PROGRAM

MINISTERS GATHERING & 93rd DISTRICT CONFERENCE

MG 2022

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BANFF, ALBERTA MARCH 28-31, 2022 PAOC ALBERTA & NWT DISTRICT



WELCOME

Years ago, an insurance salesman told me that life insurance was based on the New Testament principle of sharing a loss: bear one another's burdens (Galatians 6:2). I don't know if you agree with his statement about insurance, but in Christian ministry, Jesus intended that you have access to counsel, backup when you are in a predicament, and stability occasioned by spiritual covering - all through being part of the body of Christ.

MG22 is spotlighting, **TOGETHER**. In this world you will have trouble, but you are intended to have backup as you go through it. "If one falls down, his friend can help him up. But pity the man who falls and has no one to help him up! Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone? Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken." Ecclesiastes 4:10-12 (NIV).



Gary Taitinger District Superintendent

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MAIN SCHEDULE



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Children's programming is available for children (Ages 1 to Grade 12) during the main sessions.

Preschool programming (Ages 1-5) is in the Lynx Salon. **Elementary** programming (Grades 1-5) is in the Den Room. Preschool and Elementary drop-off is 15 minutes before each service.

Please pick up your child immediately following the close of the service.

Youth (Grades 6-12) meet in the Glacier Salon at the start of each session. The morning sessions are in the Glacier Salon, and in the evening they will go off-site.

PK PARTY

Students in Grades 1-12 meet us at The Den Room at 5:30 PM on Wednesday for dinner off-site, bowling, and loads of fun!

WOMEN'S LUNCH

Doors open at 12:15 PM at the Black Bear Room for this sold-out, pre-ticketed event. We look forward to lunch and our time together with special guest speaker, Patti Miller.

ACTIVITIES

New this year, we have a range of ways to have fun and explore the local area together. See the activities schedule on Page 5 for a full list of things to do with your afternoons.

MONDAY, MARCH 28

1:00 PM Registration
[Glacier Salon]
4:00 PM Hotel Check-

4:00 PM Hotel Check-in Session 1

Session 1
[Ballroom]

9:00 PM After Party [Second Floor]

TUESDAY, MARCH 29

9:00 AM Prayer Ministry [Glacier Salon]

10:00 AM Session 2

12:30 PM Women's Lunch

Ticketed [Black Bear]

Enjoy Banff

7:00 PM Session 3

9:00 PM After Party [Second Floor]

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30

9:00 AM Prayer Ministry [Glacier Salon]

10:00 AM Session 4 and

District Conference

12:30 PM Enjoy Banff 5:30 PM PK Party

[The Den]

7:00 PM Session 5

9:00 PM After Party [Second Floor]

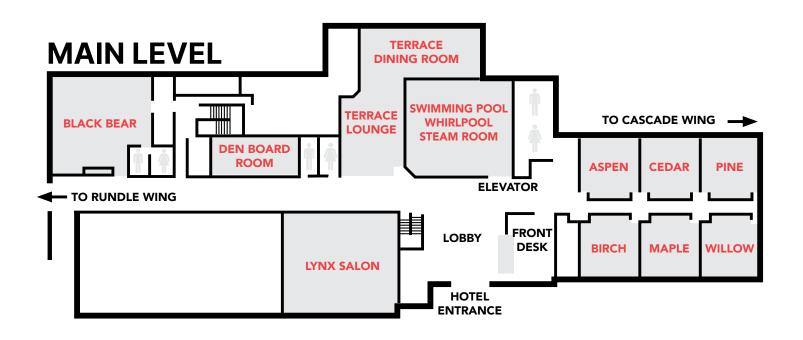
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9:00 AM Prayer Ministry [Glacier Salon]

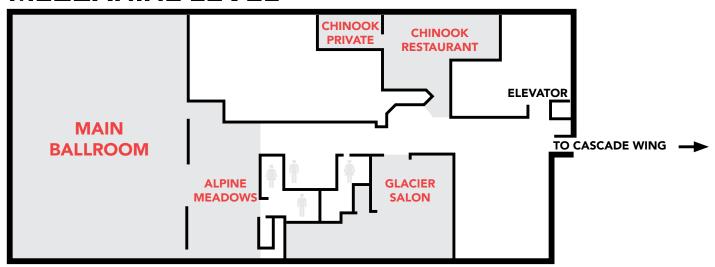
10:00 AM Session 6

11:00 AM Hotel Check-Out 12:00 PM See you next year!





MEZZANINE LEVEL



OUR GWESTS



PATTI MILLER

Born and raised in a small-town, Patti pastored in urban settings in Ontario for 21 years before moving to become the Lead Pastor of Evangel Church in downtown Montreal in 2015. Having previously completed a Sociology Degree, she is now working towards an MTS at Master's Pentecostal Seminary. She serves on the PAOC General Executive. She and her trucker-husband, Jeff, have been happily married for almost three decades. Patti is a storyteller who loves Jesus, local churches, and her real-life neighbours.



JIM CARUSO

After working as a professional welder, business owner, and paramedic, Jim felt God's call into full-time ministry. Over the last 39 years, he has pastored 8 churches in BC and travelled and ministered in 8 different countries. Before his retirement from Richmond Pentecostal Church in January 2020, Jim served as a volunteer chaplain for the RCMP, a volunteer firefighter, a Critical Incident Stress Debriefing and Crisis facilitator, trauma counsellor, Salvation Army volunteer, and a volunteer with Emergency Social Services Operations. Jim has a master's degree from Trinity Western University and a Doctor of Ministry in Semiotics and Future Studies from George Fox Seminary in Portland, Oregon. Jim and Elaine will soon celebrate 50 years of marriage and have two married children and six grandchildren.



JASON BALLARD

Jason is a lead pastor at a new church in Vancouver, called the Way Church. He is a part of the team at Alpha and leads the Canadian Church Leaders Network which help create resources to serve the church in Canada and around the world. Jason is also one of the hosts of the Youth Alpha Film Series. He hosts a podcast called the Canadian Church Leaders Podcast which shares honest conversations to encourage pastors in Canada. Jason and his wife Rachael have three kids - Hudson, Mary and Millie.



MICHAEL LARSON AND TEHILLAH WORSHIP

Michael is a Canadian worship leader, songwriter, and pastor. As a composer, he is most well-known for the worship song "Freedom Reigns," which has been recorded by churches and worship leaders internationally. One of Michael's greatest mandates is to see worship leaders and artists released into all that God has for them. Michael, along with his wife Jennie and two kids, have served at First Assembly Church in Calgary since 2010. Michael also leads a collective of musicians called, Tehillah Worship. Tehillah Worship's fourth album, called "Family Dinner," is now available on all streaming platforms.

TOGETHER SAFELY

We want to ensure that every conference attendee feels safe and the hotel staff and other guests can observe our large group following the health guidelines.

In light of that, we ask that you adhere to the following safety guidelines:

WASH YOUR HANDS

Wash or sanitize your hands at sanitization stations regularly.

Maintain a physical distance where possible. Use your "social distance comfort" wristbands to navigate your own comfort interacting with those around you.

Please consume food and beverage at the tables or in your seats. Refrain from walking around while you snack.

MASKS ARE OPTIONAL
Masks are no longer required, but you're welcome to wear
a mask as you feel comfortable. Please respect everyone's
personal choice to wear a mask.

Everybody is at a different comfort level when it comes to handshakes, hugs or high fives. This is why we've provided you with a wearable item that will help others see what you're comfortable with as you interact with those around you.

HUGS, HANDSHAKES AND HIGH FIVES
Wear this if you're comfortable with close contact.

AIR HIGH FIVES OR FIST BUMPS
Wear this if you'd like to maintain a bit of a bubble.

LET'S SMILE, WAVE AND HAVE A GOOD CHAT
This is a great one to wear if you'd like a bit of space but still want to connect with those around you.

ROOM SUBSIDY

MG 2022 Room Subsidy discounts will be applied at hotel check-out for qualified individuals who received a subsidy confirmation email prior to the event.

TIPS FOR MAKING THE MOST OF MINISTERS GATHERING

- 1 MEET SOMEONE NEW Don't be shy get to know new people.
- SLOW DOWN

 MG 2022 is designed to give you space to rest, be refreshed, enjoy long conversations with others, and not be rushed.
- SLEEP IN
 Sessions start later in the morning to give you extra time to rest, go for a walk, linger over breakfast, and take your time.
- UNPLUG
 Be intentional about turning on "out-of-office" replies, not checking your phone and email constantly. Be present in Banff, in the sessions, with others around you.
- God wants to speak to you during our set aside time in Banff. Open your heart, mind and spirit to sense, hear, and respond to what the Holy Spirit is leading and calling you to. Use the Refresh Renew Restore Devotional Guide for Ministers to record your thoughts.



Spend your afternoons here in the mountains going on a new adventure or kicking back and relaxing in the hotel. We have a variety of optional activities for you to enjoy as a way to meet new people and see more of the local area. All children under Age 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian when attending MG organized activities.



Scavenger Hunt

Discover Banff in a whole new way. Team up with others to solve riddles and track down the clues to win a fantastic prize!

Online: abnwt.regfox.com/banff-scavenger-hunt Time: Complete before 5 PM on Wednesday

TUESDAY



Tubing \$

Meet: At Mount Norquay Time: Tuesday, 2 PM Weather dependent Register before Tues at 12 PM

here: shorturl.at/lqBN4



Movie Party

Meet: Ballroom Time: Tuesday, 2 PM

With snacks and open seating

to watch.

WEDNESDAY



Lake Louise

Meet: Bus outside front of hotel Time: Wednesday, 2 PM Register before Weds at 12 PM

here: shorturl.at/lqBN4



Hot Chocolate Bar

Meet: Glacier Salon Time: Wednesday, 2 PM

Grab a beverage, to-stay or to-go, relax by the warm fire and play

some games.



RESTAURANT DISCOUNTS

Discounts off regular priced items from vendors listed below are available DURING THE CONFERENCE, March 28-31, 2022. Be sure to bring your name badge to present to the business when ordering.



Boston Pizza

15% OFF total bill



The Balkan 10% OFF total bill



Coyotes Southwestern Grill

10% OFF all entrees, breakfast,

lunch & dinner



The Maple Leaf

10% OFF total bill



El Toro Restaurant

10% OFF breakfast menu 20% OFF dinner menu (doesn't apply for beverages and food deals)



Chili's

FREE CHIPS and SALSA with any purchase of food or drinks



Masala 15% OFF total bill

ABNWT REPORTS



SUNDAY MORNING PIVOT DURING COVID

ABNWT churches were faced with unprecedented challenges as the world responded to a global pandemic. Creativity, innovation and faith took centre stage as churches pivoted their ministry strategies to reach people.

CHURCHES WITH REGULAR ONLINE SERVICES FIRST
TIME EVER
PROVIDING
AN ONLINE
SERVICE

INTEND TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE ONLINE SERVICES PROVIDED OUTDOOR SERVICES

PROVIDED DRIVE-IN SERVICES

98%

75%

88%

30%

17%

ONLINE ALTERNATIVES ACCESSED

The church never closed. It expanded its reach into the digital stratosphere as online options became normative.

32% Online Courses for New Believers

23% Alpha Online

63% Online Sunday School

59% Online Youth Groups

76% Online Small Groups

98% Churches with Regular Online Services

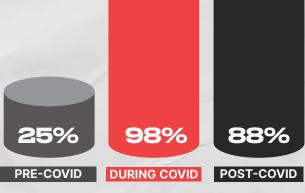


"We were surprised and delighted when the Chamber of Commerce awarded us 'Best Covid Pivot in 2021"

Stephen Valcourt, Abundant Life Church, Pincher Creek

CHURCHES WITH ONLINE SERVICES

Within one week of the mandatory stay at home order, over 100 churches had discovered ways to offer services online. Easter 2020 saw the largest online attendance ever.







"This past year has shown us that difficult times motivate people to search for God and meaningful relationships. We have seen our Alpha attendance triple, first time Sunday guests increase by 243% from the previous year, and 12,000 views/500 social media engagements for one of our bridge events."

Bert Faulkner, Westside Community Church, Lethbridge



"We saw God performing financial miracles during the last 2 years, as we finished both years with surplus even with the loss of people and being online for so long."

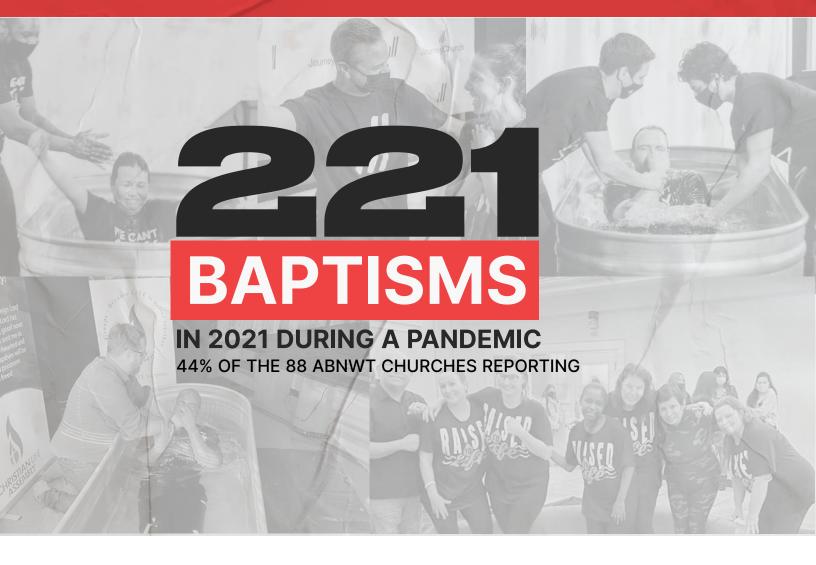
Pedro Pires, Connect Church, Edmonton



3 VIRTUAL PRAYER GATHERINGS



RECORDED SALVATIONS IN 2021 DURING A PANDEMIC 88 ABNWT CHURCHES REPORTING





"Our outbound focus resulted in our first baptisms in more than 10 years."

Stephen Laing, Oasis Church, Grand Prairie



21K UNIQUE VIEWS, 58K PAGE VIEWS

"At the 2-month period of the pandemic shutdown in 2020 we recognized that two necessary actions were required if we wanted to get through this successfully: a re-emphasis on discipleship and a restrengthening of pastoral care."

Murray Coughlan, Gospel Centre, Edmonton



EQUIP AND ENCOURAGE

IN 2021



"Our seniors made 22,000 sandwiches for Father's House in 2021."

Mike Love, Life Church, Edmonton

\$60K

IN CHURCH PARTNERSHIP FUNDING

PARTNERING CHURCHES AND PASTORS IN OUR ABNWT DISTRICT IN PRACTICAL AND MEANINGFUL WAYS

WAYS TO PARTNER WITH CHURCHES

SEND A SHORT TERM

MINISTRY TEAM

- CONTRIBUTE TO THE SALARY OF A STAFF HIRE
- 3 SHARE RESOURCES
- PROVIDE LEADERS TO HELP LAUNCH A NEW MINISTRY
- ADOPT A STRUGGLING CHURCH AND HELP IT THRIVE





CONSULTING

"In the midst of pandemic restrictions, we have experienced a renewed call to the Word of God and prayer!"

Naomi Keinzler, Northwest Pentecostal Assembly







"We bounced forward in 2021 with benevolent community engagement which led to salvations and church growth."

Jennifer Mitchell, Lighthouse Church, Stony Plain



"It's not our Sunday gathering that concerns the gates of hell. Its people who live Monday to Saturday in obedience to Jesus."

Dwayne Mitchell, Lakeview Church, Bonnyville



OF ABNWT CREDENTIAL HOLDERS UNDER 35 YEARS OLD 53 INDIVIDUALS OUT OF 491





Between October of 2020 and April of 2022, \$140,000.00 in food assistance was distributed to the community by Hay River Pentecostal Chapel and Dene Pentecostal Church through grants received from Community Food Centres Canada.

Sam Acey, Hay River Pentecostal Church

CREDENTIALS REPORT

TOTAL NUMBER OF ABNWT CREDENTIAL **HOLDERS**

as of January 31, 2022











Credential actions since the 2021 PAOC ABNWT District Conference through January 19, 2022.

ORDINATIONS & CANDIDATES



Children's and Family **Ministries Assistant** Vanguard College

Young Adults Pastor

North Pointe Community



Lead Pastor Saints Church



Worship Pastor Abundant Life Worship Centre, Slave Lake



Children's Ministry Lead Church Edmonton



Pastor North Pointe Comm.



Assistant Pastor, Hope City Church - Kingsway Campus, Edmonton

NEW APPLICANTS



Ryley Ankney Next Generation Director Family Christian Centre Fort McMurray



Associate Pastor Family Worship Centre Whitecourt



Lem Moses Lighthouse Fellowship



Becky Bradbury Co-Founder and Director of Initiatives of Next Step



Craig Hill **Executive Director Calgary Dream Center**



Amy Skinner Children's Ministry Director Journey Church





Imagine Church, Calgary



Susan Tam Small Groups Coordinator Advance Church Calgary



Children's Pastor **Edmonton Korean Full** Gospel Church



Amy Lang YA/Worship Coordinator **Executive Admin. Assistant**



Seth Wenger of Music and Media Family Christian Centre Fort McMurray

TRANSFER IN



Felix (and Maria) Barroeta



Stephen Best Airdrie





Barbara Day



Fred Day



Jacques Lor Christian Life Assembly Peace River



Terry Martin Lead Pastor The Worship Center Grande Prairie



James MacKnight Adjunct Faculty at Vanguard College and Masters
College & Seminary



Lead Pastor Westside Community Church, Calgary

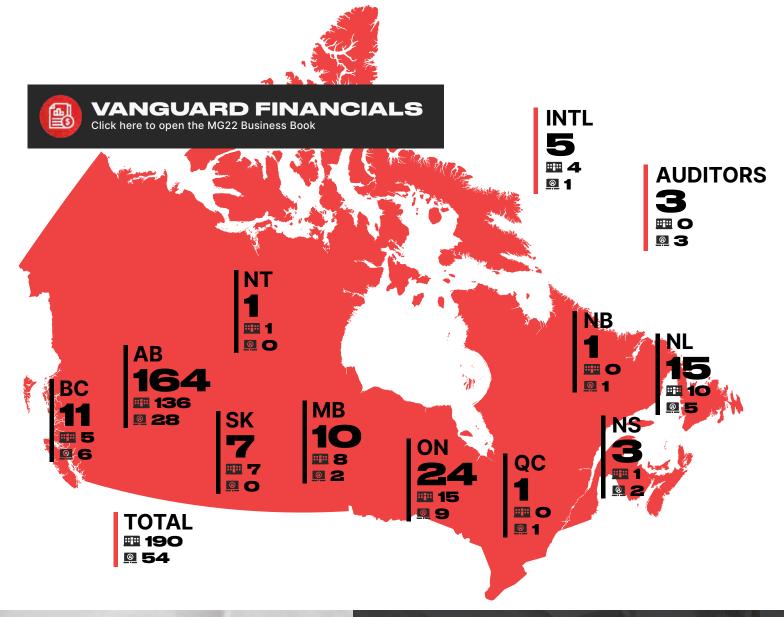


Jamie-Lee Tyler Assistant Pastor Bridges Church Calgary



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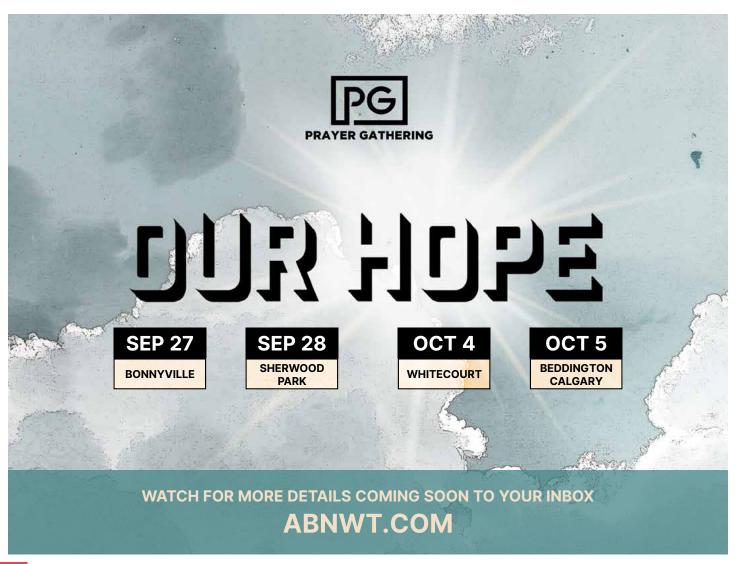
Revenues from all areas saw a slight

INCREASE IN 2021

BIBLE
CHARACTERS
AND CARDS

created in MANDARIN, SPANISH, CREE [in progress]











WE ARE HERE 10 Serve

The PAOC ABNWT District is your resource centre to help you lead and grow a health church and ministry. We are here to serve you as you navigate this season of leadership.

REVITALIZATION

Church Online and Digital Engagement
First Impressions and Assimilation
Discovery Weekend and Ongoing Coaching
Discipleship Pathway Development
Discipleship Pathway Training
Community Engagement
Outreach Strategy Development
Children's Resources, Training and Curriculum
Youth/Young Adult Ministry Development

PERSONAL WELLNESS

Leadership Coaching Leadership Development Mental Health and Pastoral Care Ministry Placements Church Transitions Chaplaincy Support Parachurch Support

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