

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

May 5, 2017

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?

Summer Camp - a chance to change a life - for eternity...

I went to my first summer camp when I was seven years old. It cost \$7.00 per week to attend. That price was a bargain - even then. Unfortunately, the cheap price was reflected in the food budget and we were hungry all week. We tried to fill ourselves on green plumbs from a camp tree - and let's just say that was not a great idea...

Since then, I have had the privilege of attending, counselling and even directing many camps and I have been personally impacted greatly in my walk with Christ through Christian camping and those who have invested in me.

I am pleased to let you know about **Camp Evergreen**. This is a camp that is affiliated with our Lower Pacific District, and has had a great impact on our four children. They have attended as campers and also in the Leadership Training and Discipleship program. We are thankful for the impact of this camp on each of them, and on the lives of many others too. For many in LPD churches, Camp Evergreen has become their camp of choice and has been a great blessing.

Camp Evergreen is for children age 8-12 and the Junior Camp is for those 13 years old, or having completed grade 8. Camp dates this year are August 7-12. Please check out the Camp Evergreen website at <http://www.campevergreen.ca/>



Your partnership with our Lower Pacific District in our district ministry 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/>

Please Pray for: Sointula Community Church - our LPD Church of the Week.
Pray for Pastor Ben (Anna) Crumback and the church family.

Pray also for:

- **Brian and Mary Crumback** - parents of Ben (Anna) Crumback. They have been missionaries with North American Indigenous Ministries. Brian is trusting the Lord in the return of his brain cancer.
- **Will Burgess** (Youth Pastor at Mountain View Church) and **Christine Fraser** of Fort Langley EFC who are to be married tomorrow, May 6. Congratulations Will and Christine. *Go ahead and take the weekend off, Wil!*
- **New Westminster EFC**, as **Ralph and Karen Hardy** serve as interim pastor.
- **Christ Community Church**, in their pastoral search.
- **Grace EFC (Mandarin)**, as they have a search for their next lead pastor and for **Advisory Pastor Philip (Karen) Leung**. **Pastor Bruce (Hannah) Li** will be completing their part-time ministry in July, as they seek the Lord in church planting.
- **Evans and Donnae Hundermark** and family, as they prepare to transition from Mountain View Church towards Foremost EFC at the end of May, and for the church leadership and family, as they too prepare for transition.
- **Our LPD Board** - Randy Lemke (Chair), Charles Labun (Vice Chair), Patrick Chan (Director of Property and Finance), Steve Sharpe (Director of Church Planting and Development), Tim Stewart (Innovative Ministries), Ben Crumback (Island Church Liaison), Anthony Yeung (Chinese Church Liaison) - and me.
- **Dan and Erico Wu**, who have been called to serve at **Burnaby Chinese EFC** as pastor of English Ministries.
- **Dan Nicholson**, our EFCC Leadership Catalyst, who is undergoing a chemo. treatment for cancer on May 1.
- **Quadra Island Bible Church**, in their time of pastoral transition and for **transitional pastor, Christian Klaue**.
- **Nori and Shelly Anderson**, as they transition from their church planting ministry in 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.

Sointula Community Church

Praise
~For many children at our after-school "Explorers" kids club
~For a very well attended and well received Ladies Spring Tea
~For an encouraging Easter service

Prayer
~For God's continued leading as we seek to serve our community

Upcoming Dates:

- **EFCC Theological Summit and Annual Meeting, May 18,19** - in Okotoks or simulcast - For info and registration, see <https://www.efccm.ca/wordpress/resource/theological-summit/> (see main email for host churches in LPD)
- **LPD Pastors and Staff Cruise - Wednesday, May 31** - please mark your calendars.
- **Camp Evergreen - August 7-12.** <http://www.campevergreen.ca/>

May God bless and keep you through this weekend and through the week ahead!

In Jesus,

Rob and Karen

