

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

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Good Friday morning friends , *Thanks for joining me for five minutes to update you on items of prayer and praise for our Lower Pacific District family.*



Welcome to our latest LPD Church Planting Missionary! **Youngchen (Bruce) Li** is an intern at **Grace EFC** (our Mandarin Church Plant at Richmond Public Market). He and his wife **Hannah** are from Mainland China and have also lived and served in South Korea and United States before coming to our region. Bruce is interning with **Stephen Leung**, and he is ministering at both the Richmond campus and also with Chinese students on the campus of Trinity Western University. **Welcome Bruce, Hannah and children Martin and Nancy!**

Bruce and Hannah are now our fifth Church Planting Missionaries, joining **Philip and Grace Yung** (Multi-ethnic Church Plant), **Steve and Gillian Sharpe** (The Rock), **Stephen Leung** (Grace EFC) and **Jonathan and Harmony Ng** (Servants Vancouver).

Tomorrow evening, some of us will to gather to partner in the ministry of **Camp Evergreen**. The camp is affiliated with our Lower Pacific District, and is also a member of the BC Camping Association. Camp Evergreen has had a major influence on our children, who attended as both campers and as part of the LTD (Leadership, Training and Discipleship) program. I used to direct a para-church camp, but see great value in churches partnering with children's camp in order to both enhance the ministry of the church and also to provide seamless follow-up to the camping ministry. Please check out our Camp Evergreen Website at <http://www.campevergreen.ca/> and watch for news on this year's camping program!

It is just five weeks until our LPD Conference—March 7,8—2014 at Langley EFC!

- Theme: "Living the Story," living out the gospel in our lives and churches, and before our watching world.
- We anticipate two church plants (**Grace EFC and the Rock Christian Fellowship**) will be joining our district as member churches.
- At our **banquet on Friday evening**, we will hear stories of God's work from several churches and church plants in a variety of settings.
- We will receive reports and make decisions on the ministry of our district.
- We will have opportunities for fellowship and prayer together.
- Ladies and women in ministry will enjoy a fellowship luncheon on Saturday.

Please see the registration form attached to today's email.

Prayer items this weekend:

- *Fort Langley EFC will be hosting a farewell for Randy and Ashley Taylor, and giving thanks for their two years of service in youth ministry. May God guide you and keep you in your future, Randy and Ashley.*
- *Please pray for Ken and Caroline Lawrence. Ken was district superintendent of the LPD prior to me, and is now living in Washington State. Ken's health has not been good, and he has recently had a fall.*
- *Today, John Auxier and I will be representing Trinity Western Seminary in our ACTS Joint Governance Council Meeting. Please pray for God's guidance as we seek to partner in equipping people for ministry.*
- *Pray for Randy and Allana Lemke, who are on a three month sabbatical from ministry as lead pastor of Abby Free. Pray for Ron Unruh, as he is preaching for the months of January and February.*

Thanks for your partnership! [Your partnership and that of your church is both appreciated and needed.](http://www.lpd-efcc.ca/) Please see our LPD website at <http://www.lpd-efcc.ca/> for more info.

May God bless and keep you through this weekend!

In Jesus,

Rob and Karen

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