

REACH VANCOUVER UPDATE

The Conner Family / March 2015

Dear Praying Friends,

Our family is certainly grateful for your faithful financial and prayer support for our family and City Baptist Church. We are blessed to share with you what God has been doing the last two months as well as some exciting future developments into which we believe God is leading our church.

During the months of February and March, we have been thankful to see growth in our weekly attendance. Recently, we had our first service with 40 in attendance since our grand opening. Please continue to pray that God bless our outreach efforts in the community, and that we will consistently see first time guests in our services.

On March 7th we celebrated our sixth month anniversary since the official launch of City Baptist Church, and we were blessed to have Pastor Gordon Conner, my father and



6th Month Anniversary Service.

sending church Pastor, to preach the Sunday morning service. It was a memorable time of thankfulness, but also challenge as we look forward to the future of City Baptist and the tremendous task of sharing God's gift of salvation with the community that He has placed us in.

As we look forward to the Spring season here in Vancouver, I would ask that you pray with us about some opportunities that we are facing. First, I would ask that you pray

Our First Men's Retreat .

with us about our upcoming outreach campaigns. It is our goal to again reach out several times to the closest 15,000 doors in the immediate area surrounding our meeting location. Would you pray with us that God would give our church many witnessing opportunities as well as help us connect with the many people in our neighbourhood as we continue to spread the word about City Baptist Church.



Mark Carling is one of our faithful Sunday volunteers.

Our second major prayer request involves our current meeting location. We are very thankful for the facility God has provided, however we certainly have the need for more space for our children's ministry, as well as additional service times. In the last month I have had the opportunity to meet with the scheduling team and owner of the studio to ask about the possibility of adjusting our Sunday rental time, and adding a Wednesday evening service. They have already approved our Sunday Service time change, which will enable us to move our Sunday morning service back to a later start time, as well, if the Lord allows, we would be able to add a second service in the morning, enabling us to grow and stay in the building longer. We are

still waiting to hear about the Wednesday time, if it is approved, it would give us more room, and another day with signage and a presence in the neighbourhood.

We are also currently talking with the studio about renovating a part of the basement to include a much needed classroom for our children, as well as some permanent office space for the church. Because of the age and disrepair of the building, we are estimating that the cost of the renovation would be close to \$9,000. The benefits of adding some permanent, usable space however, would be well worth the time and expense. This truly is an opportunity from the Lord, and if you would like to be involved in helping provide for this need, we would greatly appreciate it.

We are so thankful to each of you for your love and support, please remember our family and church in your prayers. We are blessed to be a part of your One area of the basement that we would like to turn into children's classes and office space.

extended ministry, and we look forward to God doing great things in our community.

Your Friends,

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Maximus, Myles & Owen

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