



Newsletter

# The Road Church

*experience God everywhere*

July 6, 2017

## **This Sunday...**

...is Family Sunday. We'll be doing a live interactive play involving kids of all ages - that means grown ups too! The story of Esther is all about courage and God's salvation... in the one book of the Bible that doesn't even mention God. Huh? True story!

Of course, it wouldn't hurt to read the story of Esther this week in preparation AND... we'll pick people for the various parts on the spot on Sunday morning but... if your child is interested in having a part and seeing the script ahead of time fire an email to [Rich](#) and he'll send it along and reserve a part for you!

## **Composite Staff Model**

We are in a time of transition at The Road Church and we have a plan! We will continue working as a team with a more diverse and structured composite staff model to best meet the needs of our community. See [this diagram](#) of how the staff will work together with you to continue to become “an accepting community called to experience and be God's presence everywhere.”

## **New Church Name Info**

We are excited to have a new name – The Road Church. The new name is based on the input from the congregation earlier this year of key words and phrases that reflect our community, as well as the survey on short-listed possible names. The Leadership Team along with Brandon and Nicole reached consensus on The Road Church as our new name as we felt it best reflected who we are as community and our vision (tag line)

of Experiencing God Everywhere.

As [the story of the Emmaus Road in Luke](#) demonstrates there are many times in our own journeys that we are met by Jesus without even realizing he is with us – he's always with us on the road even when we don't know it! A new name also reflects that we are now one church community – we no longer need to use the awkward mashed up name. As the Ephesians verse from our first anniversary states - we '[were all called to travel on the same road and in the same direction, so stay together both outwardly and inwardly](#)'.

"The Road Church: Experience God Everywhere" as our new name is a recognition of our journey forward together as a church community.

We are planning to develop a new logo as soon as possible and we are going to start using the new name in our material, including in a new future website (we already have a domain name secured!). If you have any questions or comments about our new name or the future logo, please get in touch with either Brandon Harris, Nicole Wilson or Jeff Loomis.

### **Children's Ministry News**

There will be two KiDZone Sundays this summer (July 23 and August 27), as well as coloring activities available for kids when there are regular services. The nursery will be running as usual. A BIG thanks to all our volunteers who give their time & energy to our youngest church members! If you would like to be involved in kids ministries this fall you can contact Amber [info@newhopechurch.ca](mailto:info@newhopechurch.ca).

### **Stampede Breakfast**

The Stampede Breakfast will be on **July 16th** and we need volunteers! Please contact Melonie M. [mel.dean@telus.net](mailto:mel.dean@telus.net) to see how you can help.

### 16th Annual Church Campout

Mark your calendars as the annual church campout will be on the Labour Day long weekend, **September 1st-4th**. There are brochures at the info table with details on accommodations, meals, and prices. Register with Melonie M. [mel.dean@telus.net](mailto:mel.dean@telus.net) soon to reserve your spot!

Want to hang out at the annual camping weekend but not into rustic during the night? Dave and Wendy have booked at Walking Eagle Inn and Lodge in Rocky Mountain House. Reduced rates are available through [Booking.com](https://www.booking.com) and [Expedia.ca](https://www.expedia.ca). It's close to the camp, about a 10 minute drive. I'm betting you'll see Dave in his walking gear along the road! Hope some others will join us for the best of both worlds. Thanks, Wendy

### News from Our Community at Large

#### Help Out the Sea to Sea Cyclists

Volunteer by serving and clean up for the cyclists Sunday lunch (July 9th after church). For more details contact Gord [403-589-8585](tel:403-589-8585), [gordon@vanderleek.ca](mailto:gordon@vanderleek.ca), [Sea to Sea](http://Sea to Sea)

#### Your Help is Requested!

Noah Stolte (17 year old son of Stacey and Tom Stolte, grandson of Sharon and Ron Vanderlee, and great grandson of Johanna Vanderveen) is currently in Vancouver undergoing treatment for relapsed Leukemia. He will need a bone marrow transplant later this summer.

This message is from Stacey his mother on Tuesday, June 20th: "In our meeting with the doctor today we found out something a little scary... Of all 15 million people on the bone marrow registry, only two are even 75% matches to Noah! We also found out that all three of the girls are only 50% matches."

So the appeal is going out: PLEASE GET SWABBED!! If you register [on this site](#), they will send you a package in the mail and all you do is swab your cheek and send it back! If you're not match for Noah, you may be a match for someone else! Male donors ages

17-35 are preferred, as they do not have as many males in the registry, but both male and females are encouraged to register.

There is also a bit of urgency to this; it takes 6-8 weeks to get processed and in the registry.

We have also set up a registration event for your convenience and to help speed along the process and hopefully get many to sign up.

Bone Marrow Registration Event (ages 17-35)

Date: July 13th

Time: 5-7 pm

Emmanuel Christian Reformed Church

3020-51st Street SW

### Employment Opportunities

*Learning Adventures Preschool* at Calgary Christian School has two job openings for this fall. You can visit their [website](#) for more details about applying for the Teacher and Educational Assistant positions. Closing date is July 15, 2017.

The CRC denomination's mission agency, [Resonate Global Mission](#), is looking to hire a part time Admin Assistant for the Western Canada Regional Mission Leader and Team (job starting in September). Warning: This would involve working with Rich! Check out the posting and details [here!](#)

Bears paw Christian School is looking to hire a Financial and Accounts Payable Analyst as well as a Discipleship Coordinator. For more details visit their [website](#).

<b>Nursery</b>	Agnes C & Samantha V	<b>Welcome Team</b>	3 - Cindy L & Rachel P
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<b>KiDZ PS/K</b>		<b>Set Up Team</b>	3 - Jae C, Vance L, Lisa V, Wong Family
<b>KiDZ Grades 1-3</b>		<b>Info Table</b>	Marrian P
<b>KiDZ Grades 4-6</b>		<b>Tech Team</b>	3 - Keith & Lukas E, Randy S