# Welcome to Rosedale

Sunday September 6th, 2015

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Musical Praise & Worship

Family Prayer

Scripture Reading..... Mark 5:21-43

Message..... Pastor John Bellingham

#### **FAITH IN DESPERATE TIMES**

Lord's Table

**Final Song** 

Benediction

## **Memory Verses for Junior Church:**

## **Younger Elementary:**

Review: John 21:19, Acts 1:8a, Joshua

24:18b, Galatians 5:13b

### **Middle Elementary:**

"Sing for joy to God our strength; should aloud to the God of Jacob!" - Psalm 81:1

# **Missionary of the Week**

### **Brenda Matthews - TEAM**

"A lot has happened since I wrote last month. The short version is that I had a good trip to La Paz, I received the travel permission and made the trip to Arequipa, Peru and back with my belongings, I have my Temporary Residency card, and I have my Driver's License. I have begun looking for a vehicle, for a smart phone, and for housing and am enjoying meeting people, learning about the culture, and participating at the El Faro church. I'm so grateful for your prayers and God's answers!"

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# **Families of the Week**

Please remember to pray for and to encourage the following people this week

**Monday** Gagnon, Denise

<u>Tuesday</u> Gilbert, Roger & Natasha

Abigail, Sabrina

**Wednesday** Goulet, Don

**Thursday** Gyugyei, Andy & Hilda

**Friday** Jean, Dorothy

**Saturday** John, Aileen

# ROSEDALE BAPTIST CHURCH



Reaching up....

Reaching in....

Reaching out...

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# This Week at Rosedale

<u>Tuesday:</u> Men's Bible Study – 9:30 am

Board Meeting - 7:00 pm

Wednesday: Prayer and Praise – 7:00 pm

Saturday: Ladies' Bible Study – 8:00 am

Sunday: Christian Foundations – 9:00 am

Corporate Worship – 10:30 am

Sandwich Sunday

Life's Healing Choices – 6:30 pm

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Men's Retreat: Our annual men's fishing retreat with Bradford Baptist Church will be happening the last weekend of September in Parry Sound. The speaker this year is Pastor Roy MacGregor from First Baptist, Collingwood. If interested in coming please speak to Pastor John.

<u>Understanding Islam</u>: One of our supported missionaries (Thabet Megaly) has started teaching a six week course on Islam. The course will meet on Tuesdays from 7:30 – 9:00 pm at Family Church in St. Catharines.

Celebrate Recovery Family Day: Join in the fun and learn a bit more about Celebrate Recovery. Hear some great music and testimonies. Donations will be accepted to help support the ministry of CR. Saturday September 12<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 – 2pm.

<u>Life's Healing Choices:</u> Beginning Sunday September 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm, Sue St. Amour will be teaching an introductory seminar to Celebrate Recover. Please speak to Sue for more information.

# Faith In Desperate Times - Mark 5:21-43

### I. A Desperate Father (vv. 21-24)

- 1) Jairus' Plea for Help
  - a. His twelve year old daughter was on the brink of death
    - i. In Jewish culture a girl became a woman at the age of 12
    - ii. This story reveals the tender heart of a parent for a child
  - b. As the synagogue leader, Jairus must have known the consequences of coming to Jesus
    - i. Nicodemus came to Jesus secretly at night to avoid getting caught (John 3)
    - ii. Jairus comes to Jesus openly in the day
  - c. Jairus' situation emphasizes the misery that sin has brought into the world
- 2) Jairus' faith in Christ's power to heal mirrors the faith and humility of Naaman (2 Kings 5)

### **Application:**

-Wealth, and respect do not place a person beyond the reach of sin's misery. "Possessions are not an antidote to sorrow, sickness and death." – J.C. Ryle - To experience Jesus' salvation we must humble ourselves like Jairus and admit that we can't 'fix' things on our own – like it or not, we all desperately need Jesus!

### II. A Desperate Woman (vv. 25-35)

- 1) An Unexpected Diversion
  - a. While Jesus is heading to Jairus' house a second desperate person approaches Him
    - i. Chronically 'unclean' because of her illness (most likely menstrual bleeding)
    - ii. Doctors made the situation even worse!

- b. The 'sandwich' structure of the text invites us to compare these two desperate situations:

  -Man vs. Woman; Wealthy vs. Poor;
  Respected vs. Rejected; 12 yr old Child vs.
  12 yr old Sickness
- c. The woman's faith is greater than Jairus' faith
  - i. Jairus asked Jesus to touch his daughter
  - ii. The woman just wanted to touch Jesus
    - 1. Faith in Christ caused the healing, not the superstitious touching of a cloth (cf. Acts 5:5, 19:12)
    - 2. Fulfillment of prophecy Malachi 4:2
    - 3. In the Old Testament defilement is contagious, but everything Jesus touches is made pure!
- d. The 'diversion' was all part of God's plan
  - i. Disciples were annoyed by the delay
  - ii. Was Jairus also upset with Jesus??
  - iii. Jesus' delay on the road resulted in a far greater miracle (cf. John 11:6)

### **Application:**

- Jesus was no respecter of persons He loved the unclean woman just as much as he loved Jairus
- Jairus' faith in Christ wasn't as strong as the woman's, but it was still saving faith. Even our weak and imperfect faith is acceptable to God!

# III. A Desperate Child (vv. 35-43)

- 1) Despair of the Mourners vs. Hope of Jesus
  - a. Mourners & Mockers: "it's too late!"
  - b. Jesus: "Do not fear, only believe."
- 2) The Miracle of Resurrection
  - a. Points us back in time to Elijah and Elisha
  - b. Points forward in time to the Resurrection of Jesus and of all believers