40 Days for Life Vigil

7:00am - 7:00pm @ Across from 65 Bank St.
Email Andrea (nexttopossible@hotmail.com) to sign-up for a one hour slot.

WED / NOV 4 ANiC Synod Workshops

Email info@messiahchurch.ca for more info.

SAMARITAN’S PURSE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Church of the Messiah will be collecting shoeboxes full of gifts to help reach children worldwide with the good news of God’s love and the true meaning of Christmas. Pick-up your shoebox in the lobby today! Boxes will be collected in mid-November.

JOIN THE WORSHIP TEAM

Are you a musician? Are you a singer? Are you interested in joining the worship team? We’re always looking for more people! To learn more, please contact Jeremiah Smith at jeremiah@messiahchurch.ca.

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