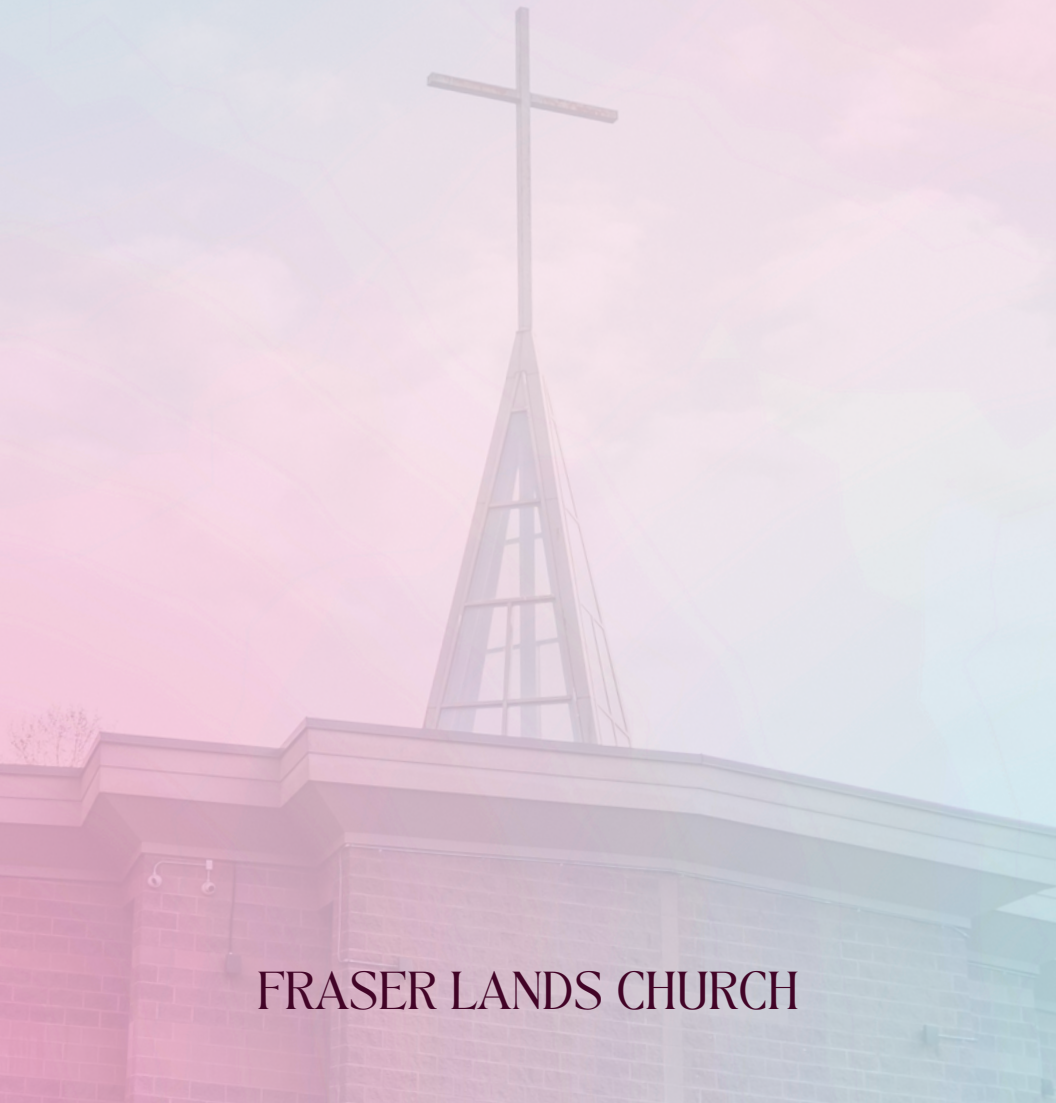


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BAPTISMS & MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS



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Caitlin Cheung

BAPTISM

I grew up in a Christian household and environment where I never questioned who God was.

My faith was quickly tested as I entered my high school years. With the growing pressure to fit in with my classmates, I cast God aside, hoping that would be the key to fitting in and having a place in my friendship circles. Attending youth camp that year helped me regain perspective on what life with God was supposed to look like. A journey of faith, and not one that everyone was going to agree with.

As I went to university, college fellowship at SJ was pivotal in growing my faith and growing in community. They showed me what it meant to walk with one another. God continued with work in my life, especially as I studied abroad in Australia this past semester. This season of isolation and growth refined me as a child of God and brought me back to what it was all about - Him.



Lauren Kilpatrick

BAPTISM

Hi, everyone! I'm Emily, and I've been attending Fraser Lands for about 10 years now, first introduced through Awana.

When I was younger, church was all about games and friends. I was excited to go, but I didn't fully understand the significance until I had a profound experience with God.

One summer, I was at the movies wearing shorts when my legs suddenly became unbearably itchy. I stepped out to the washroom and saw hives spreading. I was just a child, alone and scared, without my parents there to comfort me. At that moment, I did the only thing I could think of: I prayed. I asked God to take away my discomfort and fear. As soon as I started praying, the itchiness faded, and a wave of coolness and peace washed over me.

That moment, along with many others in my life, showed me that God is always there. He is someone I can trust fully and depend on completely. I'm excited to continue growing in love and understanding of Him.



Bernice Ko

BAPTISM

Christianity is all I've ever known, but I didn't know God, not personally. I let the currents of the world pull me away from Jesus. The water was so high, I couldn't see the hand God extended. I yearned to be whole, but nothing could fill the hole in my heart.

This April, I went on an Intercultural Learning Trip to France, and my life changed forever. When our team led worship by singing "The Blessing" at a senior home in Lyon, I felt like my heart was being lit on fire. Not only did Jesus fill my heart, He overflowed it. Later that week, we went camping at Teen Ranch where I shared my experience. As we worshiped together, I felt overwhelmed with emotion. I've never felt the Holy Spirit move in me so deeply. That's when I knew: Building a relationship with Jesus is the only way to feel whole. Now I'm choosing to take His hand and give my life to Him.

Jesus,

You turned my wailing into dancing; you removed my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, that my heart may sing your praises and not be silent. Lord my God, I will praise you forever.



Verik Li

BAPTISM

Faith has always been a central part of my life, coming to Fraser Lands since I was born; participating and serving in many of the programs. I never doubted whether I believed, although I often questioned why I was always serving. I didn't see the benefits or impact it had on my own or the kids' lives.

Being in Friday Knights and Awana, bible studies and discussions had always been a regular part of my week. Being so exposed to Christianity I always had answers to discussion questions but often didn't want to answer because most questions seemed too trivial. Despite this, Edmond, my Friday Knights leader, continued to show the same enthusiasm and effort for our group despite inconsistent attendance, really showing what it meant to serve and lead with joy.

As I reflected and looked back on all he had done for our group, I gained a newfound appreciation for serving, using it as an opportunity to not only teach others about faith but to grow my own as well. Seeing how many of the children in Awana have grown, some of which I first met in Cubbies has really taught me about the impact and importance of the roles I play.

As my relationship with God has deepened he has become a mentor that I can rely on. As I finally decide to get baptized, I know that this moment is just another milestone along the long journey of faith.



Jadon Tsang

BAPTISM

It is with joy that I share I've accepted Jesus Christ as my Lord and Saviour. For most of my life, I relied on my own strength and took pride in my achievements, whether in school or as a former athlete. I would acknowledge God outwardly, but deep down, I believed my success was all my own doing.

Eventually, that self-reliance led to anxiety, poor decisions, and broken relationships. I was no longer honest with those I loved, and I found myself isolated and angry, especially when things didn't go according to my plans. In the middle of that, my parents reminded me: "Why are you so focused on your plans? Ask God what He wants to do through you."

Still emotional, I didn't take those words to heart. But when I visited Fraser Lands Church soon after, someone's testimony struck a chord with me. It opened my eyes to what it means to truly surrender and follow God. I began reconciling with others and realized I had been chasing my own dreams rather than seeking His will.

Alone in my room one night, I finally surrendered: "Lord, I am broken. I need You." That was the beginning of a new chapter. Since then, God has been building my faith and opening doors to serve in ways I never imagined. I'm excited for how He will continue to use me as His salt and light. Thank you.



Betty Wanjala

BAPTISM

My parents are Christian, so they brought me and 4 siblings to church every week. When I was 15, I prayed to receive Jesus as my Saviour, but was not ready for baptism. As I grew older, I became very busy and did not have time for God. I got a job, got married and had 5 children. I was healthy and happy and thought I didn't need God.

When we moved to Canada from Kenya, I started working very hard. I took care of the children during the day and worked in the evening when my husband came home from work. When I had free time I would go to the gym and work out. I knew there was a church close by here, but I felt I had no time for God. Then, last year, I got very sick. I could not work nor take care of my family. The doctors could not figure out what was wrong and could not help me even though I was in great pain. I didn't know what to do.

Then my oldest son told me, "Mom, you need to go to church." He and his friend brought me to this church. Praise the Lord! That week, there was prayer ministry. My son and his friend helped me come up for prayer. When I was prayed for, I felt the peace of God. Then, God gave the doctors wisdom to help me and I began to feel better. I have continued to come to church to worship God and he is helping me become stronger and healthier. I need to be born again, get baptised and give my testimony. God is good! He healed me, gave me strength and wisdom to live well.



Grayson Wong

BAPTISM

I grew up in the church always attending Sunday sermons and events with my family. But I began to slowly fall away from the faith during Grade 11 and stopped attending church altogether. During university I did not think about religion and began living a very secular life. But in my fourth year I met some friends who invited me to Fraser Lands.

I began regularly attending Sunday service and SJ and I made a lot of good friends. I went through some difficult times and was left with uncertainty about whether my faith was my own. But through these experiences God began to call me to trust in Him and rely on Him more. My relationship with Him started to grow deeper and I began to realize how compassionate He had been to me even when I turned my back on Him.

I am now excited to call my relationship with Him my own and want to continue to strengthen it.



Caleb Chan

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER

My Mom and Dad raised me in a Christian household; I was five years old when I accepted Jesus Christ as my Savior.

I have attended church all my life. I have many memories of VeggieTales movies, Sunday School crafts and kids worship songs. I had been told that Jesus had a place for me ever since I was young. Somehow no one had mentioned it before, but one Sunday, someone mentioned ‘giving your life to Jesus’, and it stuck with me. The next Sunday, while my mom was getting ready, I made sure to crawl on top of my bunkbed, the highest point in my house, in an effort to get as close to God as possible.

Because I was so young when I converted, it’s difficult to imagine what life was like before and after giving my life to Christ as, in my mind, I’ve always had life with Christ. My spiritual wrestling rarely asked “Is God Real” and more so “are you who you say you are?” The answer came in 2024. After a series of questionable self destructive decisions, I had 3 fairly direct encounters with God, and things have been pretty good afterwards.

At the last church I attended, my efforts mostly involved moving chairs before and after service. It was a small church, so there weren’t many roles to fill. I thank you for accepting me into your community so that I can see where God takes me next, growing in faith.



Sarah Pau

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER

I used to wonder why people went to church. What drew them in?
What's the attraction?

Growing up in a non-Christian home, I was taught to be kind, generous, and compassionate. I thought if I lived by these values, I was a good person.

Then I met my husband. I saw something different in him. When he invited me to church, I went out of curiosity, not expecting much.

By God's mercy, during a Sunday service, I stood to accept Christ as my Savior. I began attending church regularly but didn't fully understand what it meant to follow Him.

It wasn't until my thirties, during a season of hardship, that God's love became real. A friend encouraged me to visit Fraser Lands. I agreed and even joined a small group. As my hunger for God's Word began, I found myself attending BSF classes and dove into scriptures.

Since then, I've experienced countless answered prayers and witnessed miraculous moments where God's faithfulness was undeniable.

I finally understand the answer to the question I once had - it's the love of God, and the joy of walking in a personal relationship with Jesus that draws people to church and into fellowship with His people.

THE MEANING OF BAPTISM

Christians believe that there is good news for all people. About 2,000 years ago God sent Jesus Christ into the world to save us from our sins. Whoever believes in him with repentance and faith will be saved.

Baptism is a Christian ceremony where we, as the church, celebrate the salvation through faith of new believers. When someone professes faith in Christ, then the church baptizes them in water.

The ceremony of baptism is a complex of various meanings, but the most straightforward meaning is washing. We don't wash ourselves; God washes us. When we call on the name of Christ, we are cleansed from all our sins (Acts 22:16).

At Fraser Lands, our practice is to baptize people during Sunday morning worship, full immersion. We typically hold baptism ceremonies twice a year, once at Easter, and once during Christmas Advent.

If you are interested in baptism, please contact Pastor Joe at joe@fraserlands.ca.



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