

“On Mission Together”

Saskatchewan Conference of MB Churches

Thrive Discipleship Program Update



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 DISCIPLESHIP PROGRAM

Greetings to all of our supporters and those who hold us up in prayer. May was a very busy month for Thrive as we pray for guidance on how best to replace Darryl Blazer, the man who was our President for 5 years. As we had announced earlier Darryl has moved on and is working back in his chosen profession of Finance. Darryl provided many years of excellent service to Thrive and while we regret his going we acknowledge that God has the best plan for us all and while we do not always know it or understand it we do accept it. Darryl will enjoy great success in whatever area the Lord leads him to work in.

The Thrive Board has been considering how best to proceed in filling the roles of President and Resident Directors. We ask for your prayers and support as we contemplate the future and how the Thrive program may be best served by determining what the various roles and responsibilities for our staff should be. There is much work to do in June and July to be ready to offer another year of programming this fall. I would ask again for your prayerful support that we may make wise decisions.

In other news the Thrive Program will be operating entirely within our own facility this fall. As you all know we sold the main portion of the campus to the Town of Hepburn about one year ago. For the 2021 / 2022 school year we rented some space from the Town in the main buildings. At the end of April we relocated entirely to our owned facility and we are considering what renovations may be needed in order for us to provide spaces for administration, teaching, as well as a kitchen. We do need to provide three meals a day to our students and our most excellent kitchen staff need a kitchen in order to prepare their excellent cuisine. Again your prayers and support for the Board would be greatly appreciated as we consider what work we should do.

As Thrive enters its seventh year we look back and see how the Lord has always provided, both in tools and the harvest. The Board has seen many challenges and trails, but we have also seen many successes. Successes in the lives of the young people who have been our students. It is our desire to see more such victories by helping young people embrace Christianity, learn what it is to be a disciple of Jesus Christ, go out into the world able to defend their faith, fight the good fight and run the race. I trust some of you share that vision and will continue to walk with us.

Sincerely,
 Clark Brotzell (OnBehalf of the Thrive Board)

Director's Calendar

June

- June 12 – Christian Fellowship Church (Lanigan)
- June 14 – NMT Mtgs
- June 16-26 – Vacation

July

- July 3 – Parkland Community Church (Yorkton)
- July 10 – Philadelphia MB Church (Watrous)
- July 17 – Riverbend Community Church (Borden)
- July 24 – Hepburn MB church
- July 31 – Hope Fellowship Church (Saskatoon) (TBA)

Please pray for traveling mercies.

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4 Questions to Ask in Every Season of Life

By Rick Warren



7 Early Warning Signs Your Heart Is Growing Hard in Leadership

By Carey Nieuwhof

Supporting SKMB Churches and Camps in Making Disciples

Redberry Run

The 2022 Redberry Run, held on May 14th, raised more money than last year, which was already an increase from the previous year. A total of just over \$70,000 was raised, which surpassed the \$65,000 raised last year! The money raised came from a combination of corporate sponsors and families or individuals who asked people to sponsor them as they walked, ran or biked on a course, which started and ended at Camp. The participants received prizes in proportion to the amount of money they raised.



This year the Run was combined with an open house where skill activities, such as pony rides, wall climbing, archery, canoeing, laser tag and skateboarding/scooters were available to all in attendance after a lunch of chili dogs and ribbon fries.

We plan to host the Run and Open House at Redberry, again next year.

The funds raised will be used to run programs throughout the year and during summer camps in July and August. Our summer camps begin on July 3rd and there is still time to register for many of our camps.

We are extremely thankful for the way in which friends of Redberry supported this event.

Thanks be to God!

Roland Thiessen
Executive Director
Redberry Bible Camp

How to Spot a Wolf

Recognize Abusive Church Leadership Before It's Too Late

By Rutledge Etheridge III



VIRTUAL CAFE

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SKMB Virtual Café



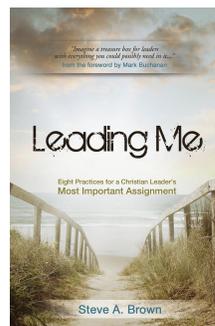
Each month we will be sharing ten resources – articles, webpages, books, etc. – that you can take advantage of to resource your ministry. [Click Here](#) to read the June resources.

Recommended Reading by DM

Leading Me

Steve A. Brown

Quotes from book:



"The biggest leadership challenge is you!"

"You can lead without character but character is what makes you a leader worth following."

"Our task is not to dream up a vision for our life, but to see Jesus' vision, understand the Father's strategy for our life, and live it."

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Celebrate!

Pastor/Leader & Spouse Retreat
October 17-20, 2022 ♦ Banff, Alberta

A time for Fellowship, Worship, Recreation, Testimony and Rest
The place you want to be!

Life Hikes:
Celebrating on the Peaks And in the Valleys
Trailhead ♦ Crux ♦ High Point ♦ Base Camp

"For everything there is a season, a time for every activity under heaven...
A time to cry and a time to laugh. A time to grieve and a time to dance."
Ecclesiastes 3:1,4

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2022 NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

GRACE TRUTH
JOHN 1:14-17

JUNE 9-11, 2022

We invite you to the National Assembly (*formerly Gathering*) as either a church delegate, member organization delegate or guest.

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