

Welcome to Rosedale

Sunday June 23, 2013

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Musical Praise & Worship

Junior Church

Family Prayer

Scripture Reading..... Acts 9:32-43

Message..... Pastor John Bellingham

“THE IMPACT OF A GOSPEL-CENTRED LIFE”

Closing Song

Benediction

Into the world to live and witness for the Lord

Memory Verses for Junior Church:

Younger Elementary:

Review: Matthew 22:37-39; Exodus 20:3; “You shall not make for yourself a carved image.”
Exodus 20:4a

Middle Elementary:

“But in fact God has arranged the parts of the body just as he wanted them to be.” 1 Corinthians 12:18

Pray for the Persecuted Church

Christian Families in Laos face Expulsion

Laos is a mountainous country located between Thailand and Vietnam which has been under Communist rule since 1975. Recently Christian families in two villages have been ordered to leave their homes because of their decision to follow Jesus. In another village, a growing indigenous church has come under attack, including threats of violence from the local police.

- Please pray for our brothers and sisters in Laos that God will give the courage and resilience they need to share Christ’s love with their enemies.
- Pray for the governing officials in these villages, that God would change their hearts and draw them to saving faith in Jesus Christ.

Families of the Week

Please remember to encourage and pray for the following families this week.

<u>Monday</u>	Meinzinger, Julius & Mary
<u>Tuesday</u>	Metcalf, Kris & Michelle Keegan, Oliver, Jonas, Rael
<u>Wednesday</u>	Miller, Russell & Wendy
<u>Thursday</u>	Morgan, Terry
<u>Friday</u>	Morog, Matt & Pauline
<u>Saturday</u>	Morey, Eric

Rosedale Baptist Church



Reaching up....

Reaching in....

Reaching out...

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This Week at Rosedale

Tuesday: Men's Bible Study – 9:30am

Wednesday: Prayer Meeting – 7:00pm

Friday: College & Careers – 6:30pm

Saturday: Ladies Bible Study – 8:00 am
Niagara Prayer Group – 9:30am

Membership Classes: Membership classes will be starting soon. If interested please contact Pastor John.

Worship on the Water: The Evangelical Churches of Welland have organized an outdoor worship service on the 'IlluminAqua' stage, July 7th at 6pm. Come worship with brothers and sisters from across our city and invite a non-Christian friend!

Church Picnic: Our annual outdoor service in Memorial Park is scheduled for July 14. More details to follow!

Church Directory Update: Please note the following changes in your directory:

- David Denis – 289-690-3283

- Gaston and Kim Denis – 289-697-0303

Joe Nagy will be taking new photos for an updated directory over the next few weeks.

The Impact of a Gospel-Centred Life

Acts 9:32-43

- This passage is a transitional section in the book of Acts which switches the focus from Saul's ministry in Damascus to Peter's ministry outside of Jerusalem.

- Luke introduces us here to a wonderful Christian woman named Tabitha who made a dramatic impact the Lord through her life, death and resurrection:

I. The Impact of Her Life (v. 36)

- 1) Tabitha was widely known for being "full of good works and acts of charity"
 - a. She was a woman of significant means
 - b. She may have hosted the church in her home
 - c. Her care for the 'widow' reflects the heart of God who seeks justice for the most vulnerable members of society
 - d. Tabitha embodies true Biblical womanhood (cf. Proverbs 31:20)
- 2) Luke intentionally affirms the role of women within the Local Church (Tabitha, Lydia, Pricilla)
- 3) Do we have a reputation for 'words' or 'works'?
 - a. We are saved by grace alone through faith alone (Eph 2:8-9)
 - b. The faith that truly saves is always accompanied by good works. (Eph 2:10)

II. The Impact of Her Death (vv. 37-40)

- 1) The widows of the church were deeply grieved because of their tremendous loss
- 2) The Church was exercising amazing faith!

- a. The hopeful disciples send for Peter
 - b. Tabitha's body is laid in the upper room of the house in anticipation of a miracle
 - c. Peter comes to them with no arm-twisting
- 3) Do we serve the Church of Jesus Christ in such a way that our departure would be deeply grieved by the entire body?

III. The Impact of Her Resurrection (vv. 41-43)

- 1) This miracle connects Peter's ministry with the ministries of Jesus (cf. Luke 8:41-55), Elijah (1 Kings 17:17-24) and Elisha (2 Kings 4:32-37)
- 2) The miracle of Tabitha's resurrection advanced the gospel mission of the Church in Joppa
- 3) Do people here in Welland know that you've been raised from death to life?

Sermon Notes: