



WCAC Weekly

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WCAC Official Site:

WCAC.CA

Note from the Pastor

I was listening to an interview with John Lennox the other day, who just wrote a book called, "Where is God in a Coronavirus World?" In the interview, he spoke of a small family who had to deal with the tragedy of death. We are familiar with this family because they can be found in John chapter 11. In that account, Lazarus had died and Mary and Martha were left without their brother.

When Jesus arrives, Martha says to him, "If you had been here, my brother would

not have died." (NIV)

Jesus points her to the resurrection. But Martha says, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection..." This is an enormous comfort for the believer. We will see our loved ones again. Although, there is something more immediate about knowing Jesus. He goes on to say to Martha, "I am the resurrection and the life."

Later, Mary, who sat at the feet of Jesus in an earlier account, says, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." This

time Jesus weeps with her. Sometimes a theological answer is not what is needed, but rather reaching out and caring, and weeping with those who weep. This type of comfort is not a technical theological answer, but it is certainly theological. We can receive it and offer it to others.



Pastor Rob MacLean

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Coming Events

Online Sunday Service—watch stream at WCAC.CA

English Ministry:

Sunday Service

Livestream starts at 9:30 AM

Communion through Zoom after stream

Prayer Meeting

Thursday 8:00 PM through Zoom

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 ~ Children Sunday Service ~
 ~ 9:00 AM stream began at ~
 ~ WCAC.CA ~
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Cantonese Ministry:

Sunday Service

Livestream SCAC service starting at 9:30 AM

New link posted at

<https://www.scac.org/>

Prayer Meeting

Saturday 4:00 PM through WebEx and WhatsApp.

Cantonese ministry starting a 40 days Bible Study Plan. From Galatians to Titus. Brothers and Sister are welcomed to attend and share on the WhatsApp group.

Mandarin Ministry:

Sunday Service

Livestream start at 10:30 AM

Pastor Niu

Topic: Grow in Christ

Colossians 2 :6-12

Next week (5/10)

Brother Budong Yang

Verse: Matthew 6: 24

Sunday School

Seeker class 9:15 AM

Through Zoom

Other classes 11:30 AM

through WebEx and WeChat

Prayer Meeting

Thursday 7:30 PM through

WebEx

We've All Been Exposed -

We've all been exposed.
 Not necessarily to the virus
 (maybe...who even knows).
 We've all been exposed BY the virus.
 Corona is exposing us.
 Exposing our weak sides.
 Exposing our dark sides.
 Exposing what normally lays far be-
 neath the surface of our souls,
 hidden by the invisible masks we wear.
 Now exposed by the paper masks we
 can't hide far enough behind.
 Corona is exposing our addiction to com-
 fort.
 Our obsession with control.
 Our compulsion to hoard.
 Our protection of self.
 Corona is peeling back our layers.

Tearing down our walls.
 Revealing our illusions.
 Leveling our best-laid plans.
 Corona is exposing the gods we worship:
 Our health
 Our hurry
 Our sense of security.
 Our favorite lies
 Our secret lusts
 Our misplaced trust.
 Corona is calling everything into ques-
 tion:
 What is the church without a building?
 What is my worth without an income?
 How do we plan without certainty?
 How do we love despite risk?
 Corona is exposing me.
 My mindless numbing

My endless scrolling
 My careless words
 My fragile nerves.
 We've all been exposed.
 Our junk laid bare.
 Our fears made known.
 The band-aid torn.
 The masquerade done.
 So what now? What's left?
 Clean hands
 Clear eyes
 Tender hearts.
 What Corona reveals, God can heal.
 Come, Lord Jesus. Have mercy on us.
 - By Sarah Bourns Posted on ForEveryMom.com
 at March 24, 2020

Who We Are? The Christian and Missionary Alliance in Canada

The Christian and Missionary Alliance (the C&MA) in Canada is a group of approximately 440 local churches across Canada that aims to be a Christ-centred, Spirit-empowered, and Mission-focused movement in everything we do.

Our ultimate goal is to fulfill the Great Commission and bring Matthew 24:14 to fruition:
 "And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come."

The C&MA is taking steps to complete this mission by focusing on

least-reached people groups in the world. We aim to challenge our church members to live on mission with God, whether that be in a Canadian suburb or in a remote mountain village in Asia. Join us as we complete God's call to tell everyone about the Good News of Jesus Christ!

Source C&MA in Canada Website.

<https://www.cmacan.org/>



Update from WCAC Epidemic Response Team

Appreciation for WCAC frontline workers

We have 40 frontline medical workers at our church who are working directly with people affected by COVID-19. In the last two weeks, these frontline medical workers have received care packages from the WCAC Emergency Response Team (please see picture below). These care packages are a "special thank you" gift for medical workers at our church who, day in and day out, support the

health and wellness of individuals af-



ected by this virus. There are lot of stressors that comes with being a medical frontline worker including risking their own health, seeing the tragedy of patients dying from the virus, and having to self-isolate from family members to prevent risk of spreading the virus to family members. Despite all these difficult circumstances, they faithfully do their jobs everyday. To all our WCAC doctors, nurses, personal support workers, and pharmacists, THANK YOU!