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# LIVING BIBLE EXPLORERS FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

## A Note from the Executive Director

Hello! My name is Cher Paulson and I am so excited to join the LBE team as Executive Director as of February 1st. I've been married almost 15 years to my husband, James, and we have a 12 year old son Hurley and an 8 year old daughter Roxy. I'm coming from Calvary Temple Winnipeg where I served as the Discipleship Pastor for 11 years.

LBE is such a gem found in the heart of Winnipeg's West End. As I write this to you, I hear the bouncing of basketballs and the sounds of several Jr. Highs dropping in to have a safe place to be, a place where someone knows their name and they get asked how they are. My favourite thing I've witnessed so far is the opportunity to share the Gospel through Bible Clubs and Lunch Program. What an amazing ministry and opportunity we have!!

Thank you so much for your support in finances and prayer!!  
We can't do this without YOU!!  
Looking forward to connecting,

-Cher

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## Community Christmas Party!

In December we hosted our first ever Community Christmas party for the families and neighbours of LBE! We were completely unsure how it would go - would anyone even come? Well, people came! We had approximately 120 people show up and everyone left with a box food, bags of clothes, and full bellies with chili, hot chocolate, and Christmas cookies!

We met lots of new people and enjoyed catching up with old faces as well. There was a family who showed up, that we had never met before, who enjoyed the evening atmosphere playing card games together and listening to the live music. They shared with us multiple times how much they enjoyed the night.



Dec. 13, 2023

**SAVE THE DATE!**

Please RSVP

AGM & Desserts - April 2, 2024

Fundraising Banquet - Details coming soon!



## An unexpected miracle

Teen Bonding! For the past few years we have been running our teens program and praying that God would build this community. For the longest time it has felt like a disjointed group of teens coming together and being lovingly forced to hang out. While we have been praying for doors to open, to build lasting relationships, we've started to notice a stronger community being built among our teens.

They are coming asking questions, willingly listening to the Gospel messages we have to share, and growing in relationship with one another. From a quiet, reserved group of teens who, after the pandemic had no relation or reason to be friends, we have a budding, vibrant group of teens desiring to be together!

## A fun night sledding with the teens



## Open doors at 600 Burnell!

It continues to be a joy to host drop-in hours 6 times per week for the local students! Whether Christian, Muslim, athiest, seeking, or anything else, students have expressed that they feel welcome here.

Mondays at lunch are "Grandpa Al Hour," where Ashley's grandfather comes and facilitates a discussion with the students. It could be easy to be discouraged by the lower attendance during these hours, yet it's actually been a highlight! Students have come with some very insightful questions about what the Bible says and about life, which has lead to some great teaching and conversation!



## Prayer Points

- Cher's transition into her new role and wisdom for strategic planning
- Summer camp planning and staff hiring
- Pray against the evil spirits and attacks of the enemy (Ephesians 6:12)



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