



Please join us for the Easter Sunday service on April 20th at 10 AM 5880 Oak Street (42nd Ave. & Oak Street)

Joy Fellowship will again celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Saviour. A Pageant will be performed depicting the days leading to the crucifixion and resurrection



## The Cross - David Hayward Jr.

Donald Commerford loves Memorial services. I'm not sure why, but perhaps it's partly because he often gets to be an usher, a task in which he takes pride. We have memorial services to honor people that we love. We've just had one for Lynn Delplace. Sometimes people plan their own service.

Jesus planned his own memorial service (Luke 22:19) He took a loaf of bread and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "This is my body, which is broken **FOR YOU**. Do this in remembrance of me." "This cup that is poured out **FOR YOU** is the new covenant in my blood." Jesus didn't command us to 'remember' His birthday or even His miracles, but his death. Communion is His Memorial. That's how we remember Him.

If we remember only one thing about Jesus, he wants us to remember his death on the cross **FOR US**. This was the reason he came to earth. This was the hour He had been waiting for. This was the day He had been trying to get the disciples ready for.

When Peter first recognized that Jesus was the Messiah, the Christ they had been waiting for, Jesus began to teach them "...that the Son of Man **MUST** suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and teachers of the law, and that he **MUST** be killed and after three days rise again". He spoke plainly about this (Mark 8:31-32). Peter didn't like the sound of that.

Jesus explained it this way, "the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give His Life as a ransom **FOR MANY**." (Mark 10:45) "...a ransom **FOR MANY**... poured out **FOR MANY** for the forgiveness of sins." Who is this **MANY**? He is doing this **FOR US**. For this ransom to be effective **FOR US**, we must do something. We must follow Him, believe in Him, love Him, we must eat and drink so that He becomes one with us.

Then He brought the disciples to the Garden of Gethsemane. He went to the garden to talk to his Father. It was his last chance to talk to His Father about the plan – the work of salvation he has come to do. Here is the sinless son of God, in perfect communion with the Father and the Spirit forever and ever amen, and he is facing being **FORSAKEN** by his Father, **FOR US**.

And so, Jesus asks His disciples for help! He asks them to **WATCH AND PRAY**. He must have felt he needed their prayers that night. It does not sound like such a big request, but we too, must admit that we find it hard to spend much time with him in prayer. They let Him down, but His Father answered anyway, sending an Angel to strengthen him. Jesus drank the Father's cup for our sins, and offers us the cup of life. That is what we remember. He calls us also to watch and pray. Can we do this **FOR HIM**?



Thanks be to God.



# *In Memoriam*

## Maureen Terfrey

July 18 1940 – March 1 2014

Maureen was born in Vancouver in 1940 and was one of the very few Down's Syndrome students attending public school in those early years. She completed a Modified School Programme at Killarney Secondary School. After finishing school, Maureen took part in activities offered by the Developmental Disabilities Association as well as Special Olympics. Maureen's mother, Bunny Terfrey was responsible for organizing many of the bowling leagues for the disabled that still operate today and Maureen was an avid bowler. Maureen attended Joy Fellowship until she moved to the Arbutus Care Centre where she spent the last four years. We send our condolences to Maureen's family.



Lori-Ann and Maureen Terfrey

## (Cheryl) Lynn Delaplace

August 31, 1965 – March 11, 2014



One of our Joy Fellowship pioneers was carried home by the angels on Mar.11, after a lengthy illness. She was part of Betty Gjertsen's Sunday School flock that joined us at the very beginning, and was one of the sweetest, most gentle, loving, joyful of our members, like a little butterfly that flitted from person to person, always wanting to ask us something, but never actually concerned about the question or the answer, just delighted to be with people that she loved. She was a great tease, always calling us names like hot dog, hamburger, marshmallow, etc., tweaking our noses, and quick to engage in arm wrestling when given the chance. She greatly loved both Joy Gregory, and Marion Foster, and it is a comfort to know that she is now enjoying their welcome, and the hospitality of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We miss you dear Lynn.

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## Special Olympic Heavy Gold!



Troy, Nellie Joe, and Sarah

Two of our Joy Fellowship members—Sarah Brown (on right) and Nellie Joe Kurta (middle) -- recently won gold medals in their weight categories at the BC Power Lifting Association's 2014 Winter Open, in which the Special Olympics group has a section..

They compete in two events: bench press and dead lift.

On February 23 at the Richmond Oval, all members of their team had personal bests. Sarah bench pressed 42.5 kilos (=93.7 lbs) and dead lifted 95 kilos (=209.4 lbs). Nellie Joe dead lifted 115 kilos (=253.5 lbs!) "

Sarah especially "carries her share of the weight" around Joy Fellowship, helping those less able than herself, singing with the Sign Language Choir and being an active participant in Bible Study and Prayer Meetings. Well done, Sarah and Nellie Joe, two of the many heavy weights at Joy Fellowship..

## Columbia College—By Robert Yu



Mar. 17, 2014. 4:00 pm. A team of 10 members (David, Karl, Rick, Robert, Joan, Nick, Doug, Anna, Cindy, and Nana) drove down to Abbotsford to give a teaching at Columbia Bible College. We had our dinner in the van by sharing couple of bottle water and half a birthday cake and some home-made sandwich. All these things weren't important. What we really cared about was whether we can give a message to those Bible college students about "person with

disabilities" and how they worship God.

In the class, each of team member shared all kinds of different gifts which they received from God : Clarinet, guitar, usher, sign language, artist, kind heart (love, help each other). Also we shared how God guides the way to lead us to Joy Fellowship-- specific concerned with the needs of people with mental or physical disabilities.

Pastor Karl's talk focused on ROMANS 12:4-5, "...We are all parts of His one body, and each of us has different work to do.....". Person with disabilities, are the part of God's body, are as important as other parts of His body. Pastor David handed out pieces of a jig saw puzzle. Some red, some white, some blue and some green. Could the students complete the picture with only pieces of one colour? For the puzzle, each piece is important, because each piece makes part of the picture. So, in some ways, the missing pieces are the most important.

Pastor David Jr. preached that person with disabilities, "...those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable..."(I Cor.1:21-27). And in a banquet, they shouldn't be absent. Jesus is not excluding people with disabilities from the Kingdom feast.( Luke 14:15-24). How can we have missed them all these years?

How great will be His Joy when all the missing pieces are found, and welcomed back home!

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***"Two disabled people entered church one day, disabled, but each in a different way.  
One had a body strong and whole, but it sheltered a warped and twisted soul.  
The other walked with a halting gait, but his soul was 'tall and fair and straight.."  
They shared a pew, they shared a book, but on each face was a different look.  
One was alight with hope and joy, and faith that nothing could destroy,  
The other joined not in prayer or hymn, no smile relaxed his features grim.  
His neighbour had wronged him, his heart was sore, he thought of himself and nothing more  
The words that were read from the Holy Book, struck deafened ears, and a forlorn look  
To one came comfort, his soul was fed, the other gained nothing from what was said.  
Two disabled people left the church that day, disabled, but each in a different way.  
A twisted foot, did one body mar, but the twisted soul was sadder far."***

Pastor David writes "We've been praying for the Lord to open the door to connect us with local Bible Colleges and seminaries, to introduce future leaders to the value of our brothers and sisters with disabilities. In addition to our visits to Columbia Bible College, we have twice had opportunities to speak at Carey Hall recently, once to a seminar on intergenerational worship for about 30 local church leaders, and then another seminar as part of a week-long series of lectures on worship for about 20 MDiv students. In both places we received a warm welcome and hearts were touched. As a result we have had some new visitors joining us on recent Sundays, and those who have come have been deeply blessed, and want more.

Last Sunday, a visitor (from Carey Hall) came to our service for the first time, and sat beside Chris Anglin. Chris said to her, "In this church they love you even before they know you." and she found that to be true – and joined us again this Sunday.

I thought that was a beautiful testimony – perhaps that should be our slogan...

## **Joy Fellowship AGM 23March2014**

The well attended Joy Fellowship AGM was held on March 22, 2014 at Trinity Baptist Church.

The newly elected Joy Council for 2014 - 2015 is as follows:

**PRESIDENT:** Ann Baransky-Job **VICE PRESIDENT:** Bram Lamb **TREASURER:** Oscar Banziger

### **Board of Directors:**

David Hayward Jr.    Karl Johnson    David Hayward Sr.    Ruby Hayward  
Joan Lew    Cindy Liao    Carol Hansen    Carol Travers

Oscar Banziger presented the Financial Report, ending Dec 31 2013.

David showed pictures of the year 2013, followed by fellowship.

### **JF – Newsletter Financials – Dec.31, 2013**

The following information was provided at the March 22, 2014 AGM, reporting the December 31, 2013 Year End results:

	<u>2013 Actual</u>	<u>2012 Actual</u>	<u>2014 Approved Budget</u>
Total Income	\$175,529	\$162,058	\$150,900 Estimate
Total Expenses	<u>\$198,482</u>	<u>\$179,753</u>	<u>\$191,500</u>
Operating (Deficit)/Surplus	(\$22,953)	(\$17,695)	(\$40,600)

Revenue was higher, but expenses were also higher, particularly Automobile Operation. The latter increased in part due to the purchase of a 1995 Ford E350 Bus in the amount of \$8,874 that was offset by a designated donation in the same amount. Automobile Operation was nevertheless \$4,207 higher year over year.

A number of initiatives were implemented during 2012 to enhance revenues, which include a donor awareness program, establishment of an internet donor link, and offering a pre-authorized donation program to donors. These initiatives continued during 2013.

### **As at February 28, 2014 (2 months)**

Total Income	\$48,203
Total Expenses	<u>\$29,283</u>
Operating Surplus	\$18,920

Your Joy Fellowship Board is thankful to the Lord for His many blessings including your faithful support. Psalm 121 verse 8 says "The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore" and upon this promise we stand.

## **2014 Upcoming Events.**

April 13 –Palm Sunday service	June 7 – Prayer Meeting at Joy House 2
Apr.18 – Good Friday with Ward Memorial at 10:00	June 20-22 – Camp Sunrise
April 20 – Easter Service - Drama	July 1 - Canada Day Voices Together worship Rogers Arena 5:00 PM
May 3 – Joy Jamboree	Aug.14 – Missionsfest Envelope Stuffing
May 4 - Layne Daggett preaches (Communion)	Sept.26-28 – Camp Squamish?
May 11 – Mother’s day Service	Nov.18 – Missionsfest envelope stuffing
May 17 – Rachel Roh’s wedding in Steinback Manitoba	Nov.29 – Joy Fellowship World Market & Christmas Tea
May 22 – June 2 - Mission team trip to Special Gathering camp - Florida	Dec.21 – Christmas Service

## Joy Living Society By David Hayward Jr

The Joy Living Society (JLS) is a non-profit Society formed by some of the families of Joy Fellowship in 1989 to prepare for their adult children's approaching housing needs, and to offer a Christian alternative to the secular services available. In 1994, JLS began providing supported housing for our members. God was faithful and provided wonderful caregivers and finances for the last 20 years.

In 2008, as this ministry grew, we sought a partner who could bring more resources and experience to the work. We joined forces with Communitas, an arm of the MCC, that does outstanding work in this field. They now provide the administration and the liaison with Community Living BC, the agency through which the provincial government funnels funds to societies like ours. We continue to provide pastoral support and to be partners in this work, currently providing support to 7 of our members in both Vancouver and Richmond.

Would you consider joining the JLS as a supporting member? We believe our voice will be stronger if we represent a growing number of supporters. We welcome you if you have a family member for whom you have a concern, but we also welcome you if you support our desire to stand with our Joy Fellowship families to provide ongoing support for their loved ones, even perhaps after the parents are gone.

If you have any questions, please call or email Pastor Dave Hayward. at (604) 251-6403, dh6403@telus.net.

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The Annual membership fee is \$10.00 per member

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Dear friends,  
With joy and thanksgiving to our Lord Jesus, our son and daughter,

Samuel Chua Yong Le and Rachel Chua Yong En were born 14 March 2014 at 2.12am and 2.16am, weighing in at 2610g and 2475g at the Singapore General Hospital. Their Chinese names mean 'eternal joy' (Yong Le) and 'eternal grace' (Yong En). Here are some pictures of them one week old. (Samuel in blue and Rachel in white).

Proud parents,

Priscilla and Chris Chua

## News from away



Our dear brother Junyong in Korea is the happy father of a daughter. We rejoice with him and pray for blessing for Junyong and family.

KiWon Choi Junyong

Our dear sister Rachel Roh, in Winnipeg, is getting married on May 17, and is feeling pretty happy. We can rejoice for her, and pray for her blessing.



Lillian Hsiah joined us for Sunday Worship during her few weeks back here. She has since returned to China.

**Joy Jamboree**  
**Saturday May 3rd, 2014**  
**10 Am—2 PM**  
**Trinity Baptist Church**  
**49th & Granville**  
**Games,**  
**Prizes,**  
**Food,**  
**Baking,**  
**Car Wash,**  
**and Crafts !**

