

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

August 19, 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?



On Wednesday, our LPD Board met together for our annual golf game, followed by meeting and dinner at our home. District Chair Ron Unruh once again led the field, with a the lowest score for the day. Some others - well, let's just say were more 'sub-par.'

I deeply appreciate the ministry of our LPD Board Team as they serve both you and our Lord. With three current church plants (with plans for a fourth), five LPD Church Planting Missionaries, and encouraging and resourcing more than 30 churches, there is much to be done, and I am thankful for the guidance, service and expertise that each board member brings to our board. Thanks Ron, Charles, Bill, Tim, Ben, Anthony, Steve, Randy and Vanessa! We value your support in prayer and also the financial partnership of you and your church.



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

Please pray for: Quadra Island Bible Church, our LPD Church of the Week. Please pray for Pastor Nathan, Amber and family as they transition, and as the church conducts a ministry appreciation celebration on August 28. Pray for the continued witness of this church family to the people of Quadra Island.

Pray also for:

- Fellow LPD Churches, as they conduct VBS, Summer Missions and Camps.
- **Churches and pastors in Transition - please pray!:**
 - Nathan and Amber Kinsey conclude their ministry at Quadra Island Bible Church at the end of August. Please pray for them in their transition and for the church as they seek a transitional pastor.
 - Miles and Lorie White have resigned as pastor of Christ Community Church in Ucluelet. Please pray for them in their future and for the church as they seek an interim pastor.
 - Steve and Kyla Masoud concluded their ministry as Youth Pastor at Johnston Heights in June.
 - Tim and Emily Stewart conclude their ministry at New West EFC at the end of August.
 - Tim and Emily Stewart begin ministry as pastor of Parkdale EFC in Victoria on September 1st.
 - Daniel and Joyce Wong concluded their ministry at Richmond Chinese EFC at the end of June and Allen and Hannah Chang will conclude their ministry there at the end of August. Pray for these couples as they transition to church planting. Richard and Pam Franklin have been appointed as transitional pastor in the English Ministries of RCEFC.
 - Nori and Shelly Anderson, began as LPD Church Planting Missionaries on August 1st, and are now in Port Alberni. Please pray for them as they begin laying the foundation for this church plant.
 - Steveston/South Richmond, as we explore God's call to partner in a church plant. Pray for the upcoming 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. 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!

Quadra Island Bible Church
LPD CHURCH OF THE WEEK

May God bless and keep you through this weekend!

In Jesus,

Rob and Karen

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