

### From our Finance Committee:

Fundraising.....	\$ 220.00
Coffee Fellowship.....	\$ 13.00
General Offering December 24, 2023.....	\$ 10,566.00
Average weekly Offerings, 2023.....	\$ <u>5,964.89</u>
General Offerings Budget 2023.....	\$ <u>6,860.40</u>

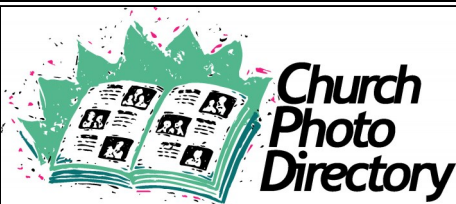
*If you wish to make a donation to the HVAC replacement project beyond your regular tithing, please designate it on your envelope.*

Total HVAC project:	\$ 39,206.96
Budget Capital funds to be used:	\$ 9,500.00
Additional HVAC donations received:	\$ 18,976.00
Loan received for HVAC financing:	\$ 10,000.00
Balance of project remaining:	\$ <u>730.96</u>



*If anyone has outstanding bills, please submit them to the office for reimbursement this week so we're can finalize our year end.*

*2024 Numbered Offering Envelopes are available and in the church mailboxes.*



We are going to update our GBC Photo Directory! Note the word "photo"! We'd love to have ALL entries in the directory matched up with a photo so folks can get to

know each other better, and easier.

Please make a concerted effort to check your entry at the back of the sanctuary today and make sure the information is correct. If you have changes to make, or would like to be added, please use the little forms available. See Juergen to have a photo taken. Or email one to the church office ASAP.

#### Address updates:

##### **Hilda Glucker**

Tabor Manor Radiant Care  
#112—7 Tabor Drive  
St. Catharines, ON  
L2N 1V9  
905.934.2549 ext #1112

##### **Catherine Keating (temporarily)**

River Road Retirement Home  
# 409B—4067 River Road  
Niagara Falls  
L2E 3E6  
905.374.2015 (home)  
905.401.1147 (cell)

**After the Christmas season, are you looking forward to those long... cold... dark... winter nights?**

**What would make them so much more enjoyable?  
How about a simple meal, ready to heat up and enjoy?**

**Well, it turns out our FUNdraising team has made that as easy as A,B,D,M..... Okay it's not so simple any more**

**They have limited quantities of:**



**Apple Pies—3 for \$10  
400°F for 1 hour**



**Beef Pies — \$5 each  
400°F for 1 hour**



**Dessert Boxes — \$15 each  
Let thaw before eating**



**Mac & Cheese — 3 for \$10  
Just heat and eat!**



***Don't take our word for it though! In a recent unbiased study, 100% of Pastor Bobby Haleks surveyed give them a 5 star rating!***

***Younger folks think they're 'awesome' and 'da bomb!'  
(for you older folks, they're 'the bee's knees' and 'the cat's pajamas!')***

***Don't miss out on your opportunity to enjoy a tasty treat  
and to help GBC in it's fundraising efforts.***

***Funds raised, YTD, are \$5,508.55!!! These went towards drop ceilings to improve lighting and reduce echo in the lower-ceiling sections of our lobby.***

## Scripture Reading — Exodus 15:22—16:7

<sup>22</sup> Then Moses led Israel from the Red Sea, and they went out into the wilderness of Shur; and they went three days in the wilderness and found no water. <sup>23</sup> When they came to Marah, they could not drink the waters of Marah, for they were bitter; therefore it was named Marah. <sup>24</sup> So the people grumbled at Moses, saying, "What shall we drink?" <sup>25</sup> Then he cried out to the Lord, and the Lord showed him a tree; and he threw it into the waters, and the waters became sweet.

There He made for them a statute and regulation, and there He tested them. <sup>26</sup> And He said, "If you will give earnest heed to the voice of the Lord your God, and do what is right in His sight, and give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have put on the Egyptians; for I, the Lord, am your healer."

<sup>27</sup> Then they came to Elim where there were twelve springs of water and seventy date palms, and they camped there beside the waters.

**16** Then they set out from Elim, and all the congregation of the sons of Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after their departure from the land of Egypt. <sup>2</sup> The whole congregation of the sons of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup> The sons of Israel said to them, "Would that we had died by the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the pots of meat, when we ate bread to the full; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

<sup>4</sup> Then the Lord said to Moses, "Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you; and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may test them, whether or not they will walk in My instruction. <sup>5</sup> On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily."

<sup>6</sup> So Moses and Aaron said to all the sons of Israel, "At evening you will know that the Lord has brought you out of the land of Egypt; <sup>7</sup> and in the morning you will see the glory of the Lord, for He hears your grumbings against the Lord; and what are we, that you grumble against us?"

**Let's finish  
2023 with  
God's joy!**

## **GBC's Fantastic Family Fun Fair**

**WHO CAN  
COME?**

**EVERYONE!!!**

Play, eat, socialize,  
laugh with friends  
playing fun games!  
Come celebrate our  
church community and  
participate however  
you like!

**NO GRINCHES  
ALLOWED!**

**FOOD**

**PIZZA & DRINKS  
PROVIDED**

Please bring  
along snacks  
to share!

**SUNDAY  
DECEMBER 31ST  
4:30PM-7:30PM**

**\* FUN MUSIC PLAYING**

**\* MINI-TOURNAMENTS**

**\* EARLY ENOUGH TO NOT BE  
CRANKY FOR THE NEXT DAY!**

**\* FOR THE YOUNG AND...  
LESS YOUNG...**

**INTERACTIVE  
FUN**

**Bounce House / Slide**

Designated times for really young ones,  
(maybe not best for senior citizens)

**Badminton**

Have fun with no impact!

**Skee-ball**

Just like at the arcade!

**Cornhole**

Beanbag toss to test your aim!

**Table Tennis**

Ping Pong by any other name

**Arts & Crafts Center**

Creativity can come alive  
with all sorts of materials

**Mini-Putt**

Small, fun, indoor course

**Board Games**

Mini chess tournament anyone?

**Open Gym Time**

Basketballs etc available

**GLENRIDGE BIBLE CHURCH - 310 SCOTT STREET, ST.  
CATHARINES, 905.937.1326**

## Today at Glenridge Bible Church

Now these things happened to them as an example, and they were written for our instruction, upon whom the ends of the ages have come. Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed that he does not fall. No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, so that you will be able to endure it.

Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry.

1 Corinthians 10 : 11-14

### Order of Service

#### Announcements

#### Opening Hymn

#52 - "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

#### Key Verse & Invocational Prayer

#### Musical Praise—Ensemble

"Dawning Light of Our Salvation/Come  
Thou Long Expected Jesus"

"Let the Earth Rejoice/O Come Let Us  
Adore Him"

#### Worship Through Tithing

#### Discipleland Segment

#### Scripture Reading

Exodus 15:22—16:7

#### Message—Pastor Bobby Halek

Studies in Torah: "Year One"

#### Responsive Hymn

#51 - "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

#### Benediction

### THIS WEEK AT G.B.C

#### Today

10:00am Worship Service  
with Pastor Bobby

4:30pm Family Fun Fair

#### Monday

Office closed for New  
Year's Day

#### Wednesday

1:00pm Prayer Meeting  
(Multi-purpose Room)

#### Next Sunday

10:00am Communion  
Service  
with Pastor Bobby



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

Donations for December—Canned Meat

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)

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Jews for Jesus staff ask for your prayers, that the violence and bloodshed may cease, and for God's protection for those who have survived this horrific terrorist onslaught. We also earnestly covet your prayers for the love of Christ to be poured out in such a way that Israelis will clearly see that Christians care.

Please remember to pray for, and encourage,  
Glenridge Bible Church's various supported missions.  
You can find information for each of them at our  
Missions Table at the back of the Sanctuary.



If you are looking to volunteer here at  
GBC in any of our various ministries,  
particularly those involving vulnerable  
sectors:

We here at GBC has a Safe Place Policy through Plan to  
Protect. All volunteers MUST BE trained according to this policy  
and have a valid Police Check.



#### Here's an idea for the new year:

Starting tomorrow, set aside a jar  
(any jar will do). Every time some  
thing good happens, write it on a  
slip of paper and put it in the jar.

Keep this up throughout the year.

At the end of 2024, set aside a time  
to read through, and remember, all  
the times you've recorded God's blessing in your life for the year.



## Thank You for Praying

### Requests for Prayer

- \* Catherine Keating is in River Road Retirement home for the time being until she can get a placement in long-term care. Please pray for continued healing and for a quick placement.
- \* Please pray for Frank Peters, his kids, and their families after the passing of Frank's former wife. Pray for comfort and peace as they grieve.
- \* Please pray for Jim Bucknall as he is recovering from his hip surgery
- \* Darryl Cowan's son Donny is still in the hospital fighting pneumonia amongst other health concerns. They are now contemplating surgery. Please pray for healing for Donny and for comfort and peace for Darryl.
- \* Please pray for Jim Arthur as he is recovering from his knee surgery
- \* Mike Moran requests prayer as he is facing radiation therapy for renal cancer in his pancreas and nodules in his lungs. Please pray for effective treatments, healing, and comfort in this difficult time.
- \* Please pray for Diane Eby. Diane suffered a broken elbow as a result of a fall recently and has been transferred to Port Colborne Hospital.
- \* Eleanor Leigh's husband, Greg is awaiting transfer to Tabor Manor but is waiting to clear a waiting period as he now has Covid. 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.
- \* Debbie Luchkanyan's niece, Judy, underwent testing for bladder cancer. Please pray for Judy, as dependent on tests, major surgery may be required.
- \* Dave Furness asks for prayer for his daughter, Ashley. She is getting treatment for an abnormal growth.

### 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](mailto:GlenridgeBC@gmail.com)

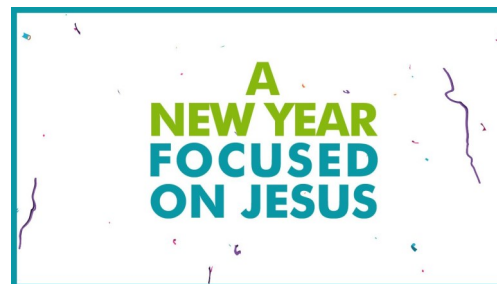
Pastor Bobby is normally available to meet in the office from  
Tuesday to Friday, 9:30am—4:00pm

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



**December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023**

*Pastor Bobby Halek*

*Studies in Torah: "Year One"*

*Exodus 15:22—16:7*

**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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