

SARNIA EVANGELICAL MISSIONARY CHURCH

"To partner with God in developing genuine, fully devoted followers of Jesus"



Welcome to the SEMC

September 2022

SEMC Worship Service
Sundays @ 10:30am

SEMC @ the Garden
Saturdays & Tuesdays @ 10am

Senior Sing
Wednesdays @ 10am
(beginning Sept 14th)

Impact JR & Impact SR
Fridays @ 7pm
(beginning Sept 23rd)



Here is a look at what's in store for KidJAM in September! We hope to be able to go back to our previous format before the summer of large group and small groups as well as our Kindergarten class and our Toddler class! However, in order for all this to happen, we need you to volunteer in some capacity with KidJAM! So many awesome ways to connect with kids and share how Jesus has made a difference in your life! Let me know if you would like to be a part of this amazing ministry!

We are also welcoming Mrs. Michela Kita to our KidJAM team this fall! We are so happy to have her! She has already started to get to know some of our students and is quickly becoming beloved!

Since it's September, our theme for this month in KidJAM is Back to School. Our curriculum will focus on Salvation, living for Jesus in school, using our gifts and talents in school and using the fruits of the spirit in our lives to point others to Jesus, especially when at school! We hope to help equip students to have a great start to their school year and make it a year where they stand out because of the fruits of the Spirit that are evident in their lives. It's going to be a great September!

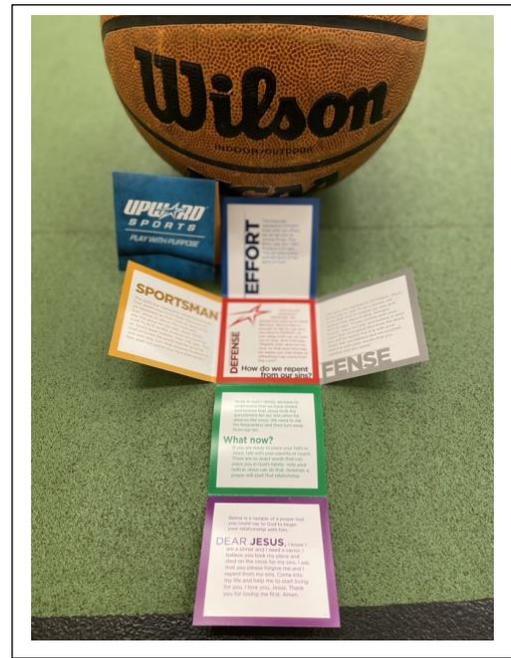
Coming in October

- October 2 IJM Canada, Joash Thomas
- October 22 Men's Event: Handling Stress from a Biblical Perspective
- October 26 "Don't Get Scammed" – Learn how to avoid frauds and scams



Our first in-person team in 3 years will have 5 first-time participants, including 3 father-daughter combos. This team is a wonderful representation of our church family with members in their teens, 20's, 30's, 40's, 50's and 60's! The team: Tim, Karen & Silas Allen, Dave & Ashlynn Archer, Paul Babcock, Matt & Abigail da Costa, Pat Halls, Julia Henderson, Scott & Lily Odolph, Deve & Amanda Persad

Serve Pray Respond



We give thanks to the Lord that we were able to host 20 students, from grade 2 to grade 5 for our Upward Adventure Mini-Camp (August 23-26). It was a high energy week that saw skills developed and the truth of God shared. One of the most exciting parts was watching around 10 of our JR High & SR High Youth take on some leadership in instruction and interactively encouraging our campers in their small groups. Discipleship in action, the love of Christ on display!

From Deve's desk ~ The beginning of September is often a time of change. The weather changes: the sun sets earlier, the evenings are cooler, the dew glistens longer in the new day light. It's also a time of change for many families: as some children head off to school, some for the day, others across the country; other students begin learning at home. In all these things there are adjustments to be made, and challenges to overcome. Every new day has a challenge, every new challenge can define a day. How we approach these transitions, changes and challenges is important. The book of Joshua, concludes with a declaration "...as for me and my house we will serve the Lord." The confidence of that declaration comes as a result of navigating challenges where strength, courage, assurance and godliness were required on a daily basis. The declaration was a recognition that God was faithful and He was present amid the challenges they faced. As you and your home face the changes that September brings, may this truth give you the same Joshua-like confidence.

Speaking of change here are two:

1. We are delighted to have Michela Kita join our staff. She will be transitioning into the role of KidJAM Co-Ordinator, under the mentorship of Theresa Siertsema.
2. We will be moving Impact Jr. and Sr. together on Friday nights, 7pm to 9pm, starting on September 23. There will be lots of fun, common large group teaching, and age appropriate small group discussion. Myself, along with Pat Turvey, will be providing leadership. We would love to have at least 2 more adults commit to serving our students. Let me know.