



REACH VANCOUVER UPDATE

The Conner Family - Fall / Winter 2022

Dear Praying Friends,

I certainly need to begin this letter with an apology about the lateness of this update. The last several months have been, to say the least, an overwhelming amount of activity and growth at City Baptist Church. Beginning with our Summer outreach and into the Fall season, we have seen God's hand at work with people saved, baptized, and many added to the church. With the growth that we have experienced, it has also revealed many areas of administration that have needed to be addressed and developed. With that all being said, it has been a very special, yet extremely busy last few months.



Our family before the 8th anniversary service.

Following a full Summer of ministry with outreach, day camp and teen camp, we celebrated the 8th anniversary of the church, and our one year anniversary in our new location. We are praising the Lord that it was the highest attendance in our history, and we are still seeing the fruit from the community outreach and engagement in the months of August and September. It was just a day later that we were also privileged to host a Canadian Pastors Conference along with Lions Gate Baptist Church. It was an encouraging time of preaching and breakout sessions for Canadian Pastors, and it was even more of a blessing to see our church family rally together to give sacrificially, and serve in order to be a blessing to the ministry leaders who were able to attend.

In October the church family followed the Lord's leading to pledge our highest faith promise commitment during our annual missions conference. It is always a blessing to not only see our commitments go up, but also the amount of individuals engaged in giving to missions, many for the first time. At the end of

October, we also hosted our first community "Trunk Or Treat" event. And though we were really unsure of how it would go, we saw over 250 people from the community come to the event. It was a great opportunity to invite them to church, and to continue developing new relationships in our neighbourhood.

Over the last several months, it has been encouraging to have people join in membership almost every week. It has been the fruit of meals at our home multiple times a week, as well as meetings in coffee shops to get to know, disciple, and share what it means to be a active, serving member of a local Baptist church. It has been special to see how God builds his church in so many ways, whether it is through members bringing friends and family, salvations and baptisms, web and social media, and even immigration and new moves to Vancouver.



A few of the recent attenders and new members at City Baptist.

Above anything else, we are thankful for God's work here at City Baptist, and for your faithful prayer and financial support. In each of these updates, remember that you are playing an important role in the Gospel going forward in our city. Thank you, and we wish you a Merry Christmas season.

Your friends,

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