



ROSS ROAD

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Helping People Find and Follow Jesus

Celebration Sunday

November 15th, 2015

Worship Services: 9:00 & 10:45am

Leading Us In Worship

The MEI Worship Team

Today's Message:

God's Indispensable Spirit:

"By The Spirit's Power"

Galatians 2:20

Art Birch

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 the **MEI** Worship Team

theWeek

sunday. november. 15

8:30am Prayer Time @ Prayer Room
9:00-10:15am RRCC Worship
Preschoolers late dismissal
Between services Coffee and snacks
@ Common Grounds
10:45-12:00pm RRCC Worship
Preschoolers late dismissal
12:30pm Encore Lunch after Tabor Home
service @ Crossroads Restaurant

monday. november. 16

7:00-9:00pm Middle School Youth

thursday. november. 19

7:00-9:30pm High School Youth

comingUP

sunday. november. 22

Youth Sunday School @ Fireside room

friday. november. 27

Ross Road Women's Christmas Gathering

sunday. november. 29

First Sunday of Advent

friday. december. 04

Ladies Chat 'n' Craft

sunday. december. 06

Tim & The Glory Boys Concert

sunday. december. 13

Kids Ministry Christmas Program

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Emily Bosak - Joining by Baptism

Andrea Bosak - Joining by Baptism

FAMILY NEWS



The ladies who make the baby quilts for our child dedications have room for more volunteers to join. If you love quilting and want to get involved in this ministry please contact either the church office or Trixie Andrews.

If you're not able to join at this time but you happen to have some new, completed baby quilts at home that you'd be willing to donate it would be much appreciated! The group is also happy to accept donations of good quality, 100% cotton fabric in patterns that are suited for baby/toddler quilts.

AWAKE CONFERENCE

Today is the last day to register for the conference. If you're not able to attend the whole thing please indicate on your registration form the sessions that you are planning to be at. Here's the itinerary:

- Friday, November 20th - 7:00-9:00pm - Awake my Heart @ Yarrow MB
- Saturday November 21st - 9:00am-12:00pm - Awake my City @ Yarrow MB
- Saturday November 21st - 1:00-4:30pm - Loving people at High Street
- Saturday November 21st -5:00-7:00pm - Supper/Debrief/Prayer @ Yarrow MB
- Sunday morning - Awake my World @ RRCC

INTERGENERATIONAL CHOIR



Kids Ministry is looking for all those who love to sing to join the intergenerational choir for the Christmas Program taking place on December 13th in both services. Practices will be held on Sundays during the second service and Thursday afternoons.

Under the direction of Sharon Timmermans, we hope to bless the congregation during this Christmas season. For more information email Pastor Merri Ellen at merriellen@rossroadcc.ca.



NURSERY CARE

Nursery is 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. november. 15

- 9:00am Sally Healy Rosabelle Birch
- 10:45am Monika Thiessen Jennae Driediger

sunday. november. 22

- 9:00am Betty-Lou Hildebrandt Anna Healy
- 10:45am Sandra Hayashida Sarah Hayashida

KIDS MINISTRY

**Today we celebrate with all generations!
Preschoolers later dismissed.**

To the parents of our young children...
Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome!

The way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this place of worship. This is their church family.

Important Upcoming Dates:

- December 13th: Christmas Program

LIBRARY



In **Ruth and Billy Graham: Legacy of a Couple**, Hanspeter Nüesch describes both the life and ministry of **Billy and Ruth Graham**. No one has preached the gospel to more people than evangelist Billy Graham. But behind this exceptional man is an equally exceptional woman. Through her love, support, prayers, and personal ministry, Ruth helped shape the core values that have been foundational to the Grahams' ministry. This book illuminates the **legacy the Grahams leave to couples** doing ministry today and into the future.

LAST WEEK AT RRCC			
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Natural Person (Self-Directed Life)

Self is on the throne, directing decisions and actions (represented by the dots), often resulting in frustration. Jesus is outside the life.



Spiritual Person (Christ-Directed Life)

Jesus is in the life and on the throne. Self is yielding to Jesus. The person sees Jesus' influence and direction in their life.



Carnal Person (Self-Directed Life)

Jesus is in the life but not on the throne. Self is on the throne, directing decisions and actions (represented by the dots), often resulting in frustration.

I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Galatians 2:20

The Spirit empowers those who live by faith in Jesus.

For Personal Reflection and Discussion with Friends and Family:

Which diagram more accurately depicts your life? What brings you to that conclusion? What has helped you to learn to live in the Spirit's power? What might next steps be for you to live more in His power? If there is anything holding you back, what is it?

In Preparation for Next Sunday, November 22, 2015:

Sam Dick from MB Mission, as part of the AWAKE weekend, will challenge us next Sunday regarding reaching our world for Jesus. In preparation, pray that God will speak powerfully to us in our role as His ambassadors to the world He loves.

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS

Mondays 7:00-9:00pm

monday, november. 16 -

Join us tomorrow night at youth, where we will be playing some crazy games! We will be continuing our conversation from last week about value.

Don't forget about Sunday School on the 22nd in the Fireside room!

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(See Isaiah 11:6-9)

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SERIOUSLY WOLF, HOW IS IT THAT WE NEVER GOT ALONG BEFORE?

COLLEGE & CAREER



Looking forward to seeing everyone again at the Friesen's for C & C tonight at 7:00pm! We will continue our study on the Holy Spirit following along with readings from "Forgotten God" by Francis Chan.

For up-to-date info, check out our **Facebook page: RRCC C&C.**

College & Career Worship Night -



There will be a special worship night on Sunday, November 29th for all College & Career members to attend! High School students are also welcome to

join us for this worship event. We will be in the sanctuary starting @ 7:00pm. Check back here for more information next week.



HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Thursdays 7:00-9:30pm

thursday, november. 19 -

Come on out for another fun night of games, great snacks, and hanging out together. We will be talking about the church and how we view church.

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WOMEN'S MINISTRY



Ross Road Women's Christmas Gathering on Friday, November 27th at

7:00pm. An evening of relaxing

fellowship as we prepare for the coming celebrations. There will be snacks, a word, and each guest will take home a beautiful Christmas centerpiece of her own creation. Tickets are \$10 each and will be on sale in the foyer.



ENCORE (55 +/-)

sunday, november. 15 -

If you have reserved a spot for today's lunch Crossroads Restaurant on Sumas Way, we will see you there.

sunday, december. 06 - Join us for a Potluck 'faspas' at 5:30pm on December 6th. Come out for food, fellowship, carol singing and Christmas reflections.



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

S & B – in Central Asia with MB Mission

Dwayne & Helen Rainwater (Lisa & Michael) – in Africa with Pioneer Bible Translators

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

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

We praise God for two new Good News International sponsored church plants: one in the frontier hills of Shan State, Myanmar, another in a restive region on Mindanao Island in the Philippines. Both are being built in risky areas, but it's amazing to see Jesus build his church despite the risks!

With the roof up, the church building project in the Talaingod region (known for its leftist rebels) on Mindanao Island celebrated its grand opening on October 25th. Many people crowded in as the village leaders and our partner Elvira (FMEMI) commissioned Joel to pastor the new flock. Six people were baptized on opening day (with at least 60 more expressing interest).

The church building project in Shan State is also well on the way, with completion slated for Christmas (Lord willing). The person leading this work is our dear friend and partner, Sion. You may remember his name as the man who we helped to rescue two children from human trafficking (one in July). The Gospel is needed in this region which is known for its opium and heroin production. Just \$2000 is needed to complete this project.

We invite you all to come and learn more at our upcoming GNI Fundraising Banquet and Silent Auction (to be held in the Ross Road CC church gym on November 29th, at 5:00pm). Contact Julie Bjorndal (604) 309-7280 or Judy Griffioen (604) 751-1497 for tickets (\$15 per person over age 10). All net proceeds raised will go towards our GNI Ministries projects. Thank you so very much for your partnership with us in spreading the Good News!

PRAYER & PRAISE

Shirley Moerike

Please continue to pray for Walt Letkeman, Curtis Albright, and Debbie Bracewell for renewed strength and healing.

PRAYER REQUEST



Please pray for **B & M** serving with MB Mission in Germany.

PASTORAL TEAM:

Art Birch - Lead Pastor
Associate Pastors
Darren Petker - Adult Ministry
Matt Hildebrand - Student 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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