

Money, Faith & Worship:

Thank you, again, to everyone who donates on a regular basis to The River Church.

As you know this fall and early winter / spring has been tough. For several months we as a church experienced a shortfall of \$2200 every month which has almost used up our 'cash buffer. Thankfully once we put the word out you as a church stepped up and responded. In fact November 1st we saw just shy of \$10,000 come in monthly, which is what the River needs to pay our bills! Most months we are breaking even, but February we experienced a shortfall of \$1,700.

We want to do more than simply pay our bills; we want to pursue the Kingdom Vision God has for us. To help us do that, we encourage those of you who have not considered giving regularly to The River to prayerfully do so. To help you in the discipline of giving we have made a number of options available for you. Please check out www.intheriver.ca under Donate to learn how.

Our upcoming City Wide Gatherings:

May 10th Mother's Day

May 24th

June 14th

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The River Church

City Wide Gathering

April 26th 2015

River Kids Program
Little Dippers Pre-School Program



About Us: 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 scriptural teaching. In the weeks in between, Simple Churches meet, often in homes.

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.

Mission Statement: Live by faith, known by love, voice of hope...

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News & Events

Women's Gifted & Called Seminar:

This seminar will inspire women to discover and utilize their spiritual gifts so you can begin to live life full of purpose and joy. The seminar / retreat will be held May 29-30, 2015. For more information please check out our Events page at www.intheriver.ca

New Simple Church Launch:

We would like to invite you to the Reimer's home (41371 Kingswood Rd) on Simple Church weekend's from 9:30 am to 11:00 am. This Simple Church, led by Pastor D&K, looks and feels a lot like Big Church, and has many of the same elements. If you're new to the River and want to learn more what Simple Church is all about, or you are not currently connected to a Simple Church, please come! Coffee will be on!

UNITE Worship Event: April 28th we will be hosting another evening of Worship in Song at the Brackendale Art Gallery. We would LOVE it if you came. The purpose is to Unite together in praise to our God as a community of Christ followers in Squamish. We start at 7:30 and finish at 8:30. This once a month event is by donation so we may cover the cost of the space. Why not bring a friend and come just rest.....

worship.... and make space for God in you life.

Waters Edge Community Service

Event: May 9th is the Orecrusher XC is a multi-lap classic cross-country mountain bike race through the Cheekeye Fan single-track trails of Brackendale. The Orecrusher is the first race of the year and a great warm up for the mountain bike race season.

Pastor Darcy is the official Race Organizer this year and is asking the River Church to join him in the effort! We see this as a great opportunity to simply serve the community in love, with no strings attached.

We need a team to pull this off and do it well, so please take some time to look at the sign-up and volunteer. Also, if you want to work with Pastor Darcy and help organize the event, please call Darcy @ 604-848-8007 or e-mail darcyr@intheriver.ca

May 23rd & 24th Evening w/ Toni dolfo Smith: Saturday night (Teaching and Q&A) with Toni preaching Sunday morning. Please mark your calendars!

C&MA District Conference in Aldergrove May 22nd and 23rd



Living Out Jesus' Love

Local Missions

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.

Children's Programs

River Kids

The Vision of River Kids is or 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.

Leaders: All leaders/teachers in our children's programs are members of the River Church and have completed criminal record checks. For safety, we follow the policies and procedures outlined in Plan To Protect. If you have any questions regarding our children's ministries please contact Kenda Reimer at kendar@intheriver.ca

River Kids: Preschool - Gr.7 These kids are dismissed from the service and meet in the gym.

Age 3 - Kindergarten: meet in one half of the gym and are led by a rotation of teens/young adults. Parents will be found to help their child who needs bathroom help.

Gr 1-7: meet in the other half of the gym and are led by a rotation of adults.

Little Dippers: Nursery/Toddlers. This room is located in the classroom across the hall from the gym. You are welcome to either drop off your child or stay in the room with them. Parents are responsible for trips to the bathroom and diaper changes. This room is run by a rotation of parents and possibly some

pre-teen helpers. Parents need to sign in/out their own child.

Youth Outreach

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.

"In the Flow" Kid's Mt Bike Riding

Camp: Riding Camp had their first ride May 16th so we've begun another season! Please get your registration forms in and your bike's tuned up!

Simple Churches

Youth Gr. 8-12 - Every Wed night at North Shore Alliance in North

Vancouver/Young Life

Contact: Darcy & Kenda Reimer
darcyr@intheriver.ca or 604-848-8007

Pre-Teen Gr. 6-8 - 1st & 3rd Sunday Nights of the Month 6-8:00 pm at the Reimer's

Contact Darcy & Kenda Reimer
darcyr@intheriver.ca or 604-848-8007

Valleycliffe - Sunday mornings at 10 am

Host Home: Mario & Anne Iacovone
maiacovone@sahw.ca or 604.898.9300

Alpha Course - Brackendale - Sunday Nights 6:30-8:30 pm 1485 Judd Road

Contact Claudia Weiland @ 604-898-9676 or peterandclaudiaweiland@gmail.com

Tantalus - Sunday 5:30pm

Roaming/Shared Contact: Jim & Grace Neudorf
mail4jimn@gmail.com or 604.898.4277

Brackendale - Sunday Mornings at 10 am

Roaming/Shared Contact Rolf and Christine Rutishauser rcruti@gmail.com

Simple Church New Launch: Sunday 9:30 -

11:00 am at 41371 Kingswood Rd. Brackendale

Fueling Thought

"Desire is often talked about as something we ought to overcome. Still, being is desiring: our bodies, our minds, our hearts, and our souls are full of desires. Some are unruly, turbulent, and very distracting; some teach us how to love; and some keep us searching for God. Our desire for God is the desire that should guide all other desires. Otherwise our bodies, minds, hearts, and souls become one another's enemies and our inner lives become chaotic, leading us to despair and self-destruction."

Henrv Nouwen Online Devotional Abril 21st. 2015.