

## ***A note from Pastor Owen Scott...***

To know the Lord and to serve Him is the greatest privilege a human being can have in life. God gives to every person the ability to serve Him, but it is up to each of us personally to develop our “*service-ability*”. There are three aspects of service-ability...*availability, dependability* and *accountability*.

First employ your *AVAILABILITY*. A servant of the Lord is happy to volunteer. He gladly says yes when the Master calls him to do something, even if the task is difficult or tedious. God uses people who tell Him they are available!

Second, employ your *DEPENDABILITY*. Prove to the Lord that you will carry out the Holy Spirit’s assignments. Show other people that they can lean on you. Thank God for dependable and faithful workers. This is one of the most critical components of your ability to serve. When God knows He can count on you, He enlarges your ministry.

Thirdly, employ your *ACCOUNTABILITY*. Be ready to answer God and people for the way you are living. Live and serve in such a way that you are never ashamed to give someone a personal report of your day’s activities. Every one of us should be under authority. Give key people in your life the right to ask the hard questions. Never be guilty of saying, “*My life is nobody’s business but my own!*” That’s not true. As God’s servants we hold ourselves accountable and this is pleasing to both God and man.

These are three ways we can develop our ability to serve the Lord.

# Valley Church...

***There’s a place for you!***



*Equipped in the Spirit...Equipped in the Word  
Going everywhere...meeting needs in Jesus Name*

## **August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

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## ***Sunday at Valley Church...***

**Services at 9:00 & 11:00 am** – This morning *Pastor Marcel Kurtz* will be speaking. 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...***

### **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!*

### **SOULTREK FOR YOUTH**

Soul Trek will resume in September. Keep your eyes open for summer activities throughout July and August. Contact Tim Shaw at (604) 980-0307 for further info.

***SUMMER IN THE CITY*** – On Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm over the summer we will be doing a midweek series called “*LIFE ON THE VINE*”- The coffee pot will be on...the worship will be vibrant...the teaching will be inspiring – It’s the place to be throughout the summer on a Wednesday evening!

***Ladies Morning Out*** will be informally meeting at a different park or beach on Thursday mornings during the summer. For details, contact LeeAnna Cordes at [leeanna.cordes@gmail.com](mailto:leeanna.cordes@gmail.com)

**Spanish group** – Friday evenings at 7 pm. During the summer they will be meeting at Ambleside Beach (near the concession). For info, contact Jorge & Jeanette Rios at 604-971-3070.

## ***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.

**Send in your photos!** Summer has arrived and our Valley Church family is involved in all kinds of interesting activities – Please share some of your special moments with us by emailing us your favorite family photos to use in the bulletin and on our website. If you are taking a trip over the next few months, take along a Valley Church bulletin and take a photo of you holding it in front of a site you’re visiting...Valley Church’s version of North Shore News “News Around the World”...“Valley Church Around the World”!

**Marcel & Kristina Kurtz and their family will be on vacation for the next couple of weeks. Owen & Val Scott will be back the end of this week.**

**GRIEF SHARE** *Your journey from mourning to joy* – If you’ve lost someone close to you, please contact Lillian Gorrie at [lgorrie@shaw.ca](mailto:lgorrie@shaw.ca) for information about our weekly **GriefShare Support Group** starting in the second Saturday in September at 10 am.

**Photos on front – Clockwise from top left...**The Scotts on vacation on Whidbey Island...folkart, flowers and beautiful scenery – some of their favorite things!