



Bow Island  
Evangelical Free  
Church



July 12, 2026



*To Know, Live, and Share Christ.*

## Today at BIEFC

**Worship Service: 10:30am**

**Music:** Braden & Team

**Message:** Pastor George – Celebrate: A Good Report  
*1 Thessalonians 3:6-13*

## This Week

**Sunday:** Service @ 10:30am

**Monday-Friday:** VBS for ages 4 to finishing grade 6

## Coming Up...

**July 19:** Communion

**July 23:** Wiebe Concert – 7pm @ the church, see bulletin board for details

**August 26:** Family Fall Kickoff: A time to connect and enjoy each other and the community through bouncy castles, Market in the Park booths, and conversation!



July 20 - Aug 3: Pastor Dave & Kyla  
August 2, 10-30: Pastor George



## For Your Information

**Sunday Morning Programs/Service Times**

Worship Service – 10:30am

**Child Care During Service:**

*Ages 0-3:* Nursery is open upstairs, but will be **unstaffed** during the summer

*Age 3-Gr. 2:* Junior church upstairs during the message. *Busy boxes and sermon notes* are available in the cupboard at the back with activities they can do sitting in the service.

**The Library** is open after the service on Sunday mornings. (Located upstairs)

**Summer Church Office Hours**

**Tuesday – Thursday:**

9-12:30 & 1:30-4

**NEW**

**New to the Church?** We would love to help you connect with your new church family. Contact the church office for any questions or if you would like to have a church mailbox and/or copy of our photo directory.

**Have Prayer Requests?** We have a prayer chain that regularly lifts requests up in prayer. Contact the church office if you have a request you would like us to share or would like to be part of this email group.

**Small Groups Ministry**

- \*Dekker/Burdett – Wed.
- \*Gross – Wed.
- \*B&C Reimer – Wed.
- \*Mills – Wed.
- \*Freiberg – Wed.
- \*Vanderspruit – Wed. AM (Ladies)
- \*Serfas – Thurs.
- \*Holland – Wed.

*Contact Pastor George to join a group!*

## Church Family Notes



- ❖ **Sunday School Teacher and Song Leader Needed!** If you feel led to fill these roles, please contact Ruth Dyck @ 403-529-7609
- ❖ **Girls Club Coordinator Needed!** *This position requires membership.* If interested in serving in this position, please talk to the nominations committee. (Karl Serfas, Harvey Reimer, Doc Dyck)
- ❖ **Children's Music:** If you have children who have been taking music lessons and would like to try opening some of our pre-service "prelude" times to grow in their skills and share their music, please talk to Kyla for more information! (403 878 4200)
- ❖ **Market in the Park:** We need volunteers to run children's activities Wednesday evenings in August. *If you or your small group would like to volunteer see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.* Supplies and activities are provided!



**VBS:** Starts tomorrow @ 9am! Registration will be accepted throughout the week. Make sure to send your child with a water bottle and snack. Volunteers, please arrive at 8:15am.



**Art Needed!** We are looking for art to be shown on the screen during our next series, "Jonah". It can be drawings of the story, themes, or a more interpretive style - whatever you want! All ages and all styles of art are accepted. Send pictures of your art to the church at [office@bowislandefc.com](mailto:office@bowislandefc.com)



Church Family, thank you very much for your kind words and best wishes. We look forward to seeing what the Lord has in store for us. Thank you for your gift. *Friends in Christ, Rick and Gert Hirsch*

## Missionary of the Week

### Oliver & Debora Mayer

**Serving in:** Thailand **with** OMF International

**PRAISE:** About 9.5 years ago, land was purchased in the city of Chiang Mai for a Karen center (church and small student dormitory). After 9.5 years of waiting, just before Thai New Year, we finally received the final signature needed to complete the land registration (early April 2026)! Please pray for wisdom and good cooperation among the Karen team as they begin overseeing the planning and building process.



**MORE PRAYER ITEMS:** Please pray for the ongoing 1-month Bible training in Omkoi as mentioned above (it's Karen-led; it will finish at the end of the month; this is phase four out of a 4-month training course). Pray for Deborah as we make plans for her to go visit her parents in Texas, as her dad is not well. He is 82 years old and is in late-stage lung disease. Pray for Selah and myself as we are booked to fly to Germany on June 22 for our home assignment there. Deborah is planning to join us there in the summer.

*Thank you for your prayers and love! Thank you for standing with us, we appreciate your support greatly.*

### Volunteers of the Week

Take the opportunity to thank a volunteer for all their work today!



#### Seasonal Volunteers

- Meals on Wheels
- VBS
- Ladies who Lunch
- Market in the Park

## How to Contact Us

**Church:** 403-545-2274

**Pastor George's cell:** 403-866-2226

**Pastor Dave's cell:** 403-866-6263

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**ELDERS:** Joe Bydevaate (403-894-9630)  
Jeff MacFarlane (306-618-5617)  
Reg Robey (403-458-6996)  
Karl Serfas (403-504-6139)  
Steve Wikkerink (403-952-1963)

## "Nuts and Bolts"

**Deadline for Bulletin Submissions is Thursday at noon.** Contact the office if you have something to include in next week's bulletin.

### Giving

**Online:** [atbcares.com](http://atbcares.com) – "Cause" Name: "The Bow Island Evangelical Free Church". (3% fee)

**E-transfer:** [finance@bowislandefc.com](mailto:finance@bowislandefc.com) \*\*

**In Person:** Place it in the offering box in the foyer.\*\*

**\*\*New donors please include your full name including middle initial and mailing address.** CRA requires this information for receipts.

### Finances as of June 11<sup>th</sup>

Income: \$193,163.56  
Actual Expenses: \$156,915.71  
Budget Balance: \$ 36,247.85

#### Cash on Hand

General Fund: \$68,409.09  
GIC: \$297,848.25