this week's **announcements**

1. Have you made a decision to follow Christ and would like to be baptized? Or have you already been baptized and would like to become a member of VCBC? **Our next baptism and membership class will be on Sat March 29, 10am-1pm at VCBC**. Note: You must attend the class if you would like to be baptized. Our next baptism will be Apr 20. To register for the class, contact Pastor Johnny (johnnylo@vcbc.bc.ca) today.
2. **Members' Bi-monthly Meeting** - Will be held NEXT SUNDAY, **Mar. 30,** at **1:00 pm** in the sanctuary. Please see insert or bulletin board in the foyer for motions. Copies of the minutes for the January 19, 2014 MBM are available at the Church Office. Limited quantity of Chinese buns will be for sale in the basement before the meeting. **Registered VCBC Members** please sign in and obtain your Ballot at the registration tables in the foyer before the meeting. **Notes:** (1) Non-members do not have voting rights; (2) Obtaining Ballot and/or Voting on behalf of another person is not permitted; (3) All Ballots are the property of VCBC, all unused Ballots must be returned to the registration table before leaving. Thank you.
3. **Correction** - In relation to MBM Motion #12, copies of the "**Interim Cantonese Congregation Pastor (ICCP) Job Description**" were made available last Sunday at the Church Office. Please note that under Section **II A. 1)** in that document, the word "***sacraments***" should be revised to "***ordinances***". Our apologies.
4. Join us for a **Family Easter Celebration on Fri April 11, 7:30pm at VCBC**. There will be an Easter egg hunt, music, games, food, and more! Bring your friends & family. All welcome.

this week's **service opportunities**

5. **Children's Ministry** is still looking for teachers & helpers particularly for the 9:30AM Preschool & Sunday School. Prayerfully consider this wonderful opportunity of serving precious children. Contact children@vcbc.bc.ca
6. **Charity manure sale!** Serve, get exercise, build community, & see how refuse and decay gives way to greenery and life! This event supports Grandview Calvary Baptist Church's ministries (GCBC). VCBC is not hosting this year, but volunteers are still welcome to help shovel, bag compost or help with info & sales @ GCBC: East 1st Ave @ Victoria Dr on **March 29**. There are 3 shifts: bagging & sales 8-11am, 11-2, & cleanup 2-5pm. Contact: tama@sacredcanopy.com/604-803-1195 Beginning at 10am, you can also purchase for $5/20L bag (buy 5 get 1 free) at GCBC OR Fairview/Kitsilano Church (W. 16th Ave & Pine St). For pre-order/delivery ($10 charge), visit www.kinbrace.ca or call 604-255-9691.
7. **Guatemala/Impact Ministries.** There is an opportunity to go with an Impact team this summer **July 26 - Aug 4 2014**, in addition to trips planned for Feb. and May 2015. Activities you can be involved in include VBS, sports camps, street theatre, construction, medical/dental/eye/chiropractic clinics (in medical & non-medical capacities). For more info, please contact Dr. Tony Tom at medical@impactministries.ca or Teams Coordinator Bev teams@impactministries.ca.

this week's **reminder**

8. **Pioneer Clubs News** - Parents please note that there will be no Pioneer Clubs this Friday **Mar 28** (Spring Break), will resume Apr 4.

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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sunday worship at **vcbc**

23 March 2014

www.vcbc.bc.ca/english

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 Don or Johnny or one of the deacons. They are available 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.

Today's the last day to register for the baptism class. Talk to a pastor/deacon if you would like to get baptised. Photo credit: Chris Cheung

We Come to Worship

Scriptural Call to Worship

22 I have swept away your offenses like a cloud, your sins like the morning mist. Return to me, for I have redeemed you." 23 Sing for joy, you heavens, for the Lord has done this; shout aloud, you earth beneath. Burst into song, you mountains, you forests and all your trees, for the Lord has redeemed Jacob, he displays his glory in Israel. —Isaiah 44:22-23

Offering of Praise

"All Creatures of Our God and King", "Holy Holy Holy", "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Feel free to stand or sit while we sing.

Pastoral Prayer

We Hear God's Word

Scripture Passage

Exodus 33:12-23 (pew Bible pp. 83-4)

Message

I Have Known You by Name
Elizabeth Lowe, Guest Speaker

We Respond with Ourselves & With Our Gifts

Song of Response

"Faithful One So Unchanging"

Offering and the Sharing of Community Life

Song of Proclamation

"The Stand"

Blessing

Doxology

Lead Worshiper: Wynsome Dong

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

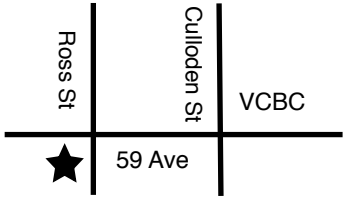
L.I.F.E. GROUPS

at vcbc | groups committed to

learning, **i**nteracting, **f**orming, & **e**xploring

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 Jeff at congregational_life@vcbc.bc.ca to find the one for you.

Map of Moberly School (3 blocks west of VCBC)



this week's prayer items

"If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty's hand. But even if he does not... we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up" —Daniel 3:17-18

1. Let us ask for a faith as strong as Daniel's which does not expect anything in return, but instead meditates on God's goodness, grace, and absolute power.
2. Reflect on and give thanks for individual people who have helped us selflessly over the years. Pray for an attitude of selflessness. May we see each person we encounter this week as God's child, and not hold back when we see a way that we can serve or help them.
3. Continue to pray for Yvonne in China & Christy in Guatemala, as they depend fully on God. May the Lord use them in their mission fields to reach the people they meet and work with.
4. Pray for the tutors and students participating in the peer tutoring club. Give thanks for willing volunteers. Pray that tutors would be able to discern when to speak about God in their conversations. Give thanks for this unique way to serve and reach students in the community.
5. Pray for the faithful servants in the nurturing ministry, as classes are planned for next year. Pray for wisdom and inspiration to plan classes that will guide our community to grow closer to God and each other through faithful study of the Word.
6. Pray for newcomers to VCBC, and also those venturing away from VCBC to pursue God's calling to participate in His work elsewhere in Vancouver or the world.

✤ Come prayer-walking for the neighbourhood! Last Sunday of every month. Meet outside the kitchen right after the worship service. Contact Monica at pcs@vcbc.bc.ca

✤ 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.

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 woodworking, 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: Glassroom
Gideon: Sanctuary

Main contact person:
Pastor Johnny
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adults

Journey

College-age folk answering big questions and journeying through life together. Bubble tea included.

Saturdays, 7:30pm in VCBC room B3-5.

Join the mailing list. Contact Chris at ChrisChCheung@hotmail.com

Wednesday Morning

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

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

Peer Tutoring Club

Need help with your homework? Drop in Saturday afternoons from 2-6pm (there is no cost to join). Invite your friends. To register & for more info, email vcbc.ptclub@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

Youth and Adults

Class	Leaders	Room
Gr.7	Kathy & Josiah	Boardroom
Gr.8	Larry & Bob	Moberly 021
Gr.9/10	Johnny, Einar & Chris	Moberly 31A
Gr.11/12	Lewis & Brian	Moberly 31B
Young Adult	Alf & Wynsome	Moberly 167
Adult	Henry & Stanley	Moberly 122
Discipleship	Jack & Lisa	Moberly library

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