

BIBLE TOURISM

At Foothills United Church:

Summer Sunday Eves

*6pm Arriving, Visiting
7pm Video & Discussions
8pm Informal Worship*

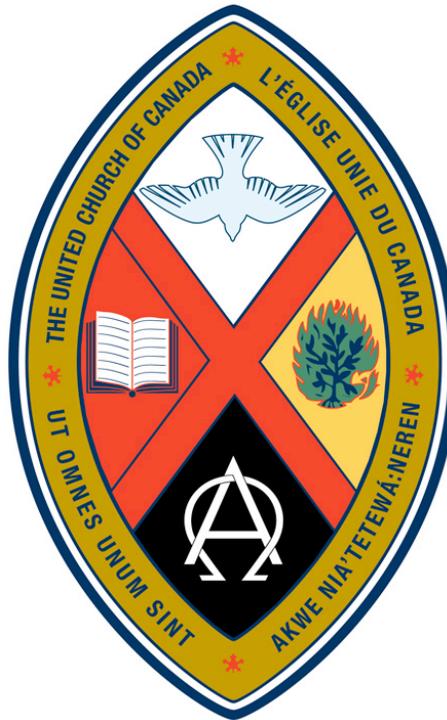
1. July 10: Tanakh, 'Canon'
2. July 17: Torah
3. July 24: Former Prophets
4. Aug 7: Major/Minor Prophets
5. Aug 14: Wisdom
6. Aug 21: Christian 'Canon'
7. Aug 28: Four Bible Gospels
8. Sept 4: Acts of the Apostles
9. Sept 11: Paul's Letters
10. Sept 18: Others' Letters
11. Sept 25: Revelation
12. Oct 2: Closing the 'Canon'

*Not Here Sunday Evening?
Holiday Visiting, or Working?
Keep up with the tour online:
www.hereticslikeus.com*

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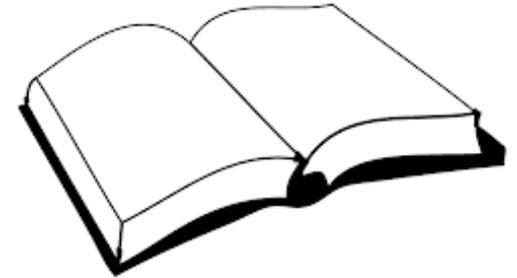
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SUMMER 2016 Touring Bibles



**'Finding our way
around the book
we trust... and dust...'**

*Do you still have a bible?
How did you get it?
How do you use it?*

*Got any parts you like best?
Got any bits that bother you?
Are there 'parts unknown'?*

*Try a 'hop on, hop off' tour,
Any or all of 12 Sunday eves,
July 10 to October 2*

*Hop on - or off - at 6, 7, or 8pm
Tour guide: Bill Bruce
Online: www.hereticslikeus.com*

Flyer Posted May to September 2016

Canada Day to Civic Holiday

Finding our way around the front end of a bible – an aerial view of alien lands.

1. July 10 Tanakh: Jewish ‘Canon’

Collecting scrolls – formats – languages
Including, excluding, ordering, editing
Mishnah, Talmud, Gemara, Tosefta

2. July 17 Torah

Five books of Moses – and Miriam?
Pentateuch - JEDP ‘sources’ theory
Sabbath portions... 1 year or 3 year

3. July 24 ‘Former’ Prophets

Maps and timelines – what, how
Histories – ages recalled – why
Historians – from when and where –

4. Aug 7 ‘Major/Minor’ Prophets

Speaking and writing prophets
Professionals and amateurs
Schools in new times and spaces

6-7pm Gathering Gossip

Drop in when you can – tell news of the week, where you’ve been, what you read and said and thought and heard –

Bring a snack or bag lunch – or eat before you come or after you go -
Kettle’s on for tea in the minister’s study

Browse, borrow or return books, chase your questions and issues with others, especially if they seem ‘off-topic’!

Civic Holiday to Labour Day

Finding our way across bridges, from Hebrew scriptures into Jesus stories

5. Aug 14 Wisdom Literature

From Mom to MBA – folk to experts
Poetry, prose, lyrics, slogans
‘ANE’, ‘2nd Temple’, ‘Babylon’

6. Aug 21 Christian ‘Canon’

Re-viewing July 10 ‘canon’ collections –
Gnostics, heretics, early church fathers,
‘boys and the book’ bishops - copyists

7. Aug 28 Four Bible Gospels

Mark, Matthew, Luke (Acts), John
Recognizing sources, voices, editors
Harmonizing, midrash, mashal

8. Sept 4: Acts of the Apostles

Autobiography, Eye-witnesses’ accounts,
Biography, ‘spin’, journalism, history
Shaping stories

7-8pm Visit Topic & Discuss

Start with a tour guide, Bill and/or video, to get oriented to the topic of the week - then ‘think, pair, share’ ideas arising

Bring your own questions & answers about the whole or part, for the wall of ‘parking lot’ ideas to help traffic flow

Find your own ‘souvenirs’, take-aways to ‘equip the saints’ to keep dusting off bibles in wider circles over longer times.

Labour Day to Thanksgiving

Finding some signs to navigate all those narrow little books at the back of a bible.

9. Sept 11: Paul’s Letters

Which ones say he wrote them?
Why doubt the ‘Pauline’ claim?
Can Paul (or we) change ideas?

10. Sept 18: Others’ Letters

Who wrote what to whom, and why?
When is a letter not a letter?
Can anybody harmonize all these riffs?

11. Sept 25: Revelation

‘Peeling the Onion’ – taking quick visits
The shape of big ‘powers that be’
The shape of ‘things to come’, already

12. Oct 2: Closing the ‘Canon’

Concluding a summer’s tourism –
God’s still speaking, so why end bibles?
What’s next? God knows!

8-8:30pm Informal Worship

We change gears at 8, to welcome any joining us, or let anybody leave, starting prayer, music, reflection time.

Learn new spiritual practices and tunes, from Taize, ‘mindfulness’, and older religious traditions, to use yourself later.

Finish a day, a weekend, begin a week, even or especially if you travel or work on summer Sunday mornings. Join us!