



Good News Chapel



PANDEMIC UPDATE

We continue to have in person services every Sunday with a maximum of 30 people. We have been meeting every week since Thanksgiving weekend. The number of people coming for bagged lunches had decreased over time due to other programs that were available in the community but it appears that this is starting to shift and more people are coming for food again which gives us an opportunity to share with them spiritual food as well. Thankfully there have been no cases of COVID-19 related to any of the Sunday Services.



CHAOTIC LIVING CONDITIONS

Helping people in unstable living situations

We recently helped a woman from our church move who is a guardian of a teenage boy who lost his mom tragically years ago and had no family to take care of him. She has been having issues with her landlord for a while now but as there were issues on both sides it wasn't a black and white situation. As a result of their conflict the landlord refused to do any work on the home. One day, suddenly the ceiling in the kitchen collapsed as obviously serious water damage had occurred without any repairs. It took three weeks for the woman and the teenage boy to be able to get into another home and we



were able to help with the move. It does not matter who was at fault. No one should have to live in such terrible conditions. Sadly there are many in our city who face similar struggles on a regular basis. Another woman connected with our church had her home burn down during the pandemic. The fire fighters rescued her while she was asleep in the midst of the fire. She lost everything and started over in a new home with furniture provided by the landlord. While in the hospital getting care for her leg (she lost part of her leg due to diabetes a few years ago) a "friend"

she left in charge of her home stole all of her belongings. Whoever robbed her had no concerns about stealing from a crippled woman in the hospital who had just lost everything months before in a house fire. We have helped her as we are able but she is still not yet interested in the only hope for her salvation. Jesus Christ is the only Savior to rescue such people from the chaos that surrounds them. The darkness is so great but we are there to present the light of the Gospel who are willing to see it.

John 1:5 And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

CHILDHOOD SEXUAL ABUSE

Helping the abused find healing

Sadly, 1 in 10 Canadians have been sexually victimized before they turn eighteen. We recently were told about an incident involving childhood sexual abuse with someone connected with our church. Legally, any person is required to report immediately any incident involving child abuse to the police, social services, or a First Nations Child and Family Services Agency. If the child is now an adult it is their duty or choice to report the incident(s) but for any situation where the abused is still a child, you are legally required to report the information. Although we only had secondhand information, the First Nations Child and Family Services Agency investigated immediately and

three children will now be able to get the help that they need and hopefully the abuser will be brought to justice. It is our hope that we can walk alongside the abused to help them get Christian counseling and that they can come to know the Healer- Jesus Christ and that the abuser too will yet be saved.

WHO AM I?

Helping people come to know their identity in Christ

A female leader/elder in our church has been discipling an Indigenous woman who had been adopted into a Caucasian home. She was raised in a good Christian environment but struggled as she grew older to understand her true identity. She was able to reconnect with her birth family who unfortunately were living very broken lives and were far from God. As she learnt more about her birth family she was beginning to try and understand her own identity. But as their influence was not healthy it only increased her confusion. She is now in the process of learning that her true identity is in Jesus Christ and over time hopefully she will be able to reveal this truth to her birth family.

KEEP US IN MIND FOR SCHOOL SUPPLIES DONATIONS

We plan to give out school supplies this summer again here in Regina and hopefully on at least one of the reserves. Keep us in mind for donations again this summer.

Suggested donations: new shoes, backpacks, markers, pencils, erasers, pens, rulers, calculators, pencil crayons, glue, duo-tangs, note books, scissors, pencil boxes, pencil sharpeners, tissues, kids tracts, scripture bookmarks
e-transfers: schoolsupplies@goodnewschapel.ca



NEEDS TO PRAY FOR

- pray for the poor who are struggling spiritually during the pandemic and that those who have drifted away from God will once again seek Him
- pray for the lost among the poor that they will find their hope in Jesus Christ
- pray for wisdom as we begin to transition back to normal services once the health restrictions are lifted

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