

A little about the LPD

The Lower Pacific District of the Evangelical Free Church of Canada was founded in 1983. We consist of 27 churches in the Lower Mainland, on Vancouver Island and on the islands off its eastern shore.

Though our District is compact geographically, we are very diverse. Our churches range in size from less than 50 to more than 600 in attendance on a Sunday morning in rural, suburban and urban settings. There are seven different languages spoken in our churches. This reflects the multicultural nature of our region.

Our commitment as a District is to encourage and resource our District churches to health, fruitfulness and multiplication. We believe that God will accomplish more through us as we work together than when we work alone.



Namgyu and Heejoung Lee pastor one of the LPD's Korean churches.

We invite you to join with us!

- ◆ Through prayer (see your Lower S'Pacifcs for items, these are available from your church or on our website).
- ◆ Through joining our District board team or by volunteering. Please call our office for information on opportunities.
- ◆ Through giving. our District relies upon the gifts of our churches and individuals for support. There are two areas we encourage people to partner with us in giving.
 - ◆ Support of District budget. This supports our District Superintendent and District ministries.
 - ◆ Our William Johnson Church Ministries Endowment Fund. This fund facilitates the planting and expansion of church planting through local churches.
- ◆ *Become a Friend of the LPD! We send out regular email updates with prayer, praise, and information items. Sign up by contacting our office.*

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**OF THE EVANGELICAL FREE
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*Serving Evangelical
Free Churches in
Southwestern British
Columbia*



Our Purpose:

By God's grace, we are committed to encourage and resource our growing family of churches to reflect Jesus Christ.

- ◆ We recognize that all we do is by God's grace. It is by this alone that He has called us to His family and service and can work through us.
- ◆ Secondly, we are part of a larger family, the Evangelical Free Church of Canada. We are one of six districts in Canada, each with it's own region and flavour but each joined by the common vision, distinctives and bond in Christ of the EFCC family.
- ◆ The operant words for our District are to **encourage** and **resource**. Our ministry is not to be "over" the local church but to be alongside.



Burnaby Chinese EFC choir



Camp Evergreen is a fun place to make new friends.

We encourage by:

- ◆ Serving the local church.
- ◆ Providing a "pastor to pastors".
- ◆ Encouraging your church towards health and mission fulfillment.
- ◆ Coming alongside your church in times of celebration and need.

We resource by:

- ◆ Counsel and consultation for a variety of church situations.
- ◆ Church assessment tools such as Natural Church Development and Church Life Cycles.
- ◆ Revisioning and renewal resources.
- ◆ Referrals to outsources of help in the wider church community.
- ◆ Personnel and resources for conflict resolution.
- ◆ Ministerial fellowship and ongoing learning resources.
- ◆ Assistance in pastoral placement.
- ◆ Ministerial Credentialing.
- ◆ Counsel, resources and funding for church expansion and planting.
- ◆ Networking, fellowship and ministry resource sharing with our family of churches.
- ◆ Grants and resources for church planting and ministry expansion.

We desire that our family of churches will grow!

Our prayer is that this will be through the work of the local church as God blesses and enables. Church planting, cross-cultural and multi-cultural works are needed in our area and we desire to get in line with what God desires to do through us.



People were honored during North Delta EFC's 50th anniversary.

To **reflect** Jesus Christ is a reference to what Paul writes in 2 Corinthians. *"And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into His likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit."*
2 Corinthians 3:18

Our prayer is that our churches might reflect the Lord's glory more and more boldly and accurately as He works in us by His Spirit. May the Lord's glory be reflected among us as His people and from us to the people of our region!