



From the Desk of Denise

CSCE Executive Director

Welcome back everyone!

As we move through Lent, reflective of the incredible love that God has shown to us through the death and resurrection of our Saviour Jesus Christ, my prayer is that you each come to know the depth, the width, the height and the length of God's deep love for us!

I am so very grateful for all that our teachers and staff have done to show the love of Jesus to our CCS students and families.

I want to especially thank:

- **The Maintenance Crew for all the repairs, cleaning, snow removal and reorganizing that they have completed over the break. Both campuses look amazing!**
- **The teachers and staff who accompanied our students on the Italy Student Exchange – what a lifetime of memories that were created through this incredible experience!**
- **The teachers and staff who accompanied our students on the student trip to Portugal and Spain. This will be an experience that will hold beautiful memories forever!**
- **The parents and staff who joined us for our “Lighthouse Night of Prayer” last night. The Presence of God was felt in a very beautiful and powerful way!**
- **The teachers, staff, parents and students who are working very hard to prepare for the FOUR teams going to hike the West Coast Trail. We are praying for all of you!**
- **The staff and students who made the trip to Lloydminster to support the City Church in their Children's Outreach – Shine On! What an incredible experience! We are very excited to bring this experience and opportunity to share the love of Christ with children in our community in the fall.**
- **For each prayer prayed for Calgary Christian School – God hears your prayers and is answering them with His loving-kindness.**

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you"

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

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I ask that you join me in welcoming Pastor Rachel Jesse to the Calgary Christian Elementary Staff and Pastor Erich Wong to the Calgary Christian Secondary Staff, both as 0.8 FTE Chaplain Positions.

Pastor Rachel is a dedicated ministry leader with over 20 years of experience as a Children and Youth Pastor, and a heart for helping young people encounter the love and truth of Jesus. For the past three years, Pastor Rachel has been blessed to lead weekly Chapels and teach Bible to grades 4, 5, and 6 at CCES. This has been a positive experience that has deepened her passion for seeing God's Word come alive in the hearts of students. Pastor Rachel believes that children are not only the future of the Church, but vital members of God's Kingdom today, uniquely gifted and deeply valued.

As a chaplain, Pastor Rachel's desire is to create a nurturing, Christ-centered environment where students feel known, supported, and inspired to walk with Jesus daily. Whether through chapel messages, classroom teaching, or meaningful one-on-one moments, Pastor Rachel aims to be a consistent, grace-filled presence who points children and staff back to the heart of God. Her greatest joy is helping kids see that Scripture is more than a story—it's the living Truth that shapes who they are and how they live.


Pastor Erich was born and raised in Suriname, in the Caribbean, and during his university years in the Netherlands, he discovered God's call to serve in ministry. Since then, God has led Pastor Erich to serve in various ministry roles across several countries, with a special focus on teaching God's Word to youth and young adults. Erich also serves as an Intercultural Ministry Pastor at Foothills Alliance Church, where he has an incredible opportunity to teach new immigrants who have never read the Bible before. Erich's passion at CCSS is to equip and empower youth to become leaders who inspire others to know God deeply.


Pastor Rachel at the Elementary campus, and Pastor Erich and the Secondary Campus, will each be responsible for supporting students and staff in growing and nurturing their walk with God. They will continue teaching Bible in the areas where they are presently teaching, support staff in integrating Biblical scriptures / concepts into AB curriculum, support the TfT teacher representatives, build meaningful relationships with staff and students and serve wherever needed to support the vision and mission of our Faith Formation at CCS.

We bless Pastor Rachel and Pastor Erich in all they do as they walk with us on our journey with Christ and thank God for all He will do, in and through, our Chaplains at CCS.

Blessings to you all,
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