

Celebrating the Joy, Art and Discipline of One-Anothering

It is early Friday morning, and I am sitting in my office watching the city of Leduc come to life outside my window. I am in early because I have a deadline to get this article into Penny first thing this morning. I had hoped to get to this work yesterday, but as often happens I had a few emergencies to deal with yesterday, and we had an Elder Board Meeting last night.

I arrived home around 11 last night and ate my dinner while watching the latest episode of "The Amazing Race". When I had finished my show, I felt I should probably write my article before going to bed, but I was honestly too toasted to even get my computer out of my bag. I went to bed and prayed that the Lord would greet me in the morning with a clear understanding of what I should write about. The Lord did not fail me.

As I opened my eyes this morning, I was overcome by an incredible flood of joy and gratitude for the opportunity to be a part of all the Lord is doing in our LFC family. This is usually my feeling the morning after an Elder meeting, and trust me, not every Pastor has this privilege.

I was especially appreciative for the Unity that we have here at LFC, but I was even more mindful this morning of the amazing level of "one-another care" that takes place every day among those in our LFC family.

Every day I get the opportunity to observe people caring for one-another. I see people of all ages caring for their peers. This is true of our children, youth, young-adults, young families, emptynesters, seniors. It is true of those who are hurting and those who are struggling.

In the Bible, there are roughly 60 "One-Another" commands. There are some that repeat, but there

are plenty to seek after. Here are just a few that I see in our midst on a regular basis:

- "...Be at peace with each other." (Mark 9:50)
- "...Love one another..." (John 13:34)
- "Be devoted to one another in brotherly love..."
 (Romans 12:10)
- "...Honour one another above yourselves. (Romans 12:10)
- "Live in harmony with one another..."
 (Romans 12:16)
- "...Stop passing judgment on one another."
 (Romans 14:13)
- "Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you..." (Romans 15:7)
- "...Serve one another in love." (Galatians 5:13)
- "...Carry each other's burdens..." (Galatians 6:2)
- "...Be patient, bearing with one another in love."
 (Ephesians 4:2)

I could fill this newsletter with the rest. I would encourage everyone to do a study of these passages. It will be encouraging and challenging. It will remind you that the one-anothers will bring joy in your life and that they can become an art form in our lives, but this does not always come easy. It takes discipline to learn this art.

The discipline of one-anothering is something we are called to as followers of Christ. It will teach us that one-anothering is always a two way street. We cannot merely receive, but we must give as we receive. This is the very heart of one-anothering.

I hope you are encouraged as you continue on in a life of one-anothering, and if you have not joined us on this journey, I hope you will be challenged to do so.

Be blessed, *Pastor Dennis*

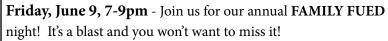
MEN'S MINISTRY

Join us June 15th at 8PM for our monthly Nacho Night!
Nachos and beverages provided.

Once again we will have the privilege of hearing from one of our men about how God is working in his life. It will be a great evening of community, friendship, and brotherhood. Don't miss it!

I would like to encourage all the men who are attending, and even those who are not, to get a copy of Nate Larkin's book **Samson and the Pirate Monks**. This book will be foundational to part of what we want to do with this men's group. It won't be for everyone, but if you think you might be interested in delving deeper into God and his amazing grace and redemption it's a good read and a I would encourage everyone to get a copy. If you need a copy, let me know. If there are enough interested, we may qualify for a group discount.

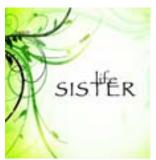
Young Adults Events:





Friday, June 23, 7-9pm - **Bonfire night**! Join us at Rudy's for a great night of hanging out around the fire.

For more details about our Young Adults group, check out the Facebook group or speak with Andrew Brander, Rudy Wall or Natalie Piercey.



SISTERlife (Women's Ministry) announcements:

Friday, June 16 @ 7:00 pm

Our annual s'mores night is coming close. Bring a chair/blanket and join us gaggle of gals for a night of fireside delights and chatting over a warm drink. We'll be meeting at the lovely Anne Ohlman's house this year (blue sign: 49260 Hwy 814). Directions: head out east on Rollyview road, turn right on Hwy 814 and they are the first acreage on the right. If you would like to carpool contact: Dawn @ 780 504 9293. If you get lost (I mean... need further directions): contact Anne @ 780 986 9565

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Fall excitement announcement... The planning team has already been brainstorming about the fall and the excitement is hard to contain. We are thrilled to be able to live life with you ladies, grow in Christ together, and connect through these events. More announcements to come:)

To keep up to date on all that is happening in SISTERlife, visit our Facebook page, or Email: sisterlife@leducfellowship.ca

SISTERlife...

LFC Kids:

ReIMAGINE UPDATE

Due to ongoing construction, we will be meeting in different locations for a few months. Here is the list of rooms where your children will be during our Sunday Morning LFC

Kids programming:

Nursery (babies) - The new mothers' room, located in the foyer. **This is a small space! We encourage kids who are walking to move up to the toddler room.

Toddler Room (walkers to 36 months) – The Elementary Room, otherwise known as the OLD youth room.

Ages 3-K – This will continue to be in the Fellowship Hall.

Grades 1-4 – The NEW Youth Room, just off the north side of the sanctuary.

Thank you for all your positive words and excitement during the construction phase!

LFC KIDS

LFC Kids has Sunday Morning programming for kids ranging from birth to Grade 4. For more information on which class is best for your children, ask the volunteer at the check in counter on Sunday mornings.

MOMS & TOTS

Moms & Tots meets on **Wednesdays from 9:30 - 11:30 AM.** This is a weekly group for moms, dads, caregivers, etc. to bring their children and visit while the kids play with each other. This is a free weekly event. Due to the construction noise and dust, we will be meeting at the Dinosaur Park in Meadowview for the months of May and June. Come on out and enjoy the gorgeous weather! In July and August we will meet at Fred Johns Park off of Blackgold Drive.

For more information, contact Karla Strauss at karladstrauss@gmail.com or Julia Werden at julsy87@hotmail.com.

JUJUBES

This is a pre-Youth Group for students in **Grades 5 & 6.** Our June dates are:

Sunday, June 11 - Teaching Time: Jujubes will be dismissed from the service after the worship time. THIS WILL BE OUR LAST JUJUBES SUNDAY MORNING TIME UNTIL FALL.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

As our church building is being transformed and it is uncertain what children's space will be available this summer, we will **NOT** be having a week of VBS. Stay tuned for family day activities TBA!

Any questions concerning LFC Kids Ministries can be directed to Joanne Gulley at joanne@leducfellowship.ca or by text/calling: 780-441-1671.

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Well it's been an amazing year and I can't believe it's already that time, but our last youth event of this season is coming

up! On Wednesday, June

Youth!

14 we will be having our year end wrap up party. We'll celebrate all the awesome things that God has done throughout this year, and celebrate our grads who will be moving on to new and exciting things as well. After that, we'll be taking a break from our regular Wednesday youth events through the summer, until we kick back off in September again! We'll plan to have one event in July and one in August, so stay tuned to the emails and LFC Youth Facebook group for updates. Thanks again everyone for an amazing year!

For the most current news and info head to leducfellowship.ca to join our LFC Youth Facebook group and sign up for our email updates.



No White Cross till September

Thanks to all who helped out this year!

We were able to send 128 lbs of bandages to missions!

Join us again in the fall!

Finance Update:

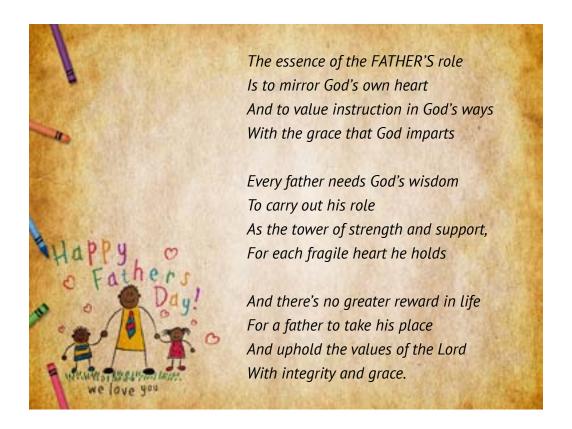
We are 88% of the way through our budget year and have spent 85% of our budget.

81% of the required giving has come in and thanks to a healthy opening balance last July, we have been able to meet our expenses.

LFC Annual General Meeting & Vision Sunday ~ June 11

Join us June 11 for our Annual Vision Sunday. Plan to stay after the service for our very important annual general meeting where we will affirm our Elders and approve our budget for the July 2017 - June 2018 fiscal year.

Everyone is welcome. Members are encouraged to stay and participate in the decision-making process that impacts how we serve with the resources God has provided!





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