



Greetings,

During the season of Lent, we are invited into a time of prayerful reflection, repentance, and renewed attentiveness to the life and ministry of Jesus. While Lent is not an official part of Baptist tradition, many within the CBM community value this season as an opportunity to slow our pace, examine our hearts, and prepare ourselves for the hope of Easter.

We do so in a time when the weight of the world can feel especially heavy. Daily headlines remind us of conflict, displacement, injustice, and deep human need across many regions of the world. In seasons like this, Lent calls us to look honestly at the suffering around us while remembering that Jesus himself stepped fully into the pain and brokenness of our world.

As we walk with Christ on his journey toward Jerusalem, we are reminded that God's response to a wounded world was not distance, but presence. Through Jesus, we see a love that enters suffering, bears it, and ultimately overcomes it.

As you journey through Lent, may this season create space for honest reflection, quiet prayer, and renewed hope. May you be strengthened as you seek to follow Christ faithfully, holding both the sorrow of the world and the promise of resurrection before you.

With gratitude and prayer,
CBM's Communications Team

In This Issue

- [Update Video](#) from the Middle East
- [March Prayerline](#)
- [Extending the Table: An Opportunity to Have Your Gift Matched](#)
- [Impact Story: Development Starts at Home](#)
- [Kentro Christian Network Survey](#)
- [Mark your calendars for Solidarity Sunday, April 12th](#)
- [Venture Conference - March 17-18](#)

Update from the Middle East



Rabih Wazir, CBM's Integral Mission Coordinator for the MENA region, has recorded a short video update from Lebanon. We invite you to watch and share this update as a way to remain informed and to guide you in prayer at this time.

[Middle East Prayer Points](#)



Pray With Us

Prayerline March 2026

Week of March 8th, 2026

Africa
Please join us in praying for the Africa partnership meeting and the Africa Team retreat happening in March.

Asia
Thailand &C Please pray for Thailand Bethel Theological Institute (TBTI) as it concludes the academic year and prepares for the graduation ceremony on March 20. Pray that every student will complete their studies well and be equipped and ready to serve in the mission field. The teachers and students will also be going on a summer mission trip from March 23&C29. May God's guidance and protection be upon the teams, and may the trip be fruitful and impactful for His Kingdom.

Latin America and Caribbean
Pray for Global Staff member Kathryn Scott for protection during all her travels within the Dominican Republic and for the SENT team that she will host the second week of March.

MENA
Please pray for the unity of the church in Lebanon. As the widening regional conflict brings uncertainty and fear across the Middle East, ask God for protection, peace, and mercy over the people of the region. Pray for our Global Staff and partners to be kept safe and strengthened in faith, as they care for those most affected by the violence and continue to point communities towards you.

North America: SENT
Pray for the SENT team from Immanuel Baptist Truro who will be traveling to the DR to serve alongside CBM's partner and staff, Kathryn Scott. Pray for the relationship of the team, that it will be strengthened as they serve alongside each other and pray for the relationships that will develop with those they serve.

Europe
Kassel, Germany &C In this new year, may the Lord guard the hearts of brothers and sisters in our church, enabling them to respond to God's love and grace, to hunger more deeply for His Word, and to grow continually in their spiritual lives.

[Click Here for the March Prayerline](#)

An invitation to extend the table in a hungry world



Recently, during a visit to Embu, Kenya, Canadian Baptist Ministries Creative Strategist Gordon Brew shared firsthand about the impact of our current Matching Grant Appeal. Through experiencing an active agricultural project, Gordon offers a glimpse of how this work is already bearing fruit in communities around the world.

As hunger continues to affect vulnerable communities worldwide and even as we now see an urgent need for support in Lebanon, we are reminded that our call is both compassionate and faithful. Through this Matching Grant Appeal, we have an opportunity to extend the table, to respond to urgent needs while investing in sustainable solutions that reflect the heart of Christ.

[Match Your Donation](#)

IMPACT STORY

Development Starts at Home



To strengthen the capacity of local development leaders, CBM is supporting a two-year capacity building project for project coordinators from partner churches across Africa. The first training session took place in Embu, Kenya, focusing on project cycle management and conservation agriculture. Among the participants was Rev. Nyambura E.M., a pastor with the Africa Christian Church and Schools.

What Rev. Emma learned during the training did not stay in the classroom. Inspired by a visit to a local project site, she committed herself to putting the lessons into practice at home. One idea stood out in particular, the kitchen garden.

&Cael had heard about kitchen gardens before in Embu, but I did not really understand how they worked.&C; Pastor Emma shared. &CoeAfter visiting the project, I decided to try it myself, starting with a small space at home.&C;

[Read More](#)

Invitation: Share Your Perspective on Global Poverty



Your Voice Matters



We're inviting you to participate in a ground-breaking survey led by [Kentro Christian Network](#), in collaboration with partners working to alleviate global poverty.

Kentro is a Canada-based association of more than 70 organizations and the only national network connecting Jesus-centred poverty alleviation organizations across the country. This first-ever national research initiative seeks to better understand how Christian Canadians think, feel, and engage in relation to global poverty.

Your input will help strengthen shared learning across Christian organizations in Canada as they consider how to best engage and equip Canadians to understand and address the effects of poverty.

Who is eligible to participate?

This survey is intended for individuals whose primary residence is in Canada. Participation is voluntary.

What is the purpose of this survey?

- to better understand how Christian Canadians **think, feel, and engage** in relation to global poverty and international assistance.
- to explore attitudes toward Christian responsibility and global need.
- to identify current patterns of engagement (e.g., giving, prayer, advocacy, learning)
- to help Christian organizations across Canada reflect, communicate, and collaborate more effectively.

Why conduct the survey now?

Conversations about global poverty, international assistance, and Christian responsibility are evolving. Rather than relying on assumptions, this research seeks to listen carefully and understand current perspectives, including levels of trust, concern, motivation, and engagement.

What should I expect from the survey?

The [survey](#) takes approximately **10&C14 minutes** to complete. There are no right or wrong answers &C your honest perspective and lived experience are what matter most.

We encourage you to complete the survey by **March 27, 2026**.

Thank you for taking the time to share your perspective.

Blessings, Kentro Christian Network

[Start Survey](#)

If you have questions about the survey or the research, please contact info@grafmartin.com

SAVE THE DATE!
Solidarity Sunday
An Invitation to Stand in Solidarity with the Global Church
April 12

Solidarity Sunday is a dedicated day for Canadian churches to stand with local churches around the world as they serve their communities as the hands and feet of Jesus. It invites us to reflect on our shared calling to partner in God's mission both in our own neighbourhoods and across the globe where CBM partners.

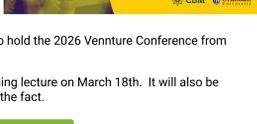
This year, we will provide a video sermon by Jennifer Lau, Executive Director of CBM, and will include updates from CBM's Global Staff as well as written prayers for use during your worship service.

Resources will be available on **March 27th**.

Venture

FAITH MEETS WORK

Venture Conference in Moncton, NB

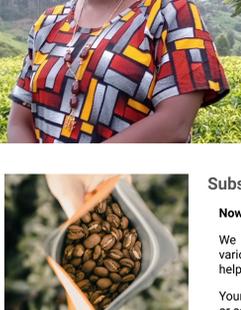


Venture is partnering with Crandall University to hold the 2026 Venture Conference from March 17-18.

Everyone in the area is invited to attend the evening lecture on March 18th. It will also be recorded for anyone interested in listening after the fact.

[Venture News & Events](#)

Rev. Beth Kamathi



Rev. Beth Kamathi (Venture Marketplace Engagement Coordinator for East Africa) is visiting British Columbia in the upcoming weeks. She spoke at West Point Grey Baptist Church on March 4th and will be speaking at Trinity Baptist Church on March 14th (2PM), to share stories and insights from her work in East Africa that highlight how God is at work through the vocations of ordinary people, offering encouragement and fresh imagination for how our own work participates in God's mission.

[Read Beth's Latest Ministry Update](#)



Subscriptions for Collective Cup Coffee

Now you can **Subscribe and Save on coffee!**

We are pleased to offer subscription options in various sizes and frequencies to suit your needs and help you save on product and shipping costs.

Your subscription will auto-renew, and you can skip or cancel it at any time.

[Order Yours Today](#)

SENT
Dominican Republic
A team of youth and leaders from Immanuel Baptist, Truro, will travel to the DR, to serve alongside CBM's partner, IBAREDO. Pray that strong relationships will be built along with mutual learning.

[More About SENT](#)

