A note from Pastor Owen Scott...

The missionary statesman, E. Stanley Jones, states in "Christianity Maturity", that if we want to experience God, we need to start with Jesus. "He is the near-at-hand One. He is God-available, God-approachable, God simplified, God-inviting-us and God-withstretched-out-arms". "Jesus", he says, "is the near, the available, the now and the here!" "Draw near to God", the Bible assures us, "and He will draw near to you". We do not have to wait for Him for He is already waiting for us. We do not have to climb up any *"religious ladders"* in search for Him. He comes down the ladder to us and meets us on the lowest rung. He receives us as sinners, cleanses us by His blood and makes us His very own. Jesus comes down the ladder and meets us on the lowest rung...the rung of faith. Our hearts explode with gratitude and thanksgiving. "Lord Jesus, had you not come to us, we would never have met you anywhere else. You sought us and bought us with your redeeming blood! Lord, we are forever grateful".

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April 27th, 2014

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Easter Sunday at Valley Church...

Services at 9:00 & 11:00 am – This morning *Pastor Owen Scott* will be ministering in both services. 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.

The Marriage Course begins TODAY at 6 pm – See insert or talk to Marcel & Kristina Kurtz for details. <u>Helpers are still needed!</u>

This week...

ESL (English as a Second Language)

Monday evenings at 7 pm. For info call Elaine Englar at 604-986-4288 or Margot Fraser at 778-980-4452

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. If you have a prayer request, please fill in the enclosed prayer card. The group also appreciates hearing about your *answers to prayer*!

Soul Trek...*Junior Highs* (Grade 7-9) - Tuesday from 7-9 pm; *Senior Highs* (Grades 10-12) meet on Thursdays from 7-9 pm. Contact Tim Shaw at 604-980-0307 for details.

TEAM 57 - Wednesday afternoons from 4-6 pm for those in Grades 5-7. The theme this time around is *The Armour of God.*. Talk to Mel if you are interested - 604-980-0307 or <u>mel@valleychurch.ca</u>

Ladies Morning Out - Thursday mornings from 9:00 to 11:00 am. Join us as we do a study by Lisa Harper called *"Malachi – A Love That Never Lets Go".* If your Thursday mornings are free and you would like to connect with other women, feel free to join us! Free childcare is provided. For info, contact Kristina at kristina_kurtz@hotmail.com **Spanish group –** Friday evenings at 7 pm at the church. For info, contact Jorge & Jeanette Rios at 604-971-3070.

If you are a young adult and would like to connect with other young adults at Valley Church, give Simon & Oyuki Bodlack a call at (778) 689-4636 or <u>simonbodlack@gmail.com</u>

We will be having a Baptismal Service on Sunday, May 4th. If you're interested in being baptized in water, please call the church office at 980-0307 or email us at info@valleychurch.ca. <u>An instruction meeting for baptismal candidates will be held on Tuesday, April 29 at 7:30 pm</u>.

What's happening at Valley Church?

If you are new to Valley Church or would like to pass on some new information, please take a moment to fill in a Valley Church Connection Card and drop it in one of the boxes beside the exits. You'll find the cards in the holders on the chairs in front of you.

We need more photos! Please share some of your special moments with us (*perhaps some photos of you and your family from years gone by!*) by emailing us your favorite family photos to use in the bulletin and on our website.



VBS dates for 2014 - Mark July 14-18 on your calendar!

Ladies Retreat - This year our Ladies Retreat will be held at Keats Camp on the weekend of June 6-8. The cost will be \$150 per person (includes transportation, accommodation, food and activities). For further information contact Kristina or Mel at kristina kurtz@hotmail.com or mel@valleychurch.ca

Do you have chores you don't want to do? Several of our teens are willing to work to raise money for the Mexico Missions Trip. Give Mel or Tim a call at 604-980-0307 if you would like help.

Photos on front – *Clockwise from top left*... Oyuki & Zadok Bodlack; Celeste & Lorne MacInnes with a "friend" in Mexico; Stephen & Bernice Quin in Weggis, Switzerland; Justin Hillaby outfitted for the navy in years gone by.