

# Bethel Council Highlights

## Update from our meetings held in June 2024

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- From Governing Elders: At the Governing Elders (GE) meeting this past week we continued our discussion on the budget for the 2024-25 church year. Council has agreed to present the budget as proposed at our upcoming congregational meeting on June 23 after the service. This proposal is to adjust the final budget numbers based on the results from this fiscal year. If this year produces a shortfall in our income vs. expenses, then next year's budget would be reduced by the same amount as any shortage we might incur.

A letter will be sent out providing a financial update and clarifying details in this proposal. For those who cannot make the meeting, it will be live streamed. The live streaming will be view only, with no chance for comment or direct voting. Voting can be done by proxy. Only members of Bethel who are 18 years of age and older may vote. If you have any questions, please send them to [clerk@discoverbethel.com](mailto:clerk@discoverbethel.com) by the Saturday (June 22) before the meeting.

- Summer Interns: We are excited to announce that we have again received funding from the Federal Government to hire 2 interns to help launch our summer missions programs. We have hired Kaitlyn Verveda for the Children's Ministry position. We also have an intern starting in the Youth Ministries position who we will announce next week. Please pray for our two interns this summer as they endeavor to serve the church and our neighbourhood.
- Finance Team: Since Johan Vandenbrink and John Oort have stepped down from their positions on the Finance Team we are in need of new people. Anyone whom might be interested on taking on the role of chair of the Finance Team, or the role of the treasurer please let GE know of your interest.
- Year End Ministry Survey: Coming soon we will be conducting a short survey on how our ministries are doing at Bethel. We would like to gauge which ministries are doing well and which ones may require additional support.
- Hearing Loop System: We are also looking at the possibility installing a hearing loop system for the hard of hearing. We will be doing a test run to see how effective this system can be for our sanctuary before deciding on a permanent installation.

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*Gace and Peace*

*The Council of Bethel Community Church*

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*\*If you have any question or comments, please reach out to the different council groups:  
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