



## ***Get Ready for Brighter Days!***

***Raise your expectation! Make up your mind and be thankful.***

***A better and brighter season of your life is about to begin! God is Good in all seasons.***



Seasons change but God Grace is constant. I pray that with this season change you will experience great changes for better. That the hand of God will rest upon you and family for favour.

Philippians 1:6; **“being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.”**

I pray that this year 2022, you will finish well with many testimonies. I stand with you in Faith that your heart will be encouraged and filled with joy as God Almighty does awesome things in your life.

I speak Righteousness, Peace, and Joy into your life situation and circumstances. The things that have made you cry will be turned to joy and laughter for you. Things that you thought will take you 10 years to achieve will be possible in one year because Divine Grace is available for you. God's Grace is sufficient for you.

May all you lay your hands on prosper in Jesus' name.

May God Bless your work. May God Bless your dreams and aspirations as they align with His will for you. May God bless your Children and help you raise them in Godly fashion and keep them safe.

This season, divine help will find you and you will flourish in every area of your life in the mighty name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen!

*-Pastor Gabriel Araba*



## In my Father's Shoe



My daughter asked to step outside into the beautiful morning Sunshine of Punta Cana, the lovely humid city in the Dominican Republic. As she eagerly prepared, trying to put her snug shoes on, I looked over and said-"why don't you put your dad's shoes on. It's quicker". And gleefully, she did and under a few seconds, she was outside, enjoying the sunshine and the hotel.

I suddenly stopped and realized; this is what I should do! Walk in my heavenly Father's shoes. Trust Him, trust His plans, trust that what He promised will be fulfilled. Now bigger shoes are likely not stylish, they may be difficult to walk in and you may get staring looks if you adorn yourself in them. But do God's instructions not feel that way sometimes?

In the bible, God told Abraham to sacrifice his son. Crazy!!! But Abraham obeyed. Ahhhhh!!! The part that caught My rapt attention lately was the part of the bible that says: "Now it came to pass after these things that God TESTED Abraham...

Genesis 22:1 NKJV

So every time the Lord asks us to do something- It's a test and who does not want to pass a test?

In this beautiful bible story, Abraham responds, Here I am! That is my heart desire. How about you? Obey without restraint. It's inconvenient at the moment, but the dividends last generations. I don't know about you but I am so zoned in to obeying God because I am done missing out of all the blessings that come with obedience.

Disobedience is the cause for some of our struggles, strife and pain.

Like my little girl, I want you to place my feet in those big shoes and move when he asks me to. I love the words of the song that says:

(I wanna give my best to you)  
(I wanna do what you ask me to)  
(I wanna go wherever you say)  
(Just say the word and I will obey)

So friends, in the words of my African, Caribbean kin- put dem feet in ya Fada's big shoes, man!  
Ya can't go wrong!

*Teni Araba*

## **WE REMEMBER YOUR SACRIFICE!**

**Served with a Selfless Heart. Served with Humility, Served with Bravery.**

*See some of the photos below of UBC veterans.*

We would like to take this time to appreciate the valiant service of Men and women who have served our country. Thanks be to God who have caused us to triumph in every way.

We are overcomers in Christ Jesus. Above only and never beneath. Called to be winner and chosen to be victorious always.



Richard Houghton- photo taking in Cypress Greece-1977 Border Patrol



Iris Chalmers, now 96 years old



Lorne Radke-Susan Van Atte and Shirlyanne Morission's Dad



Harold Johns (the shorter one) and his brother Dan Johns.

Harold joined the Royal



### You are invited to the Lord's Table

*Communion Sunday Service was on November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Thanks for your participation. Communion elements were provided for the in-person attendees. We implored online attendees to prepare their own bread or biscuit and Juice/wine to share the Holy Communion together. Charlotte Mandolesi and Pastor Gabriel prayed for the bread and wine and church family. We Give God all the thanks. God bless you.*

### IN-PERSON SUNDAY SERVICE & VIA ZOOM PLATFORM



United Baptist  
CHURCH

Our Sunday services will continue every Sunday at 10.30am on the zoom platform and in-person service as well.

Please be a part of this amazing time. Efforts are being made to make it available on YouTube as well. We will let you know. YouTube – Search **United Baptist Channel**.

All safety precautions are observed and we can look forward to an awesome time, every Sunday.

For online, Please join church services using the Zoom link below. Zoom link details:

**Meeting ID: 958 598 9328 and Passcode: YmvCuoXa!**

### Please join the in-person Bible study, Praise & Prayer Every Thursday at 6:30pm at the church main sanctuary.



To help care for the spiritual growth and soul revitalization of our family and friends, we have scheduled Thursday evenings as a time to **Recharge, Relax, Reactivate, Refresh and Revive** in the spirit, Soul, and body. It's always an awesome time.

**Time: 6:30pm to 7:45pm in the Main Sanctuary. It is interactive** 😊  
**Every first and third Thursday are dedicated to prayers, while the second and fourth are dedicated to Bible study.**

Please plan, pray, prepare, and invite others to attend. This is a great opportunity for our church to:

1. Stay connected with the Living word of God, which is **food for our Soul, Spirit and Light for us** which we require to grow effectively. Get Divine Wisdom and Understanding from God's word. Get Recharged and Activated by God's Spirit towards fulfilling your God-giving Purpose.

Psalm 119:105 : " Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path." John 6:35: "Then Jesus declared, **"I am the bread of life.** Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

2. This allows us to **be strong** and stay **in touch with God's Will**. James 5:16: "The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective."

***A Bible believing, Praying and Praising Church is a Victorious Church!***

God Bless you all.

Pastor Gabriel Araba



**IN OTHER NEWS...OCTOBER,2022**



**Spectacular, breathtaking, awe-inspiring** are only some of the words that come to mind to describe the incredible show of **colour the fall leaves** provided this year, reminding us of **God's hand** in all of creation.

And now, those very leaves are **rustling and swirling** in **chilling November winds**, bringing a taste of what, *inevitably*, is yet to come, as they follow the natural cycle of change. Similarly, your **Board of Deacons** and

**Board of Management** continue to meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month via Zoom, as they focus on the exciting growth and changes in the life of the UBC Church family .

**Some highlights:**

- Presentation by **Olaoluwa (Ola) Olatunbosun** regarding **CREO**, the first event on November 9<sup>th</sup> – teaching how to paint with watercolours, with pre-registration required.
- Presentation by **Jason Edgar** regarding requirements for **exterior signage** and available options - *additional research required before any decisions can be formulated.*
- Ongoing discussions regarding the **repair or removal** of bricks on the **Carillon Tower**.
- **Media Team Chair** asked to develop a **job description and budget** for a Media Technical Director.
- **Missionary Committee Chair position is vacant.** [Thank you to Verna Scott](#) for her many years of service as Chair of this Committee. Position details follow.
- Seeking a lead for a **Christmas Cheer Coordinator** for our church; UBC is a drop off depot for Christmas baskets. [Thank you to Orv Shackleton](#) for his many years of service as Chair of this committee. Position details follow.
- On October 24<sup>th</sup> to the 26<sup>th</sup>, **Pastor Gabriel and Teni** attended a **New Pastors' conference** in Toronto, hosted by the **Canadian Baptist of Ontario and Quebec**.  
Pastor Gabriel also attended a **Northern Association meeting of Pastors** on October 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>.
- Exploring the purchase of a **new projector and computer** to support the present computer.
- A **change in prayer meetings times**, now the first and third Thursday of the month.
- Placement of a **security camera and lighting** for the **south exterior door** was approved to **discourage after hours visitors**.
- As of September 30, 2022, year-to-date **Revenue** was \$116,647.67 and Expenditures were \$105,290.99. The overall **net income** was \$11,356.68.

**Lest We Forget**  
**11<sup>th</sup> November**





**Currie McPhail Circle** met on Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at Noon, with a brown bag lunch in the lower hall, attended by Shirlianne, Marie, Delverna, Virginia, Sharon, Sandra, and Steph, with Susan chairing and all warmly welcoming Grace and Roletta.

**Some highlights:**

\*General Account Balance-**\$726.95**

\***Verna** retiring after serving faithfully as **Mission Rep** for many years-**THANK YOU!**

\* **Iris Chalmers** has moved to Pathways and **Nolen Olsen** to Collegiate Heights.

\***Chili** was made at the church on October 18<sup>th</sup>, **Squares** cut and packaged on Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> followed by making and packaging **Pumpkin Crunch** – *thanks to all who donated and helped.*

\***Donations** for the **NOV 12<sup>th</sup> sale** are being accepted on **Thursday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>** by Meghan in the office 9:00-Noon and in the lower hall until **3:00pm**, with **Baking accepted on Friday 11<sup>th</sup>, starting at 9:30am.**

**If you haven't yet reserved your spot for shopping, contact Susan at 705-882-1369.**

**Missions** has always been an integral part of **Canadian Baptists of Ontario and Quebec's** focus and the UBC Church family has a history of being generous supporters over the many years.

As a church family, we offer our **most sincere thanks to Verna Scott**, who for health has chosen to step down as **Missions Co-ordinator**, after many years of faithful service.



reasons,

With that position now **open for a new Co-Ordinator** to take the lead, following is Verna's description of what it all entails: **Please speak to Pastor Gabriel if you are interested.**

*During the last few years, the church missions have changed. We used to be more involved with missions out side the Sault. We used to have missionaries come to the church. We supported other projects all over the world. Now most things are local except Camp Norland which we still support and get a newsletter from. Also, Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child. In the past we set up a display and people took home a box and filled it for a child in a under development country. This year you can make a donation or have them do your box on line. SamaritansPurse.ca, I have left a catalog on the table in the lobby that you can order from. I have stepped down from the position of Mission coordinator on the board of Management. I hope someone volunteers to take over. -Verna Scott*



**Christmas Cheer** has been providing support for families in need during the Christmas Season for over 50 years, with food vouchers and toys for children in the family.

UBC has for any years, been a depot where those who have applied, can pick up their baskets. **Orv Shackleton** has been our liaison for this *continuing and growing, great need* in our community. Our **most sincere thanks to Orv** who has skillfully managed the details, *not even deterred by the challenge of Covid in recent years.*

In Orv's words

*"We at United Baptist have been a Christmas Cheer depot for many years. We are looking for two or more volunteers to take over the duties of handing out boxes of cheer to those who have qualified.*

*It happens this year dec.14th, between 12 & 2 from our basement. For more info call Orv at 705-206-2737."*

Orv Shackleton





*“Then I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will lead you with knowledge and understanding”.  
(Jeremiah 3:15)*

*This entire scripture is loaded with components that can be totally relevant to us all, but I’d like us to take a look at one word. The word “Shepherd”. I’m not sure how many of us here are familiar with farming but I looked up the duties of a Shepherd and I was amazed at how relevant the use of the word was to our lives right here in this Church. Allow me to give you a quick example of the main duties of a Shepherd.*

*A shepherd is responsible for the welfare and safety of the flock, taking care of them, ensuring that they remain protected. The Shepherd guides the flock to nourishment. He uses whatever is appropriate to guard his flock, keeping them safe from harm. The Shepherd protects the health of his flock and if they happen to fall ill, he administers the necessary medication to bring them back to good health.*

*Whilst I outlined the physical duties of a Shepherd to his sheep, we can appropriate every single action to what our Pastor and his wife does. Every responsibility that I just listed, I have personally witnessed and experienced from these two amazing individuals.”*

The above is an excerpt of a piece written by Nicole Rahaman as a tribute to Pastor Gabriel and his wife Teni and presented to them on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2022 along with a token of love, a beautiful rendition by the Worship Team of Pastor’s favourite song and a delicious cake that was enjoyed by all.

As a member of the association of churches under the umbrella of the Canadian Baptists of Ontario and Quebec (CBOQ), we chose to celebrate our Pastor and his wife on that day. The CBOQ designated October as the month ‘to let pastors know how much they are appreciated’ and whilst words and action can never truly express our gratitude to Pastor Gabriel and Teni, we wanted to show them that they are true treasures to us.

Once again, we extend deepest gratitude to our Shepherds, Pastor Gabriel Araba and Teni Araba. May our Heavenly Father continue to bless and keep you. May His Love and Grace continue to flow into and through your lives. On behalf of the Board of Deacons, Board of Management and the entire congregation.

we say, “We love and appreciate all that you do. Thank you!”