

## Money, Faith & Worship:

In April, as a church, we discussed the trend of a declining cash buffer. I challenged us to work towards getting our buffer back to the \$20,000 level before the start of the summer holidays. At the end of March the buffer was at \$15,240. By the end of April it increased approximately \$2000 and reached \$17,147. Your gifting moved the church to achieve 40% of the goal in one month. That is significant and something to be celebrated. Thank you for your faithful giving and let us continue in our gifting.

Jim Neudorf, Treasurer.

“People watch us as we work, invest, spend, and share. Each financial transaction is an act of witness and enhances or undermines our reputation in the community. From buying a car to paying for a meal in a restaurant, people observe. Squeezing deals so that we can brag to our relatives at the Sunday dinner table may earn us the admiration of family and score points with our peers. Unfortunately, sometimes those same transactions may leave people less interested in hearing about our God.”

## Our upcoming City Wide Gatherings:

May 25<sup>th</sup>

June 8<sup>th</sup>

June 22<sup>nd</sup>

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# The River Church

## City Wide Gathering

May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014

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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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:

Eagle Run Village  
301-41340 Government Rd.  
Brackendale / Above Bean  
Brackendale Coffee Shop

### Mailing Address:

PO Box 1168  
Garibaldi Highlands, BC  
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### Pastoral Staff:

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

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# News & Events

**Happy Mother's Day! Today we thank God for our earthly mothers as well as our spiritual mothers!**

**Soup Lunch June 8<sup>th</sup>:** Celebration Sunday with guest speaker Errol Remple District Superintendent of the C&MA Canadian Pacific District!

**If families** could bring soup or chili and/or a dessert (keep in mind we need to make sure we don't all bring a dessert otherwise this will be a dessert lunch and not a soup lunch).

**Singles** bring bread, cheese and or meat slices. Please be reminded to bring your own bowls and spoons. Bowls and spoons will be on hand but would like to GO GREEN!

**UNITE Worship Event:** Tuesday May 27<sup>th</sup> at the BAG from 7:30 – 8:30 pm.

**Book Study for Women:** Women are studying "Emotionally Healthy Woman" 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays of the month from 7-9:00 pm. Check website Events Page for more info. Contact Kenda Reimer at [kendar@intheriver.ca](mailto:kendar@intheriver.ca)

**Membership Signing May 11<sup>th</sup> & May 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> at each CWG.** We encourage you to read through the

membership Brochure, found at the Book Table. Please read through TRC's Values and Identity Statement and Vision. If all this resonates with you, is really the cry of your heart, we encourage you to take the plunge. If you desire to sign the Membership Covenant, we encourage you to do so at either the May 11<sup>th</sup> or the may 25<sup>th</sup> CWG. This is in preparation for the Membership Sunday on June 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Living Waters Journey is a 6 week Deep Stream Event** from May 9<sup>th</sup> – June 16<sup>th</sup> at TRC Office. 7:30-9:30 pm every Wednesday. To learn more about JOURNEY for next time, please check out [www.intheriver.ca/events](http://www.intheriver.ca/events) for more information. You can also talk to Claudia Weiland or Darcy Reimer to get more information. E-mail at [peterclaudiaweiland@gmail.com](mailto:peterclaudiaweiland@gmail.com) or [darcyr@intheriver.ca](mailto:darcyr@intheriver.ca).

**Youth Connections & Growth:** If you're a teen ages 13-18 and looking to connect with other youth city wide who follow Jesus or are interested in attending Young Life Summer Camp please contact Mat Chamberlain, our Young Life Leader at [matchamberlain@mac.com](mailto:matchamberlain@mac.com) or at [www.facebook.com/pages/Squamish-YoungLife](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Squamish-YoungLife).



# 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. To hear more, contact Lisa Oakes at [lisajoakes@shaw.ca](mailto:lisajoakes@shaw.ca)

## 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/](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](mailto:kendar@intheriver.ca).

**"In the Flow" Kid's Mt Bike Riding Camp:** Riding Camp will begin Friday May 2<sup>nd</sup> so make sure you get those bikes tuned up and ready to go.

**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](mailto: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](mailto:matchamberlain@mac.com) or at [www.facebook.com/pages/Squamish-YoungLife](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Squamish-YoungLife).

## Simple Churches

**Teen – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Night of the Month 6-8:00 pm**  
Contact: Darcy & Kenda Reimer  
[kendar@intheriver.ca](mailto:kendar@intheriver.ca) or 604-848-8007

**Pre-Teen – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Night of the Month 6-8:00 pm**  
Contact Darcy & Kenda Reimer  
[kendar@intheriver.ca](mailto:kendar@intheriver.ca) or 604-848-8007

**Valleycliffe – Sunday mornings at 10 am**  
Host Home: Mario & Anne Iacovone  
[maiacovone@sahw.ca](mailto:maiacovone@sahw.ca) or 604.898.9300

**Brackendale II – Sunday Nights 6-8:00 pm 1610 Depot Rd.**  
Contact Geoff Isaac @ 778-837-2548 or [ilaughed5@yahoo.ca](mailto:ilaughed5@yahoo.ca)

**Garibaldi Estates – Sunday 10:30am**  
Host Home: Maria Shemko  
Contact: Maria Shemko  
[mariahemko@hotmail.com](mailto:mariahemko@hotmail.com) or 604.898.9134

**Tantalus – Sunday 5:30pm**  
Roaming/Shared Contact: Jim & Grace Neudorf  
[mail4jimm@gmail.com](mailto:mail4jimm@gmail.com) or 604.898.4277

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

**Brackendale – Sunday Mornings at 10 am**  
Host Home: Roaming/Shared Contact Rolf and Christine Rutishauser [rccruti@gmail.com](mailto:rccruti@gmail.com)

## Fueling Thought

"The story goes that a public sinner was excommunicated and forbidden entry to the church. He took his woes to God. "They won't let me in, Lord, because I am a sinner."

"What are you complaining about?" said God. "They won't let me in either." ~Brennan Manning *Ragamuffin Gospel*

"Define yourself radically as one beloved by God. This is the true self. Every other identity is illusion." ~Brennan Manning *Abba's Child*