

August 3, 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.* I trust that you are having a good week and are looking forward to both Sunday and the long weekend.

Karen and I enjoyed seeing many of you at the **EFCC National Conference** this morning. About 300 people attended and the spirit was both very positive and forward looking. Bill Taylor was affirmed as our Executive Director for another four-year term, so it is time to once again roll up our sleeves and work together towards the God-given task we share. Keynote speaker Larry Osborne spoke with both relevance and with the guidance of the Spirit. If you were not able to join us for conference, or if you would like to share the messages with your church leadership, recordings will be available through the National Office. I am sure that you will hear much more about conference in the days ahead, but thanks for praying for God to use this time towards the furtherance of his work, both in and through us as the EFCC.

This Sunday, we look forward to joining **Vancouver Chinese EFC**, for the installation of **Dan (Sharon) Williams** as Associate Pastor, to serve with the English Congregation. We are thankful for God's leading, in both the lives of Dan and Sharon and in VCEFC, and we look forward to what God will do in the days ahead. Please pray for Dan and Sharon, as they step into this new ministry, and serve alongside **Ed (Ruby) Lee, Wai-Mui (Rick) Lee and Phil (Grace Yung)**. We welcome them to the LPD/EFCC family.

Please join me in praying for:

- ◆ **Jesus Is Our Salvation Church**, as they have stepped out in faith in calling **Pastor Emmanuel (Noel) Macasaet** to serve their Chilliwack Campus as a church planting pastor. *Please pray for them, as they launch their first DVBS Ministry this week in Chilliwack.*
- ◆ **Philip and Grace Yung**, as they prepare for their internship/residency as church planters, to launch a Multi-Ethnic English-Speaking Church in our region. This is a partnership between ANACEFC, the LPD, the EFCC and Ambassador Church (an EFCA Church in Brea California).
- ◆ For **Dan and Sharon Williams**, as they begin ministry as **Associate Pastor of the English Congregation**. Dan and I used to serve together with I.V.C.F. in Victoria, so after 27 years, it is great to be together in the LPD/EFCC.
- ◆ For **Langley EFC**, as they prepare to launch their second campus, (**Clayton Campus**) on September 9th, and for Tim (Jodi) West as campus pastor. Please pray for the church and leadership, as they step out in faith in this way, and as they seek to expand their impact for Christ in Langley and Surrey.
- ◆ For **Sointula Community Church**, on Malcolm Island, as they conduct their DVBS this week. Please pray for a good attendance and for God to be at work through this ministry.
- ◆ For **Camp Evergreen**, this next week ([August 6-11, at Camp Charis](#)). This is a ministry of the **Evergreen Free Church Camp Association** and is affiliated with the Lower Pacific District, and ministers to children, ages 8-13, plus a leadership training program for teens. Please pray for a fruitful camp and for more info, please see: <http://efccassoc.blogspot.ca/>
- ◆ For **Burnaby Chinese EFC**, as they celebrate their **21st anniversary** as a church this weekend. May it be a time of both thanksgiving of what God has done and anticipation of what He will do in the future.

Please also remember the LPD in your church budgets and personal giving. We are pleased to share what we have with these new works of God and more, and the opportunities are stretching us!

May God bless you and your ministry this weekend!

In Jesus,

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