

this week's announcements

- Missions Fest is happening this week, Jan 25-27 at Canada Place!** The theme is "His Story Revealed: Celebrating the Growth of the Global Church." VCBC is a sponsoring church, and you can hear world class key note speakers, attend seminars and connect with many missions organizations.
- 2013 Members' Annual Meeting will be held next Sun, Jan 27,** right after the 2:30pm Members' Bi-monthly Meeting in the sanctuary. See insert for motions. All VCBC members are urged to attend this important yearly meeting.
- "Read the Bible for Life" Conference.** The WestCoast Baptist Association is sponsoring a conference "Read the Bible for Life" with George Guthrie, Biblical Professor and author of *Read the Bible for Life*. You will learn to read the Bible better and experience its life-changing, life-shaping power. **Leaders' luncheon: Fri, Feb 8, 12-2PM. Main conference: Sat, Feb 9, 9am-4pm, Richmond Chinese Baptist Church.** FREE (lunch included). More info at <http://bit.ly/XfguyY>. Register at 604.904.8908/janet@westcoastbaptist.ca.
- Breakthrough Prayer Sunday L.I.F.E. Class.** Rediscover the joy of talking with God; experience breakthrough God stories; interact with Biblical lessons on prayer. Come learn about prayer as we study *Breakthrough! A Faith Adventure in Prayer* by Karen Braun on **Sundays, 11:30am-12:30pm in room E2.**
- Health & Safety Committee. (1) First Aid Training Course by Red Cross will be**

held on Sat, Jan 26, 9am-5pm in basement room 3-4-5. This course is for those who are willing to serve as a First Aid Attendant at church during the Sunday worship services. Please sign up at church office by today. **(2) Also, we would like to remind everyone, as the flu season has arrived,** to seek medical attention promptly if you experience flu symptoms (fever, cough, muscle ache, diarrhea, vomiting, headache, etc.), and to stay home for the duration, adults and children alike. If you must come to church, please wear a N95 mask to cover mouth and nose to avoid spreading germs. Wash hands often, and use the antiseptic hand sanitizer found throughout the church. Anyone with health/safety concerns/issues please contact Ray Fong, committee chair.

- Town Hall Meeting on Nomination Committee's Election Process** will be held **Sat, Feb 2, 10am in the sanctuary.** Everyone welcome.
 - 2012 Offering Receipts for Income Tax Purpose can be picked up today in the foyer.** Please check the offering report that comes with the receipt against your own records. If you should find any error, please bring both the receipt and the offering report, plus a copy of your records to the Church Office. A new receipt will be issued after corrections are made.
- ❖ We invite you to join us weekly to pray for our church worship, ministries, & needs. Every Sunday, 8:45-9:15am, room B14-15. Contact Betty at pcs@vcbc.bc.ca
 - ❖ We invite you to join us monthly to pray for our church & missions. First Friday of each month, 7:45-9pm, room W2. Contact Monica at pcs@vcbc.bc.ca.

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first time?

Welcome! We're so glad you're here and we want to get to know you. Below are ways to get plugged in at VCBC.

 **Follow us on Facebook.** Search "VCBC English"

1 Introduce yourself to Pastors Tom, Cindy or Johnny. They are always free before & after service & are just a phone call away.

2 Check out a LIFE Group. LIFE Groups make up the community at VCBC. See the listing inside the bulletin for more info, or talk to a pastor.

3 Explore our website. www.vcbc.bc.ca/english Be informed of community news, download resources, and read about our ministries.

4 Communicate with us! You can fill out a communication card found in the pew racks or online (just click the "Contact" button). Use it to give prayer requests, make comments or ask questions.

5 Mingle downstairs after service. Join a conversation circle and get introduced!

6 Missed a Sunday? Previous sermons are available for download from our site. You can also sign up for email updates.



We Come to Worship

Scriptural Call to Worship

"I am the Lord, and there is no other; apart from me there is no God. I will strengthen you, though you have not acknowledged me, so that from the rising of the sun to the place of its setting people may know there is none besides me. I am the Lord, and there is no other."
— Isaiah 45:5-6

We Praise God

Offering of Praise

"Take My Life and Let it Be", "Knowing You", "Eagle's Wings"

Feel free to stand or sit while we sing.

Pastoral Prayer

We Hear God's Word

Scripture Passage

John 3:1-6 (pew Bible p. 979)

Message

Kingdom Qualifications

Tom Cowan, Interim Lead Pastor

We Respond with Ourselves & With Our Gifts

Song of Response

"From the Inside Out"

Offering and the Sharing of Community Life

Song of Proclamation

"Consuming Fire"

Blessing

Doxology

Lead Worshiper: Wynsome Dong

Parents of preschoolers & kindergarteners, please pick up your children downstairs at 10:45AM.

mission statement

passionately committed to forming genuine followers of Jesus Christ in love and unity

vision statement

to become a faith community that lives out God's will in all areas of life

core values

visionary leadership, mission, preaching & teaching, intimacy with God, community in Christ, stewardship, wholistic gospel



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this week's prayer items

"For in Him we live and move and exist, as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we are also His offspring.'"

— Acts 17:28

- We praise You for You are our Creator God, our Father who has fashioned this world into being, who gives life and breath and all things, who determines our appointed time and place to where we live so we might seek You and find You, though you are not far from each one of us. (Acts 17:24-27)
- We ask that Your Spirit search us to determine where we have sinned in how we have lived without You, moved without You, and existed without You. Lord, we name and confess and repent of those things and offer these and the root of our independence to lay at your feet so that you may wash and cleanse us with your Truth.
- We ask Your Spirit to search our church and our ministries in our priorities, actions, and attitudes in the same way so that your kingdom will come and your will be done here on earth as it is in heaven. We want to live not as paupers but in the glorious inheritance as children of God.
- We pray for Tom Cowan as he preaches the Kingdom series in the next 3 months. Help us be open to interact with, be changed and be agents of change as we see and understand with faith the meaning of Your Kingdom and Jesus' priorities in your Kingdom. Fill our lack with your understanding and wisdom in participating in Your Kingdom.
- We pray for Christy Lew as she serves with Impact Ministries in Guatemala for the next 3 months. We pray for strength, spiritual stamina, and the protection of your Spirit as she engages with the children, the families, and the staff in the work you have prepared for her.
- We pray for Missions Fest this weekend. We thank You for the 30th anniversary of this unique event that brings missionaries from around the world and at our doorstep about "Your (His) Story Revealed" in their stories about Your heart and will for the nations and the myriad of creative ways you accomplish Your purposes. We also thank You for Your call in bringing the churches of metro Vancouver together for such a time as this, so that we may be one and worship in one spirit. We pray that you direct those you have called to go to this conference in the multitude of speakers, workshops, films, mission booths, volunteering, and conversations. Help us to understand and how you want us to be on mission with you and participate more fully in your kingdom.
- We pray for wisdom and direction for First Nations chiefs and leaders and Canadian government politicians and leaders as they discuss issues regarding land, the environment, and aboriginal living conditions.

L.I.F.E. GROUPS

at vcbc | groups committed to learning, interacting, forming, & exploring

Get connected with people in our church through our L.I.F.E. groups. Experience your walk with Jesus in the company of others as you learn, pray, laugh, cry, and grow together in Christ. We have L.I.F.E. groups for people of various ages, stages in life, and interests, and we encourage all to be a part of one. Contact Wayne congregational_life@vcbc.bc.ca or Pastor Cindy 604-324-6314 ext. 227 cindybridges@vcbc.bc.ca to find the one for you.

Map of Moberly School (3 blocks west of VCBC)



children

Want your child to have lots of fun while learning life-changing Kingdom truths? Then VCBC Children's Ministry is the place to be!

Pioneer Clubs

For children ages 4-11

Kids will play games, make arts & crafts, and do wood-working, while making Bible learning fun!

Fridays, October-June, 7:30-9:15PM at VCBC.

To register, pick up a form from the church office.

P2G Choir

For children ages 5-12

Have fun as we celebrate being God's kidz through song.

For more info, email Annie at annshe_home@shaw.ca

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EDGE Fellowships

The **Elim, Daniel, Gideon experience** is a place to make friends, hang out with people your own age, and experience God's love. You'll be led by adult counsellors who love hanging out with you. Don't miss out!

There are 3 fellowships in EDGE: **Elim**, grades 6 & 7, **Daniel**, grades 8 & 9, and **Gideon**, grades 10-12.

All 3 fellowships meet on Fridays, 7:30-9:30PM, Oct-July.

Location: VCBC

Elim: Boardroom
Daniel: Classroom
Gideon: Sanctuary

Main contact person: Pastor Johnny johnnylo@vcbc.bc.ca 604.324.6314 ex. 228

adults

Salt

For young adults in post-secondary or starting out their careers. **Saturdays, 7:30PM** in VCBC room B3-5. Join the mailing list. Email ST@saltfellowship.com

Journey

For those fresh out of high school and early post-sec students. **Saturdays, 7:30PM** in VCBC room B1-2. Join the mailing list.

Contact Chris ChrisChCheung@hotmail.com

Wednesday Morning

Small group study and prayer. All ages welcome. Contact Naomi naomikuan@gmail.com

Sermon-based small groups

Small group study based upon the weekly sermon. Contact: cindybridges@vcbc.bc.ca

families

Homebuilders

Homebuilders are what we call family and couples' small groups at VCBC. There are groups for people at different life stages, from newlyweds to families with adult children. Some groups meet weekly, others monthly. To join a group, contact Lisa at young_4ever@telus.net

sports

Toonie Tuesday Badminton

Tuesdays, Sep-June, 8-10PM in the large gym of Moberly School. \$2 drop-in. Bring your own racquets & birdies. Contact Thomas at tkschu@gmail.com

outreach

English Well

Free English classes at VCBC. Sep-May. Thursdays, 7:30-9:30PM. Contact vcbc.english.well@gmail.com

sundays

We encourage you to join a Sunday LIFE Group after the worship service.

JC Kidz

Sunday morning program for kids

- Nursery (under age 3): 9:30AM & 11:15AM
- Preschool/Kindergarten Worship & Grades 1-6 Sunday School: 9:30AM
- Preschool Sunday School: 11AM
- Grades 1-6 Worship: 11AM

L.I.F.E. Groups

Class	Leaders	Room
Gr. 7	Brian & Hannah	Boardroom
Gr. 8/9	Johnny & Mike	Moberly 031A
Gr. 10/11	Lewis & Olivia	Moberly 031B
Gr. 12	Larry & Raphael	Moberly 005
Young Adult	Alfred & Wes	Moberly 167

Adult

Tom & Henry Moberly 021

Discipleship Class

Cindy, Kathy and Jack Moberly 122

Breakthrough! Prayer

Grace, Lisa and Sarah VCBC E2

Mission-Focused Fellowship

1st Sunday of each month. Contact: Tony Tom missionsfellowship@yahoo.ca



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