



LACOMBE PENTECOSTAL CHURCH



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Love God Love People
Equip the Church

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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 **serving 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.

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

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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Next Generation Ministry

Lacombe Pentecostal **NEXT GENERATION** MINISTRIES

KidsMin (0-Gr. 6)

SUNDAY MORNINGS

Nursery (0-24 mo.) - downstairs
Toddlers (2-3 yrs) - upstairs classroom
PreK-K (4-5 yrs) - upstairs classroom
Gr. 1-3 - main room upstairs
Gr. 4 - upstairs classroom
Gr. 5-6 - upstairs classroom

MID-WEEK MINISTRIES

Anchor Kids (Gr. 1-6) - runs Sept. to Apr.
Wednesday nights, 6:15-7:45 pm
Fellowship, worship, devotions, cooking, crafts, sports, and other life skills
Anchor Kids Worship
Student worship teams practicing and serving
Wednesday nights, 5:30 pm
Gr. 5-6 Bible Study - runs late Sept. to May
Opportunity for students to go deeper in the Word. Day and time to be determined after registration

Youth (Gr. 7-12)

MID-WEEK MINISTRIES

Anchor Youth - runs Sept. to June
Friday nights, 7:00 -9:30 pm
Fellowship, worship, devotions, games, small groups, youth conferences, campouts, and mission opportunities

Redemption Worship

Student-led worship team practicing and serving twice monthly on Friday nights

New Life Ministry (Gr. 10-12)

Student servant-leadership team meeting monthly and serving Friday nights

Young Adults (18-30 yrs)

New ministry for fellowship and community meeting once a month. Contact Paul for details

Contacts:

Pastor Angela Stephenson (0-Gr. 6)

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kids@churchonthehill.ca

Paul Hildebrand (Youth & Young Adults)

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Children's Ministry ...

Upcoming KidsMin Events



Wee College Classes begin Oct. 14th & 15th

Year One Program (min age 4 years old) Tuesdays 9:30-11am.

Year Two Program (min age 5 years old) Wednesdays 9:30-11am.

For more info, please contact Pastor Angela or
Jessica Zakaluzny

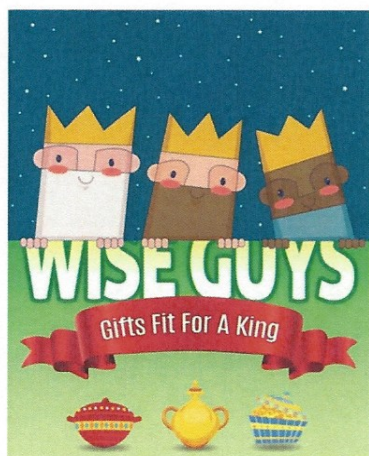
Neurodivergence Awareness Workshop

October 25 following the morning service

This workshop builds awareness of different forms of neurodivergence, potential triggers, and practical strategies for support and accommodation. The workshop is open to anyone but is recommended for KidsMin and Youth ministers.



Please register using the QR code or go to
lacombepentecostal.ca/upcoming-events



WISE GUYS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Sunday, Dec. 13, 6 pm

The students have begun practicing for our Christmas program. Practices will be every Sunday morning. Acting cast will meet from 9:45-10:15 am while the choir will practice during the worship service.

Dress rehearsal will be Saturday, Dec. 12, 10 am

More details will be given closer to the date

For questions or more info about LPC KidsMin, contact Pastor Angela

... Children's Ministry



You are invited to make a difference in a child's eternal life.

Please pray if the KidsMin area is where you could minister then contact Pastor Angela

AREAS WHERE MINISTERS ARE NEEDED:

Adult Gr 1-3, Gr. 4 or Gr. 5-6 Kids Church Assistant (9:40-11:30am)

As Assistant your job is to help the teacher with the lesson by engaging in what's happening and helping children with activities. You will have opportunities to worship and build relationships with the kids.

Adult Pre-K/K Assistant (9:40-11:30am)

As Assistant you will support the teacher while engaging with the children. You will build relationships with the children and reinforce what was taught through crafts and games.

Adult Toddler Assistant (9:40-11:30am)

You will support the teacher and play with the children.

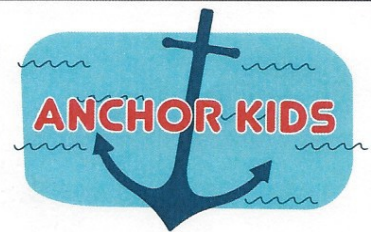
Adult Nursery Worker (9:40-11:30am)

As one of the 2-3 workers in the Nursery, you will care for the children by holding them, playing with them, reading to them, and praying for them.

Adult Check-In Worker (9:40-10:40am)

As the person at the Check-In table, you will engage parents/caregivers in conversation and help them with the sign-in process. You will welcome newcomers and help them sign-in for the first time.

**ANCHOR KIDS is our Wednesday night ministry
for Grades 1-6 students**



We are looking for the following ministers:

Adult Minister: (5:45-7:45pm) - need 3-4

As a Minister, your job is to assist the leaders weekly by engaging in what's happening and helping children with activities. You will have opportunities to worship and build relationships with the kids.

Check-In Minister: (5:45-6:30 pm)

This person is responsible to greet, check-in and register our students weekly.



Things You Should Know ...



This is a Connect Group of mature, single women, existing to love, encourage and inspire each other in the Lord, making the most out of the season of life that we are in. Our get-togethers are usually held every 3rd Friday of the month in the home of one of the group members, unless our plans take us to the beach, the woods, or out on an adventure.

This group is open to any and all women who fit the age & status criteria: **45+ and single**, no matter the reason or where they may be in their faith walk.

We get together at least once/month, usually the 3rd Friday or Saturday to fellowship in various participants' homes or locations in or in the outskirts of Lacombe



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



All are welcome to join us Thursday mornings at Lacombe Christian School east campus flagpole at 8:40am for a time of focused prayer for our children, schools, community and nation.

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from Heaven and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

Chron 7:14

... Things You Should Know ...

PLATINUM FRIENDS

BRING YOUR
LAWNCHAIRS



MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

BBQ AT CASEY'S CABIN

11:00AM



\$10/PERSON

Life of



A Connect/Gospel Study Group

Start up Wed., September 9th

7pm at the home of Salley Swett

Contact Salley @ (250)619-4640

... 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

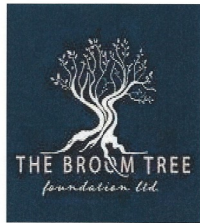
AGM is a church ministry dedicated to helping individuals and families from LPC who are facing financial hardships. If you need help with the cost of food, rent, utility bills, vehicle repairs, house repairs or other necessities to live, please talk to us:

**Kevin & Yvonne Reed
Leroy & Lois Penrod
amazinggrace@lacombeptecostal.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,



Community News ...



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.



CACHS has a wonderful relationship with HT Catering. When events are booked through HT/ CACHS Catering, we supply volunteers for serving and clearing/cleaning the dishes. All the extra proceeds from the event go straight to CACHS. We use these funds for things like chromebooks, athletic supplies, etc.

On Thursday, Oct. 8 we have an event at Ponoka Christian School - **NO CATERING EXPERIENCE IS NECESSARY!** Please contact us and volunteer if you are able. Let's work together to help keep this relationship alive!

Cindy Ekkel
Development Director
Central Alberta Christian High School
403-782-4535
[https:// www.cachs.ca](https://www.cachs.ca)



Ponoka Christian School is now accepting applications for substitute teacher positions for the 2026-27 school year. Ponoka Christian School is also accepting applications for an Elementary Teacher beginning mid-January 2027 through June 2027. There is potential for continued employment for the 2027-28 school year.

Interested applicants can forward their resume, cover letter, statement of faith, and a pastoral reference via email to office@ponokachristianschool.com attn: Bob Morris.

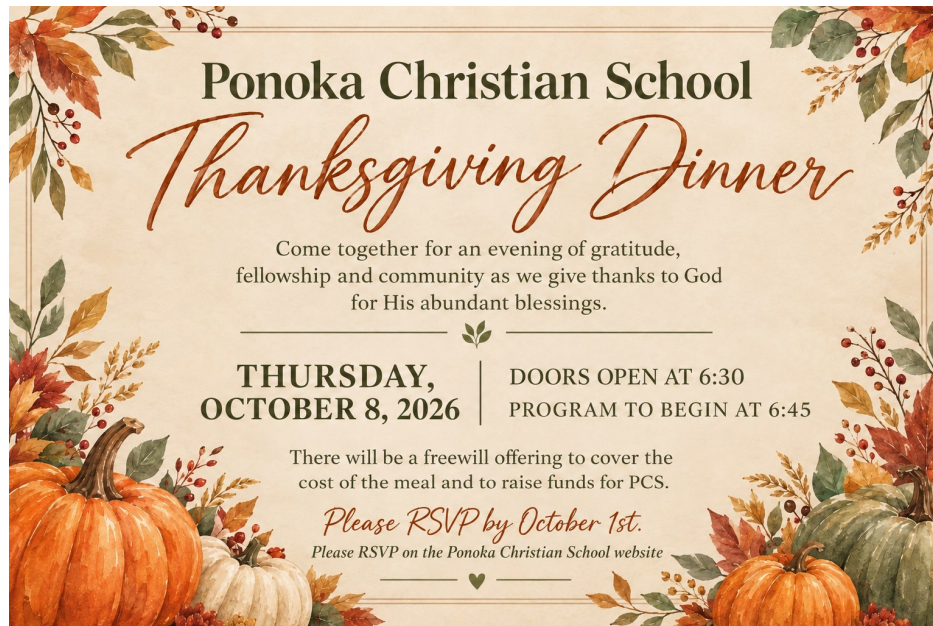


Lacombe Christian School is accepting applications for one 1.0 FTE Grade 6 teaching position (maternity leave) commencing January 2027.

We are looking for teachers with a passionate walk with Jesus Christ and a developed Christian worldview. The closing date for applications for this position will be October 15, 2026, or until a suitable candidate is found. Applicants must hold or be eligible for a valid Alberta Teaching Certificate.

Please forward a cover letter, current resume, statement of faith, pastoral reference and two other references to: Derek Hoogerdijk, Principal, Lacombe Christian School, 5206 - 58 St, Lacombe, AB T4L 1G9 or dhoogerdijk@lacs.ca

... Community News ...



Ponoka Christian School
Thanksgiving Dinner

Come together for an evening of gratitude, fellowship and community as we give thanks to God for His abundant blessings.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2026 | DOORS OPEN AT 6:30
PROGRAM TO BEGIN AT 6:45

There will be a freewill offering to cover the cost of the meal and to raise funds for PCS.

Please RSVP by October 1st.
Please RSVP on the Ponoka Christian School website



Central Alberta Pregnancy
CARE CENTRE

**2026
FALL BANQUET**
Thursday, October 22



**PORTRAITS
of Grace**

**Red Deer Resort & Casino
Event Centre**

Doors Open at 5:30 PM
Main Event Begins at 6:00 PM
Semi-formal Event
Silent Auction | Guest Speakers

RSVP by October 8, 2026

SCAN TO REGISTER



This event is FREE to attend, however, registration is required.
Register by calling 403-343-1611 or visit
www.pregnancycare.ca/red-deer-fall-fundraiser



**PORTRAITS
of Grace**

Dear friends,
The Central Alberta Pregnancy Care Centre (CAPCC) is hosting our Annual Fall Fundraising Banquet in Red Deer on October 22, 2026, at 6 PM at the Event Centre at the Red Deer Resort and Casino.

This year's theme is Portraits of Grace. When we look at a portrait, whether it's a photo or a canvas, we see more than an image. We see a story, an emotion, and a person's dignity. We celebrate the living, breathing masterpieces who walk through our doors every day. Mothers, fathers, and babies whose stories are being rewritten from the dark shadows of fear, anxiety, and isolation into the vibrant colours of hope, community, and unconditional support.

The CAPCC's vision is to extend grace while providing education and ongoing compassionate support before, during, and after pregnancy. Our clients may be facing an unexpected pregnancy, seeking education about parenting, pregnancy & birth, or are interested in our live-in Maternity Home. Clients may also connect with us if they are:

- grieving the loss of a pregnancy,
- struggling after an abortion experience,
- wanting to learn about what a healthy relationship looks like, or
- looking for a male role model and men's programming.

For more information on this event, contact us at info@pregnancycare.ca, visit our website at www.pregnancycare.ca/red-deer-fall-fundraiser or call 403.343.1611.

REGISTER NOW

... Community News

LIVING TRUTH CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

DINNER THEATRE Fundraiser

OCT 31ST

LAUGH AGAIN WITH PHIL CALLAWAY
 AT CLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
 DOORS OPEN AT 4:30PM
 PROGRAM BEGINS AT 5:00PM
 CATERED SUPPER
 COMEDY NIGHT &
 LIVE AUCTION
 TICKETS: \$65.00 EACH
 DISCOUNT FOR A TABLE OF 8
 PURCHASE ONLINE AT:
WWW.LIVINGTRUTHCHRISTIANSCHOOL.CA

TICKET SALES
 OPEN SEPT 1ST,
 DEADLINE OCT
 21ST

Living Truth Christian School: 403.788.2444, 7803-49Ave, Mirror, AB
 General School Fundraiser. Profit Goal: \$10,000
 Estimated Cost of Fundraiser: \$12,000



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FUNDRAISING BANQUET

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST
 4:30 PM: SILENT AUCTION & PROGRAM BOOTHS
 5:30 PM: DINNER & PROGRAM
 LACOMBE PENTAGON FARM CENTRE

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 ENJOY AN AMAZING MEAL, LIVE DESSERT AUCTION,
 AND INSPIRING STORIES OF HOPE

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Missions (Heinrichs) ...



**Mission
Global**

Gary & Kathy Heinrichs
Global Workers to Costa Rica



O.L.A.
Obrando Por Las Almas



Pastor Chamo

Pastor Chamo and his wife Chepita, pastor the church plant in la Pera. A few years ago it was discovered that he had a brain tumour. Surgery followed and then chemo for several weeks. A recent scan shows the tumour is back and growing. Today he will talk with his Dr about a plan going forward with more chemo, but no surgery. We so appreciate you all taking time to remember them in prayer.

HEINRICHS NEWSLETTER - Sept

September 15th is Independence Day in Costa Rica with lots of activities, parades, flags and everyone wearing red, white and blue. It's always fun to see the patriotism here and see how much people love the country where they were born. We hear it often "How beautiful is my country of Costa Rica!" We are thankful to be part of this culture.



Pastors Isabel & Alexis - Cartagena

Kenner, Isabel, Kenneth & Alexis



Pastor Alexis and family have been part of our ministry for years. They cut the trees and mill them for us to build with. Just over a month ago their oldest son, Kenneth (26), was in a fatal accident while they were cutting a tree. He was always a great help to his parents, always had a smile, and had worked his way to a semi-pro soccer team. Please keep his family in prayer as this has been a very difficult time for them.

... Missions (Heinrichs) ...

The Bible Institute in the Sepecue and Chinakicha classrooms have finished up their second class of the year, and Amubri will finish in another week. We have been working hard to try and get one more class in before things wrap up for year-end in November. There's a possibility of having a teacher drive in to a central location from Limon, to teach all three Zone 8-1 class room students at once. The students are used to going to class in their own community with Profesor Juan, though it used to be completely normal to have to travel some to the class you needed. Please pray for these 25 students, coordinators, profesor and director, as we plan for the final class.



In Zone 7-1, **The Bible Institute** classroom with Profesora Lidia is finishing up and their current class of 28 students will start next week. These students have been faithful this year in their studies, and are ready for their last subject of the year. This week we will attend a Unity Service where all the students and Pastors will gather together for a service - it's a great time to encourage one another. Please pray for Pastors Lidia and Silver, and all the students attending the Bible Institute classes in Valle de las Rosas.



As we work alongside the Pastors in Talamanca, we'd like to ask you to keep them in prayer as they serve in their communities. Many are improving their programs for youth, women's ministry, men's ministry, evangelism and church planting. They are working hard at training leaders in many different areas. The ladies recently attended the National Women's Retreat for the Atlantic churches, and the men attended the Men of Honour for the same region.

Deuteronomy 7:9

Know therefore that the Lord your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commandments.

Gary & Kathy Heinrichs

... Missions (Heinrichs)

prayer

Prayer Requests

- Wisdom in ministry and in relationships.
- For our children and grandchildren living in Canada
- For the local churches to reach out to their communities in different ways
- For the Pastors to lead their churches well
- For wisdom in church planting in Zone 8-1

Giving

Canadian Donors: Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada

2450 Milltower Court
Mississauga, ON L5N 5Z6

Memo: Gary & Kathy Heinrichs

Online donations:

www.paoc.org/donate/garyheinrichs

US Donors: RPEC International

27758 Santa Margarita Parkway #186
Mission Viejo, California 92691

Memo: Gary & Kathy Heinrichs

Online donations:

<http://rpecinternational.org/donate/>

Missions (McCrea) ...



THE McCREA NEWS

PAOC  APDC

www.ourlovingfather.com

September 2026

Shaken...

Dear Friends,

August 10th changed us. That morning Patty was just getting out of the shower. Me? I was valiantly trying to ignore her rustlings and get a little more sleep, but at 7:34am all that changed as our house started shaking violently.

There was momentary confusion, then the reality sank in as I yelled, "Earthquake!" Patty & I, plus our nephew Zachary who was visiting, all threw on clothes and fled our home.

As we joined out neighbours outside, we waited to see if our house was going to come down. It was that violent.



The 7.4 magnitude quake was the longest (5 minutes) & strongest that we have ever felt. While it caused no major damage in Bogota, we soon found out that it left devastation in several areas of the country.

It is for moments like these that God has called us (all of us) as Christians - to serve with what He has given us. It can seem like our efforts are nothing in the face of the need, but *those efforts mean everything to those whom we touch.*

As I turned to our phones, e-mail and chats, Patty headed to Peace House, to comfort and be with her kids. One boy had their TV fall on him, leaving him with a large bump on his head, otherwise the were unharmed, but shaken.



*Apparently ice cream is good Post Earthquake Therapy.
Who knew?*

Within the hour I was getting reports. Our projects to the north were untouched, but our ministries in the coffee growing region of Pereira (pear ray da) and Quibdo (kib doe) were profoundly affected. In those regions 26,000 homes were destroyed or are uninhabitable.

Our coworkers at the YWAM base in Pereira were ok, but their rented facilities were not safe. So, they moved to their new property and from there started ministering to the afflicted. They listened, prayed, and started serving meals to the workers digging through the rubble, even as they slept a dozen or more to a room, with no beds.

Over the next few days, *we helped them provide meals to hundreds of people*, even as we worked with our church in Bogota to collect food and clothing for them and Quibdo. Just our church in Bogota was able to collect truckloads of assistance and you, our partners, helped us pay for shipping.



Since then, Patty and I have been focussing on the Pereira region, while our YWAM partners Carlos & Elsy Lamprea have been focussing on Quibdo and the surrounding area.

Last week, I was able to visit Pereira, see the destruction, hear the stories and help minister to the community. There was one family that especially touched me. *In an area known for some of its inhabitants making their living as assassins, our team was able to hold a community meal.*

Cooked over an open fire on the street, we served beans, plantain and pork rinds. One young man, Victor was doing his best to help us. He was described to me as a new Christian, a noble young man, who only wants to serve Jesus and his community and when we needed more wood for the cooking fire, he went around the corner to his house to get some...

... Missions (McCrea)

This, circled in yellow, is his house...



To be honest, I don't know if the planks and old head board for the fire came from his home or the wreckage of the homes around it, but I do know that even with having lost everything, he and his mother were there around a fire, serving their community because there was a need to be met.

In Quibdo, Carlos & Elsy just led a week long Community & Medical Outreach. With a few dozen volunteers, supplies from our church in Bogota and items that we were able to purchase with the help of our donors, they were able to minister to some 3000 people.



As Carlos (above left) handed out food packages, others in the team played with the children, doctors and dentists attended the needs of the community and our cooks prepared thousands of meals during the week long outreach.

All of this was done with the participation of people from the community and with help from the Colombian Army.

So What's Next?

In Pereira, we are helping the YWAM base prepare for the teams that will come to help rebuild.

Over 90% of area hotels were damaged and they desperately need housing for their staff and teams. However, not long ago, God gave them a property where some of the staff already live. *We will be helping them build an additional 4 dormitories to house volunteers.* Cost approx 35k.



In Quibdo, our 1st focus will be the Fortress Foundation. This is a ministry that serves some 350 children in an area of Quibdo that even the army is afraid to enter. Their building suffered damage and needs to have new columns as well as rebuilding some walls. All of this as they have a daily feeding program for several hundred.

In both areas we will also be looking to where we can help with churches and homes, stepping in where people would otherwise fall through the cracks of government aid.

And One Last, More Cheerful Note

At long last, we can announce the date for the inauguration of The Father's House Gymnatorium! Recently we received donations that will allow us to put on the roof by year's end and have enough to put in most of the floors.

So, with the work teams that we have scheduled and trusting in God, we have set the ceremony for Friday August 20 next year, the church's 25th Anniversary.

We are look forward to celebrating what God has done!

Much Love!

Darren & Patty

Your contribution, big or small is so important to Patty, myself and the people we reach. Missions is only successful when a large team joins hands to reach across the world. *Please partner with us through your giving.*

Canada: Cheques made out to the: PAOC. With a note naming Darren & Patricia McCrea. PAOC, 2450 Milltower Court, Mississauga, ON, L5N 5Z6

For online donations - missionglobal.ca/darren-patty-mccrea

Memo should include: Designation of gift, donor's name, address and phone number to ensure receipt is correct.

USA: Make your check out to: "Mission Global USA." Please enclose a note mentioning Darren & Patty McCrea.

Mission Global USA, 27758 Santa Margarita Parkway #186
Mission Viejo, CA. 92691

Online in the USA - visit: <https://missionglobal.us/>
Select Donate, Fund - Global Workers and then Darren McCrea.



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.

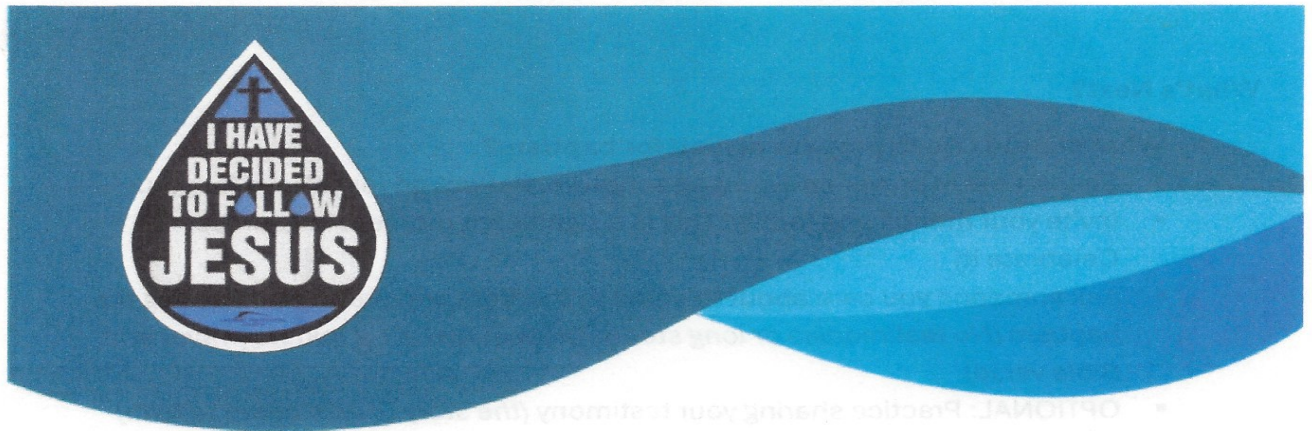
Signature

Date

Lacombe Pentecostal Church
40331 Range Road 27-1, Hwy 12, Lacombe, AB T4L 0E3
Phone (403)782-2966 or Fax (403)782-2961



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.

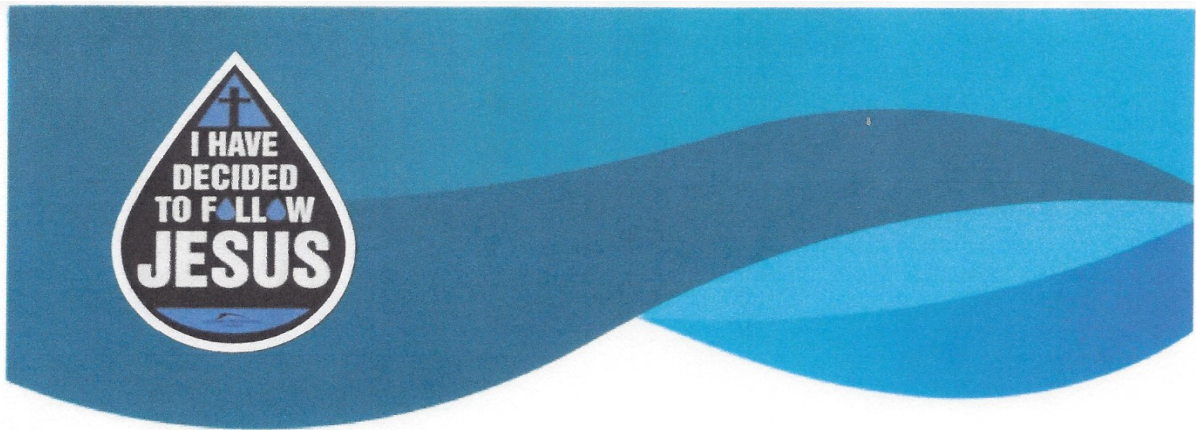
3. Can my family or friends be baptized together?

- 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

October 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Mom's Bk Stdy (9:30am) Prayer Group (7pm)	2 Youth (7pm) 4pm — Men's Retreat —	3 Pit Stop (8am)
4 Pre-Service Prayer (9:15am) Worship Service (10am) — 1pm	5 Platinum Friends (11am) Gr 5&6 Bible Study (4:15) Loving God & Others (7pm)	6 Ladies Bible Study (9:15am) Freedom Session (6:30pm)	7 Anchor Kids (6:15pm) Life of the Messiah (7pm) Men's Group (7:45pm)	8 Prayer & Play (9:30am) Prayer Group (7pm)	9 Youth (7pm)	10
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