A note from Pastor Owen Scott...

Things don't always work out the way we would like. Many of us live with an aching sense of unfulfillment, a health problem, a relational crisis, financial struggles, personal failure, etc. Life can hurt. It's good to remember that Jesus didn't die to save us from the harsh realities of life, but so that we could have a personal relationship with the living God. As a matter of fact, most people can testify that it was in the midst of their personal life struggle that they came to know the Lord more fully. In my own life I can look back on experiences that at the time seemed especially desolating and painful with particular satisfaction because I can see how God used it for my growth. I can honestly say that in all my years as a follower of Jesus, the things that have truly enhanced and deepened my maturity and character have been times of difficulty, not happiness. Faced with a personal crisis? Commit yourself to the Lord. Through this struggle you'll see how much you need Him...you'll experience His comfort in the midst of your emptiness and you'll be transformed into the image of Jesus. C.S. Lewis said, "God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our conscience, but shouts in our pain"

Valley Church...

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February 10th, 2013

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Sunday at Valley Church...

Services at 9:00 & 11:00 am

Pastor Owen Scott will be continuing his series this morning – *"What Works When Life Doesn't"*. There is a supervised Mini-Kids Centre for children under 3 years in the 11 am service. (The Mini-Kids Centre is unsupervised during the 9 am service – Parents are asked to stay with their children.) Nursery facilities available to mothers with babies.



Join us for a coffee & cookies on the patio!

Join us for coffee on the patio after the service today...a great chance to meet a new friend.

This week at Valley Church...

The church office will be closed on Monday, February 11th because of the Family Day holiday.

ESL (English as a Second Language) – Cancelled this week! 7 pm on Monday evenings. For info call Kay (604)986-2932 or Elaine (604)986-4288.

Intercessory Prayer Group

Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am in the nursery - If you are a part of the Valley Church family, you are invited to join this group to pray each week. <u>If you have a prayer request, please fill in the</u> <u>enclosed prayer card</u>. The group also appreciates hearing about your *answers to prayer*!

SOUL TREK (for youth)

7 pm on Tuesday evenings. Contact Tim Shaw at (604) 980-0307 for further info.

Mom's Morning Out - Thursday mornings from 9:00 to 11:00 am. If your Thursday mornings are free and you would like to connect with other women, feel free to join us! Childcare is provided. For info contact Kristina at kristina_kurtz@hotmail.com **Celebrate Recovery** – 7 pm on Thursday evenings - Phone Karl or Louisa at 604 984-0719 for details.

What's happening at Valley Church?

Send in your photos! <u>Please share some of your special moments</u> <u>with us</u> by emailing us your favorite family photos to use in the bulletin and on our website.

Check out Valley Church on our website, Facebook

or Twitter! Keep up to date with what's happening by following us on Twitter @ValleyChurchNS, visiting us on Facebook (we also have a new "Valley Church Men" page) or checking our website at www.valleychurch.ca

Israel Tour (April 2-14) – There's still a few spots left in the tour going to Israel. Check with Marcel or Kristina for details.

Your tax receipts are ready – Please check the mail centre!

New in the library...With Valentines' Day approaching, the library has added a dozen or more books for little ones that will help you express how much you love them. Recommended: "Guess How Much I Love You", pop-up edition, "I Couldn't Love You More" and "Dear Bunny". You and your little snugglebunnies will love them!



Time to renew your membership...<u>Note</u>: It is necessary to renew your membership on a <u>yearly basis</u> by writing your signature beside your name on the list posted in the foyer – If you forgot to sign the list last year, your name will be missing and you will have to once again fill in an application form. *"Join the Family"* application forms are available at the back for those seeking membership for the first time or for those who have let their membership lapse.

Photos on front - Valley Church Youth Group at Manning Park last weekend – Skiing and FUN!!