

REACH VANCOUVER UPDATE

The Conner Family / Summer 2019

Dear Praying Friends,

God has been good the last few months here in Vancouver, and we are so thankful for His work in our city and local body of believers. Since our last update we have been seen souls saved, believers follow Christ in baptism, families join the church, and new believers discipled and growing in their faith.

Besides the weekly responsibilities of ministry and family, in the month of May we were privileged to help our sending church host a work group that did an incredible job working on our camp property in preparation for this Summer's camps. In just a few weeks we were able to install a new roof on our main lodge, repair plumbing and electrical, as well as update our staff housing. These were all needed updates on an almost 70 year old building, and we are looking forward to two full weeks of camp beginning in just a few days. The



Alaina following the Lord in baptism after accepting Christ this Spring.

camp ministry is such an important

part of God's work in the heart of young people, and we are blessed to serve each year many children and teens from all over our Province. Please be in prayer for this key ministry and that the Lord would do a special work through the preaching and discipling that takes place.

Since the Summer is here, there are many more outreach opportunities in our community because of the better weather. Just as in years past, we are involved in water outreaches on the street on weekends, as well as weekly door to door canvassing in our community. We were also able to be involved again in our neighbourhood Summer Kickoff event. The weather was not great this year, but there were still around 2,800 that attended the event.



community outreach event.

There was a great group of volunteers from City Baptist that handed out around 800 water bottles and close to 1,000 church invitations.

This was our third opportunity to participate in this event, and it was great to constantly meet people that we have connected with through other outreaches. Each community event where we give back, really does make a difference and we are thankful for the many opportunities to share God's love in our neighbourhood.

Spiritually, the Lord has been working in our church, and we are thankful for an open group of people who are willing to accept and minister to whomever God brings our way. Recently we have been able to see four individuals follow Christ in baptism, several complete a discipleship course, others join the church, and most recently, a young woman accept Christ following the morning service. God truly



A couple that recently joined and are growing at City Baptist Church.

has been moving through the weekly services as we have witnessed people find help from addiction, others surrender their lives to the Lord, and others confessing and forsaking sin as they learn to walk in the Spirit.



he family all together for Owen's Kindergarten graduation.

As we have mentioned in our past updates, would you please join with us in prayer for larger facility for our church to meet? Each week it is more and more evident that in order for us to continue growing, something is going to have to happen. We have been doing some looking in the community, however with the current cost of rentals, the Lord will have to do a miracle in order to provide a space. We trust in His provision, and we are asking you to join with us in asking God to make His will clear for us soon.

Our family is so grateful for your consistent and prayerful support as we minister in the inner city of Vancouver. There is so much still

to be done, and our prayer is that God will make such a difference in this community, that all we can do is give Him the glory for what takes place. Thank you for your love and encouragement.

Your friends.

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