

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

October 14, 2016

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.

### What's God Up To In Our LPD Family?

**Who is the LPD?** We might answer that question in a number of ways.

- Is it me, as District Superintendent and Debra Walton, as our part-time office administrator?
- Do we add our 5 (coming 8) LPD church planting missionaries?
- Do we add the four church plants and 31 churches?
- Do we add our valued district board members?
- Do we add you?



In short well over 5000 people attend LPD Churches each Sunday, and worship and serve in 8 or more languages, from Sointula to Chilliwack.

We desire to honour our Lord and to serve him and one another in his Name.

In the weeks ahead, you will be hearing about how you and your church can partner together with others to be a part of a church plant by being either a "sending church" or a "supporting church." We are all in this together, and it is our privilege to serve our Lord and you in his name.

For news on our LPD and how you can be a part of what God is doing, please visit your website at: <http://www.lpd-efcc.ca/>

Your partnership with our Lower Pacific District and church plants through prayer and finances is appreciated. Thank you! Gifts can now be made via PayPal to LPD or to Church Planting Projects through our LPD Website. Please check "Donate" on the LPD website main page and under the "Designated Gifts" tab to donate to church plants. <http://www.lpd-efcc.ca/>

### Pray also for:

- New Life International Fellowship, our LPD Church of the Week.
- Nova Strom and family, and the White Rock Community Church family, as they grieve the passing of Ken.
- Brian and Mary Crumback, parents of Ben (Anna) Crumback of Sointula Community Church. Brian is now to undergo chemotherapy and radiation to treat brain tumor.
- Quadra Island Bible Church, as they seek a transitional pastor.
- Christ Community Church, as they seek an interim pastor.
- New Westminster EFC, as they seek the Lord through their interim period of transition.
- Nori and Shelly Anderson, church planters in Port Alberni.
- Steveston/South Richmond. Pray for the leadership team of Steve and Gillian Sharpe, Allen and Hannah Chang, and Daniel and Joyce Wong, as they prayerfully prepare for this in the months ahead.

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| <b>New Life International Fellowship</b><br>LPD Church of the Week   |  |
| <b>Praise Points:</b><br>Praise be to God for another successful mission trip to Sri Lanka in June this year.<br>Thank God for the many souls touched by the power of the word of God during my mission in Sri Lanka.<br>Thank the Lord for his faithfulness in meeting our family and ministry related needs. | <b>Prayer Requests:</b><br>For continued growth in New Life Fellowship ministry in Surrey.<br>For leaders of the Fellowship for Motivation and continued support.<br>For my ministry with the English congregation of Coquitlam Chinese EFC.<br>For new opportunities to minister among the Sri Lankan families. |

• **NEW BC SOCIETIES ACT** - The Act comes into force on November 28, 2016. Societies (that includes churches) cannot transition before this date, and afterwards, there is a two year (November 28, 2016 - November 26, 2018) period for existing societies to come into compliance with the new Act. Please check our LPD website, where we post resources - under the "Administration Resources" tab. Please check the link to the government website on our district website. Watch for a template to be provided by our district as we prepare for the change as well.

### Upcoming Dates:

- Always Prepared" - with Steve Kim of Apologetics Canada, at Fort Langley EFC, Saturday, October 22. <http://www.flefc.org/events/equipping-day-always-prepared>
- Pastor and Staff Cruise - Wednesday, October 26 - see attachment!
- LPD Conference - March 10,11- 2017 at Johnston Heights Church.

May God bless and keep you through this weekend!

In Jesus,

Rob and Karen

Have you checked out the **LPD on Facebook?** We invite you to become a friend. Just click on the icon, and watch for updates!

