



Fwd: September Transition - Need for Prayer

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Hi Jacquie
Can we include this for our next newsletter
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This is our Lighthouse Church and McDowell prayer update of our church planting ministry in Victoria.

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Dear Praying Supporters,

Thank you for praying for our church planting ministry in Victoria!

We have had a really wonderful summer. Lots of sweet family time. Busy days in the sun, beach, camping, and lots of reconnecting with relatives. Lynea and I celebrated our 15 year anniversary!



Reaching Victoria!

Lighthouse Church is a growing community that seeks to value Jesus

We were encouraged by the steady development of the church family here, even as we were away for 4 Sundays. Everyone stepped into all their roles of service, covering each other in the ongoing functions of the church and ministry together. Maybe they didn't miss us as much as we missed them! We came home rested from work, feeling refreshed and appreciative of our church body, and especially the associate pastor Jeff Candell and his family.

However this summer ends with a fresh need for your prayers. We have been having to work through a transition process with our sister church in Victoria. After years of decline, our planting church and previous church home Providence Community Church, has come to the difficult decision to suspend services. They have said goodbye to their pastor in July, who moved on to be involved with a ministry in the US. However, they are not able to support a replacement pastor. Jeff and I have been meeting with the elders of Providence, and have come to agreement that after their final service on September 3rd, Lighthouse will receive any from the congregation who are willing to come. Pastor Jeff and I have been sharing the preaching responsibilities there over the last month.

There are a lot of sad hearts, including our own, in facing this future. We acutely feel the hard realities of planting churches in this needy, but often spiritually uninterested city. Churches do not grow and stabilize as effectively as we would hope. They are in constant need of strong leadership, and so much effort to develop leaders.

Yet even in the sadness we see encouragement around the corner. We love all the Providence people very much. Lighthouse Church is excited about including all who come across the city to join us. We have hopes that even as we receive these wonderful people, we

in all things so that we might live for his mission in all things. Together we encourage people to express their faith in Jesus or their spiritual search in three ways like three types of light: Daily Mission (candle), within Community Groups (bonfire) and at our Gatherings (stagelight).

We gather Sundays at 10am at 3130 Tillicum Road Victoria BC.

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might be given fresh life, vision, and passion for starting a new church in the Oak Bay area again. The future is known by God, and all this is through his hands. What new thing is he shaping and moulding into is likeness for his glory?

Please remember us in prayer during this transition in September,

Scott and family

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