

ROSS ROAD

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Helping People Find and Follow Jesus

July 19th, 2015

Worship Service: 10:00 am

Leading Us In Worship
Perry Springman & Team

Today's Message:

Burning Question:

"Does God Transform Our Troubles into Triumph?"

Book of Ruth

Margaret Woodey

Our Vision...

We envision a Spirit-led church of bold Christ followers, who are experiencing a new freedom in His love and are intentionally leading their friends, neighbours and world to Him.

WELCOME

We are so glad you said 'yes' to God's invitation to be with us today! We'd like to get to know you better! Please take time to fill out one of our **Connect Cards** found in the pews and drop it in the offering bag. *Thank you!*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Join in worship with **Perry Springman** and his team

the**week**

sunday. july. 19

9:30am Prayer Time @ Prayer Room
10:00-11:15am RRCC Worship
Baby Dedications
6:00pm Soccer Camp Leadership Training

monday. july. 20

9:00-12:00pm Soccer Camp @ Aberdeen Elem.

tuesday. july. 21

9:00-12:00pm Soccer Camp @ Aberdeen Elem.

wednesday. july. 22

9:00-12:00pm Soccer Camp @ Aberdeen Elem.

thursday. july. 23

9:00-12:00pm Soccer Camp @ Aberdeen Elem.
6:00pm Soccer Camp BBQ @ RRCC

friday. july. 24

9:00-12:00pm Soccer Camp @ Aberdeen Elem.

coming**up**

monday. august. 03

Church office is closed for BC Day

tuesday. august. 11

Seeds of Hope Grace Academy Children's Choir

friday. august. 14

Youth Nightsliding @ Cultus Lake Waterslides

august. 31- september 03

Adventure Camp

monday. september. 07

Church office is closed for Labour Day

sunday. september. 13

Fall Kick Off

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Lee & Kim Tufford

We are pleased to welcome Lee and Kim Tufford into membership today. They will be joining by way of testimony.

LAST WEEK AT RRCC			
church ministries	other	Portugal	attendance
\$18,670.75	\$457.00	\$1,125.45	334

FAMILY NEWS



There is room for up to 5 more people to join the RRCC Portugal Missions Team on October 8th-20th. Please be in prayer about this. Contact Dale & Teresa Regier for more information.



Praise God that the children were granted visas and the family can enter Canada together. We are still in need of a 3 bedroom home for them to live in during their time here from August 2015 to June 2016, as well as a vehicle for them to use. If you have more questions, please contact Ben Born.



Please check the Lost & Found. Any items not claimed by the end of July will be donated to MCC.

FOUND: Pair of purple feather earrings were found in the Toddler Room. They can be claimed at the church office.

KIDS SOCCER CAMP



A Few More Coaching Opportunities for SOCCER CAMP, July 20 - July 24th, 2015!

Come make a difference! ***We are looking for more coaches to join us for Soccer Camp. Please let me know if you're available for this discipleship opportunity.***

- * Leader training session TONIGHT, 6:00pm

- * Leaders will be required to be at camp 8:15am to 12:30pm Monday-Friday, plus our awesome Thursday night Soccer Camp BBQ at the church.

Will you join us?! :) Contact Pastor Merri Ellen ASAP merriellen@rossroadcc.ca

NURSERY CARE

Nursery available for children from birth to 2 years of age. Our volunteers are police checked and a paging system is provided for your child's safety.

sunday. july. 19

10:00am Jon & Shana Evans
Danielle Longpre

sunday. july. 26

10:00am Rosabelle Birch
Anna Healy

KIDS MINISTRY

Kids Worshiping in the Pew: Look at page 6 of your bulletin for a fun activity or pick up a "Celebrating Sunday Note Sheet" in the foyer. Every summer we look forward to the growth experienced as one big family! You belong!

Summer Preschool: (Operating by police checked volunteer parents and regular teachers on rotation.) *All ages start in the main service, preschoolers later dismissed.*

How's your family summer discipleship going? Look for devotional ideas from House of James, or video teaching from RightNowMedia using your free Ross Road account. Find helpful ideas at www.RossRoadKids.com on how you can be intentional in your discipleship.

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**God transforms our troubles into opportunities
for praise and thanksgiving as we trust and obey Him.**

I. Destitute Naomi returns to Bethlehem with Ruth (Ruth 1)

Truth: God transforms our troubles into opportunities for praise by first causing us to realize we NEED HIS HELP.

Ruth 1:21 - *“I went away full, but the Lord has brought me back empty.”*

Application: How clearly do you see that you NEED God’s help?

II. Ruth and Boaz’s kindness gives Naomi HOPE (Ruth 2)

Truth: God transforms our troubles into opportunities for praise by giving us HOPE.

Ruth 2:20 - *“The Lord has not stopped showing His kindness to the living and the dead. That man is our close relative; he is one of our kinsman-redeemers.”*

Application: What HOPE is God giving you today in your need, and what is your response?

III. Boaz marries Ruth and fathers an heir for Naomi (Ruth 3-4)

Truth: God transforms our troubles into opportunities for praise by DOING what we cannot do.

Ruth 4:14 - *"Praise be to the Lord who this day has not left you without a kinsman-redeemer."*

4:17 - *"Naomi has a son."*

Application: How willing are you to ASK God to do what you cannot do, believing He can and will transform your trouble into opportunities for praise?

"Put each difficult situation in your hands and offer it up to Jesus. You might be amazed at how God can transform that thing that is so painful to you into good for someone else." ~ Elisabeth Elliot

For Personal Reflection and Discussion with Friends and Family:

How willing are you to ASK God to do what you cannot do, believing He can and will transform your trouble into opportunities for praise? For comfort and encouragement, see John 14:27 and Isaiah 41:10.

In Preparation for Sunday, July 26, 2015:

Pastor Art will speak on the Burning Question: "What Difference Does It Make If I Believe In Creation or Not?" In preparation, ask yourself what impact the enjoyment of the natural world around you this summer (or any time) has upon your attitudes and thoughts about God. To enrich your meditation, read and ponder Psalm 104.

2015 Summer Series "Burning Questions"	
Aug 2	"Christian Environmentalist: An Oxymoron?" Speaker: Rick Thiessen
Aug 9	"How Can I Know If I Am Hearing From God Or Someone Else?" Speaker: Darren Petker
Aug 16	TBA Speaker: Curtis Congo
Aug 23	"How Should Christians Respond to the Growing Recognition of Homosexuality in Western Culture?" Speaker: Craig Thiessen
Aug 30	"Why Didn't God Eliminate Satan Before He Created Humans?" Speaker: Art Birch
Sept 6	"Can Anything Stop God from Blessing Me?" Speaker: Bob Regier



Find the letters from these names hidden below.
Circle them.

RUTH BOAZ NAOMI OBED

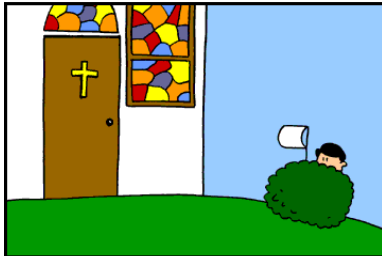
MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH

The next summer youth event will be **NIGHTSLIDING** on August 14! Also remember to get your registrations in for **ADVENTURE CAMP 2015**, happening August 31-September 3! You can get registration forms from the Info Desk or from the church website.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

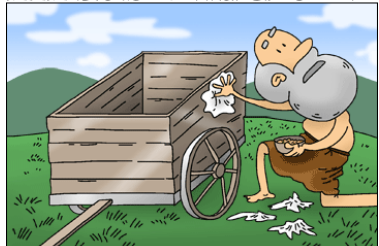
The next youth event will be **NIGHTSLIDING** at Cultus Lake Waterslides, August 14. Keep your ears tuned for sign up details.

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Thanks to Mikel Rice 04-22-1998
JOE FINALLY DECIDED TO SURRENDER HIS
HEART TO GOD

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Thanks to Kerry Hodgkinson 12-06-2013
RAIN? 40 DAYS AND NIGHTS? RIGHT AFTER
I FINISHED A MOST THOROUGH WAX JOB ON
MY WAGON?

OUR OTHER RRCC MISSIONARIES

Paul & Edna Cairns – in Chilliwack with Transport for Christ

Otto & Marjorie Ekk – in Portugal with MB Mission

Cynthia Friesen – in Thailand with MB Mission

Rob & Judy Griffioen – in Abbotsford with Good News International Ministries

S & B – in Central Asia with MB Mission

Beth Scholes – in Abbotsford with FamilyLife

Jason & Stephanie Shellborn (Madison, Hudson & London) – in Abbotsford with Discipleship International

Al & Karen Stobbe (Karissa & Natasha) – in Abbotsford with MB Mission

Rachael Wiebe – in Winnipeg with MB Mission

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Dwayne & Helen Rainwater – in Africa

Thank you so much for your faithful prayers for us this past month. We are thankful that we are all healthy now! We ended up making a long trip to get Dwayne checked out, and God provided for us, both for Dwayne's health, as well as giving us the opportunity to be with some close friends whom we haven't seen in several months. As we have finally been able to resume work and school this past few weeks, please pray for strength and endurance to make good progress. On the translation front, please pray for great wisdom as we wrestle with important key terms for the translation. For example, we have struggled to figure out a clear way to express the name "Holy Spirit" and figuring out an acceptable word for "sacrifice" has not been easy (the word exists, but the concept is quite different in this language).

Thank you,
Dwayne, Helen, Lisa and Michael

PRAYER & PRAISE

Margaret Bergen

Clare Senek

Walt Letkeman

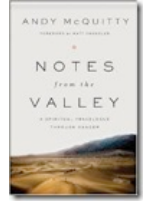
Curtis Albright

Debbie Bracewell

Please pray for those who are dealing with ongoing struggles in their lives - whether it be illness, spiritual battles, the loss of a loved one, or financial difficulties. Pray that God provides them with comfort, patience, endurance and strength in their daily lives.

LIBRARY

Andy McQuitty entered the **Valley of the Shadow of Death** with these words from his doctor: "Andy, It's cancer. It's serious." Yet Andy found that the **joy of his walk in faith** with Jesus Christ actually increased with the difficulty of the terrain. He found that, though the Valley presents new difficulties, it also teams with **deep blessings**. **Notes from the Valley** was written for anyone on their cancer journey who is craving words of **God's wisdom for their journey** that are simultaneously pastoral, evangelistic, theological, and, most of all, authentic.



PRAYER REQUEST



Please pray for **Jamie & Leah Munday** serving with MB Mission in Thailand.

PASTORAL TEAM:

Art Birch - Lead Pastor
Associate Pastors
Darren Petker - Adult Ministry
Craig Thiessen - Youth Ministry
Dave Rodda - Worship Ministry
Merri Ellen Giesbrecht - Kids Ministry

ELDER TEAM:

Barry Jackson, Moderator
Michael Blouin **Vic Martens**
Bob Regier **Dale Regier**
Dave Rosborough **Al Stobbe**

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