

Money, Faith & Worship:

Over the past 6 months our giving has averaged \$9957 per month. For the same period our expenses averaged \$12202 per month resulting in a shortfall of \$2245. Please consider supporting the River Church financially.

“The gift of first fruits is not so much about God needing our money or the poor needing our help, it is all about declaring God first in our life. For our own spiritual vitality we need to give.”

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Our upcoming City Wide Gatherings:

December 22nd

December 24th

January 12th

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The River Church

City Wide Gathering

December 8th, 2013

River Kids Program
Little Dippers Pre-School Program



About Us: We at The River Church are focused on exploring and living out the teachings of God's Word. We are a community of Jesus followers, all on a journey to know God. The River Church is built on a Simple Church model. The 2nd and 4th Sunday's of every month are City Wide Gatherings; at our City Wide Gatherings the entire River community comes together for worship and teaching. In the weeks in between, Simple Churches meet, often in homes. See inside this brochure for a list of our Simple Churches.

Identity Statement: We are a network of Simple Churches: immersed in the grace of God, listening to the Spirit, freed to live out Jesus' love.

Our Vision is Jesus. We value being a people who are: Refreshingly Grace Filled, Joyfully Engaging, Undividedly Truthful, Wholly Relational, Unashamedly Experiential, Wildly Authentic, and Practically Loving.

Office/Study Locations:

Home: #19 – 40137 Government Rd.
Community: Bean Brackendale

Pastoral Staff:

Lead Pastor: Rev. Darcy Reimer
Kids & Counseling: Kenda Reimer

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News & Events

UNITE Worship Event: Tuesday January 21st at 7:30 pm at the BAG. Please check the website for all the upcoming dates.

Book Study for Women: Women are studying "Emotionally Healthy Woman" 3rd Thursdays of the month from 7-9:00 pm. Check website Events Page for more info.

Wholy Fit: Come try out a gentle WholyFit class during the week. Look up WholyFit Squamish on the River's website www.intheriver.ca or Facebook for more class times.

Open Door: Open Door has two needs. They could use volunteers to be on an on-call list in case one of their volunteers is not able to attend. Also, they desire to provide lunch for the Monday Program, so if you want to help make that happen, please talk to Lisa Oakes or Lynda Warner for more information. lisajoakes@shaw.ca

Salvation Army Kettle Drive Needs Volunteers: SA are in need of volunteers in Squamish to assist them in "Ring the Bells" on a kettle during their campaign which runs from Nov. 14th through Dec. 24th 2013 inclusive. Their kettle volunteers are asked to commit to standing at a kettle and encouraging people to support the Campaign. We are looking for energetic and dynamic people who want to help with our

efforts of meeting the needs of many citizens in your community. SA will also pay volunteers minimum wage to stand at a Kettle so if that interests you please contact Pastor Darcy. All money raised in Squamish stays in Squamish!

Operation Christmas Child & Shoebox: We want to thank all of you who put together a Children's Christmas Shoebox. Together, along with North Shore Alliance we put together 2,609 Shoeboxes – that means \$2609 lives were touched by the love of Jesus this Christmas!

Tin See See Yi Christmas Party: Christmas Party at Totem Hall needs House Church volunteers. Sat. night 5 pm on Dec. 14th

Christmas Eve Candlelight Gatherings: 5-6:00 pm at BAG Chapel and 6:30-7:30 pm at Don Ross. Please invite your friends!

Week of Prayer: Annual "Week of Prayer" January 5th - 10th at MVM 37739 2nd Ave.. Check website for more info.

African Children's Choir: Watoto African's Children's choir is coming to Squamish on Wednesday February 5th



Living Out Jesus' Love

Local Missions

Open Door: This ministry is directed towards Single Mothers and their children; they meet Monday mornings at 8:30am, Mountain Valley Mission, 37739 2nd Avenue. To hear more, contact Lisa Oakes at lisajoakes@shaw.ca or visit their website www.singlemomsopendoor.com.

Global Missions

CMA Families: Part of your general giving helps to fund one Canadian CMA missionary family worldwide. We have adopted Gaileen who is working in the Caribbean Sun Region. To receive her prayer updates please check out our website.

Harada's: Geff and Christine Harada work with the I'Wak tribe in the northern Philippines. Please pray for the Harada's as Christine is home fighting cancer! http://www.ntm.org/wp/geff_harada/

Children's Programs

River Kids: If you have any questions about our children's programs or would like to help out or lead, contact Kenda Reimer at kendar@intheriver.ca.

"In the Flow" Kid's Mt Bike Riding Camp: Riding Camp has finished for the year but will start up again in the Spring.

The Vision of River Kids is for kids to have a safe place where they know God's love, learn what it means to be like Jesus, and experience the power of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

Little Dippers: Sunday school for children ages 1-4 takes place at the same time as River Kids. It is located in the classroom across the hall from the gym. Our time together involves twenty minutes of story, rhyme, dance, and music followed by unstructured play. Please ensure that an adult caregiver accompanies children. We would love for your toddler or

preschooler to join us as we wiggle, giggle, sing and learn about God! If you want to supervise this please contact kendar@intheriver.ca.

Youth

If you're a teen ages 13-18 and looking to connect with other youth city wide who follow Jesus or are interested in Jesus please contact Mat Chamberlain, our Young Life Leader at matchamberlain@mac.com or at www.facebook.com/pages/Squamish-YoungLife. To go deeper in your faith check out the Teen House Church!

House Churches

Teen House Church – 3rd Sunday Night of the Month 6-8:00 pm
Contact: Darcy & Kenda Reimer
kendar@intheriver.ca or 604-848-8007

Pre-Teen House Church – 1st Sunday Night of the Month 6-8:00 pm
Contact Darcy & Kenda Reimer
kendar@intheriver.ca or 604-848-8007

Valleycliffe House Church – Sunday mornings at 10 am
Host Home: Mario & Anne Iacovone
maiacovone@sahw.ca or 604.898.9300

Brackendale House Church – Sunday Nights 6-8:00 pm 1610 Depot Rd.
Contact Geoff Isaac @ 778-837-2548 or ilaughed5@yahoo.ca

Garibaldi Estates – Sunday 10:30am
Host Home: Maria Shemko
Contact: Maria Shemko
mariashemko@hotmail.com or 604.898.9134

Tantalus – Sunday 5:30pm
Roaming/Shared Contact: Jim Neudorf
mail4jim@gmail.com or 604.898.4277
Pat Carlin patriciacarlin@shaw.ca or 604.898.5333

Mamquam / North Yards - Wed. 7:00pm
Host home: Roaming. Call Jason Peterson @ 604-898-9490 or jasonandchaylene@shaw.ca

Fueling Thought

"After years of following Jesus, I now see the depths of my own sinfulness with greater clarity. The hole in my soul is much deeper and more frightening than I ever realized. Yet from the abyss bloom seeds of potential and new life. I realize now that few of us descend down into that black hole for fear of never coming up. I would have preferred that God make me an angel, absent from the mess of my humanity. Yet our light as leaders shines most brightly from the very backdrop of our own brokenness and vulnerability." For the complete Pete Scazzero quote please go to www.intheriver.ca/blog