

# The official newsletter of Strathmore Alliance – Men’s ministry

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**Food for thought:** As we enter a new year, we should all reflect on the free gift of God’s many blessings including the freedom to spend as much time as we choose with our Savior. Many Christians have given their lives for this very reason.

1 Peter 5:10 “And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.”

The men’s ministry has the following elements:

- Men’s Bible Study
- Men’s Prayers
- Men’s Breakfast

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## 1. Men’s Bible Study

**Each Wednesday mornings at 6:30 am at the church.**

Everyone is welcome to join in to study His word verse by verse. After the study the men meet at McDonalds for breakfast and a time of great fellowship. Breakfast generally starts at 8:00 am, so if you cannot make the Bible study join in for breakfast. Contact – Rob Desjardins 934-6866.

## 2. Men’s Prayers

**Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm.**

Contact is Carlo Paoliello 361-9780

## 3. Men’s Breakfast:

### Bring a friend, or two !!

8:00am on the first Saturday of each month at the church.



*Up and coming breakfast meetings:*

### March 7

Speaker – Art Yerex

### April 4

Resurrection Breakfast. At the Red and White club in Calgary. Cost is \$25 per ticket. PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS WILL REPLACE OUR REGULAR MEN’S BREAKFAST. “Sponsor a friend”

### May 4

Speaker – to be announced.

**June** - Mark your calendar for June 20/09 (Saturday), Wrap up Men's Breakfast with keynote speaker

Wagdi Iskander a Sudanese Bedouin with a shocking story of converting to Christianity as a Muslim in a Muslim dominated society - you won't want to miss this!



#### 4. Outreach Ministries:

##### **Community Service:**

We received a moving testimony in January and learned that the Strathmore Youth Centre is in desperate need of volunteers and finances. Is there a man amongst us that is willing to be our representative to liaison for this worthy cause. Contact Simon Vanderploeg at 403-934-4481 for details.

##### **Newsletter:**

Please let Cliff Dawson-North know if you have any items of interest to be added to the newsletter. Cliff's email address is [lncdawsonor@efirehose.net](mailto:lncdawsonor@efirehose.net) and his phone number is 936-3140.

##### **Social Committee:**

Contact Chris Permann with any input or ideas. His phone number is 403-901-2785.



## Topics of Interest

### **This is a must attend event!!**

On March 22 at 6:00 pm John and Eloise Bergen will be speaking at the church about their near death experience while in Kenya as Canadian missionaries. Nine men appeared in a Kenyan court this week, charged with the brutal attack on Eloise Bergen and her husband John during a home invasion on July 9.



This is a story of faith and forgiveness.

This event is open to everyone so please spread the word.

##### **White Horse Inn discussion group:**

This group came about during this last fall's Adult Sunday School class ( Church History) where a number of people decided to get together to study and discuss topical issues of the day. Future topics include: Covenant and Dispensational Theology, Revival (Prayer), Faith in the Workplace and Faith Stories. Last month we had an informative and lively discussion on the Emerging church. If you would like to become involved, contact Peter Nikkel at [PNi3719030@aol.com](mailto:PNi3719030@aol.com)

##### **A Weekend with God!!!!!!!:**

We are planning a weekend retreat for men at the Frontier Lodge April

24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>. We will be spending time in God's word as well as times of fellowship. The activities for the weekend have not yet been hammered out but will be available soon. We will arrive Friday April 24<sup>th</sup> after supper and return the afternoon of the 26<sup>th</sup>. The cost will be \$85.00 per night (\$170.00 for the weekend) and will include accommodations, use of the entire facility, as well as snacks Friday evening when we arrive and meals and snacks Saturday and a brunch before we leave on Sunday.

For more information on the Frontier Lodge and what the facility offers please visit [www.frontierlodge.ca](http://www.frontierlodge.ca) or call Mike and Judy Fairfield at 403-901-7720. To confirm your spot or for more information please call Robert Desjardins @ 403-934-6866.



##### **Tenth Annual Resurrection Breakfast:**

The Tenth Annual Resurrection Breakfast at the Red and White Club on April 4<sup>th</sup> this year.

This year we have a very special guest Pat Nixon of the Mustard seed as our main speaker. We also are blessed to have Caleb Delamar from 1st Alliance as the music. If you are intending to go please let me know so I can guesstimate how many tickets we might need.

Last year we were short and had trouble finding more to accommodate everyone



If you want to be informed of the upcoming events of SAMM e-mail Rob Desjardins so that he can put you on our e-mail list. Rob's email is [robert.desjardins@creb.com](mailto:robert.desjardins@creb.com). Also if you are currently on our e-mail list and wish to be removed, again let Rob know.

