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

June 17, 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? When you think of the LPD, who do you think about?

Many of you may have become accustomed to seeing me representing the LPD in my travels, but you may not be aware of the great team that we have on our LPD Board. Here is the team, from front left to right:

Steve Sharpe - Director of Church Planting and Development.

Randy Lemke - Member at Large

Vanessa Siemens - Recording Secretary.

Ron Unruh - LPD Chair.

Charles Labun - LPD Church Chair Liaison.

Bill Steller - Director of Property and Finance.

Tim Stewart - LPD Young Pastor Liaison.

Ben Crumback - LPD Island Liaison.

Anthony Yeung - LPD Chinese Church Liaison.

I deeply appreciate each of these friends and co-workers in Christ, and the service, guidance and prayers that they provide to serve you and our Lord. Your prayers and support is appreciated as we serve!

Your partnership in prayer and finances enables us to partner with Nori and Shelly, churches and church planters who are stepping forward in faith. Thank you! With your help, we can also plant <u>two more churches this year</u>. Please see our LPD website at http://www.lpd-efcc.ca/ for more info. <u>Gifts can now be made via PayPal to Nori and Shelly and other missionaries through our LPD Website</u>. Please check under the "<u>Designated Payment</u>" tab.

<u>Last weekend</u>, it was a joy to speak at the English Ministries service at Richmond Chinese EFC, and to later join Jesus is Our Salvation Church in Surrey.

This weekend, I look forward to joining Pastor Bruce and Hannah Li and the people of **Grace EFC**, where I will preach. Please pray for this new church that reaches out to Mandarin speaking péople in our region.

Please pray for: Pastor Ranjith and Priyantha Perera our New Life International Fellowship - an outreach to Sri Lankans in our region. Pray for Pastor Ranjith who is currently on a short-term mission to Śri Lanka.

Pray also for:

- Pastor Ranjith Perera (Priyantha) who is on a short-term mission to Sri Lanka from June 8-July 1.
- **Steveston/South Richmond**, as we explore God's call to partner in a church plant.
- Henry and Kim Ngugi (of New West EFC), on their short-term mission to Kenya.

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- 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. We will be providing resources along the way! Please check our LPD website, where we will be posting resources under the "Administration Resources" tab. Watch for a workshop in September!
- Camp Evergreen, August 1-6, 2016 at Camp Charis. This is the "official" camp for the Lower Pacific District of the Evangelical Free Church of Canada. Camp Evergreen is also a member of the BC Camping Association. The beauty of this excellent camp is that it can be an extension of the ministry of your local church, and follow up of campers can also be done through your local church. http://www.campevergreen.ca/
- EFCC National Conference, August 4-6, 2016, at Fort Langley EFC. Join us for pre-conference prayers times at Fort Langley EFC on June 21st and July 19th from 7-8PM.

May God bless and keep you through this weekend!

In Jesus,

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







