



LACOMBE PENTECOSTAL CHURCH



MAY 2026

CONNECT

*Love God Love People
Equip the Church*

CONNECT with us ...

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Welcome



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THERE'S A PLACE DESIGNED JUST FOR YOU AT LPC

Lacombe Pentecostal Church relentlessly reaches out to people who are far from God by revealing the grace of God offered through faith in Jesus Christ alone.

We are also passionate to seek and strengthen those who already know God by igniting them to action in their faith.

We believe that by God's grace alone, those who repent from their sin and confess faith in Jesus Christ as Lord, Salvation is available

to all people by the loving, redemptive act of the triune God.

It is our joy to share this news with the world.

Here at LPC, we are committed to being passionately Biblical, overwhelmingly loving, and fully committed to the glory of Jesus.

We would love to make this place your home too.

Purpose Statement

If you are new to Lacombe Pentecostal Church, or are scoping us out online, you are probably wondering what this place is all about.

Lacombe Pentecostal Church exists to **Love God, Love Others, and Equip the Church**

LOVE GOD

Loving God is the foundation of who we are and what we do.

- We grow in **knowing Him** through the truth of Scripture, grounding our lives in the Bible to better understand God's nature, His promises, and His will.
- We **seek Him in prayer**, believing that a life of prayer draws us closer to God's heart, aligns us with His purposes, and unleashes His power in our lives and church.
- We are committed to **obeying the leading of the Holy Spirit**, trusting His voice to guide, convict, and empower us daily as we walk in step with God's purposes.
- We express our love through **worship**—not just in song, but in a lifestyle of surrender, gratitude, and reverence that honors God in all we do.

LOVE PEOPLE

Our love for God naturally flows into love for people.

- We are committed to **genuine connection**, building a faith community where people are welcomed, known, and deeply valued.
- We live out our faith by **servicing others**, using our time, talents, and resources to meet needs and reflect Christ's love in practical ways.
- We **intentionally care for one another**, walking through life's joys and challenges together, bearing each other's burdens in love.

EQUIP THE CHURCH

We believe every follower of Jesus is called to impact the world for His Kingdom. We are committed to equipping leaders who:

- Are **led more by Jesus**—seeking intimacy with Him and obeying the leading of the Holy Spirit
- **Lead more like Jesus**—serving with humility, empowering others, and cultivating a reconciling community
- **Lead more to Jesus**—using our lives to make disciples who are grounded in truth and equipped to multiply their faith locally and globally.

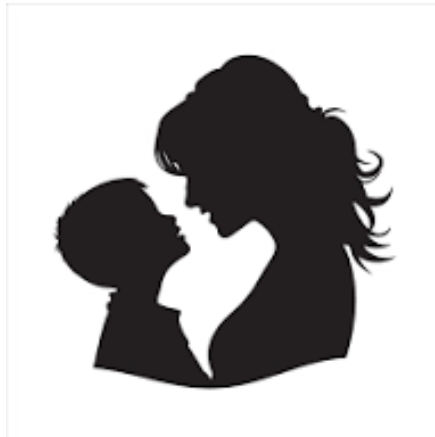
We are committed to being a **local and global force for God's Kingdom**, partnering in His mission to restore, reconcile, and renew.

Mothers

What does it mean to be a mother?
A job that is different from any other.
Is it worthwhile in these day?
Let me tell you of the ways.
To be a mother is twenty-four seven,
It only ends when you go to Heaven.
Even then your touch remains,
Embedded in your children's brains.
As infants you provide it all,
To ever answer their every call.
Feed me, change me, hug me tight,
Rock me off to sleep each night.
On shaky knees you help me stand,
When I walk I hold your hand.
Day by day I try more things,
Then one day, like I have wings,
I start to get from here to there,
Pretty soon I'm everywhere.
I think my name is no, no, no.
Is there any place where I can go?

You teach me how to make my bed,
To brush my teeth and comb my head,
To hang the towel when I take a bath,
And so escape my mother's wrath.
For moms don't like stuff on the floor,
Pick up your stuff and so much more.
All of this with little thanks,
And no money to put in the banks.
You kiss my hurts and help me try
To need you less, so by and by
I will be grown and I'll move away,
But you are with me every day.
In my head I hear your voice,
Helping me to make the choice.
As I age I'll see more and more
Your job was the hardest, but not a chore.
Done with love and glued with prayer,
Thank you Mom, for being there.

By Carol Gateman



Ways You Can *SERVE*

*Having a place to minister and serve is instrumental in truly belonging to a community.
LPC wants to assist you in finding a place for you to use and grow in your spiritual gifts,
which ultimately edifies the Body of Christ.*

If you wish to get involved in any of these ministries, contact one of the Staff or Lead Team



AMAZING GRACE
ALTAR PRAYER
ANCHOR KIDS LEADER/HELPER
AUDIO/VISUAL TEAM
COFFEE CORNER
COFFEE
COMMUNION
CONNECT CORNER
CONNECT GROUP LEADERS/HELPERS
DECORATING
EZ WORSHIP
GIVING MINISTRY
GREETER
GRIEF SHARE
HANDS & FEET
INTERCESSORY PRAYER
LIBRARY
MEN'S GROUP
NURSERY WORKER
PRAYER CHAIN
STEPHEN MINISTRIES
SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADER/HELPER
USHER
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL HELPER
WEE COLLEGE LEADER/HELPER
WORSHIP TEAM/SOUND
YOUTH WORKERS

Connect Groups ...

✿ Lead a Small ✿ Group or Bible Study!

LACOMBE PENTECOSTAL CHURCH | CHURCH

Are you passionate about connecting with others, building community, and helping people grow in their faith?

We're looking for **Small Group Leaders** and **Bible Study Facilitators** for the upcoming season. Whether you love to host-teach, or simply create space for discussion – we'd love to hear from you!

- ✓ Help others grow – and grow yourself.
- ✓ Lead meaningful conversations.
- ✓ Foster connection and care.

Interested? Let's talk!

Pastor Karla

✉ pastorkarla@churchonthehill.ca

☎ 403-782-2966

... Connect Groups



FOR MAY

MONDAY

Foundation Discipleship Class - Evenings
Stephen Ministries - Evenings

TUESDAY

Intercessory Prayer - Evenings (1st & 3rd wk)
Ladies Bible Study - Mornings

WEDNESDAY

Men's Group - Evenings
Ladies Connect Group - Evenings (3rd wk)
Life of the Messiah - Evenings

THURSDAY

Pray & Play - Mornings (Every 2nd week)
Celebration of Discipline - Mornings (Every 2nd week)
Praying parents - Mornings (When school is running)
Unreached Prayer - Evenings

FRIDAY

Women at the Well - Usually Evenings (3rd Fri of the Month)

SATURDAY

Pit Stop - Mornings

Platinum Friends - Dates announced

Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers: The After People

People often ask, “What exactly is a Stephen Minister?” One way to put it is that Stephen Ministers are the *After People*. *Stephen Ministers are there:*

... *after*

the phone call you hoped you’d never get.

... *after* the divorce papers are served and the bottom falls out of your life.

... *after* the funeral, when everyone has left and the emotions you’ve held at bay come crashing in on you.

... *after* the doctor says, “I’m sorry, but there’s nothing more we can do.”

... *after* the nursing home director shakes your hand and says, “Welcome to your new home.”

... *after* the last child honks the horn, waves, and drives away—and the house suddenly seems empty.

... *after* the gavel goes down, the handcuffs go on, and your loved one is led away.

... *after* the baby arrives, demanding more of you than you ever dreamed possible.

... *after* you find a pink slip with your final paycheck.

... *after* your family and friends have heard your story one too many times, but you still need to talk it out.

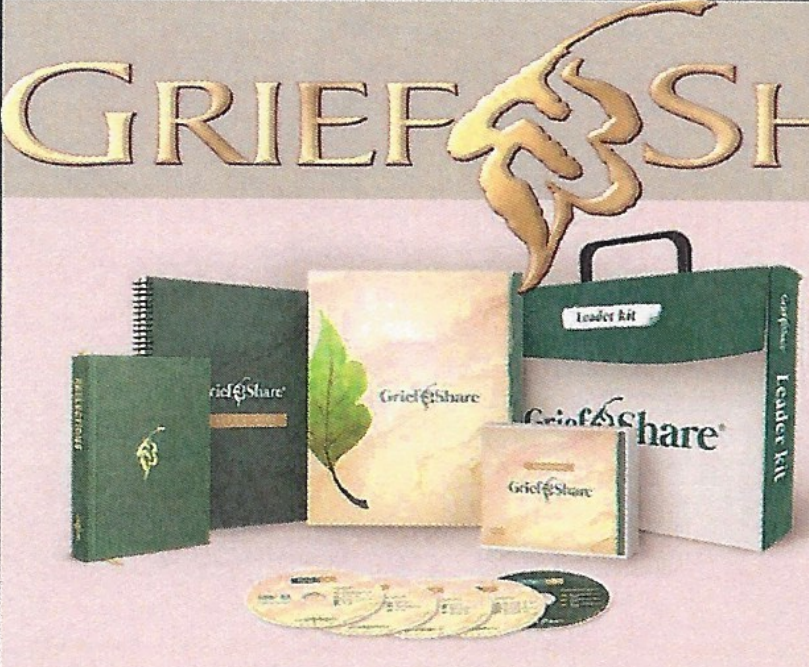
Stephen Ministers are the “After People.” They are people from our congregation ready to come alongside you or your friends, neighbors, coworkers, or relatives—and provide confidential comfort and support for as long *after* as needed. If You need a Stephen Minister:

Email stephens@churchonthehill.ca or call the Church Office at 403-782-2966



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Grief Share



GRIEF SHARE®

New Session Begins
Thursdays, Sept. 10 - Dec. 3
7-8:30pm

GriefShare is a 13 week support group offered to those grieving the loss of a loved one.

To sign up or for more information go to: griefshare.org under find a Group, type in Lacombe Alberta, more information and then register.

Or
 call/text/email:
 587-679-0602
griefshare@churchonthehill.ca

GriefShare is also actively looking for facilitators, please use above contact if your interested or have questions.

1	Is This Normal?
2	Your Grief Journey
3	Loneliness & Sadness
4	Self-Care
5	Fearful & Overwhelmed
6	Anger
7	Regrets
8	Grief & Your Household
9	Grief & Your Friendships
10	Questions for God
11	Stuck in Grief
12	Hope & Resilience
13	What Do I Live For Now?

Next Generation Ministry



2025-2026

Next Generation

Ministry Programs

Sunday Mornings

Nursery (0-24 mo.) - downstairs
Toddlers (2-3 yrs) - upstairs
Preschool (4 yrs) - upstairs
Gr. K-4 - main room upstairs
Gr. 5-6 - upstairs

Mid-Week Programs

Anchor Kids (Gr. 1-6): Wednesday nights from 6:15-7:45 pm. September - April. Devotions, worship, games, crafts, cooking and other life skills. Starting Sept. 17th.

Anchor Kids Worship: Student-led worship teams, serving every Wednesday night.

Gr. 5/6 Bible Study: Tuesdays from 4:30-6:00 pm, starting October 7th.

Grades 7-12

The Anchor Youth: Friday nights from 7:00-9:30pm, September - June. Includes worship, games, small groups, overnight trips, and youth conferences.

The New Life Ministry (Grades 10-12): Student servant-leadership team meeting monthly from September-June and serving Friday nights.

Redemption Worship: Student-led worship team, serving twice monthly on Friday nights.

Contacts

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(ages 0-Gr. 6)

kids@churchonthehill.ca

403-782-2966

Youth Ministry
(Grades 7-12)

youth@churchonthehill.ca

403-782-2966

Leaders are needed in kids and youth ministries! If you are interested in serving in one of these areas, please get in touch!

Children's Ministry ...



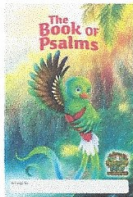
COMING July 6-9, 2026

MINISTRY AND SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Plans are under way for our 2026 VBS, RAINFOREST FALLS. If you would like to be part of our ministry team, please fill out an application form found on the VBS Display table. Areas to minister include: Group Leader, Group Helper, Photographer, Registration, Childcare, and Thursday Night Crew (cooking, setup, cleanup). Must be Junior High or older to minister at VBS.

Prayer covering is always appreciated by anyone who can pray.

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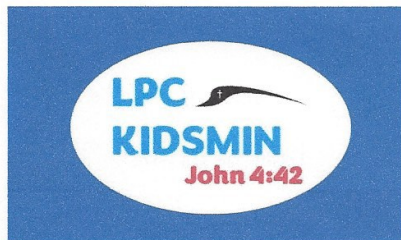


SPONSORSHIP: We are looking for sponsors to purchase Psalm Books for every student. The books cost \$6.50 each and we are opening VBS up to 100 students. If you would like to sponsor some books, please speak to Pastor Angela.

STUDENT REGISTRATIONS will be available beginning May 1st. To register use the QR code or go to the church website.



... Children's Ministry



WISH LIST: If you are spring cleaning, LPC KidsMin is looking for kids' board games, children's books, LEGO, and other activities in good shape for the older children (PreK-Gr. 6). Please let Pastor Angela know if you might have something you are able to donate.



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SUMMER STUDENT EMPLOYMENT: LPC is looking to hire 3 summer students for 8 weeks at 35 hours per week starting mid-June. Two positions will be to help with KidsMin and possibly some Youth events, while one position will be for maintenance. If you are 15-30 or know someone that age seeking employment, we would love to have you join our team.

Submit resumes to the church office: lpcoffice@churchonthehill.ca



Save the date for our 2nd Annual Family Fishing Day in June. If you would like to help with setup, BBQ'ing or teaching how to fish, please contact Les Stephenson.

FOR QUESTIONS OR MORE INFO ABOUT LPC'S KIDSMIN, contact Pastor Angela

Things You Should Know ...



3rd Wednesday of Each Month
6:30pm @ LaRee Rankin's Home

join us!

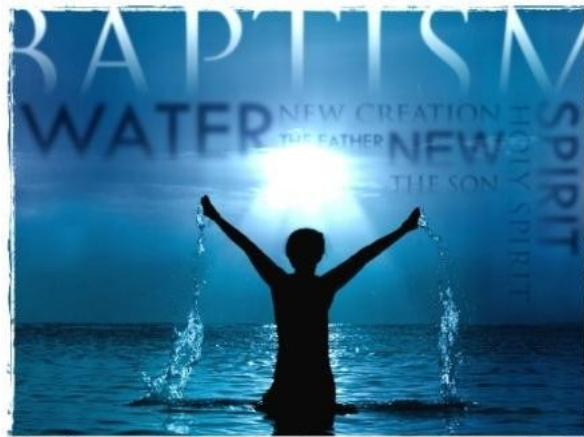
FOUNDATION DISCIPLESHIP CLASS

With Pastor Karla Budgell

Mondays, beginning May 4th

7:00 pm

What is the foundation of your faith? Come out & discover the building blocks that help you become a healthy disciple of Christ, one step at a time!



There will be an opportunity for you to be baptized at LPC on **Sunday, May 31st**. If you would like to participate, please fill out a form found in this Newsletter or at the Welcome Desk and hand it to a Pastor.

There will be a Baptism Class held at 12pm on **Sunday, May 24th** to explain the process and answer any questions you may have.

... Things You Should Know ...

LPC Gathered

A Soaking Experience

Saturday May 9, 16, 23 & 30

7:30 to 8:30ish

During the month of May LPC Gathered will be providing, "A place for concentration on God and nothing else (Oswald Chambers)." For four Saturday evenings (9,16,23,30) the sanctuary will be available for any adult to come and just be with our Lord. Zandrea and Myself (Tina) will be leading the evenings but expect simplicity, a space set apart for a heart posture of surrender to our Heavenly Father.

Our start time will be at 7:30pm those Saturday evenings and will end at approximately 8:30pm.

Bring your Bible, devotional book, a journal, whatever you would use in your own personal devotional time with the Lord.

"We have to learn to sit at the feet of Jesus in our disposition. The one thing needful is continuous instruction in His word. Listen to the words Jesus spoke and let the Holy Spirit instruct you. Be at it steadily. Don't be a hearer only but become a disciple. Experience is never your guide; experience is the doorway for you to know the Author of the experience. Get at the knowledge of God for yourself, be a continuous learner, and the truth will open on the right hand and on the left until you find there is not a problem in human life that Jesus Christ cannot deal with."

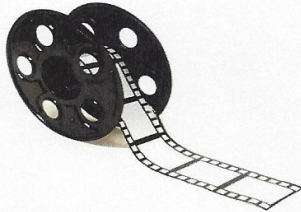
~Oswald Chambers



Adults only please

"I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever. Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever. Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom." Psalm 145:1-3

... Things You Should Know ...

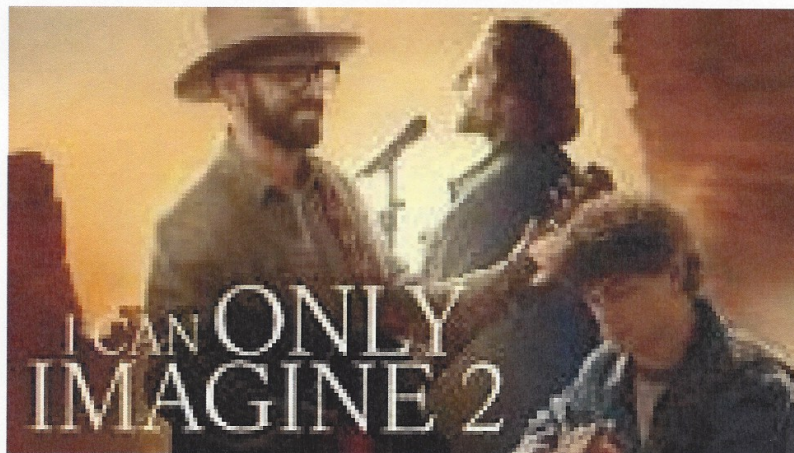


PLATINUM FRIENDS

MOVIE TIME

Thursday, May 14

Join us at LPC to watch



Coffee & Movie at 10am

Lunch Afterwards

Donations Encouraged

Please sign up at the Welcome Desk

... Things You Should Know ...



June 23-27

Heritage Camp

July 5-8

Kids Camp (Grades 1-5)

July 12-18

Family Camp

August 2-7

Sr. High Camp (Grades 11-12)

August 9-14

Jr. High Camp (Grades 8-10)

August 16-20

Pre-Teen Camp (Grades 5-7)

TBD

Young Adult Camp (Ages 18-35)

For details please go to
sunnysidecamp.org



... Things You Should Know ...

INTERNATIONAL
HERITAGE TOURS

**Together on a Biblical Tour
Through Israel & Petra**

With Pastor Mark & Dawn Running

November 8-19, 2026

\$6,529 CAD per person for 12 Days

Including airline taxes & fuel surcharge
Edmonton Departure

**Contact Pastor Mark or Dawn for more
information**

dawnrunning3@gmail.com

... Things You Should Know



Over 2,000 Discipleship Videos for Kids, Youth & Adults are available to Church members & attendees. Bible Studies, Marriage Enrichment, Training Conference Sessions, Family Videos & More!

Right Now Media is a service provided to our membership & attendees. If you would like to sign up please call the office @ (403)782-2966

LPC Mens Group

WhatsApp group

Join our LPC Mens Group

Scan this QR code with your camera to stay connected



Did you know that we have a Prayer Chain?



This is a group of people who will pray for you from their homes, should you ever have a need. If you let our office know your request, we will contact the leader of the Prayer Chain and your request will go out to all who are on the team. You will not be contacted personally, unless you wish to be. Our office # is 403-782-2966.

If you would like to be a part of our Prayer Chain and have time to pray for others, please also contact the office and we will get you set up. This is a very valuable ministry and the more people praying, the better.

Amazing Grace Ministries

AGM is a church ministry dedicated to helping individuals and families from LPC who are facing financial hardships. If you need help with the cost of food, rent, utility bills, vehicle repairs, house repairs or other necessities to live, **please talk to us:**



Kevin & Yvonne Reed
Leroy & Lois Penrod
amazinggrace@lacobepentecostal.ca

AGM is **fully funded** by donations from our congregation. We are very appreciative of the continuing support from many of you. If you would like to contribute to AGM, please place your donation in a tithe envelope and mark it AGM.



Hands & Feet Ministry

The Hands & Feet was established to bridge the gap between our church and the local community's needs. As needs arise, the Hands and Feet contact list is notified, and leaders organize groups to make sure that needs are met. These needs could be anything from needing help cleaning the house/ needing some meals/ help moving. If someone is lacking support, the H&F community is here to help.

If you would like to join our team or know of someone in the community who needs a hand, please contact us at handsandfeet@churchonthehill.ca



Community News ...



4803 49 Avenue, P.O. Box 89, Mirror, AB T0B 3C0
Phone: 403-788-2444 | Fax: 403-788-2445

Living Truth Christian School is now accepting applications for the 2026-27 school year! Space is limited in all grades, K-12, so please contact our school to book a tour and connect with our principal soon! We also have a Homeschool Program available.

403-788-2444 Mon - Thur 8:30am-4:00pm
info@livingtruthchristianschool.ca
www.livingtruthchristianschool.ca

Living Truth Christian School is accepting applications for a **full-time Jr/Sr High (primarily Grades 9/10) teacher** for the 2026-27 school year. Applicants must agree with our Statement of Faith (<https://www.livingtruthchristianschool.ca/statement-of-faith>), hold (or be eligible for) a valid Alberta teaching certificate, have a passion for Christian Education, and be able to articulate and exhibit a strong personal Christian faith. Applicants are asked to forward a resume, personal testimony of salvation, three letters of references (one from a pastor) and transcripts & evaluations to Laurie Jefferies, principal, at principal@livingtruthchristianschool.ca. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

Land to Rent

Living Truth Christian School is looking for approximately **40 acres to rent** for our crop fundraiser for the 2026 crop year in a radius around Clive. If you have land to rent or have questions, please contact the school at 403-788-2444.



Now Accepting Applications - Ponoka Christian School is now accepting **Applications for Pre-School and Kindergarten** for the 2026-27 school year. Information and registration packages can be found on the school website: www.ponokachristianschool.com or may be picked up from the school office.

Elementary Teacher - Ponoka Christian School is now accepting teacher applications for an elementary teacher for the 2026-27 school year. Interested candidates can forward a cover letter, resume, statement of faith and pastoral reference to office@ponokachristianschool.com, attention Robert Morris, Principal.

School Auction

Thank you to all our Ponoka Christian School Supporters for a very successful school auction! \$268,268 was raised. After expenses of \$8,335.77, \$247,932.23 is going towards operations and \$12,000 to the Long-Term Sustainability Fund! We could not have done that without all the generous donations and a great crowd of people that came out. It was wonderful to join together as a community again. We are blessed that God gives us the means to provide a Christian education to our children.

Thank you, from PCS and the Auction Committee:
Brienne Horne, Brandi Pieper and Val Ingwersen

... Community News ...



Registration for Playschool & Kindergarten for the 2026/27 School Year is open! Spots are limited.

Registration for Playschool is open to children who will turn 4 by Dec. 31, 2026. We have 2 classes available: Tue/Thu, 8:45am-11:15am (2.5hrs), OR Fri, 8:45am-11:45am (3hrs).

Registration for Kindergarten is available for children who will be 5 by Dec. 31, 2026. We offer 2 day Kindergarten, either M/W or T/Th, 8:40am-3:35pm, with busing included.

If you would like more information, contact the office at 403-782-6531 or drop in to pick up your registration package (5206-58 St) or download it from our website: lacs.ca

DEVELOPMENT OFFICER POSITION AVAILABLE

Are you passionate about Christian Education? Are you a creative person who has administrative and computer skills? Would you like to work part-time (0.5FTE) with a professional and enthusiastic team of educators in a Christian School setting? Training and support will be available for the qualified candidate. Preference will be given to persons who are familiar with our school and community. If you have any questions, or would like to apply with your resume, cover letter, statement of faith and 2 references, contact Derek Hoogerdijk, Principal at Lacombe Christian School, 5206—58 Street, Lacombe, AB T4L 1G9 or dhoogerdijk@lacs.ca. Closing date: May 15, 2026 or until a suitable candidate has been found.



SWING INTO SPRING THANKYOU!

CACHS would like to sincerely thank everyone who contributed to another successful Swing into Spring fundraiser. Together we raised over \$188,000! After event expenses, funds allocated to our Endowment Fund and budgeted Operations, we are excited to move forward with Phase 1 of our parking lot expansion this summer. We are grateful for the support that the CACHS community continues to show throughout the years - Great is Thy Faithfulness!

GRANDPARENTS' DAY INVITATION Monday, April 27

On Monday, April 27th we welcome all grandparents to join us for a morning of learning, open house and worship at CACHS. The schedule for the morning with our grandparents will be as follows:

- 8:45-10:00 Learning: Grandparents welcome to join period 1 classes
- 10:00-10:30 Open House: Student-led school tours, snacks & refreshments
- 10:30-11:00 Worship: Welcome, singing, devotional message
- 11:00 Wrap-up and goodbyes

We look forward to opening our doors to those that have passed their faith on to us. We are excited to share how the Lord is using CACHS to equip the next generation to go out and work in His kingdom for His glory!

See you April 27th!

Rimby Christian School Online, Silent & Live Fundraising Auction. Online Auction – Hosted by VJV Auction Services Ltd.

Opens Monday, May 4th, 2025 @ 9am; Begins closing Thursday, May 7th @7pm
Visit www.vjvauction.com to browse and bid

Silent Auction, Live Auction & Complimentary Supper Friday May 8th, 2025

Location: Rimby Christian School Gym (4522-54th Ave, Rimby) Doors Open @ 5:30pm
Supper @ 6:00pm Live Auction @ 7:30pm This evening will feature a live auction of select items.



... Community News ...

YOU'RE INVITED

4th Annual
Ladies'
AFTERNOON TEA

Saturday, May 2, 2026
CrossRoads Church Chapel
38105 Range Rd 275, Red Deer County
Doors Open: 1:00 PM | Main Event: 1:30 PM



Scan to Register
Tickets: \$28

Suggested Age is 12+ Years
In Support of the Aerie Maternity Home

Enjoy an afternoon of tea, pastries, and inspiration as we raise funds to support the Aerie Maternity Home program. Don your English garden attire; fascinators and hats are encouraged.



The Aerie
Central Alberta Pregnancy
CARE CENTRE

For information, please call 403-343-1611.
To donate, visit pregnancycare.ca/donate.

IN SUPPORT OF
THE MUSTARD SEED



HOME TOGETHER
A NIGHT OF WORSHIP

WITH **PAUL BALOCHE & MACK BROCK**

05.5.26 Saskatoon	05.6.26 Medicine Hat	05.8.26 Calgary
05.9.26 Red Deer	05.10.26 Edmonton	05.12.26 Grand Prairie
	05.13.26 Kamloops	

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In May, The Mustard Seed is bringing a worship concert series called "Home Together" to seven cities across Western Canada, and we would love to have your church join us. The evening will feature Paul Baloché and Mack Brock for a night of worship, encouragement, and gathering together as the Body of Christ.

For us, this event is about more than just a concert. At The Mustard Seed, we believe that one of the most powerful ways to address homelessness and poverty is when the people of God come together with a shared heart for their neighbours. Home Together is an opportunity for the Church to worship together and be reminded of the role we each play in bringing hope to our communities.

It will be a meaningful evening of worship, community, and hearing about the work God is doing through the Church and The Mustard Seed as we walk alongside those experiencing homelessness. We would love for you to consider coming, and if it fits, sharing the invitation (and attached poster) with your congregation as well.


Event Details:

City - Red Deer

Venue - Legacy Place (1 England Wy)


Date & Time - May 9th from 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm

Tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/home-together-tour-paul-baloché-mack-brock-red-deer-tickets-1981609102168?aff=MustardSeed#location>



The Broom Tree Foundation has officially received **charitable status!**
This is a big step forward for us as we continue to support and serve our community.

If you would like to donate or get more information about this ministry use the following barcode or contact thebroomtreefoundation.com.



... Community News



“Bring Change Now... and into generations to come.”

Every year women, men, and families are impacted by the effects of an unexpected pregnancy. The Central Alberta Pregnancy Care Centre is here to provide individuals and families with unconditional love and non-judgmental support to equip them to make well-informed choices.

Supporting people in need includes material supports; parenting/prenatal education; male mentorship; pregnancy decisions support; post-abortion support; support for past sexual abuse/trauma; education on healthy relationships; and a maternity home for single women to carry their pregnancies to term & be equipped with the tools to parent successfully.

Fill a baby bottle and return it by Father’s Day, donate via the provided envelope OR donate online.

A promotional poster for the '2026 Baby Bottle Campaign'. The background shows a man and a child from behind, with the man's arm raised. The Central Alberta Pregnancy Care Centre logo is in the top left. A central text box contains: 'MOTHER'S DAY TO FATHER'S DAY', '2026 BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN', 'www.pregnancycare.ca/donate', 'Send e-Transfers to accounting@pregnancycare.ca (Include your address and 'baby bottle' in the comments)'. A QR code in the bottom right is labeled 'Scan to donate'.

Missions (Hilsden)

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A DISPATCH FROM JERUSALEM

HILSDEN · SPRING 2026

TO OUR DEAR CHURCH ON THE HILL FAMILY



From Jerusalem *with Resolve & Hope*

— AN UPDATE FROM WAYNE & ANN HILSDEN —

To our dear Church on the Hill Family,

Greetings from Jerusalem. Ann and I continue to thank God for your faithful partnership and for the generous offering you raised at the beginning of this year. Your support is sustaining vital ministry through King of Kings and its growing network of congregations across Israel.

Though a ceasefire with Iran is currently holding, there is a very good chance war with the Iranian regime will resume. The regime remains defiant, and few people here believe the pause will last. Ann and I have been running to our bomb shelter almost every day. Yet God has used these anxious moments for good — we have truly gotten to know our neighbors, and we have shared with them the living Hope we have in Yeshua our Savior.

Through FIRM — the Fellowship of Israel Related Ministries — we are also reaching across enemy lines, helping Christians in Iran in practical ways and equipping the underground Church to endure and disciple. We have prepared a special prayer guide for Israel and Iran at this critical hour, and Israeli Jewish believers have recorded a moving video of prayer for the Iranian people.



FREE DOWNLOAD
*A Prayer Guide
for Israel & Iran*

— *Thank you for standing with us in this hour. Maranatha.* —

In Yeshua,

Wayne & Ann Hilsden

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I.
PRAYER GUIDE
A Prayer Guide for Israel & Iran
firmisrael.org/israel-iran-prayer-guide

II.
WATCH & PRAY
Israeli Believers Praying for Iran
youtu.be/aWfHTcxicp0

III.
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King of Kings Ministries Network
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FIRM · FELLOWSHIP OF ISRAEL RELATED MINISTRIES · HILSDEN MINISTRY UPDATE



Missions (Kandangama) ...



Happy New Year,

Sri Lankan's just celebrated the Sinhala and Tamil New Year last week. It's a time of tradition, family time, making cultural food, and celebration. We are thankful for people that care deeply about keeping up with the richness of culture and celebration. Take a look at the many things that have been going on in our lives and ministry.

Relief Outreach

Following the cyclone we had a significant number of you reach out with big hearts to help meet the needs of those affected. With your generosity and the emergency relief department of ERDO (PAOC's Relief NGO) we were able to provide in some significant ways. We did a couple of projects: We supported a toilette facility building project at a local church housing families displaced from their homes. We conducted a medical clinic and school program in Pupuressa where we distributed kitchen items to families and jackets and teddies to kids. We also conducted a trauma lesson on "Feelings are ok" provided by our friends at Kidsreach Sri Lanka. Then we had another opportunity to reach out to another tragically affected area, called Uplands, here the death toll was particularly high. We did another program focusing on a lesson on trauma, shared some fun and games activities, and gifted the kids with jackets and teddies. We also provided families and teachers with kitchen items to help support them as the rebuild their lives.



... Missions (Kandangama) ...



The Bud Centre

The Centre has had a great turnout this year. With a regular attendance averaging 80 kids. More than 40 kids are new to us this year and it's been fun getting to know them. Every February 4th The Bud Centre celebrates Sri Lanka's Independence and it's always a good opportunity to share about the cost of freedom and what we can do with it to make a difference in our nation. Another highlight was a car making project that a group of kids got to do with a very bright tech teacher. Also we continue to provide a computer course every year which proves to be a very helpful skill, with typing and program lessons.



... Missions (Kandangama) ...

Missions Team

Mid January we welcomed Elisa (our cousin) from Canada who came to be with our family and serve at the centre for 3 weeks. It was a blessing to have her and she served well at the centre. We made lots of good memories together.

In March for 3 weeks we hosted our annual missions team from Westside Academy Christian School. We had a team of 8 this year. They served the Bud Centre with lots of activities and classes, went on a local school outreach, hosted Aneisha's Sunday school group, and had some opportunities to sight see some of Sri Lanka's nature and cultural experiences. We had our annual campout and as always it is an unforgettable time.



Retreat

Our family was blessed to attend our regional retreat in Vietnam with many fellow Global Workers and leaders who support us. It was refreshing to get away, spend time in prayer and worship, have a change from the day to day, make memories as family and hear from others living similar lives in other parts of the globe.



... Missions (Kandangama) ...

Coming to Canada

With all that life has us doing we have decided in all of that to come to Canada this summer. We have some home base matters to attend too, churches and supporters to connect with, and family to spend time with. Maybe also some good summer fun, some timmies, and other things we miss.



Praise Report

We have completed a Discovery Bible Study with a group of youth at the Centre. It was lead by a local pastor's wife who has a big heart for the young generation. She took them through a number of topics and challenging lessons. We are praising God as many of them accepted Christ, received bibles, many of them are now attending church regularly, and a few have been baptized. This has been the cry of our heart, that they would come to the knowledge and understanding of who Christ is and who they are in Him. God receives all glory for the things He has done and is yet to do.

Prayer Requests

- ◆ Pray for the lives of these young believers. Some of them couldn't take the Bible home for fear of criticism and rejection.
- ◆ Pray for the details of our trip to begin to take shape. We will be contacting all supporters for possible connecting opportunities.
- ◆ Pray for safety as we travel and that we will find a place to call home base while in Canada.
- ◆ Pray as we distribute responsibilities and hand over the work load in our absence.
- ◆ Pray for our kids as we are completing school and getting ready for big changes that are exciting and challenging at the same time.

Thanks for taking time to hear about the latest in our life. It has taken time to put this together. Between all things, homeschool, outreaches, the missions team, travel to Vietnam, and everything else it has been a challenge to keep up.

...Missions (Kandangama)



Thank you for taking time to read this email.

Lamentations 3:22-23

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.



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Church Membership ...

What About Church Membership?

“I don’t have to go to church to be saved. I don’t have to belong to a church to be a Christian. I can worship God in my heart.” Have you heard this popular dodge? It’s sometimes difficult to refute because it happens to be true ... to a point. Nothing you do and nothing you can join makes you a Christian. The Bible makes it abundantly clear that Jesus is the only Way; that no-one comes to the Father except through Him.

Q: What does the Bible say about church membership?

A: The Bible is very clear that involvement in, and commitment to, a local church are essential for Christians. Throughout the New Testament the pattern of the Christian is to meet in local congregations (eg. Acts 2:46, 1 Corinthians 14:26, Ephesians 4:16, 1 Timothy 3:15). At some points we are commanded to do so (eg. Hebrews 10:25). Even Saul/Paul in Acts 9:26 – “When he came to Jerusalem he tried **to join** the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he really was a disciple.” Having said that, it is true that the Bible nowhere **requires** membership in a church. In fact, in Biblical times there was no such thing. However, the Biblical principle is that the church is a family and a unit. The Bible speaks of the church as a family, or the household of God. Church membership is not like joining a country club; it is about joining an organic family. Church membership is a way of being accountable and becoming involved in the church and in demonstrating a commitment to Christ by participation in the church.

Q: I’m committed to our church, so what difference does it make if I am a member or not?

A: “Times have changed from years ago when you could have a loose relationship with the church. Our society and our laws have changed.” There are a number of key differences between people who just attend with no strings attached and the actual church member. There seems to be a deeper sense of belonging and often a higher level of commitment from the people who step out and want to be members. They are more ready to shoulder responsibility and encourage the ethos of the church. Members have the right to vote at church business meetings. This is possibly not the most exciting thing you’ve ever been able to do, but it does allow you to have a say in what the church does and how it functions. Only church members can vote for deacons (lead team members) and Lead Pastor when a new lead pastor is to be called. Only church members can raise queries and make proposals about issues at a church business meeting. They are able to vote and add input to the sale or purchase of land or buildings for the church. If you would like to have a voice in the way that our church is run and the things that it does you need to have a vote, and to have a vote, you need to be a church member. A knowledge of which people are willing to publicly associate themselves with the church by becoming members assists the church leadership in planning and effectively running the church. If you are a member of another Pentecostal Church and you have moved here to Lacombe, you can have your membership transferred.

Q: How can I become a member?

A: See the Application for Fellowship on the next page or at the Welcome Desk. When you find yourself in agreement with those statements, sign and apply for membership and leave it in the office or with a staff member.

... Church Membership



APPLICATION FOR FELLOWSHIP STATUS

Article 6 Membership

Section 1

Persons desiring to become members of this church shall give credible profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior. They shall give evidence of compliance with the Biblical standard of Christian practice and manifest spiritual growth by giving evidence of the Fruit of the Spirit: "Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control." (Galatians 5:22,23 NIV)

They shall refrain from acts of sinful nature: "... sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions and envy; drunkenness, orgies and the like..." (Galatians 5:19-21 NIV) Sexual immorality shall be interpreted to mean common-law marital relationships, pre-marital and extra-marital sexual relationships (1 Corinthians 6:15-18, 7:1-2, 1 Thessalonians 4:3-8, Hebrews 13:4), and all forms of homosexual activity, along with other practices deemed inexcusable for Christian conduct, and which place a person under God's judgment (Romans 1:26-2:11).

They shall indicate a desire to live in harmony with this body of believers, shall accept the doctrinal standards as set forth in the *Statement of Fundamental and Essential Truths*, and shall be regular financial supporters of this local church.

Section 2

Membership shall consist of the following:

1. *Regular Members.* Persons 18 years of age and over who fulfill the requirements of Article 6.1 shall be known as regular members.
2. *Junior Members.* Persons between the ages of 12 and 18 who fulfill the requirements of Article 6.1 may be eligible for junior membership. Such membership does not qualify for voting privileges at congregational business meetings.

I, _____ am in agreement with the above statement and would
(Please print full name)

like to apply for membership status for the Lacombe Pentecostal Church.

Signature

Date

Lacombe Pentecostal Church
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Water Baptism ...



Water Baptism Information

Lacombe Pentecostal Church

What Is It?

1. Baptism is a powerful, symbolic expression of the repentance that has happened, your acceptance of Christ as Lord and Saviour, and your commitment to being a dedicated disciple of Christ.
2. It is a public demonstration of a person's union with Christ and His death and resurrection. It comes from the Greek Word "*baptizo*," which means *to plunge, submerge or immerse*. It signifies that a person's former way of life has been put to death (*under the water*) and points to their new life, saved and redeemed by Jesus through His resurrection (*coming out of the water*).
3. Baptism does not save you. Salvation can only occur through the grace of Jesus Christ and His sacrifice on the cross.

Why Be Baptized?

Baptism is a step of obedience, faith and commitment.

1. **STEP OF OBEDIENCE:** Jesus commands baptism for everyone who follows Him. Even Jesus, who had no sin, identified Himself with those who were repenting and was baptized.
 - Read Matthew 28:19, Mark 16:16, Acts 2:38, Matthew 3:16
2. **STEP OF FAITH:** You don't need to have everything figured out to be baptized. The act of baptism is a step of faith in what Jesus has done and is continuing to do in your life.
 - Read Acts 8:35-38
3. **COMMITMENT:** Baptism is an external act that signifies you are ready to embrace spiritual growth and transformation
 - Read 1 Peter 3:21

... Water Baptism ...

What's Next?

1. What should I do to prepare myself for baptism?

- Spend time in prayer and reading scripture. Reflect on Jesus' love for you.
- Invite your friends and family! This is a significant moment in your life. Celebrate it!
- Ask someone you care about to come to the front and pray for you during the baptism (*No testimonies or long stories please. Just a 1-2 minute prayer and Bible verse*)
- OPTIONAL: Practice sharing your testimony (*the story of how came to faith*)

2. What should I wear and what do I need to bring with me?

- Bring shorts or pants that can get wet. Shirts are provided and you can keep them!
- Have dry clothes to change into after the baptism
- Consider asking a friend or family member to take pictures or a video.

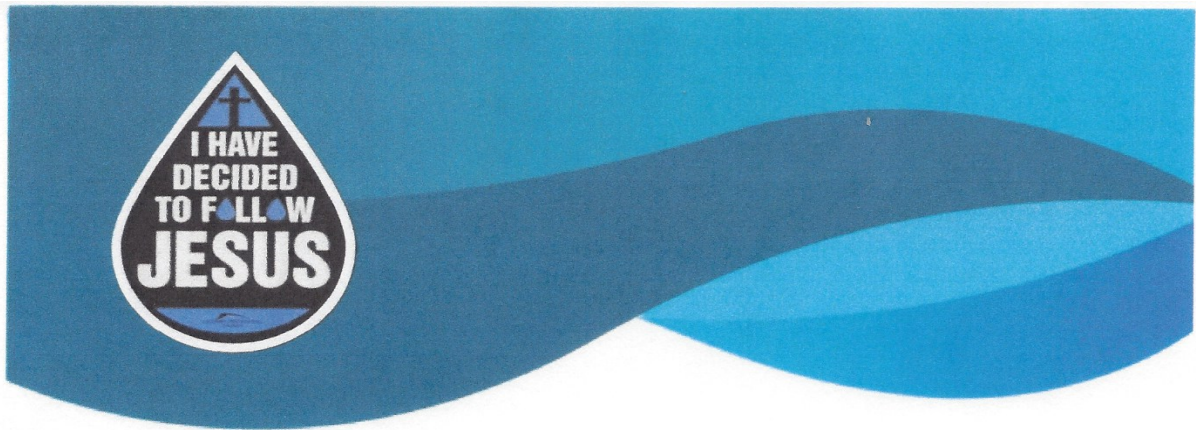
3. Can my family or friends be baptized together?

- Yes! If each family member or friend understands fully what it means to be baptized, we encourage it! Every person who wants to be baptized should.
- Remember this is a personal statement of faith, not a family tradition.

4. How will this look in a service?

- After the sermon, when the music starts playing, dismiss yourself and head upstairs to the baptism door. Come down the stairs carefully as soon as the person ahead of you comes up.
- Please ask someone ahead of time to come to the front microphone to pray for you and share a blessing/verse (*Please ask them to keep this to 1-2 minutes*)
- Those baptizing you may ask a few questions and then they will say *"I now baptize you in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit."*
- You will be tipped backwards just enough to cover your face and then brought back up immediately. At no time will you be let go. Feel free to hold your nose with one hand if that will help you feel more comfortable.
- You will go up the stairs and can dry off, change your clothing, and celebrate this great moment in your life as a disciple with your friends, family, and the church.

... Water Baptism



Water Baptism Application

Lacombe Pentecostal Church

Full Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Phone Number: _____ Mother's Maiden Name: _____

Address: _____

Do you believe that Jesus Christ, as God's only begotten Son, paid fully for your sins on the cross and do you choose to submit your life fully to Him? _____

When did you accept Christ as your personal Saviour? _____

Please attach a short testimony below as to why you wish to be baptized, or write one below:

Calendar of Events

May 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Youth (7pm)	2 LADIES RETREAT Pitstop (8am)
3 Pre-Service Prayer (9:15am) Worship Service (10am) LADIES RETREAT	4 Discipleship Class (7pm)	5 Ladies Bible Study (9:30am) Intercessory Prayer (7pm)	6 Life of the Messiah (7pm) Grief Share Debrief (9:30am) Men's Group (7:45pm)	7 Praying Parents (8:40am) Celebration of Discipline (9:30am)	8 YOUTH CHANGE CONFERENCE	9 Pitstop (8am) LPC Gathered (7:30pm)
10 Pre-Service Prayer (9:15am) Worship Service (10am) MOTHER'S DAY	11 Stephen Ministry Supervision (7pm) Discipleship Class (7pm)	12 Ladies Bible Study (9:30am)	13 Men's Group (7:45pm) Life of the Messiah (7pm)	14 Praying Parents (8:40am) Prayer & Play (9:30am) Platinum Friends (10am)	15 Youth (7pm) Women at the Well	16 LPC Gathered (7:30pm)
17 Pre-Service Prayer (9:15am) Worship Service (10am)	18 Discipleship Class (7pm) VICTORIA DAY OFFICE CLOSED	19 Intercessory Prayer (7pm)	20 Ladies Connect (6:30pm) Life of the Messiah (7pm) Men's Group (7:45pm)	21 Praying Parents (8:40am) Celebration of Discipline (9:30am)	22 Youth (7pm)	23 Pitstop (8am) LPC Gathered (7:30pm)
24 Pre-Service Prayer (9:15am) Worship Service (10am) Baptism Class (12pm)	25 Stephen Ministry Supervision (7pm) Discipleship Class (7pm)	26	27 Life of the Messiah (7pm) Men's Group (7:45pm)	28 Praying Parents (8:40am) Prayer & Play (9:30am) Unreached Prayer (7pm)	29 Staff First Aid (9-4) OFFICE CLOSED	30 Pitstop (8am) Staff First Aid (9-4) LPC Gathered (7:30pm)
31 Pre-Service Prayer (9:15am) Worship Service (10am) Baptism						

