Missionary Focus

Mark & Gretchen Potma

reaching new regions, planting new churches
discipling new believers, training new leaders

in the Czech Republic

Mark and Gretchen's most-recent newsletter is posted on the missons' board; it is full of ministry updates, family news and photos.

Because of an agreement between the Czech Republic and Canada, they are required to be out of the Czech Republic once every five years for six months, so are planning a home-ministry assignment from November 20, 2026 to May 20, 2027. They were invited in the past to serve at the International Graduate School of Leadership in Manila, Philippines, but were unable to accept the offer due to commitments in the Czech Republic. They are able to use three of their six months away, in this ministry and plan to be there from January 11 to April 9, 2027.

Mark and Gretchen express their gratitude for our prayer support and for the financial support they are sent each month. Their newsletter includes these praise and prayer items:

1. **PRAISE** the Lord for all those who have all been baptized at various locations of our church over the last four months. Please PRAY for their continued spiritual growth. **PRAY** also for **Štěpán** as he prepares for baptism in November.
2. Please **PRAY** that we would make the most of the next two months in Prague as we continue to meet with people and serve in churches and prepare for our upcoming **Home Ministry Assignment** from November 20 to May 20.
3. **PRAY** that God would be preparing the way ahead of us as we travel for three months **to the Philippines** beginning in January 2027.

Ministry Workers

Openers
October - Kevin & Kim Minielly

Sound Tech
October 4 - Kade Minielly
October 11 - Dale Quinn

Librarian
October 4 - Judy Parke
October 11 - Mary-Ann Campbell

Ushers/Greeters
October 4 - Steve Pallant
Ron Lamoureux
October 11 - George Chaffe
Michael Hodgson

Nursery Workers
October 4 - Tess Bauman
Rose Oosterhoff
October 11 - Cassidy Broughm
Ashley Morrison

Grass Cutting
(cut for end of week)
October 10 - Steve Levitt
October 17 - Larry Teeple

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Budget Requests

Ministry Leads, please have your budget requests to the deacons today. Thank you.

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Office Hours
Monday - Closed, Tuesday - Friday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Elim Bible Chapel

Sunday, October 4, 2026

Hearing from the Master

The Sermon on the Mount

Blessed are the Poor in Spirit

Matthew 5:3; 6:9-15; 25-34; 7:7-12;
Philippians 2:1-11

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No Birthdays
or
Anniversaries
this week



Outdoor Clean Up

Saturday, October 17, 2026
9:00 am to noon
See Ben for details.

This Week at Elim

October 4 - 10

Tonight
Evening Study 6:30pm

Tuesday
Women's Bible Study 9:30am

Wednesday
Youth 7:00pm

Safe Environment Training

If you haven't yet completed the Safe Environment Refresher Course, please stay for a half-hour session beginning at 11:45 in the main auditorium. If you are unable to stay and need to update your training, please talk to Kim Q to make other arrangements.

Evening Service starts at 6:30 tonight

Christ is All and in All:

A study in Colossians

Up Coming Stay for Lunch and Hike

Feast and Hike on Sunday, October 18

Bring a harvest dish or two from the bounty God has provided, and plan to join us for the fall hike at 2:00 pm. Bring lawn chairs and meet at the Port Franks Community Centre. After the hike we'll have a time of fellowship and a devotional. No evening service is planned the that Sunday. See Mary about the meal and Brianne about the hike.

Pray with Us

- Lord, we pray that as we study the Sermon on the Mount, we would be confronted by the very character of Christ.
- We praise You that through faith we received Christ's righteousness; but may we also strive toward that perfection.
- As followers of Christ, we know You are Lord; may we therefore serve and obey You faithfully.

Memory Verse

But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. "So do not worry about tomorrow; for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

Matthew 6:33-34 (LSB)

R. C. Sproul

"Even though we are to come boldly into the presence of God, we are to come in a spirit of humility,"