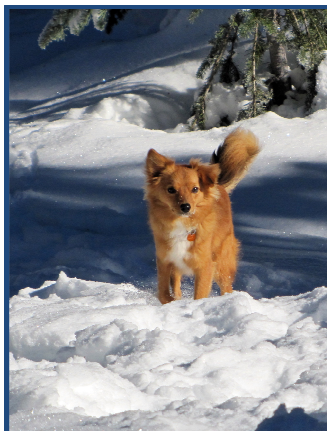

April 27, 2012

Good Friday morning friends, ***Thanks for joining me for five minutes to update you on news and items of prayer and praise for our Lower Pacific District family.*** *Today marks the first birthday of our dog, "Angus," or "Gus" for short. Not sure of his pedigree – we are told it was a mix of Sheltie and Papillon.*

On **Monday**, several pastors and denominational leaders gathered for our **EFCC Pastors' Orientation** at TWS/ACTS Seminary. This was a great day together, as we had pastors from both the LPD and Canadian Pacific District and we are thankful for the great team of pastors God is bringing together.

This weekend, I look forward to joining **Pastor Ranjith (Priyantha) Perera** and the people of **New Life International Fellowship** on Saturday morning for their annual meeting. Over this past year, the church has shifted from holding a regular Sunday service to more informal fellowships, yet maintains a great outreach to Sri Lankans in our region. We will value your prayers as we gather to seek the Lord's leading as we plan for the year ahead.

Sunday, I look forward to joining **Pastor Dr. Paul Yang**, and the people of **Jubilee Chapel**, where I will have the opportunity to preach and also to welcome them into the LPD/EFCC Family. As you will recall, this Korean language church meets on the campus of ACTS Seminary, where Dr. Yang is Director of Worldview Studies in Korean at ACTS Seminary.

Please join me in praying for:

- **Lorin and Jeanette Bergen** begin their new ministry as Lead Pastor at **Fort Langley EFC** on May 1st. We are thankful for God's clear leading, and we look forward to God's work in this new chapter at FLEFC.
- **Tim and Emily Stewart** begin ministry at **New Westminster EFC, also on May 1st.** We are thankful for God's clear leading in this, and we value your prayers for all as they begin their ministry together!
- **Church Planting**. Please pray for **Stephen Leung**, as he seeks to lay a foundation for a Mandarin Church in our region, and our district board, as we consider him as a church planting missionary to facilitate this.
- Please pray for our upcoming **Church Planting Boot Camp on May 7-11.** We look forward to identifying, equipping and sending the church planters God is raising up for work in his harvest field in the days ahead.

Please remember:

1. **"The Cruise"** Our next **Pastors and Staff Ferry Cruise is planned for Wednesday, May 30**. Please mark your calendars for this day to fellowship and grow with fellow-servants from our district! We will also be introducing the proposal for revised ordination procedures in the EFCC. **Please see the attachment!**

May God bless you and your ministry this weekend!

In Jesus,
Rob