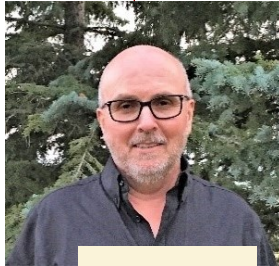


Saturday, June 5, 2021

9:00-10:30 a.m. (Alberta Time); 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (Ontario Time)

Host Bios

Allan Pole has trained in Pastoral Studies and received a BA in Christian Education and an MDiv and a DMin.



ALLAN POLE

Al has also had the privilege of teaching and preaching God's Word in other parts of North America, as well as in Europe, Asia and Africa. All of this points to his personal mission—to help others fulfill God's call.

Pastoring in various Pentecostal churches since 1984, Al and his wife Brenda have lived in Edmonton, Lethbridge and Wetaskiwin, Alberta. In 2003, they moved back to the Calgary area.

In August of 2004 they planted [New Beginnings Church](#). Since then, the church has grown and God is using them to reach out to others in the surrounding area. As well, Al has served as president of Cooperative ESL Ministries since 2017.

Al loves Jesus and His church. As followers of Christ, we have an amazing opportunity to band together in welcoming and integrating newcomers who are eager to meet new friends while learning English.

Jennifer Tong is a coordinator for SOCEM and has been involved in its work since 2007.



JENNIFER TONG

She has also been the coordinator and a teacher of a small ESL program at Parkway Forest Community Church since 2004.

She is a TESL Ontario certified teacher and has taught LINC, at a private language school and a factory in the past.

Her interests include Non-Western learning styles, reflective practice in ESL and mental health and immigrants.

Jennifer is also an active editor and musician.