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Baptist Beats

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Upcoming Events:

National Board Meeting
October 22-23, 2018

Week of Prayer
January 13-19, 2019

School of Orientation
April 1-3, 2019

Celebration 2019
May 30 - June 1, 2019
Banff, AB

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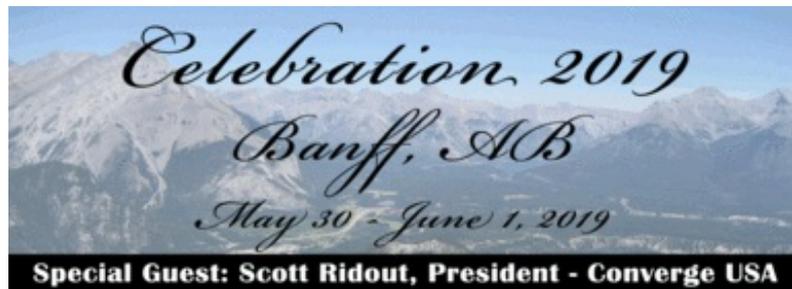
Hello from Edmonton. I hope you had a restful and renewing summer and are back in full swing for this ministry season. I am praying for your life, family, and service for our Lord in your BGC context. Thanks for being faithful to respond to His call to serve His Church!

Please pray for me as I gear up for a jam-packed few weeks of travel. I will be in six provinces by the end of October. It is great to visit our BGC family across Canada and to see how God is using us to make a kingdom impact in our communities.

Last month, a team of five from the BGC had the joy of ministering to believers from a restricted nation. We held our teaching in a church camp in the tiny nation of Armenia. We hosted 34 Christian leaders from a Muslim nation. They came by bus for a week of training, worship and personal renewal. When we would begin to worship, they didn't want to stop because singing out loud in their homeland is risky. What a privilege to serve those who daily risk their liberty for Christ. Thanks for praying and giving!







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Dear BGCC family,

Canadian Baptist Seminary is our denominational graduate theological school that is one of four seminary partners in the ACTS consortium of Trinity Western University in Langley, B.C. We are on a new path of revitalization with a new vision and mission aligned with the BGCC. CBS continues to offer classic world-class theological degrees and is poised to offer a couple of new ones: the [Immerse](#) Master of Divinity and the [Kairos](#) Master of Arts in Christian Leadership. Students are not required to relocate or leave their positions but are to study in their context, with a team of mentors and customized learning, with an affordable monthly subscription fee.

CBS in cooperation with the BGCC has also formed [The Centre for Spiritual Leadership](#) and offers a two-year online certificate program for lay leadership training. See the brochures and also visit the new CBS website: <https://canadianbaptistseminary.com>

For kingdom service,

Roger Helland, president, CBS

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Interesting Reads

1. **Abe Funk's Video about Canadian Baptist Seminary:** - [Video](#)
 2. **Are you seeing an increase or decrease of millennials attending your church?** - [Article](#)
 3. **Check out this great tool to help make better connections within your church:** - [Tool](#)
 4. **Older pastors hang on too long:** Read some reasons why - [Article](#)
 5. **CRA takes charitable status away from mosque:** Could it happen to a BGC church? - [Article](#)
 6. **Canadian Baptist Seminary Appoints a New President:** Read about it [here](#)
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Seven Essentials of the BGC

Our motto and mission: "A Network of Churches that make disciples who live and spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ in their Communities, throughout Canada, and out to the Nations." Together, we have identified seven essential areas where God is at work among our church families. These seven areas are also critical to the future growth and health of our churches.

[7 Essentials of the BGCC](#)

We will highlight one Essential in each issue of Baptist Beats.

Global/Cross Cultural Ministry

BGCC churches have a plan for cross-cultural engagement because we live in a multi-cultural nation and in a global village.

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