

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

October 28, 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 about 35 LPD Pastors and Staff joined together for our biannual "LPD Pastor and Staff Cruise."

It was a great time together, and we covered topics from the new Societies Act in BC to "Revitalize" and church planting.

It was encouraging to learn of upcoming baptisms, of people coming to Christ and of God's work on the mainland and the islands.

It was encouraging to be updated on the church plant projects in both Port Alberni and Steveston. God is both leading and providing in both communities, and we trust Christ to build his church in both existing and new churches.

Churches can join in church planting by being either a sending church or a supporting church - please contact us for more information. For news on our LPD and how you can be a part of what God is doing, please visit : <http://www.lpd-efcc.ca/>


Last week, it was a joy to preach at Grace EFC, our Mandarin-speaking church in Richmond, pastored by Bruce Li (Hannah). **This week**, Karen and I look forward to ministering in Central EFC in Courtenay, and to presenting the ministry credential to Pastor Jeremy Boehm (Lauren), who serves alongside Pastor Dave Koleba (Lydia).

Your partnership with our Lower Pacific District 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/>

Pray also for:

- Sointula Community Church, our LPD Church of the Week. Please pray for Ben and Anna, for Anna as she recovers from minor surgery this week, and for Ben's parents, Brian and Mary Crumback, as he undergoes chemotherapy and radiation to treat a brain tumor.
- Quadra Island Bible Church, as they seek a transitional pastor.
- Nori and Shelly Anderson, church planters in Port Alberni.
- Christ Community Church, and their search for a pastor.
- James and Kathleen Ngenda, and their family in the tragic death of their son Noah. James and Kathleen Ngenda are EFCCM missionaries to Nigeria, and their home church is Fort Langley EFC.
- Nova Strom and family, and the White Rock Community Church family, as they grieve the passing of Ken.
- New Westminster EFC, as they seek the Lord through their interim period of transition.
- 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
LPD Church of the Week



- Praise God for a good turn out and a wonderful time of food and fellowship at our recent Ladies Harvest Tea!
- Praise God for the many who came out and helped us prepare 35 apple pies for the upcoming Sointula Winter Fest
- We are thankful for the opportunities that God continues to provide to reach our community with the good news of Jesus Christ!
- Please pray with us that He will use our church to further His kingdom here.

Sointula is located on Malcolm Island and pastored by Ben and Anna Crumback

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.

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

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

