ROSS ROAD
COMMUNITY CHURCH

Helping People Find and Follow Jesus

April 10, 2016
Worship Services: 9:00 & 10:45am

Leading Us In Worship
Dave Rodda & Worship Band

Today's Message:
"Permeate Your Neighbourhood With Jesus"

Matthew 5:13-16

Jon Wiebe

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 **Dave Rodda** and the Worship Team.

Guitar - Dave Rodda
Bass - Graeme McAllister
E. Guitar - Rob Herrett

Vocals - Brigitte Friesen
Vocals - Nicki Willems
Piano - Marilyn Herrett

Audio - Jeremy Nunnikhoven
Media - Elena Unraw

the**week**

sunday. april. 10

8:30 am	Prayer Time @ Prayer Room
9:00-10:15 am	RRCC Worship
Between Services	Coffee and snacks @ Common Grounds
10:45-12:00 pm	RRCC Worship
6:30 pm	RRCC Prayer Encounter

monday. april. 11

7:00-9:00 pm	Middle School Youth

thursday. april. 14

7:00-9:30 pm	High School Youth

friday. april. 15

6:45-8:00 am	Men's Bible study @ Fireside Room

saturday. april. 16

9:00 am-1:00 pm	The Big Spring RRCC Clean-Up Day

coming**up**

sunday. april. 17
Encore Potluck 'Faspa'

saturday. april. 23
TLC Meeting

sunday. april. 24
Fire Drill, Special offering for Refugee fund
Child Dedication Parent Pre-meet

sunday. may. 08
Mother's Day, Child Dedication
RRCC Prayer Encounter

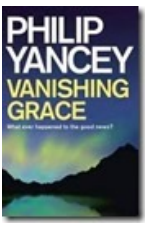
saturday. may. 14
Women's Ministry Luncheon

monday. may. 23
Church office is closed for Victoria Day

sunday. may. 29
Annual Ministry Meeting

LIBRARY

Vanishing Grace, by **Philip Yancey**, is for Christian readers, showing them how Christians have lost respect, influence, and reputation in a newly **post-Christian culture**. He offers illuminating stories of how **faith can be expressed** in ways that **disarm even the most cynical critics**. Then he explores what is Good News and what is worth preserving in a culture that thinks it has rejected Christian faith.



LAST WEEK AT RRCC			
Church Ministries	**Other**	**Building**	**Attendance**
$19,249.10	$5.00	$100.00	414

FAMILY NEWS & AROUND THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

It's a go! Our Ross Road Community Church family has responded to the Spirit's prompting to offer sufficient hands and feet to the refugee sponsorship project to allow our elders to give the go-ahead to a special offering on Sunday, April 24. Our minimum goal is $25,000. If the offering exceeds that amount, we expect to be able to sponsor more refugees.

Dale and Julie Schellenberg are stepping down from doing communion prep after many years of service to our church family. We would like to thank Dale and Julie for faithfully ministering to us from behind the scenes. There are now volunteer opportunities available for those who would be interested in serving in this area, once a month. For more information, please contact the church office at 604-856-2024.

The **Big Spring RRCC Clean-Up** will be taking place on **April 16, 2016 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.** We would love for you to join us in tackling several clean-up projects both inside and outside the church. Maybe your family or small group or ministry team would like to work together on a service project here at the church? There are a number of projects planned that have room for volunteers of all ages and skill levels. A list of various projects and sign-up sheets are in the foyer. If you would like more information, contact Sandy in the church office – 604-856-2024.

Join Joshua House Ministries for a **Friday Family Night** at 7:00 pm on April 15, 2016 at New Life CRC (35270 Delair Road). There will be a special screening of the movie "Woodlawn" for the whole family to enjoy. Popcorn and pop are by donation. A love offering will be taken to help support the work of Joshua House Ministries. All are welcome to hear what God is doing by means of a brief AGM and enjoy the show!!

The **"Together"** event (City Church Worship & Prayer Gathering) at Gateway Church is happening soon – in fact, **Sunday, April 24**. This is an opportunity for the whole city church to come together – we're hoping you will join in. There will be a time of music, dance, speaking, and prayer. Two identical services will take place on April 24, 4:30-6:00 pm and 7:00-8:30 pm. Parking is limited so car-pooling is encouraged.

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.*

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9:00am	Jason & Stephanie Shellborn	
10:45am	Karissa Stobbe	Phyllis Epp

sunday. april. 17

9:00am	Ashleigh Esau	Angela Rosborough
10:45am	Jennae Driediger	Rosabelle Birch

KIDS MINISTRY

Today: Kids Church for ages 2-5 in both services, grades 1-5 @ 9:00 am.

Upcoming Dates: Parenting Conference April 15-16 www.transformconference.ca, **Fire Drill** on April 24, **Mother's Day & Child Dedication** on May 8 with parent pre-meet on April 24.

Child Dedication? If you are interested, please email pastor Merri Ellen this week!

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For Personal Reflection and Discussion with Friends and Family:
How is God prompting you to be salt and light in the circles within which you move? What will you do next? Should you desire to be supportive of Jon Wiebe's City Life church planting project, he can be contacted at jon@wearecitylife.com.

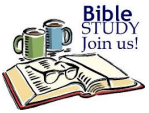
In Preparation for Next Sunday, April 17, 2016:
Next Sunday, Pastor Darren will help us explore "A Living Sacrifice—An Amazing Oxymoron" in Romans 12:1. "Therefore" in Romans 12:1 links all that has preceded this point in Romans to our response of consecration to God. Therefore, in preparation to be challenged by Romans 12:1, mentally review the message of Romans to this point, including Paul's outburst of praise in Romans 11:33-36. Then prayerfully read and re-read Romans 12:1, asking God what He wants such consecration to look like in your life.

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS
Mondays 7:00-9:00pm

april. 11 - LIFE VERSE
This week Craig continues our series on life verses as he shares about his favourite verse, 1 Corinthians 15:58!

MEN'S MINISTRY

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
The Men's Ministry team would like to invite men of all ages to come out Friday mornings at 6:45 am for Bible study in the Fireside Room. For more information, contact Al Brechin or Pastor Darren.



june. 10-12 - MEN'S RETREAT @ TEEPEE LAKES

Guys, make sure you mark this weekend on your calendar! We're going back to Teepee Lakes and we'd love to have you join us for another awesome men's weekend. More details will follow soon, but for now set that weekend aside!

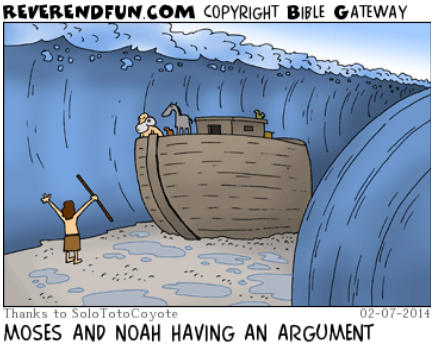
COLLEGE & CAREER

Join us tonight at 6:30 pm at the church for the RRCC Prayer Encounter. We will then move to the Fireside Room at 7:30 pm to discuss the Burning Question: "Why Pray?" Hope to see you there!

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

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
Thursdays 7:00-9:30pm

april. 14 - Join us this week for fun and as we dive into Scripture together!



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

may. 14 - WOMEN'S LUNCHEON

Please join us for fellowship, music, and a message all prepped by RRCC women on May 14, from 11:00 am- 1:00 pm. Tickets are $10 each and will be available for purchase in the foyer on April 24, May 1, and May 8. Any questions or volunteer offers can be directed to Alex Schellenberg or Elaine Regier.

ENCORE (55+/-)

Mark your calendars for this event:

april. 17 - Potluck 'Faspa' @ 5:30 pm

Please remember to **bring a plate** of sweet or savoury to share.

Are you considering retiring from full-time employment? Wondering what that would even look like? Our topic for the evening is 'Finishing Well'. Come join us and hear what people in their 50's, 60's, 70's, 80's, and 90's have been up to in their "retirement" years. Four people from 4 different decades will share their experiences of retirement. We welcome you all to come out for an evening of food, fellowship and inspiration.

OUR RRCC MISSIONARIES

Don't forget to check the Missionary bulletin board for the latest update letters from our 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

Lauren Neudorf – in Cambodia with YWAM

Dwayne & Helen Rainwater – 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

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

Dear Ross Road family,

We are so thankful that God directed us back to Ross Road! It is a joy to be part of this body of believers who seek to help others find and follow Jesus.

Al was reminded of the importance of relationships this past week as he talked with one of the single missionaries preparing to return to her assignment in Thailand and another missionary who just lost her father. He was reminded that none of our experiences (good and challenging) are for nothing and that God desires to use each one for His glory.

There is a light at the end of the tunnel called "budget season". The last couple weeks have been filled with many budget reviews with Regional Team Leaders around the world – praise God they have gone well! Please pray for Al as he works with the Global Program team in reviewing all the Global Program-related budgets on April 20th. Pray also for continued discernment as final approvals are made for the new missionary candidates to begin apprenticeships with MB Mission.

With the end of the school semester in sight, please pray for Karissa and Natasha as they complete their assignments and exams over the next few weeks. Karissa continues to work towards her education degree and Natasha will graduate with a diploma in music.

Karen had her Spring Break recently and we hosted two Japanese students during that time. These students heard about Jesus for the first time as we brought them to some of the Easter events at Ross Road. Pray that the Holy Spirit would pursue them and that they would be drawn to the Father.

PRAYER & PRAISE

Debbie Bracewell

Gerd Loewen

Walt Letkeman

PRAYER REQUEST

Please pray for **Andy & Carmen Owen** serving with MB Mission in Thailand.

PASTORAL TEAM:

Art Birch - Lead Pastor
Associate Pastors
Darren Petker - Adult Ministry
Craig Thiessen (Interim) - 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**

PRAYER CHAIN: Doreen Froese
Frieda Neufeld

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