

Fair Havens Bible Conference Announcement

Things continue to move forward for Fair Havens Ministries. We trust God is writing the next chapter in the story through us as individuals and as a ministry! We continue to imagine a new day while celebrating what God has done over the past 80 years.

Over the past two years, we have witnessed God's faithfulness. He has brought together a new Board, and as of September 2020, Fair Havens Bible Conference has been Incorporated, and it is now a registered charity in its own right.

When you arrive on-site, you will sense the excitement for the upcoming Summer Camp Season and the beginning stages of renewal upgrades to the facilities! In addition, we would also like to take this opportunity to announce the hiring of a new (CEO/Executive Director) for Fair Havens Ministries!

After 12 months of vacancy and an exhaustive search to fill this critical leadership role, the Board is thrilled to announce that Brian Bylsma has been appointed to the position of CEO/ Executive Director of Fair Havens!



Brian is 'dad' to 4 adult children (Megan, Kaitlyn, Michael, and Kristen) and husband to one (to quote Brian... amazing, loving, patient, and very gracious) wife, Vickie. Over time, Brian looks forward to meeting everyone. He will be seen around camp throughout the summer.

Brian comes to this role with extensive leadership within both the marketplace and the local church. He has spent over 30 years in the marketplace. Brian has consulted with, facilitated, and led companies to success by engaging people in finding clarity and their place within the vision and mission of their organization.

Having built, grown, and transitioned organizations to increased health and success in the early 2000s, he began to shift his focus to the work of the Kingdom. For the past 15 years, he has walked alongside local church leaders across Canada in his work with The Leadership Centre (now known as The Global Leadership Network) through experiences like the Global Leadership Summit. Most recently, he served as the Executive Pastor of Hope Fellowship Church in Courtice, Ontario.

Bringing these experiences together, the Board felt confident that Brian was the right person to help lead us into a new future of ministry here at Fair Havens. Utilizing his gifts, strengths, and experiences, we look forward to encouraging and praying for Brian as he and the staff enthusiastically lead us into this next chapter.

Brian is excited to meet everyone and has begun making plans to create space each week during the summer for an open house. These times will be an excellent opportunity for you to meet him and share thoughts and ideas related to the ministry and the ongoing property renewal.

Keep looking for that open house!

We, as a Board, would be remiss if we didn't send a HUGE shout-out of thanks to Benita Lothian and our outstanding staff, along with Eduardo Heinrichs and John Friesen, for standing tall in the leadership gap. Thank you all for your passion, love, and support for Fair Havens.

Please join us in welcoming Brian and his family to our family here at Fair Havens! Sincerely and on behalf of the Board of Directors,

Michael Van Pelt
Chair, Fair Havens Ministries