#### **Financial Information:**

In 2 Corinthians 8:7 Paul encourages the believers in the city of Corinth by writing: "just as you excel in everything - in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us - see that you also excel in this grace of giving" Let us show the sincerity of our love by our giving. The money is used for the purposes of showing grace, whether through the work of Darcy and Kenda, Open Door, or the missions that we support.

If you have been encouraged, come closer to God or blessed by The River Church, please consider supporting the church financially so that these gifts may be shared with others.

### **Our upcoming City Wide Gatherings**

December 24th

January 13th

January 27th

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# City Wide Gathering December 23rd, 2012

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: Home: #19 – 40137 Government Rd. Community: Bean Brackendale Mailing Address: PO Box 1168 Garibaldi Higlands, BC V0N 1T0

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

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### **News & Events**

#### **Christmas Eve Candlelight Services:**

The River Church is putting on 2 Candlelight Gatherings. One at 5:00 pm at the BAG Chapel. Another at 6:30 pm at Don Ross Secondary. Please invite your friends!

Men's Ministry: Men's Ministry beginning. For more info on upcoming events and men's breakfasts, please contact Jason Peterson at iasonandchaylene@shaw.ca or the website www.intheriver.ca

#### **Get to know Our Advisory Council:**

We elected Peter Lang onto the Advisory Council and re-elected Jim Neudorf back onto the AC for another 2 year term. To read a short bio on everyone on the AC check out the website www.intheriver.ca

**Parenting** Course entitled "Discipline": Gordan Neufeld who wrote the best selling book entitled "Hold Onto Your Kids" has developed official trainers in Squamish. One of their trainers, Nina Fields, has agreed to be our trainer and has decreased the cost to \$80 per person & \$110 per couple! Dates will be January 6th, 13th & 20th from 7-9 pm at the Reimer's. Alternate location secured in case we run out of space.

Wholy Fit: Every: Come try out a gentle WholyFit class before our CWG's. Just bring your fitness mat to the classroom across

from the gym from 8:45-9:30. Look up WholyFit Squamish on Facebook for more class times.

**Open Door:** If you want help support this vital ministry please consider donating your bottle returns @ the Bottle Depot Account #259.

21 Days of Prayer: January 6th - 27th. Location TBA.

**Upcoming Small Beginnings** Mustard Seed \$100 Event: |anuary 27th each Simple Church will be given \$100

to bless their community in some creative way.

**Soup Lunch:** Soup lunch at January 27th CWG!

**Deep Stream Teaching Event: Peace** Maker Training these Monday evenings 7:30 - 9:30 pm Location @ MVM downtown. (Feb 18th, 25th, Mar. 4th, 11th, 18th)

### Fueling Thought

"All of us have to face pain and difficulty, sometimes even tragedy. As we come to know and draw close to the God Jesus knows, we find a new kind of strength to deal with our struggles. If we do not know God as our Abba Father, then we will never have the courage to face our problems."

The Good & Beautiful God by James B Smith



# 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 contact Lisa Oakes 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.

Soccer For Life: Kid's Soccer Camp Sundays from 10-11:30 am. Contact Peter Weiland for more information at weiland@shaw.ca.

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 lesus, and experience the power of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

**Little Dippers:** Sunday school for children ages I-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! For more information. lulie contact lensen iuliediensen@hotmail.com or 604-567-2996.

#### Youth

If you're a teen ages 13-18 and looking to connect with other youth city wide who follow lesus or are interested in lesus please contact Mat Chamberlain, our Young Life Leader at matchamberlain@mac.com or at www.facebook.com/pages/Squamish-YoungLife.

#### **Simple Churches**

Paradise Valley - Sunday 9:30am Contact: Rolf & Christine Rutishauser rcruti@gmail.com or 604.898.9182

Valleycliffe - Sunday 10:00am Host Home: Mario & Anne Iacovone majacovone@sahw.ca or 604.898.9300

#### Tough Questions: - Tuesday 7:00pm

This group will meet the Tuesday prior to CWG's. Contact: Sklassen@telus.net 604-898-2392

Location: Brackendale

#### Garibaldi Estates - Sunday 10:30am

Host Home: Maria Shemko Contact: Maria Shemko mariashemko@hotmail.com or 604.898.9134

#### Garibaldi - Sunday 5:30pm

Host Home: Roaming/Shared Contact: Jim & Grace Neudorf mail4jimn@gmail.com or 604.898.4277 Pat & Dave Carlin patriciacarlin@shaw.ca or 604.898.5333

#### Mamquam / North Yards - Wed. 7:00pm

Host home: Roaming/shared Contact: Jason Peterson

<u>jasonandchaylene@shaw.ca</u> or Alexis Pelling at apelling@shaw.ca

#### **Outside 4 Walls Activity Group** Ist Sunday of every month

Contact Darcy Reimer at darcyr@intheriver.ca or 604-848-8007 Check website for schedule and