

IMAGINE A PLACE WHERE...

People Care About Our Community



La Comida Ayudar Guatemala (The meal to help Guatemala)

Our Guatemala missions team has a goal of raising \$750 for food and clothing items that they will distribute to the needy residents of Guatemala. After today's gathering, the Monday night men's group will be hosting a luncheon to raise funds for these items. The cost for the lunch is \$5 per person which will offset the cost of the meal and all of us will have the opportunity to contribute toward their food and clothing distribution with a monetary gift. Here is the plan for the luncheon: pickup your children and then head to the foyer where the food is available (your ticket will be collected at this point); if you have not yet bought a ticket, you can purchase one at the head of the serving table; baskets on each lunch table are for donations toward the food and clothing distribution (envelopes are available if you would like a tax receipt); as you enjoy your lunch, check out the pictures showing on the side wall of last year's distribution.



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Fundraising Update

Our wheelchair fundraising is going very well and it looks like we will reach our goal of 80 wheelchairs! Plus, a JRCC family and their employer have confirmed their sponsorship of housing supplies that the team will use to construct two homes while they're in Guatemala. There is still need to raise funds for our food and clothing distributions (which all of us can contribute toward at today's luncheon). Please continue to give to our Guatemala project!

Guatemala Team Meetings

March 1, 7-8:30 PM at the Terpstra home – team members will receive instruction on wheelchair fitting.

March 8, 1-3:30 PM at the Reddekopp home – this is a lunch meeting with special guests from MBMSI who will be sharing about their cross-cultural experience.



Next Sunday:

Nursery:

Carly, Kim, Deb, Sylvia, Becky

Set-up/Take Down:

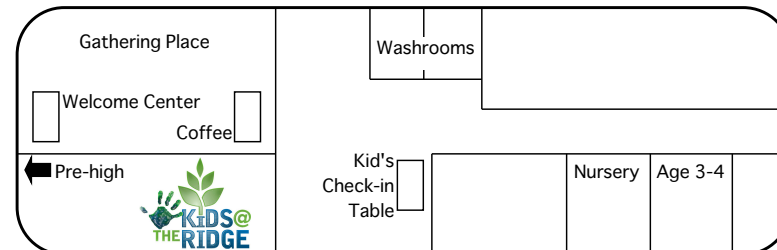
Team 1: Bryan Reddekopp's Team

FrontLines:

Team 1: Tamara, Byron's, Joyce, Jeneah

S	La Comida Ayudar Guatemala at 12 PM; Building Blocks at 4 PM
M	Ridge Runners at 7 PM
T	Elders breakfast at 7 AM; LIFE Groups
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Th	LIFE Groups
F	herconnecting group at 9:30 AM
S	Ridge Runners at 8 AM

Map of RE Secondary School

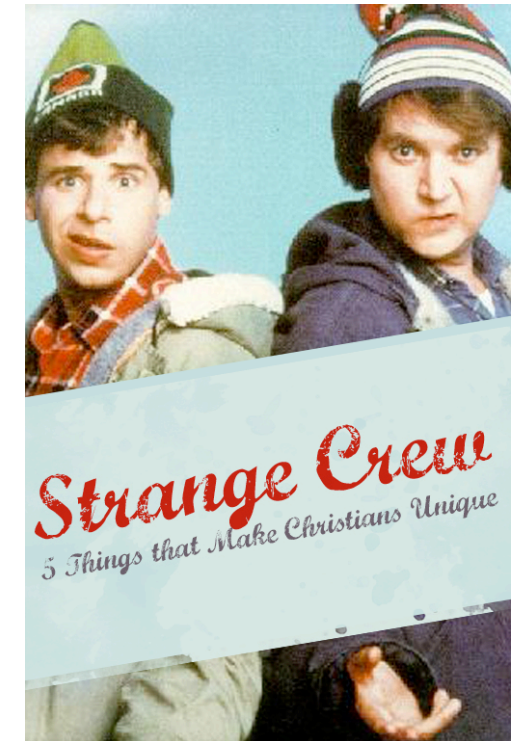


March 1, 2009



Strange Crew:
Five Things That Make Christians Unique
"The Curious Case of Gender and Grace"

1 Peter 3:1-9 Pastor Brad Sumner



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Welcome!

New to Jericho Ridge? We're so glad that you're here. Here are some practical tips and tools for navigating through a Sunday morning here at JRCC:

- Complimentary fairly-traded organic coffee is available along with hot chocolate and tea. Feel free to take it to your seat – better yet, bring your own mug next week to keep it hot and to be eco-friendly!

- **Nursery** care is provided for children from birth to age 2 in the staff room. You can take your child there anytime and our trained staff and volunteers will provide you with a pager so that we can contact you if necessary throughout the morning.

- **Kids @ the Ridge** is our program for children from age 3-grade 4. The check-in table in the foyer is the place to sign-in your children (for security) and to receive info on classes. Kids join us for the first 20 minutes of the main gathering before being dismissed.

- **PreHigh:** Twice a month, we have a small group on Sunday mornings for grades 5-7. The PreHighs have an event once a month - check the Info Sheet for details and dates (a calendar is also available online).

- **Coffee and Connection Time** is a 10 minute window (usually from 10:50-11:00) that is dedicated to getting to know each other. This is the time when you can:

- Help your child(ren) get settled into their time of singing and learning;
- Grab a coffee;
- Visit the Welcome Centre to find out more about JRCC;
- Interact with those around you.

- First time here? Please fill out a Connecting Card (located in the seat back in front of you) and place it in the offering bag or drop it off at the Welcome Centre. We'll contact you with any info that you request (no spam, or overly persistent phone calls, we promise!).

- Want a **Bible**? We have complementary ones available at the Welcome Centre in an easy-to-read translation. Take it home as our gift to you.

- Please check out www.jerichoridge.com and sign-up for our weekly e-newsletter that will keep you up-to-date with JRCC programs and events.

- Questions or comments? Please speak with someone who is wearing a nametag - they are part of our volunteer or staff teams. We hope your time with us will encourage and inspire you wherever you are at on your spiritual journey.

Today's Gathering Includes:

Welcome
Singing Together
Dan Martens and Team

Family News and Upcoming Events

Coffee and Connection Time

“The Curious Case of Gender and Grace”

1 Peter 3:1-9 Pastor Brad Sumner

Communion
Benediction

IMAGINE A PLACE WHERE... People Connect With Each Other

Womens Retreat

It's time to get away and enjoy a weekend filled with great teaching, spiritual breakout sessions, and fun activities. Join us for “Generous By Design” at Stillwood Conference Centre from April 3-5. Our early bird schedule is only available until March 8, so act quickly! Here's a taste of what you can experience:



- Eating Healthy on a Budget – learn how to stretch your budget while eating right
- Teapot Hill Hike – get the heart pumpin and witness a beautiful view of Cultus Lake
- Manicures & Pedicures – everything that you'll need to beautify those nails
- Crafty Card Making – learn how to make beautiful homemade cards
- Getting Nutty and Other Healthy Snacking – snacking ideas for yourself and kids
- Movie Night – the movie will be great, but the pajama competition beforehand will be even better



The Friday morning women's group will be meeting at Heidi Bulat's home this week at 9:30 AM and studying the eighth and ninth chapters of their book.



Our running group will be introducing a new program for kids on Saturday mornings in conjunction with the adult running time. Monica Rosenke will be leading a fun workout for children that incorporates exercise and games. Adults can join in or run with Jodi Bueckert's “Learn to Run” group. Ridge Runners meets on Saturdays at 8 AM and Mondays at 7 PM.

Baptism & Membership

If you're interested in being baptised, please speak with Pastor Brad soon to schedule a meeting time and baptism date. We're also planning a date to welcome people into covenant membership at JRCC. Pick up our membership documents at the Welcome Centre or speak with Pastor Brad for more details.

Jericho Ridge United

Joel Kooger is organizing a JRCC soccer team! If you're interested in joining the roster, please speak with him directly or email him at jkoogs@yahoo.ca.



Summer Service Opportunities

Summer Language Institute (SLI in Lithuania or Ukraine): Expand your world! Teach in Lithuania or in Ukraine this summer! LCC International University seeks English language teachers to teach in our Summer Language Institute (SLI) in July. Applicants should have ESL or English teaching experience and a BA degree in education or English. We provide curriculum materials, resources, orientation, and a supportive Christian environment. Contact Cathy Bauer opportunities@lcc.lt or check our web site: www.lcc.lt.

SOAR Montreal:

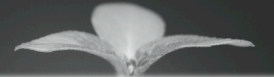
This is an opportunity for English and French speaking teams to experience and demonstrate the transforming power of Christ's love in Quebec, North America's largest unreached people group. Teams will work alongside developing churches, making inroads into their neighbourhoods through community service, public acts of Christ, and sport evangelism. For more information, please visit www.mbmsi.org/soar/montreal/overview/.

BC Camps:

Explore how you can become involved this summer in our MB conference camps. With five different camp options, there are lots of opportunities for children, teens, and adults to invest in. Check out www.campsbcc.com.

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

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



Kids @ the Ridge Interim Help

Today marks the completion of Laura Havercroft's interim role as JRCC's Children's Ministry Director. As our leadership team continues its search for a suitable candidate, we have asked that volunteers lead and facilitate the Sunday morning large group times. We currently have four Sundays in March and April that still need a facilitator. Full descriptions of this volunteer position are available at the Welcome Centre, as well as a sign up sheet for the available dates.

Thank You Laura Havercroft!

We would like to extend a warm thank you to Laura for her excellence in leading our Kids @ the Ridge ministry program over the past two months. Laura has completed her interim role with JRCC, but will continue to serve as a key volunteer in our children's program. Laura led our children and volunteer team with diligence and her investment into the life of our church has been (and will continue to be) appreciated. Please offer your personal gratitude to her over the coming weeks. Thanks Laura!!