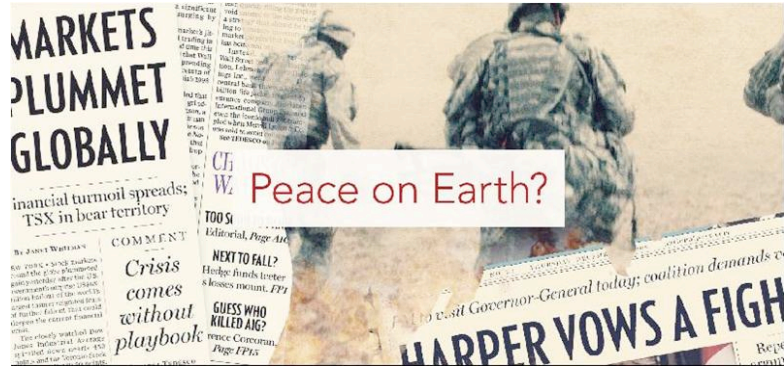


IMAGINE A PLACE WHERE...

People Care About Our Community



Christmas Eve Gathering:

Wednesday, December 24, 6:00–7:00 PM

Invite your friends and join us for a one hour gathering on Christmas Eve. This is a family friendly event (children ages 3 and up will join their parents in the main gathering) that will feature a children’s story, singing together, and some delightful Christmas treats. There will also be a short message from Pastor Brad about experiencing true peace.

Public Worship Gathering:

Sunday, December 28, 10:30–11:55 AM

Our final Sunday of the year is called “Communitas,” which is a Latin word meaning the very spirit of community. Our purpose for the morning is to gather around tables and share brunch together in a spirit of thankfulness for all that God has done this year. Each of us will have the opportunity to share privately with those around our table and also publicly from the front.

Please be prepared to participate in the sharing time – it can be a story, a photograph, a song, or perhaps a Scripture – as we verbalize our gratitude towards God. Please signup to bring a brunch item as well: cheese, fruit, frittata, quiche, or muffins.

Communitas is a Family Friendly gathering – children ages 3 and up will join their parents in the main gathering and the nursery will be available for babies 2 and under.



Next Week:

Nursery:

Juliet, Kim, Sylvia, Diane, Becky

Set-up/Take Down:

Team 3: Dennis Walde's Team

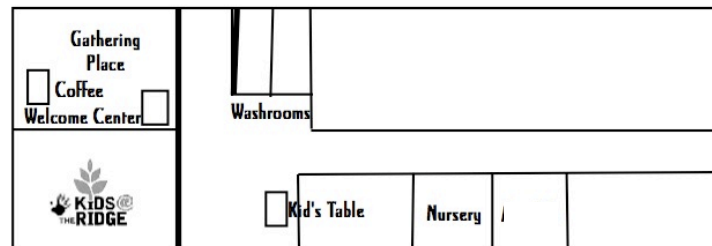
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Team 3: Tamara, Gary, Darryl, Michelle

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- Her Community.....Meg Sumner
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Map of RE Secondary School



Sunday, December 21, 2008



Calm and Bright?!

Exploring the Tensions of the Season

“Tidings of Comfort and Joy”

Philippians 2:12-18 Pastor Brad Sumner



CALM & BRIGHT?!

Exploring the tensions of the season

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Welcome:

We're so glad that you've chosen to join us this morning, especially if you're visiting with us for the first time. If there is anything that we can do to help you on your spiritual journey, please let us know.

- We meet weekly at RE Mountain Secondary School, while our office is located at our partner church, North Langley Community Church. Brad Sumner is our Lead Pastor, Keith Reed is our Associate Pastor, Renee Wikkerink is our Children's Director, and Jon Mair is our Administrative Coordinator. The rest of our leadership team are listed on the back of the Info Sheet. Please feel free to contact any staff or leadership team member with any questions that you may have.

- If this is your first time here, please fill out a "Welcome Card" (located in the chair pocket) and drop it in the offering bag as it is passed around. Thanks for joining us!

Today's Gathering Includes:

Welcome

Kids at the Ridge Christmas Program

Coffee and Connection Time

"Tidings of Comfort and Joy"

Philippians 2:12-18 Pastor Brad Sumner

Singing Together

Aaron Rowe and Team

Weather Notice

In the event of extreme weather conditions, please refer to the front page of our website where we will post information regarding any event modifications or cancellations.



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People Connect With Each Other

Giving Update

Year end giving must be received by Wednesday, December 31 to qualify as a 2008 donation. Offering will be received on Sun, Dec 28 and the church office will be open on the 31st to receive final donations. Please remember that you can give online – for more information about this process, please visit www.jerichoridge.com. In order to meet our 2008 budget, we need to receive \$15,367 by the end of the year.

Ridge Runners Resolution Run

If you like running, resolutions, or alliteration, plan on starting the new year with a run in Willoughby. Meet other runners at 10 AM on January 1st at the Jericho corner Starbucks (200th & 72nd).

A Prayer for Advent

We give you thanks for the babe born in violence.

We give you thanks for the miracle of Bethlehem, born into the Jerusalem heritage.

We do not understand why the innocents must be slaughtered; we know that your kingdom comes in violence and travail. Our time would be a good time for your kingdom to come, because we have had enough of violence and travail.

So we wait with eager longing, and with enormous fear, because your promises do not coincide with our favorite injustices.

We pray for the coming of your kingdom on earth as it is around your heavenly throne.

We are your people grown weary with waiting.

We dwell in the midst of cynical people, and we have settled for what we can control.

We do not know that you hold initiative for our lives, that your love planned our salvation before we saw the light of day.

And so we wait for your coming, in your vulnerable baby in whom all things are made new.

Amen.

From Walter Brueggemann's book, "Awed to Heaven, Rooted in Earth"



Lim Family Update

The Lims are excited to announce that they had been assigned to one particular language group in Malaysia! They will be moving to their new region this summer. Here are some of their current praise and prayer items:

* Praise God! Pearl took her driver's licence writing test on Tuesday morning and passed it!

* We are looking for a vehicle for our family and for work. Pray for our wise decision.

* Suyoung's sleeping has not been stable. For example, he will not take a nap and then wake up at night more than two times crying. He has had a runny nose for over two weeks. A

pediatrician suspects an allergy caused by dusts from renovations that are going on in our apartment building. Junghoon feels really tired and Pearl feels stressed. Please pray for this.

* Junghoon is responding to questions from Korean members who are finishing up their linguistic training in Korea and looking for a place to work. Pray for all of these candidates and let's ask our Father for more workers for Malaysia.

New Pickup Location

All the children from Kids at the Ridge should be picked up in the cafeteria after the main gathering. All of the kids will be having their Christmas party in the same location, so children ages 3-4 will be in the cafeteria instead of their usual classroom.



We Still Need Three!

We are still looking for three people to work in the nursery for our Christmas Eve gathering on the 24th from 6-7 PM. These are paid positions. If you are willing to help out, please talk to Renée Wikkerink, our nursery coordinator Diane Zorn, or e-mail children@jerichoridge.com.

Looking to grow your career and the Kingdom at the same time?

We're looking for a Children's Ministry Director.

This half-time position provides leadership to our Kids @ the Ridge program and our ministry to families. Contact Pastor Brad Sumner at 604-629-7804 or brads@jerichoridge.com



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