

Scripture Reading — Genesis 44:18—45:15

Then Judah approached him, and said, “Oh my lord, may your servant please speak a word in my lord’s ears, and do not be angry with your servant; for you are equal to Pharaoh. My lord asked his servants, saying, ‘Have you a father or a brother?’ We said to my lord, ‘We have an old father and a little child of *his* old age. Now his brother is dead, so he alone is left of his mother, and his father loves him.’ Then you said to your servants, ‘Bring him down to me that I may set my eyes on him.’ But we said to my lord, ‘The lad cannot leave his father, for if he should leave his father, his father would die.’ You said to your servants, however, ‘Unless your youngest brother comes down with you, you will not see my face again.’

Thus it came about when we went up to your servant my father, we told him the words of my lord. Our father said, ‘Go back, buy us a little food.’ But we said, ‘We cannot go down. If our youngest brother is with us, then we will go down; for we cannot see the man’s face unless our youngest brother is with us.’ Your servant my father said to us, ‘You know that my wife bore me two sons; and the one went out from me, and I said, “Surely he is torn in pieces,” and I have not seen him since. If you take this one also from me, and harm befalls him, you will bring my gray hair down to Sheol in sorrow.’

Now, therefore, when I come to your servant my father, and the lad is not with us, since his life is bound up in the lad’s life, when he sees that the lad is not *with us*, he will die. Thus your servants will bring the gray hair of your servant our father down to Sheol in sorrow. For your servant became surety for the lad to my father, saying, ‘If I do not bring him *back* to you, then let me bear the blame before my father forever.’

Now, therefore, please let your servant remain instead of the lad a slave to my lord, and let the lad go up with his brothers. For how shall I go up to my father if the lad is not with me—for fear that I see the evil that would overtake my father?”

Then Joseph could not control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried, “Have everyone go out from me.” So there was no man with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. He wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard *it*, and the household of Pharaoh heard *of it*. Then Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph! Is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, for they

were dismayed at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Please come closer to me.” And they came closer. And he said, “I am your brother Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. Now do not be grieved or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine *has been* in the land these two years, and there are still five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvesting.

God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant in the earth, and to keep you alive by a great deliverance. Now, therefore, it was not you who sent me here, but God; and He has made me a father to Pharaoh and lord of all his household and ruler over all the land of Egypt.

Hurry and go up to my father, and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, “God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall live in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children and your flocks and your herds and all that you have. There I will also provide for you, for there are still five years of famine *to come*, and you and your household and all that you have would be impoverished.”’

Behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see, that it is my mouth which is speaking to you. Now you must tell my father of all my splendor in Egypt, and all that you have seen; and you must hurry and bring my father down here.” Then he fell on his brother Benjamin’s neck and wept, and Benjamin wept on his neck. He kissed all his brothers and wept on them, and afterward his brothers talked with him.

<p>Henley Christian Music Festival</p>	
<p>Concert with Common Bond from Raceland, KY</p>	
<p>September 17th, 2023 6:30pm</p>	

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Truth for Teens - Ozzie's Pantry
(Located beside the church mailboxes)

Donations for August—Toiletries

Your donations are used by **Rick and Heather**

to help them extend their hospitality, love and assistance to at-risk youth as they mentor and teach them. (25 young men and 10 women)

Niagara Life Centre is requesting prayer that the city will expedite their lift project permit, that the drawings from the engineers will be received as needed, and that the administrative roadblocks would be removed so they can proceed with their facility's lift.

Galcom Canada has an urgent prayer request for a shipment of radios that are held up in Mozambique where officials are demanding more in import taxes than the actual value of the radios. Galcom's biggest need right now is the development of the AM version of their radios which would greatly increase their range. Their tech team is working on this.

Agape Valley is having a Report & Support BBQ Monday, September 4th at 4:00pm. There'll be hotdogs, hamburgers, drinks and importantly, informative reports on what has been happening at Agape Valley. More info at Www.AgapeValley.ca

Youth Unlimited is requesting prayer for a former staffer, Rose Price who began chemotherapy on August 17th.

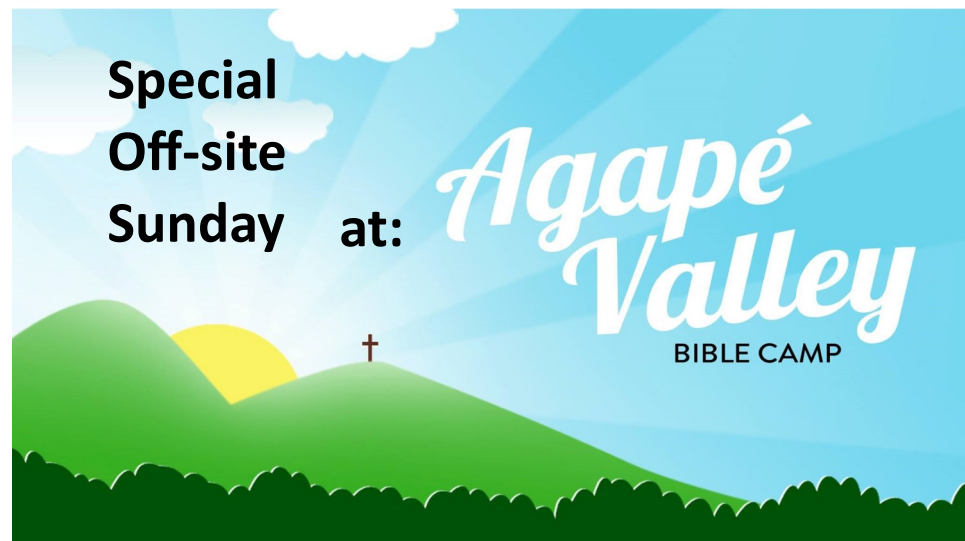


Glenridge Bible Church's
"Missionary of the
Month" for August:

Please remember to pray for,
and encourage

The Barron Family
servicing with

Jews for Jesus Canada



Sunday, September 10th, 2023

392 Kilman Rd, RR#1 Ridgeville (only 20min drive)

**We'll be at Agape Valley for our Sunday Worship Service
Our service will be at 10:00am like usual and we'll be inside.**

**Following our service will be a potluck luncheon so,
if you can, please see the sign-up sheet at the back to put
down something you can bring something to share.**

We'll still have the full run of the camp for:

- Scheduled hayrides
- Disc Golf
- Tetherball
- Soccer field
- Octoball (*whatever that is*)

**We'll have the camp until 3pm, but folks can leave as
needed. (We won't pressure you to have more fun).**

A regular offering will be taken.

**This is a good opportunity to see and learn about the facility
of this great youth-oriented mission we support here at GBC.**



AWANA will be starting up again and we want to be prepared for the fun, exciting, impressionable young clubbers as we play, sing, and learn about God's Word!

Some key dates to remember:

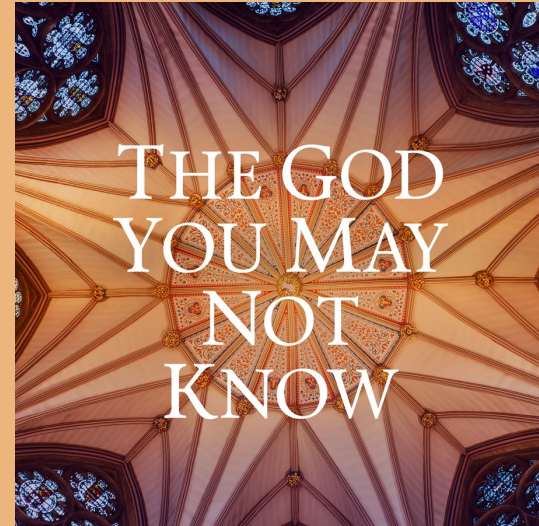
- August 23rd, 6:15pm — AWANA executive meeting for Directors (here at GBC)
- August 30th, 6:30pm — AWANA leadership meeting for all volunteers (at the Haleks')
- September 6th, 6:15pm — AWANA registration night (for families that didn't do it online)
- September 13th, 6:15pm — First official AWANA night!

GBC's Ladies' Ministry
Monthly Luncheon
Wednesday, August 23 @ Noon

Our luncheon this month will be at The Innsville Inn, Located at 1143 Highway 8 in Stoney Creek

Please sign up with Marion Sharp at the back of the sanctuary or call Marion no later than Tomorrow to reserve a place, at 905.937.9548

GBC's Ladies' Ministry
presents:



A 12-week Bible Study,
using the book by Dr. David Jeremiah

Starts Saturday, Sept 16, 2023
Time: 1:30pm
Fireside Room

Books are available at a
discounted price of \$25.00 (reg. \$33.00)

Please see Donna Warkentin, Maurzen Lemire, or
Lora Warkentin to register or pay for your book.
(Books are limited supply)

Coffee and Tea will be available

Glenridge Bible Church's Men's Ministry presents

Steak Nite & Turkey Shoot

Saturday, Sept. 30th @ 4:00pm



Men:
You'll get to cook your
own steak to perfection...

...and test your paintball
target-shooting to earn
raffle tickets for a turkey!



Come, enjoy this time of food,
fellowship, and a guest speaker.

This event is open to men, ages 12+
Tickets are \$25.00 per person
Event held at Glenridge Bible Church
@ 310 Scott Street, St. Catharines
Any questions? Please call 905.351.2608
Or see Rick Winker, Mark Yap, or Stan Piggott

THIS WEEK AT G.B.C

<u>Today</u>	10:00am	Worship Service with Pastor Bobby
<u>Monday</u>	6:30pm	Prayer Meeting (Fireside Room)
<u>Wednesday</u>	1:00pm	Ministry Team Meeting
	6:30pm	Prayer Meeting (Fireside Room)
<u>Next Sunday</u>	10:00am	Worship Service with Pastor Bobby

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Events

- **August 23rd**: AWANA Directors Meeting @ 6:15
- **August 30th**: AWANA Leaders/Volunteers Meeting @ 6:30
- **August 31st**: Board Meeting @ 7:30pm in the Prayer Room
- **September 3rd**: Fireside Vespers Worship @ 6:30pm
- **September 6th**: AWANA Registration Night @ 6:15
- **September 10th**: Off-site Sunday Service at Agape Valley (*see insert*)
- **September 13th**: First Night of AWANA
- **September 16th**: Start of Women's Bible Study (*see insert*)
- **September 17th**: Henley Concert with Common Bond Quartet
- **September 30th**: Men's Ministry Steak Night and "Turkey Shoot" (*see insert*)

Season of Blessing

This "Season of Thanksgiving" (starting September 3rd) we as a church are asking folks to help us see just how blessed we are. Each Sunday, we will have posterboards out for everyone to *briefly* jot down a blessing they see in their lives. We will collect them all and have them displayed for our Thanksgiving Service in October. Let's see if we can visibly display just how blessed we recognize we are... Can we list as many as 1000?

From The Board re: Our Sanctuary

As we gather each Sunday to worship here at GBC, we feel it is important to remember where we are and why we're here. In an effort to facilitate a worshipful atmosphere and control noise, we are asking parents to stop their children from playing in our gym area by 9:45am (15 minutes prior to our service). There is time after our service for children to play in the gym, and for socializing in our Fireside Room with our Coffee Fellowship.

Today at Glenridge Bible Church

For this reason the Father loves Me, because I lay down My life so that I may take it again. No one has taken it away from Me, but I lay it down on My own initiative. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This commandment I received from My Father."

John 10 : 17-18

Order of Service

Announcements

Opening Hymn

#56—"Day by Day"

Invocational Prayer

Musical Praise — Dove

"You Are My King"

"Yesu Azali Awa"

"Shine Jesus Shine"

Opportunity to Worship Through Our Tithes and Offerings

DiscipleLand Segment

Scripture Reading

Genesis 44:18 — 45:15

Message—*Pastor Bobby Halek*

"Choice and Change"

Responsive Hymn

#59 —"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

Benediction

From our Finance Committee:

Fundraising.....	\$ 50.00
HVAC Project Donations, August 13, 2023.....	\$ 1,040.00
General Offering August 13, 2023.....	\$ 2,278.25
Average weekly Offerings, 2023.....	\$ 5,508.10
General Offerings Budget 2023.....	\$ 6,860.40

If you wish to make a donation to the HVAC replacement project beyond your regular tithing, please designate it on your envelope or when donating online.

Total HVAC project:	\$ 39,206.96
Budget Capital funds to be used:	\$ 9,801.74
Additional HVAC donations received:	\$ 12,740.00
Balance of project remaining:	\$ 16,665.22



Visiting today?
New to GBC?

Please feel free to stay after the service for a cup of coffee or tea in our Fireside Room following the service and enjoy a brief time of fellowship.

Our Fundraising Team has a limited supply of:

Apple Pies & Chicken Meat Pies
\$5 each — 400°F for 1 hour



Funds raised, YTD, are \$3,282.55!!!
Thank you so much for your support!

Going forward, we are looking to add a drop ceiling to the remaining 2 portions of our lobby to improve lighting and reduce echo.

Thank You for Praying

Requests for Prayer

- * Clarence Nickel was admitted to hospital this week and is undergoing many tests due to difficulties breathing and swallowing. Clarence is in failing health due to his age, but is responding to treatments and is still in good spirits. Please pray for Clarence, his wife, Joyce, and the doctors as they work to help Clarence.
- * Heather Moore has been transferred to Port Colbourne for physiotherapy after her leg/knee injury. It is extremely painful. Please pray for Heather and for a quick recovery.
- * Helmut Harder is at this time, pain free in his leg and abdomen, but again weakened by forced inactivity. Please pray for healing for Helmut and peace for Margot as he recovers.
- * Please pray for Don Munson. Don has been a faithful friend of GBC for a number of years. Don has been diagnosed with Mesothelioma. He is also undergoing procedure(s) to mitigate the fluid buildup around his lungs. Please continue to pray for Don, his family, and his doctors.
- * Eleanor Rogers is asking for prayer. Her eyesight has gotten even worse, and ironically, this causes horrific visions. She has now looking, again for a doctor as her previous one declined to take new patients.
- * Dave Furness asks for prayer for his daughter, Ashley. She is getting treatment for an abnormal growth.
- * Carol-Dean Jeffries is slowly recovering from pain in her back, caused by small fractures in her spine. Please continue to pray for healing.
- * Eleanor Leigh asks for prayer for her husband, Greg, for an aneurism which is growing and possible cancer in his kidney. Please pray for healing and a return to faith. Please also pray regarding for Eleanor's son's liver disease and a return to faith.

Please pray for those with chronic pain or illness:

Sue Furness, Dave Furness, Jim Arthur, Lois and Ron Clattenburg, Catherine Keating, Jaqi Shennan, Rosalie Pankoff, Eleanor Leigh, Bev Williams, Helmut Harder, Hilda Glucker, Mildred Levair, Eleanor Rogers, Mary Lockett, Toni Goodliff, Carol-Dean Jeffries, Margaret Demers, and Alvina Andres

Office Schedule

The office is reachable Monday-Friday, 8:30am—5:00pm.

905.937.1326 or GlenridgeBC@gmail.com

Pastor Bobby is normally available to meet in the office from Tuesday to Friday, 9:30am—4:00pm

We request that visits are done by appointment so we can ensure we have set aside time to meet your needs.



GLENRIDGE BIBLE CHURCH

Welcome to our Worship Service this Lord's Day



August 20th, 2023

Pastor Bobby Halek

Studies in Torah:

"Choice and Change"

Genesis 44:18 — 45:15

**A Bible-Based Community, united by God's love
and grace, that worships Him, serves others,
and proclaims the message of Christ.**



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