

LETTER

February 2016

It's hard to believe that another year has passed at Shalom. As a dedicated prayer partner this past year, we are so thankful that you have walked alongside us at Shalom, prayed for the needs of those who are hurting and celebrated God's many blessings together with us. You have helped answer the prayers of clients, staff and the Board to bring peace and restore wholeness to individuals, couples and families. With your prayer support, God has provided for the financial needs to support those clients who could not otherwise afford to attend counselling. Individual donors, churches, businesses, foundations, local and provincial grants have together met the need. Praise God for your support and prayers!



*For where two or three gather in my name,
there am I with them. Mathew 18:20*

Prayer for the New Year

Give us the kindness to hear with compassion,
To offer support, loving comfort and care.
Give us the courage to do what is needed,
The wisdom to choose what is right
and most fair.
Give us the vision to see what is possible;
Give us the faith that will help pave the way,
For a present that's hopeful, a future
that's peaceful.
Give us the heart to bring JOY to each day.

Prayers for the Counselling Staff

Early in 2016, Shalom plans to add another Counsellor to meet the ongoing waitlist of clients. Please pray that God will send the right person to fill this role. Please continue to pray for compassion, grace and wisdom for each of the counselling staff; Benton, Pam, Shari, Bob, Mike and Michele and that they would be able to support clients who chose to bring about change, healing and renewal to their lives.



Capital Campaign

2016 brings with it a Capital Campaign for Shalom as we prepare to raise enough funds to build a new space in order to serve more clients. Please pray for the capital campaign and that God will guide us to work together in the way that glories Him.

Volunteers

As we continue to raise our profile in Central Alberta by sharing with others the work that is being done at Shalom, we have an increased need for volunteers and ambassadors. Please pray with us that God will provide the number of volunteers needed to support our volunteer program.

Volunteers are needed to represent Shalom at community events, assist with our upcoming Spring Gala, offer knowledge and skills related for our capital campaign and building committees, become members of the Board of Directors and assist with our summer gardens.



New Olds AB Site

Last fall, Shalom opened a Counselling office in Olds AB in partnership with the Central Alberta Pregnancy Care Centre by sharing office space.

Since then, we have been able to offer counselling to clients who reside in the area, up to and including Calgary. We quickly learned from the community that there is a need for Shalom to be present in the community.

We are so thankful and praise God for the warm reception we received from Olds and the surrounding communities. As staff and clients travel to Olds on a weekly basis, please pray that God will watch over them and provide safety for those who are on the highway.

In order for Shalom to be able to sustain this service in Olds, we will be continuing to ask for financial support. Please pray that God will bring forth those who are able to help meet the needs of those who are hurting.

Caring for God's Creation

If you would like to receive your prayer partner letter via email, instead of a paper copy, contact us at 403.342.0339 or email us at info@shalomcounselling.com

You can also visit our website www.shalomcounselling.com/media to read our Prayer Partner Letters (both current and past) online.

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. Hebrews 10:23