

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

August 28, 2015

**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 week's story comes from **Wildwood Community Church** in Bowser. Last Sunday, Karen and I joined with Pastor Rick and Sandy McAllister and the people of Wildwood Community Church, where I preached at the morning service, and afterwards we all went down to nearby Deep Bay for a baptism, followed by a potluck barbeque. It was exciting to see this brother and sister identify with Christ through baptism, and a celebration of His good work.



**This Sunday morning,** I look forward to joining Langley EFC, City Park Campus, for their morning service, where I will preach while Pastor Darren will join Campus Pastor Matt (Val) Myers at the Clayton Heights Campus. We are thankful for the steps forward at both campuses of Langley EFC, and we trust God for a fruitful season ahead. Please pray for Pastor Matt and Val as they settle in to their new ministry at Clayton Heights - and await the at imminent arrival of their first child.

**This Sunday afternoon,** I look forward to joining Jesus is our Salvation Church (Filipino Church) in North Surrey, where I will also preach and participate in the installation of leaders for a new season of ministry. Please pray for this growing church that reaches out to Filipino immigrants and beyond in Surrey.

*The Rock Christian Fellowship*  
*LPD Church of the Week*

Please pray for:

- ❖ Unity in the congregation as we seek to serve Jesus Christ
- ❖ The opportunity and ability to reach those around us for our Saviour.

**Last Sunday evening,** it was a special joy for Karen and me to travel down island from Bowser to Ladysmith, where we met with the leadership of **The Rock Christian Fellowship** and I later preached at their 6PM service. We are thankful for this work of the Lord in Ladysmith, and for the ministry of Pastor Steve and Gillian Sharpe in planting this work.

**Please join us in praying for The Rock Christian Fellowship - our LPD Church of the Week.** Please especially pray for them this week, as they honour and give thanks for the lives and ministry of **Church Planting Pastor, Steve and Gillian Sharpe,** as they conclude their ministry there at the end of this month.

It really was a God-ordained thing that Steve and I connected five years ago, and we are thankful that God has used him and Gillian in the birth of the Rock. Steve and Gillian have relocated to the lower mainland, where Gillian has been transferred in her employment. Please pray for God's guidance in their future, and for **Church Chair, Joel (Ingrid) Chiri,** and the team as they begin the process of transition.

### **Please also pray for:**

- We are thankful for God's leading in the search for a pastoral intern for New Westminster EFC. On Wednesday evening, the church voted to confirm the call of **Henry (Kimberly) Christified.** Henry is from Kenya, and Kimberly grew up in North Delta. Their installation will be on September 20. Also, **congratulations to Henry and Kimberly on the birth of their son Mischael on August 20!**
- **EFCCM Personnel Director, Wade (Adele) Hammond,** as he recovers from surgery .
- Former LPD Board Chair, **Bob (Maureen) Wilson,** who is home (PTL) after open heart surgery on Tuesday, July 28.
- **Pastor Ian and Connie Lawson** of Lethbridge EFC, as Connie battles cancer.
- Fall kick-offs in district churches.

### **Upcoming Dates to Remember:**

- **LPD Pastors and Staff Cruise - Wednesday, October 28.**
- **Christian Sexuality Workshop - November 6,7 at Fort Langley EFC.** Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for this timely workshop on biblically ministering in our times.

*We appreciate the gifts of many district churches and also of individuals, through both cheques and also through our website. See the new LPD website at <http://www.lpd-efcc.ca/> for more info. Gifts can now be received via **Pay-Pal.** These enable us to partner with churches and church planters who are stepping forward in faith. Thank you!*

**May God bless and keep you through this weekend!**

In Jesus,  
**Rob and Karen**

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