A note from Pastor Owen...

In his excellent book, "Celebration of Discipline" Richard Foster states, "In contemporary society our adversary majors in three things...noise, hurry and crowds. If he can keep us engaged in 'muchness' and 'manyness', he will rest satisfied". Psychiatrist C.G. Jung once remarked, "Hurry is not of the *devil...it is the devil*". Frenetic busyness is a modern curse that seeks to envelope us all. The odd thing about it is that it seems we are almost ashamed to say we are not busy. We greet each other with, *"Keeping busy?"* as if busyness was a Christian virtue. Life in the Kingdom of God is intended to be different than the world. When people turn to Christ, should not their pace of life change also? Should we not deliberately attempt to spend reflective times with the Lord and meaningful moments building relationships with people? Please pray for your pastors and elders, that we can model before you the relaxed pace of the Kingdom and that together we will break free from the grip of noise, hurry and crowds. A great fear I have is that on my epitaph Val will have to write the words, "Here lies Owen *Scott. He was busy".* Lord, deliver me!

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Sunday at Valley Church...

Services at 9:00 & 11:00 am – *Pastor Owen Scott* will be speaking in both services today. 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.

Baby Dedication – In the second service this morning Dave & Christine Bergen will be dedicating their daughter, *Marie Jennifer*, to the Lord.



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 Parenting Course begins to TODAY at 5 pm. If you are interested in attending please fill in the enclosed form and place in one of the drop boxes at the exits or talk to Marcel at the info table.

What's happening at Valley Church?

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*!

SOULTREK (Grades 8-12) - Tuesdays at 7 pm. Contact Luke at 604-980-0307 or <u>luke@valleychurch.ca</u> for details.

Ladies 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 <u>kristina kurtz@hotmail.com</u> **Young Adults Group -** Thursdays at 7:30 pm at the church. For info, call Simon & Oyuki Bodlack at 778-689-4636 or contact them at <u>simonbodlack@gmail.com</u>

Spanish group – Friday evenings at 7 pm. For info, contact Jorge & Jeanette Rios at 604-971-3070.

Ladies Retreat on Keats Island – May 26th-28th. Cost: \$170. To sign up contact Kristina Kurtz at <u>kristina kurtz@hotmail.com</u>

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.



NO PARKING! A reminder not to park in the Blue Shore parking spaces OR any of the RESERVED 24 HOUR spots - If you do, you may be towed.

Send in your photos! Please share some of your special moments with us by emailing us your favorite family photos to use in the bulletin.

Online donations at Valley Church are possible – You can give your offering online through PayPal. Go to the bottom of our web page at <u>www.valleychurch.ca</u> and click on the PayPal button.

Follow Valley Church on Facebook (valleychurch) and **Instagram** (lynnvalleychurch)

Please check the coat rack beside the office for lost items! If you don't pick them up, we will have to donate them to a worthy cause!

Our new Bible Reading Plan schedule begins on May 1st – You can pick yours up at the Info Table.

Congratulations to Varun & Krisha (Relleve) Darmaraj who exchanged marriage vows yesterday!!

Photos on front ... Clockwise from top right – Thomas, Elise and Marie Bergen; In the second service today Marie Bergen will be dedicated to the Lord by her parents, Dave & Christine; Sarah & Marcos Rios; Varun & Krisha Darmaraj...Congratulations!