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

December 2, 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?

This Advent and Christmas season give us wonderful opportunities to share the Good News. Each year, Johnston Heights Church puts on a wonderful musical theatre for the community. This free and well attended event is always popular in the community and provides a fun family event with a gospel message. We look forward to attending with friends on Wednesday evening.

The Journey runs from December 7-11. For tickets, contact Johnston Heights (604.589.3733) or see their website at <a href="http://hopetoyou.com/">http://hopetoyou.com/</a>



The Rock Christian Fellowship



Last week, it was a joy to join Pastor Dr. Paul Yang (Jin Gyung) and the people of Jubilee Chapel, where I preached. Jubilee Chapel is a Korean Church that meets at ACTS Seminary of TWU Campus. This week, I look forward to preaching at New Living Assembly on Sunday morning and then Karen and I will join Pastor Young Jin Song (Sunny) and the people of Immanuel Korean Church in Cloverdale, as they celebrate their 19th anniversary. Immanuel Korean Church reaches to Korean immigrants in Surrev.

"Kabyemera Christmas Fund" - assist the Kabyemera family be reunited for Christmas. We can participate in bringing son Israel, his wife Adyeri and their son Joshua

home for Christmas and life in Canada. Benevolent non- tax receiptable gifts can be made through our LPD website under "Designated Giving." So far, the fund is over \$850.00 towards the goal of \$3500.00 to reunite the Kabyemeras for Christmas. Thank you! We are still receiving gifts through our website.

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

## Please Pray for:

- The Rock Christian Fellowship, our LPD Church of the Week. They request prayer for them during this season as they have a number of outreaches going on until the end of January. The Church is also sponsoring a Christmas event called the Celebration of Light to help the Ladysmith Food Bank and Soup Kitchen.
- LPD Churches, as we prepare for the opportunities and ministries of Advent and Christmas.
- Quadra Island Bible Church, as their transitional pastor Joe and Marion Massop begin their ministry.
- Nori and Shelly Anderson, church planters in in Port Alberni, as they launch their first service of Hope Community Church Sunday evening.
- Christ Community Church, and their search for a pastor.
- Pastor Noel and Lynda of New Living Assembly are on a short-term mission to the Philippines.
- New Westminster EFC, as Ralph and Karen Hardy serve as interim pastor through this period of transition.
- Please pray for Ben and Anna, for Anna as she recovers from minor surgery. Ben's father Brian is completing his chemotherapy and radiation to treat a brain tumor, and is doing well.
- 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.

NEW BC SOCIETIES ACT - The Act comes into force on November 28, 2016. Please check our LPD website, where we have posted resources - under the "Administration Resources" tab. Pastor and church chairs, please see the letter with steps for transition that was sent from our district this week. Our LPD has transitioned under the new Societies Act, and we have sent information to all pastors and church chairs.

Upcoming Dates: LPD Conference - March 10,11- 2017 at Johnston Heights Church.

May God bless and keep you through this weekend!

In Jesus,

Rob and Karen

