

# Fall 2009

## JF Coming Events

- Sept. 5 - Prayer meeting at Ricks'  
- Ruby Lemphers service in Richmond
- Sept. 15 - Resume Vancouver Bible Studies
- Sept. 20 - Vancouver service - Carly (Travers), Robert, Isaiah, Akiz visit
- Sept. 23 - Resume Richmond Bible Studies
- Sept. 24 - Resume Pearson Bible Studies
- Sept. 26 - "Walk the Wall" ICC - fundraiser for handicapped children in China, walking the Sea Wall (call if you'd like to walk or to sponsor us)
- Oct. 3 - Prayer meeting at Rick's place
- Oct.16-18 - Camp Squamish - (call if you can help...)
- Nov.7 - Prayer meeting - Rick's place  
- 7:30 Trinity Square Dance
- Nov.14 - Evening Fundraising concert - Tsawassen  
- (call for more info)
- Nov.22 - Bowen island service at Cates Hill Chapel



Jan and Kevin Bridgeman at Camp Alexander

### New Zealand team –David Hayward Jr.

Joy Fellowship welcomed a team of 7 from New Zealand near the end of July, and they joined us for almost two weeks of blessed fellowship. Jan and Kevin Bridgeman, Norm and Amanda Sutherland, Kim Jamieson, Matalena Motiola, and Michael Stoneham, were an unusually musical team, and so they led us in worship on many occasions, especially at Camp Alex. There, Jan and Kevin did the teaching on the Parable of the Sower, and the team assisted with skits they had prepared and helped out in a great variety of ways. Five of the team stayed with the Haywards and Jean Leong graciously opened her home for Jan and Kevin to stay with her, and that allowed us to have all of the team in Joy Fellowship homes. We enjoyed a number of great day trips together, and are now beginning to work on preparing a team from Joy Fellowship who are hoping to go to New Zealand next year (David Jr, Doug Harrison, Tracy Mohns, Sarah Brown, Lezlee Bachand, Anne Cowper, and perhaps Cindy Liao and Frederick Cheung).



The New Zealand team also gave very generous donations to the work of Joy Fellowship - God bless you all.

Michael Stoneham at Camp Alexander

## Christmas Craft Fair 2009

November 28th 10 AM to 2 PM

Trinity Baptist Church



Stocking stuffers, Bake Sale, Christmas Tea, White Elephant Sale, Christmas Caroling, Crafts, and the World Market.

Everyone Welcome !

We are beginning to look for helpers for the Christmas Craft Fair, please call if you are interested in helping

## British Columbia Provincial Special Olympics



Congratulations to all those who participated in the Provincial Special Olympics including members of Joy Fellowship ( Sarah Brown, Tracy Mohns, Nick Chan, Rene Dussa, and Patrick Costello) . Medals were won, friendships made and renewed, and a good time had by all who attended.



Nick Chan gets ready for the 400m race



Nick Chan and fellow Olympians on the Podium



Carli, Robert, and Akiz

### Abetavu Fundraiser and Silent Auction

***Come meet Carli and Robert***

- Date: Friday, September 18th, 2009
- Time : 7:00 - 9:00 PM
- Place : Coquitlam Christian Centre 2665 Runnel Drive, Coquitlam, B.C.
- Cost: Free
- RSVP: 604-942-8172 or [ctravers@ctravers.com](mailto:ctravers@ctravers.com)

### Registered Disability Savings Plan information

The Registered Disability Savings Plan (RDSP) is a new savings plan that will allow funds to be invested tax-free until withdrawal, to help parents and others save for the long-term financial security of a family member with a disability.

An RDSP can be set up by anyone who is a) eligible for the Disability Tax Credit and is a Canadian Resident, or b) a parent or legal representative of such a person. Anyone can contribute to an RDSP, however contributions are limited to a lifetime maximum of \$200,000, with no annual limit. Contributions are permitted until the end of the year the child reaches 59 years of age.

The Canada Disabilities Savings Grant (CDSG) and the Canada Disabilities Savings Bond (CDSB) are two programs designed to help build up these RDSPs. Within BC 'Persons with Disabilities' funding is not affected by the RDSP.

The Royal Bank and Bank of Montreal are participating in this program. Bank staff could help you set up an RDSP, and you can find out more at [www.rdsp.com](http://www.rdsp.com) The BC Government is complementing the RDSP with the Vancouver Foundation 150 plan - [www.vancouverfoundation.bc.ca/specialprojects/endowment150.htm](http://www.vancouverfoundation.bc.ca/specialprojects/endowment150.htm)

David Hayward Jr.

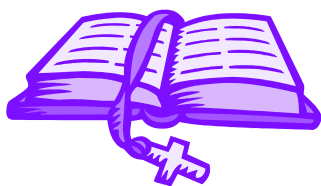
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A picture of the bench with Joy's name on it in VanDusen Gardens (37th Ave. & Oak St.). The bench is in the Cedars, overlooking the Cypress Pond to the north. The inscription reads

**Celebrating the life of Joy Gregory,  
2nd November 1959—9th June 2007  
Pastor, Joker, Duckwatcher, Friend**



New Wheelchair Van



Great Thanks to **Russ and Joan Bain** who have donated this van to Joy Fellowship.

We now have the potential to include up to four folks in wheelchairs in our activities

We lost two great saints in the last weeks of August.

**Ruby Lemphers**, David and Elaine's mother, died after a long struggle with emphysema - Ruby was a truly wonderful Christian mother to her large family and left a legacy of great blessing. Her life was gracious and loving, and she contributed greatly to the early ministry of Joy Fellowship. Ruby was responsible for bringing a number of other families into the Joy Fellowship family, and was much loved and lived a beautiful life of unselfish giving.

**Marion Foster**, is another of our old timers, who served as the first local Social worker who worked with families who had mentally handicapped children. She lived a life of gracious love and dedication to those she served. Everyone who knew her loved her, and she would often come to our services and be received with great joy. She had lived for many years in a Care Centre, where she was a great blessing.

David Hayward Jr.



**David Edwards** is a HandyDart driver and knows many of our folks at Joy Fellowship. David and his wife **Marion** and daughters **Victoria, Sarah** and **Emily** met up with our folks at the Sechelt Camping Grounds last year. " We all loved the time at Porpoise Bay and meeting everyone at Joy fellowship We were blessed to meet everyone and to share in the praise and worship" wrote Marion. They are pictured here with **Shannon, Janice** and **Sarah Brown** from Joy Fellowship.



## Memories of Summer—Camp Sunrise June 2009



# News from Away



Peggy, James, Terry, & Kerry

James and I had a wonderful visit with the Dempsey Family in June. On our way back from Boston to Ottawa, we spent two days in New Hampshire. We met **Peggy, Terry** and **Kerry Dempsey** in the beautiful town of Wolfeboro for dinner, followed by an evening with Peggy's sister and brother-in-law (**Sue & Thom Christian**).

Thom is the minister of the First Christian Church of Wolfeboro and took us on a tour of the lovely 200 year old church and their home. The following morning, we met Peggy, Terry and Kerry for an early breakfast. As Terry and Kerry left for work, we went out to the Dempsey home--set in the woods, with their 5 black cats and their dog. We were blessed to visit Peggy's small chapel in the woods.

Roberta Bavis

**Hiro**mi married her fiancée **Nathan** in Japan, and will be visiting Vancouver in August. We hope to meet him then.

Here is news from **David** and **Dianne Bain** in China –



Diane and I are preparing a kit to go to the Bless China International (BCI) agro tech farm for a few weeks: a cooking pot, dishes, clothes, some health teaching materials. A dozen (subsistence) farmers are training there next week. We have been asked to go and support the program.

Here is a picture of the last training. We are preparing the ground to plant some new hedges. Notice that the farm is pretty hilly, and we are the last farm on the dirt road before you climb up the mountain in the background on a trail. There is a special method of farming so they can make even the worst hilltop soil better.

My experience these days is of hope, and answered prayer. Yet we are aware of our need for a government recognized longer term role and visa. We press on, accepting the opportunities we are finding to serve, aware of those in Heb. 11 who are examples for us.

We love you, Because Jesus loves each person so much,

From **Edmund** and **Lillian Hsiah**



We are back in Tianjin, after a whirlwind trip back to Vancouver. We had a great trip to visit our family and friends. It was great to have time to reconnect and refresh ourselves. (Ed note--Joy Fellowship was blessed by two visits from Edmund and Lillian while they were in Vancouver).

Back home, the school organized a 4-day trip to Qingdao, a seaside resort famous for its seafood and the famous Tsingdao beer.

We just returned when 6 of our students picked us up for a 4 day Mongolian adventure trip. This is where we spent our 20th wedding anniversary. Our students organized a surprise evening--complete with flowers, dinner and cake. The following 3 days were spend driving through the beautiful grasslands. We had a wonderful time riding horse, camels and sliding on a sand dune. We are back teaching full time now.



We miss everyone, and send lots of hugs your way.

From **Stepanie McClellan** in Newfoundland

Thinking of you all as I spend time in a gorgeous residential camp setting with my youth group and leaders from our Gander Church.

Here in Loon Bay, our times of worship and study each day are powerful reminders that we learn of faith through our brothers and sisters around the world. The lightheartedness of the campers and volunteers has allowed God to be playful with our souls.

## Joy Fellowship Newsletter

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### Joy Fellowship Financial Report

#### As At July 31, 2009 (7 months):

**Total Income**            **\$113,918**

**Total Expenses**        **\$ 80,853**

**Operating Surplus**      **\$ 33,065**

**Your Joy Fellowship Board is thankful to the Lord that He blesses us with your faithful support.**

#### Thought for the Week

**Monday Wash Day:** Lord, help me wash away all my selfishness and vanity, so I may serve you with perfect humility through the week ahead.

**Tuesday Ironing Day:** Dear Lord, help me iron out all the wrinkles of prejudice I have collected through the years so that I may see the beauty in others.

**Wednesday Mending Day:** O God, help me mend my ways so I will not set a bad example for others.

**Thursday Cleaning Day:** Lord Jesus, help me to dust out all the many faults I have been hiding in the secret corners of my heart.

**Friday Shopping Day:** O God, give me the grace to shop wisely so I may purchase eternal happiness for myself and all others in need of love.

**Saturday Cooking Day:** Help me, my Savior, to brew a big kettle of brotherly love and serve it with clean, sweet bread of human kindness.

**Sunday The Lord's Day** O God, I have prepared my house for you. Please come into my heart so I may spend the day and the rest of my life in your presence.

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## Keep Collecting !!

*Thank you to all who are continuing to collect cans and bottles to support our children in India. We are hoping to be able to support a child with a disability in China this year. .*

*Its been great to open envelopes from our supporters with Canadian Tire money tucked inside them. Last year we received well over \$200 in Canadian Tire money. We will use this to help with extra camp expenses, so thank you and keep it coming. :)*

### Pennies for Heaven

We are sending our Pennies for Heaven to Keats Camp, to help with the great expenses they have suddenly faced to repair their cabins. They have helped us in the past, and we are helping them now - so far we have raised almost \$700."

From David & Dianne Bain in China "We want to thank Joy Fellowship for their generous gift of \$125 in May 2009 (Our May Pennies for Heaven). We were surely blessed at the Joy Fellowship meeting when you all prayed for us".

### Go Green in 2009



With the emphasis worldwide on looking to the environment and "Going Green", we would like to encourage our readers to help by getting their Newsletter on-line. Think about the paper used to print each page, the envelopes to put the Newsletter into and the labels for the addresses, as well as the donation envelopes. And the very costly stamps as well.

Now think about getting your Newsletter on-line. No waiting for the mail delivery means that notices are more timely, your email address probably doesn't change if you should move, and the pictures in the Newsletter are in living colour.

**All you need to do is let us know if you would like to use the on-line method of delivery. Simply email David Hayward at [dh6403@telus.net](mailto:dh6403@telus.net) and we will send you a notice as soon as the next Newsletter is available.**

Of course, for those readers who do not have access to a computer or who prefer to receive a printed copy, we are very happy to continue to mail to you. And for those of you who do opt for an on-line newsletter, remember that we are still happy to accept donations by regular mail.

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