



HANOVER MISSIONARY CHURCH

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A couple weeks ago in the message, I said that the best defence against things that are false is to clothe yourself in truth. Last Sunday, we talked about the importance of putting on the belt of truth, and that in doing so, we become protected in the battle against the lies that the enemy wants to throw at us. As I think about my own life, I can affirm that this is absolutely true. There are so many times that the enemy has tried to discourage me and knock me down. There are so many times that he has whispered in my ear that I am a failure, that I am hopeless, and that I should just give up.

Yet it is true that just like the light drives out the darkness, truth drives out lies. When we put on the truth of God's Word, the truth of the good news of Jesus Christ, and we choose to let that shape what we think and how we feel, the lies that the enemy tries to use to bring us down lose their power. As John 8:32 says, we become set free from those lies so that we can be free to be who God says we are.

—Pastor Dave

#HMCFamilyChallenge

Pastor Dave is inviting everyone to put into practice what they are learning and is tagging each Sunday sermon with a challenge. Please remember to post your responses and photos online using the hashtag #HMCFamilyChallenge.

Ministry Update

Many of you have been wondering what is going to happen to with ministry this winter between the recent lockdown, and the departures of Pastor Amos and Pastor Kristina. We have been working hard to plan for what we think will be a great winter and spring of ministry moving ahead. We have a bunch of plans finalized that we are excited about, and some great volunteers lined up to help. We are looking forward to sharing these plans with you during the first week of February. So please be watching this newsletter, as well as Facebook, and our Sunday service for details.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, January 31

10:00 a.m. Join us online as we dive into
God's Word

We are putting together a new weekly
rhythm that will kick off in February. Stay
tuned for more information.

Because of the current lockdown, our
doors remain locked. A pastor can be
reached any time through the Pastoral Care
Line 519-379-1752

If you would like to drop off your tithes and
offerings, someone will be in the office
Monday-Friday from 9-noon. Please call the
office to arrange a drop off.

Thank you for continuing to be a generous community. In these tough times, we have been so blessed to see God provide. Tithes and offerings can be sent through e-transfer (to bookkeeper@hanovermissionary.com) or using the Tithely app (go to get.tithe.ly and sign up, or download the tithe.ly app from the app store). If you would like to drop off your offering, please contact the office to arrange a time



If you have old offering envelopes, please discard them. We have condensed our envelopes based on need and new giving numbers have been assigned. New 2021 envelopes are available for pick up from the office.

Virtual Prayer

“Pray continually” (1 Thess 5:17 NIV)

What would happen if we had a prayer life like this? What would happen in our lives, the lives of our families and friends, in our governments, our countries, and our churches if we prayed enough that it looked like we never stopped praying? Would we see the power of the Holy Spirit working in and through our lives in a brand new way as prayer opens our hearts to the will of God for us?

Our church is in an awkward and uncomfortable season of change. With that comes a whole bunch of diverse emotions, thoughts, and questions. In a season where there are so many things that could divide, we have all the more reason to come together to pray. Prayer brings direction. Prayer brings healing. Prayer brings unity. Prayer invites God to do what only God can by His Holy Spirit.

Join Pastor Dave over Zoom on the second Thursday of each month to pray for HMC. Visit hanovermissionary.com/pray-continually/ for the Zoom link, and participate on February 11 at 7:30 p.m.

Warming Centre

Due to new restrictions and tighter lockdown orders, the Warming Centre team has made the hard decision to temporarily suspend the ministry. Please pray for the visitors who frequented this weekly outreach. The lockdown period will be difficult for many of them and safety is always a concern.

Meals on Wheels

Hanover churches have been quietly serving people in the community with hot meals five days a week for many years. HMC is responsible for delivering meals every 11th and 12th week within the cycle and we are looking for more people to take up this simple challenge. It takes about an hour and volunteers do not enter homes. The more helpers we can provide, the less the load on the whole. Please contact Brenda Kaufman if you'd like to be part of this powerful ministry. (519.364.6113)

Daily Bread Devotionals are here! You are welcome to pick one up at the church when you drop off your tithe (Mon-Fri. 9-noon). If you would like one to be mailed to you, please contact the church office.

As you know, Pastor Amos's last Sunday with us is on January 31. In light of the new lockdown orders and restrictions, we are now unable to move ahead with the celebration for him we had planned. We are deeply saddened to not be able to bless him with a physical gathering but still want to give you an opportunity to show your love. The church (staff and ministry council) will be presenting Amos with a gift on behalf of the congregation. After ten years in ministry at HMC, the impact Pastor Amos has made is tremendous and if you would like to offer a personal gesture of thanks through a gift or card, these can be dropped off at the church office and we will ensure your gift is presented to him.

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Please pray for Emmanuel Bible College during this time. Most courses are being offered through distance education as the campus is closed except for limited access to the library and some student services. Pray for wisdom for the administration, staff and students and that God would provide for the ongoing ministry of preparing future Christian leaders.