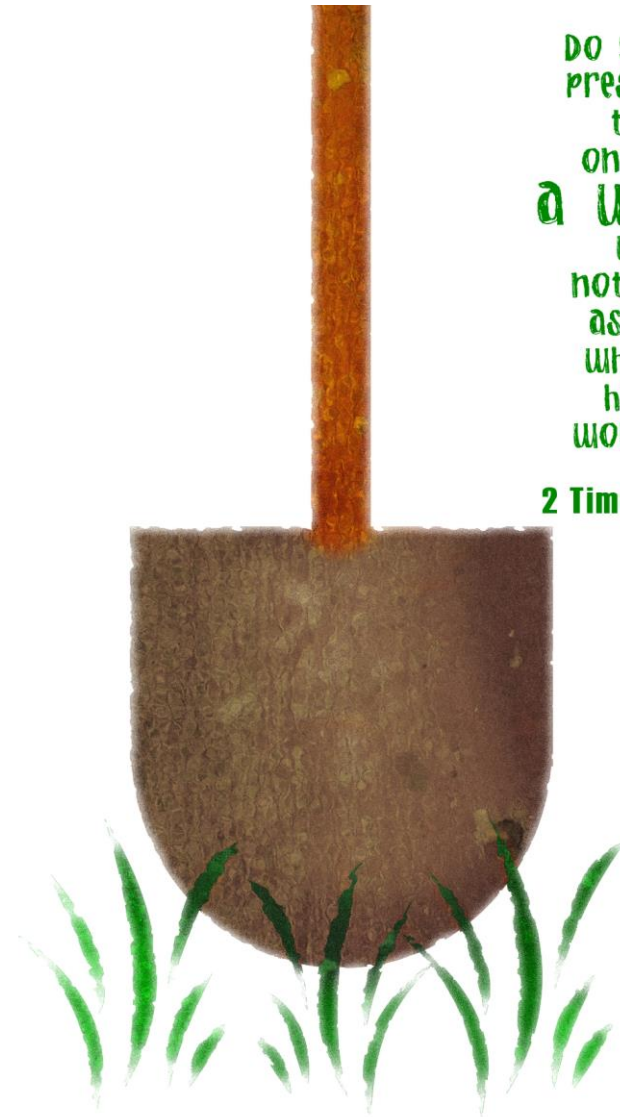


## TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

### Acts 17:1-15 (NIV)

- 1 When Paul and his companions had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where there was a Jewish synagogue.
- 2 As was his custom, Paul went into the synagogue, and on three Sabbath days he reasoned with them from the Scriptures,
- 3 explaining and proving that the Messiah had to suffer and rise from the dead. "This Jesus I am proclaiming to you is the Messiah," he said.
- 4 Some of the Jews were persuaded and joined Paul and Silas, as did a large number of God-fearing Greeks and quite a few prominent women.
- 5 But other Jews were jealous; so, they rounded up some bad characters from the marketplace, formed a mob and started a riot in the city. They rushed to Jason's house in search of Paul and Silas in order to bring them out to the crowd.
- 6 But when they did not find them, they dragged Jason and some other believers before the city officials, shouting: "These men who have caused trouble all over the world have now come here,
- 7 and Jason has welcomed them into his house. They are all defying Caesar's decrees, saying that there is another king, one called Jesus."
- 8 When they heard this, the crowd and the city officials were thrown into turmoil.
- 9 Then they made Jason, and the others post bond and let them go.
- 10 As soon as it was night, the believers sent Paul and Silas away to Berea. On arriving there, they went to the Jewish synagogue.
- 11 Now the Berean Jews were of more noble character than those in Thessalonica, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true.
- 12 As a result, many of them believed, as did also a number of prominent Greek women and many Greek men.
- 13 But when the Jews in Thessalonica learned that Paul was preaching the word of God at Berea, some of them went there too, agitating the crowds and stirring them up.
- 14 The believers immediately sent Paul to the coast, but Silas and Timothy stayed at Berea.
- 15 Those who escorted Paul brought him to Athens and then left with instructions for Silas and Timothy to join him as soon as possible.

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**2 Timothy 2:15, NIV**

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Welcome and Announcements

Songs of Praise	10,000 Reasons Holy, Holy, Holy
Scripture Reading	Acts 17:1-15 (Tina Kort)
Tithes and Offerings	
Songs of Praise	Jesus Loves Even Me All The Way My Savior Leads Me
KIDZ Church	Kids dismissed
Pastoral Prayer	
Message	The Bereans
Closing Praise	Standing On The Promises
Benediction	

"But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night." Psalm 1:2 NIV



**Praise Items:**

\* We are thankful and praise God for all the new and current members sitting on our church's Boards and Committees and pray God will guide and direct them in all their decisions in 2023.

**Prayer Items:**

- \* Please be in prayer for our Search Committee as they begin the process of searching for an Associate Pastor of Worship and Youth Ministries in the new year.
- \* Please pray God's blessing on our sister church, Grace Baptist Church in Mississauga.
- \* Please pray for our CBM missionaries, Bruno, and Kathleen Soucy and new missionary, Kathryn Scott, all serving in Latin America (Bolivia and Guatemala).

**Send praise and prayer requests to**  
**office[at]grimsbybaptist.org**

Thank-you for supporting the ministry of our church with your tithes and offerings.



January 11, 2023	Wednesday Evening Bible Study (7:00 p.m.)
January 16, 2023	Women's Bible Study (1:00 p.m.)
<b>January 17, 2023</b>	Deacons Board Meeting (7:00 p.m.) - note change of date
January 22, 2023	Spaghetti and Meatball Luncheon
January 30, 2023	Congregational Church Family Meeting (7:30 p.m.)



## Women's Bible Study

**Starting Monday, January 16, 2023  
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.**

The Women's Bible Study group will be studying Dr. David Jeremiah's new study entitled "The World of the End: How Jesus' Prophecy Shapes Our Priorities". This is not a study of prophecy but rather a study of how to live in these sometimes-discouraging times in the light of God's Word. The format will be a video and group discussion.

Dr. Jeremiah's book on the subject is in our church library to preview. The cost of the study guide is \$12.00 but do not let the cost be a hindrance to joining the group (please speak to Michelle).

Please sign the sheet at the Welcome Desk if you plan to attend.

Leader: Michelle Cline

### **Wednesday Evening Winter Bible Study**

**“How to Read the Bible for All Its Worth”**

By Gordon D. Fee and Douglas Stuart

The Wednesday evening Bible Study will be starting up this coming Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Room. Please sign the sheet on the Welcome Desk if you plan to attend. The cost of the study book is \$30.

### **CBM Prayer Line - From Jennifer Lau, CBM Executive Director**

Please pray for:

- ❖ Our global church partners who are so incredibly resilient. It is hard for us here in Canada to even imagine what it is like to be the Church in the circumstances that they must face each day. In the face of conflict, disasters both natural and human made, and extreme human need, they continue faithfully being the hands and feet of Christ, sharing and living out the gospel in the most challenging circumstances imaginable. Please pray for local churches around the globe. Give thanks for how they are ministering to their communities in the most difficult circumstances, often with few resources.
- ❖ CBM is actively in conversation with new partners, in countries where we feel God is opening up opportunities to come alongside the ministry of local churches on the ground. We were thrilled to begin a new ministry in Togo this year. There are several more on the horizon. Please pray for our new partners. As well, pray for CBM, as we navigate and discern where God is leading us in this next season.
- ❖ The arrival of winter brings increased hardship for people in cold weather countries who must now deal with frigid temperatures, including homeless people here in Canada. This is also true for refugees or displaced people in other places, including Ukraine, where there is unreliable electricity due to the war. Please pray for the dedicated men and women on the front lines of churches and other ministries serving people around the world through this winter. May God continue to protect the vulnerable and give us generous hearts to help wherever we can. Thank you again for your prayers.

### **2023 Church Envelopes and Updated Church Directory**

If you are new to our church and would like to have church envelopes for your tithes and offerings, please contact Joanne at the church office as soon as possible. Also, the updated church directory is available at the Welcome Desk. Please contact Joanne at the church office if your information is incorrect or if you would like to be added to the directory. Thanks!