

# commonplace

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# From the Editor

**W**elcome to the Easter issue! My hope is that this will be enlightening, a tad amusing (note the deliberate use of archaic, colloquial, colonial terms), and a useful tool with which to tunnel into the deep, dark voids of the minds of people who attend our community.

This time I have had the pleasure of collaborating with Rachel Kiers (graphic design) and Heather McLoy (copyeditor) on this publication and they have endowed me with the blessings of creativity and Canadian grammar. With all the proceeds of commonPLACE? (currently stable at \$0), I appreciate volunteers! This leads me to the other thing that I really appreciate, and without which cP? would be short, blank and dull, YOUR SUBMISSIONS. Thank you and keep them coming. Whatever, whenever, however: no submission will be left unturned. Even the apostle Paul said 'submit to one

another' - although I have a sneaking suspicion that my interpretation of this verse leads a little to be desired. I think James Prette's heresy-meter just went off-scale.

Above all, my hope is that it may give us a little bit of insight into what it means to be the people of God in this church, city, nation and world. How are we participating in the restoration of the torn and tattered relationships between us and God, us and our world, between each other and within ourselves? Jesus restored all these things once and for all, but we have a role in this: to love God and to love others, with all our hearts, souls, minds and strengths. How does His life, change our life?

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## News



**A**s most of you know, the Place is a congregation of Lambrick Park Church - and this mothership is undergoing major changes in staff, financial situation, and visioning (to name but a few.) It is a challenging and exciting time for all of us, as we try to seek out God's plan for us as a church, as a member of His body in Victoria and beyond. Don Crawford takes this up in more detail in the pages that follow...

Since the last edition, the Place has seen the start of a new ministry, one aimed at helping with practical needs wherever they arise, and we are really excited about this and are making sure that it is built on rock rather than sands (that shift!) A potluck has come and gone, and was a huge success at bringing our community together. Bowling has ended for this year but the fun just will

not stop, as the gauntlet will be taken up by the brawn of Ken in the form of slo-pitch (*I think this is like cricket, but you don't dress up in white creased trousers - Ed.*) We have hosted a few great concerts along the way, Laurel Hubbick and Steve Bell, and 'retreat'-ed twice: In February a small group enjoyed a glorious weekend carving tracks in Mount Washington's snowy peak and worshipping together; the other took place at Camp Imadene with Canadian Food for the Hungry, and was another important step in a mutually beneficial, developing friendship.

Randy will be on a deserved three-month sabbatical starting in May, spending some time at Cambridge. To partially fill those mighty Birkenstocks, James Kingsley will be coming on board with us to grow a goatee and shave his head.

# News from Lambrick Park Church



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## TRANSITION UPDATE

Early last fall Lambrick Park Church began a huge process of intentionally addressing a significant leadership transition after Tom Cowan's 22 years here. The elders and pastoral team have invested many hours this past six months, and we are very encouraged that we find ourselves in a good place as Tom finishes his ministry here Sunday, April 25.

We have laid tracks to constructively use the next several months to accomplish three key things simultaneously as a church:

1. Continuing to provide excellent teaching on Sunday mornings. Dr. Roy Bell will be stepping in for the initial three months May-July. Roy was a professor of Randy's at Regent College in the early 1990s.
2. The second thing of value is to walk the Sunday a.m. congregations through this major transition well. As we enter transition in earnest with the Cowans leaving at the end of April, we will be creating different forums: small groups, town hall meetings, congregational meetings, focus groups, etc. to move into the work of continuing to be the church God has called LPC to be, even as we are experiencing change.
3. A Transition Leadership Council (TLC) has begun to give leadership by forming key task forces needed to give direction to the renewal of our organizational structures, community relationships and church vision, as well as a search team responsible for discovering a person to be the point leader of the ministries here.

We ask you to pray for the TLC

as they are tasked with a significant responsibility: to steer Lambrick through a self-evaluation process in order to know what God is calling us to as a church in the future. We are grateful the Place Community is healthy, strong and thriving while LPC embraces a time of change, uncertainty and renewal.



## FINANCIAL UPDATE

The leadership has been watching our financial picture carefully - trends, budget process, spending decisions, short-term and long-term financial planning.

We started the current budget year with a deficit of \$50,000. By the AGM in late October, we had whittled that \$50,000 down to just under \$40,000.

We have now finalized figures for the first two quarters of our ministry year ( Sept - Nov, and Dec - Feb ), and we are once again back to that \$50,000 figure. This is a complicated picture - in the last few weeks we have looked at this from every angle. There are a handful of factors contributing to this:

- as a church we are behind \$50,000 in our projected givings for this first six months, which translates into approx \$8,500 a month, or a 7% reduction. The Place has bucked this trend, and is exceeding giving projections. The elders of LPC say

“thank you” for this. Excellent!

- in the last 18 months we have absorbed some major facility-related expenses: a new roof; repaving the parking lot; recently replacing a heat pump ( two more coming ); a flood!
- the staff have been holding the line financially, and expenses are now \$25,000 lower than budgeted for last summer. We thank each of the ministry leaders for that effort.
- last, as a church we made no RRSP contributions to staff - the second year in a row we have done this.

The bottom line is that while the church's deficit has been inching upwards - we have watched our reserves creep downwards. This is the first time in a number of years we have had to consider eating into our financial safety net. Everything applied to this situation right now puts Lambrick/the Place in a negative financial position.

So can we take a step back, take a look at the ministry of Lambrick/the Place in a different light - one we don't seem to do often, or often enough, and ask ourselves:

- what is God up to here? Think of baptisms, worship, community, teaching, engagement, art :all evidence of a thriving faith community.
- how has He worked in my life? My family's life? The life of my friends? How is my life different because of the Place?

Some people from the outside, Christian leaders at the national level like Brian McLaren, Jay Gurnett, Rod Wilson come here and always say to us: Wow! This is exciting! Keep it up! Or local leaders, pastors of churches here in Victoria We are so grateful for the Place and Lambrick, we are praying for

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you. You are a very important church in the city.

Maybe we just need a bit of a wake up call? A reminder?

And so on behalf of the elders, pastors, and staff we are asking you to do three things with us:

1. PRAY - we need you to pray WITH us on this challenge:
  - i. If you consider this your church home, please pray that way for leaders, resources, wisdom.
  - ii. If you are new here, please pray for us anyhow.
2. CONSIDER - we are asking you to consider what your part in resolving this challenge might be:
  - i. Pray about making changes. We will be as a church, would you do so as well, personally?
  - ii. If you are benefiting from the Place ministry, but not re-investing, would you pray about that?
3. SUPPORT - we need your support as we evaluate and consider ministry changes and adjustments - never an enjoyable process.

We thank you so much for partnering with the Place and Lambrick's leadership teams in all of this.

## PIPA: PERSONAL INFORMATION AND PRIVACY ACT

Some of you are aware that as Canada entered 2004 the federal government implemented new, higher standards for how organizations handle the personal information of their clients, constituency and/or databases. Everyone - small businesses, charitable agencies, corporations - must now comply at very high levels in protecting the personal information in our records. This includes your contact and final

# HEARTS & HANDS IN AFRICA

PRESENTS

## REVELATION GOSPEL CHOIR

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information. As a result, PIPA is being implemented across Canada. You might have noticed an increasing number of organizations communicating compliance efforts. At Lambrick/The Place, we are in full compliance in the area of financial records, and we are currently looking at what else needs to be put in place with regard to database security, etc. We wanted you to know that this is in progress and that the basic elements of PIPA are in place. We also need to gather

a small short-term team to survey, evaluate and make recommendations on PIPA implementation at Lambrick and the Place. If you have experience with PIPA in your business, and want to contribute in this way, contact Don Crawford at the church office or e-mail don@lambrick.com



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# Hearts and Hands in Africa

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Jesus declared in Acts that his apostles and disciples would be sent out - "scattered" - throughout Judea, Samaria, and to the ends of the earth to proclaim and reveal His kingdom. Many in our congregation have had their hearts stirred. God has placed an adventure before them.

Last year, David Collins, President and CEO of Canadian Food for the Hungry International (CFHI), challenged us to fill containers being sent to Afghanistan with relief items. We were encouraged by CFHI to sponsor children in the under-developed nations of our world. After the Place Retreat 2003, David Collins spoke at the Place about the Good Samaritan and asked us to evaluate who we were in the story. Who would we step out of our comfort zone for? He said, (paraphrased), this parable is about how easy it is to justify our lack of love. It is about crossing over the boundaries of ethnicity, culture, gender and geographical location. It is about the importance of response and the danger of inaction. It shows how inaction can never be justified when confronted by need.

Worship had just ended with a

rousing, moving, loud expression of "Did You Feel The Mountains Tremble?" David spoke with several people after the service, and had two questions: In reference to the worship song, he asked, "Will you be a dancer who dances upon injustice? Will they be dancers who dance upon injustice?" Several of us started to talk and were surprised to find out how many of us have all felt a calling to serve in other parts of the world. An idea began to form that would be a corporate response to the challenge set before us.

The Place/LPC are teaming up with CFHI to create a partnership between a community in Africa and our congregations. The purpose of this partnership is to learn, grow in our faith, provide relief and development care and take the message of Jesus' kingdom to "the ends of the earth." We are being confronted by need; it is time to act.

On April 24 and 25 the Revelation Gospel Choir, under the direction of Amy Konowalyk, is performing a benefit concert as a fundraiser for our Hearts and Hands missionary vision team. The event is called HEARTS AND HANDS IN AFRICA. This is an

opportunity for those of us who are being called to serve in Victoria to send our hearts with the hands of those who may be called to serve in other parts of the world. This venture includes, but is not restricted to, raising funds to send a visionary team to Central Africa along with a representative from CFHI to assess the relief and development needs in countries including Uganda, Rwanda, Ethiopia. Then with the prayer, support and wisdom of the leadership of The Place/LPC we will partner with a "sister" community on the far side of the world. In the future, we are hoping Hearts and Hands, under the guidance of CFHI, will develop into a team of people who will facilitate and coordinate relief and development mission trips to all parts of the world.

We are the apostles and disciples of Jesus' ministry.

Some of us are being called to "scatter."

I will be a dancer.

We will be dancers.

*Launa Kremler*

## LIKE A VIRGIN

Celibacy is the last taboo topic left in modern society. Turn on the TV and you certainly won't hear the praises of being celibate. In fact, it is mocked and shunned. These days it's more acceptable to be gay, lesbian, or bisexual than it is to be a virgin.

I was watching a rerun of *Friends* today. Named "The One That Could Have Been," it was the episode where the friends discover whether they would have become friends if Rachel had married Barry and if Monica had stayed fat and if Ross had stayed with his lesbian wife. There is a scene where Rachel and Monica are having a conversation: Rachel is horrified to discover Monica is a 30-year-old virgin. She cajoles her saying it's time she got rid of "it" for she has had "it" for far too long.

Is keeping "it" really all that horrible and distasteful?

As much as I think of myself as a very open-minded woman of the new millennium, this scene has always bothered me. Not because it is making light of celibacy, but because it is a reflection of what society honestly feels about virginity. I am a 32-year-old virgin. I made choices long ago that I still hold strongly today. I didn't keep it because I'm a prude or too ugly to get laid. And I didn't keep it just because I'm a Christian. I am keeping it because I want to. I have no regrets and no STDs. I have never thought of my virginity as something I should "get rid of." It's not some great albatross that hangs around my neck. Nor is it something I should be ashamed of. My virginity is a gift unlike any other my husband will get on his wedding day. He will be my greatest lover. Quaint? Outdated? Perhaps. My



non-Christian friends think so.

Have you ever noticed who portrays virgins in the media? It's the fat version of Monica on *Friends* or

Tori Spelling from *Beverly Hills 90210* (Try to find several virgin characters in the media - its not easy). These are all loser characters. I catch myself adding on a disclaimer, "but I've had ample opportunity to lose it," should it be discovered I'm a virgin. Somehow I feel it necessary to show that I am not part of that loser crowd.

Unfortunately, this attitude has seeped into the Church (would you say church or Church? That's a matter of style I think.) like wetness in a leaky condo. Celibacy is not something we honour and talk about. It's kept in the closet with priestly scandals and the AIDS crisis in Africa. I watch the Church honour and celebrate engagements, marriages and births and these are truly things to be celebrated. But when do we ever stand up and say "Well done, good and faithful servant" to the celibate in the Church who are trying to stay pure? When everyone seems to be living in a *Sex and the City* world, it's very hard to live a sexually pure life. In fact, I would argue it's harder than living in a marriage. But if Christians won't stand up and say "Bravo," who will?

But God is a loving God. I believe He wants us to honour the virgins in the Church. He doesn't want us to walk that road alone and he sure doesn't want us

feeling the shame that the world heaps upon us. We are lucky that Jesus has walked the road we walk daily. He was a 33-year-old virgin himself and I do take comfort in that. The Bible says, "An unmarried woman or virgin is concerned about the Lord's affairs. Her aim is to be devoted to the Lord in both body and spirit." (1 Corinthians 7: 34). But I like Paul's take on virginity: "So then, he who married the virgin does right, but he who does not marry her does better" (1 Corinthians 7:38). Is Paul saying it's better to be a virgin? Yes and no. Is he giving permission for the Church to celebrate this? Yes. Is he placing value on virginity? Absolutely! He is saying it is good to remain a virgin. And it is something to be honoured and accepted if that is what God wants for you.

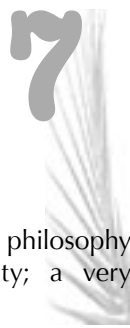
In a *Sex and the City* episode about two months ago about single vs. married women, the main character, Carrie, struggled with the lack of value her married friends placed on her choice to remain single. Eventually, she decided to celebrate her singleness and registered for shoes at Monolo Blahnik as if she were getting married - to herself. Why should only those getting married get the toasters and the bath towels? I am proud to be the way God made me and I refuse to accept

the shame anymore. So, to the virgins among us, I say stand up, be proud and go register at the Bay! We should be celebrating our virginity - our celibacy and hanging on to it. No more shame in the Church. As Bono from U2 says, "Shame is not from God."

Alison

(*virgin for 32 years and 9 months*)





## IS IDENTITY THE FLIP PHONE OF LIFE?

Who is David Denby? He would like to know; the central theme of his creatively titled "Great Books by David Denby", written in 1991, was the search for identity.

Since I'm talking about identity and going to the extreme, I'll use "Gen X" to include Gen Y, Z, and the millennials. Although I've never done any extreme sports, I did spend the 90s in a hardcore Christian fundamentalist subculture. This was the closest I came to riding down a flight of stairs on a BMX bike and flirting with the prospect of permanent brain damage.

Denby is a New York movie critic who got fed up with the media-saturated 90s. He longed for a return to the quality of life he'd found in reading. He ranted about movies, the media and the cynical 90s until his wife told him to go back to Columbia University at age 48 and take the same literature course he took 25 years earlier.

I loved this idea because it fit perfectly with my experience at the Place: An older person inserting themselves into the Gen X group while reading Plato and Aristotle, wrestling with the thoughts the literature presents and relating it into a postmodern context!

Okay, I'm really not an intellectual. I tried reading Plato's Republic once, and got a third of the way through. I couldn't stand it when he started talking about the ideal society legislating music and the arts - all decided by "The Guardians." It felt fascist and suffocating. I was instantly transported to the bellowing preacher at the Sunday morning service - the brainwashing

whir of the ceiling fans, like the opening scene of Apocalypse Now: "Fundy-ism... Darn-it!... I'm still in Fundy-ism."

In church, my "Guardians" preached about how the only sacred music was old hymns and some (very select) modern worship songs and choruses. The women sang so horribly sharp that it was like Mr. Clean on the open wound of my nerves. To break me of my musician's pride, I was made to drum out marching beats from the 40s - the words were fluent church lingo in rhyming iambic pentameters. At the end of it all, I was left for dead like Kurtz's half shadow in the darkness "The



Horror . . . the horror . . . "

Denby overcomes the worst 'Fundy' sin of all: intellectual pride. He writes about Western literature, but without the grey beard-waggling pretense. Now I didn't have to read about all the yucky battles in Homer's stories or wade

through Plato's rants.

I thought about this: philosophy is the avoidance of reality; a very elaborate avoidance.

Some "Lexies" - I'm making this short-speak up for "intelLECTuals" who read LEXicons of books - will hop all over that and say I haven't read enough. Yet uneducated opinions have the advantage of being first impressions. How does something hit you without any preconceived knowledge?

"Work from there and you'll be well on your way" waggles the little grey beard from yon lofty, stuffed chair by the fireplace.

I work from the impression that Lexies are so bookish that they end up withdrawing from society. They have shelves of books and an insatiable appetite for social commentary. If the older guys fit the stereotype of the unkempt, wooly grey beard, the younger have their own pseudo-intellectual analysis going on - like guys trying to land a particular skateboard trick - flipping their noisy board over and over and over.

But what about Plato and Homer? If I was to cut it at the Place Bible Study, would I have to read them? For my first two years in the Place Bible study, I didn't get it. My understanding of the Bible was limited to Fundy ceiling-fan euphoria. Everything was open to debate. It seemed like another overreaction to Christian fundamentalism. In a way it was a welcomed overreaction. Like the skateboard flipping over and over: Refreshing at first, then annoying, then refreshing-annoying-refreshing.

My overreaction was to filter fine literature through my media-saturated 90s cynicism: "Entertain me. Make me laugh! Just hit me with what you've got and see if you can hold my attention span." I knew

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the books wouldn't hold my attention if I took myself seriously or thought I'd become smart - or worse, sprout a grey beard.

I'd only read a few books: the first was the Bible. I became a Christian because of what Jesus said. It was so opposite to the church and religions of the world; instead of trying to get houses and money, you should store your treasure in Heaven. After being ground through the horrors of church in the 13 years since, I've come out the other side with the same opinion - but with a much deeper and more heartfelt conviction.

About 10 years ago, I'd had enough of an inane preacher in the Okanogan wine country of B.C. I'd started out being zealous to do wonderful Christian work in that community, but ended up disillusioned in the basement, sampling the fruits of the surrounding vineyards while watching "Mortal Combat." Being a dumb, unempowered homemaker was also Mr. Clean on my nerves: "Okay, all these intellectuals read books - I can read books." So I thought.

On my first trip to the local library, I found *The Complete Essays of Mark Twain*. Twain was so funny. All the same things were going on 100 years ago - human vanity on parade and dumb pretenses.

"That's not fine literature!" grumps the Lexy from yon stuffed chair.

Hey it was a step up from watching *Mortal Combat*.

Five years ago I read *Walden* by Henry David Thoreau - a similar rant to Twain's about greed and "progress." Again I laughed about how nothing has changed. Back then it was trains and now it's planes and flip phones.

Denby describes the tech-savvy Gen X students hiding under backwards ball caps; doing anything they can to avoid the professor's probing questions. He says that it's their inexperience, insecurity and struggle for identity that's

holding them back. His son lives in Manhattan in great digs but "tries on" identities like the rap guy from "the hood," then he casts them off when he's done. Denby thinks the media has made young people this way.

I'm like Denby, grieving some loss of some sort. Playing drums gets me in on the hipper music (Thank God - I mean literally Thank you!). I got "props" at our Christian camp weekend when I turned Eminem's 8-Mile thing of choking at the rap battle into the preacher choking during a sermon. I was cool in the Gen X crowd - for a day. As a woman, I'm multi-faceted enough to take on an identity and then assign it a fashion accessory. I bought a wool knit cap - hats are an excellent way to flip through identities.

Denby writes about feminism because it was the issue of his day, but in the 90s, the students' issues are about race. They don't resent the treatment of women in the Greek epics as much as the western literature course, which is all European authors. Now I'm interested in his story more than that racist European literature. I want to know if he's ever going to talk to these 20-year-olds. I'm thinking, "Ha! I did Eminem, old man - beat that!" I could have had a whole circle of great, funny and talented friends. Yet I never made it to the hippest new sign of progress: the flip phone speed dial! I might have made it onto their speed dials and lived a very hip life.

No, I immediately disappeared from Place life until after Christmas. I was afraid of the fallout. The inevitable Fundy backlash I couldn't deal with; it would catapult my brain into that "space." "I love the smell of dogma in the morning." (adapted from Robert Duvall's speech in *Apocalypse Now* - ed.)

My Fundy past is not as snazzy as Eminem's, but the oppression of 8-mile is every bit as real. If it is the overcoming of adversity that makes us

great, why do we wait until a person has emerged from adversity before we hang out with them? Perhaps 13 years was enough of all the rhetoric about being "brothers and sisters" and being there for each other. Better to be real. One day Jesus will heal me enough that I will have a true friend at the Place and my digi-pic will be on their phone. You wait and see!

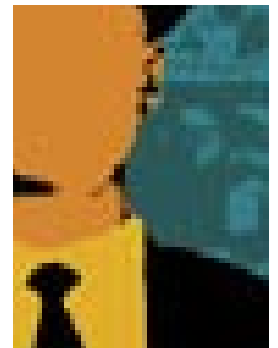
I've invested all this work into the postmodern church, through intellectual reading, learning to play all the hip-hop/alternative grooves on the drums and researching what music people listen to while I am beneath the "chop-chop-chop" of the ceiling fans, filleting my soul like a fancy French knife on an insomniac's infomercial.

So far, Denby has held himself back as the learned and older book dude. I read later on where he finds the young people having debates in an old classroom. He says they have accepted him into their number "provisionally."

I love how he places that word "provisionally." I wonder how easy it is to flip us on and off each other's flip phones? I was throwing a pity party that I'm not yet close enough to anyone at the Place to have made it onto their speed dial and to have them look at my digi-pic while we yack about our "bling bling." This may seem corny and Fundy, but I comforted myself that I'm on speed dial to Jesus and so are other believers at the Place - a sort of "fellowship" analogy. I even found a scripture that fits:

"The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and his ears are open unto their cry."  
Psalm 34:15

Sherry





## IN MY DEFENCE

When they read my sentence  
I shrugged once and considered  
who to blame;  
how, if time allowed, I'd tell my  
version.

My unemployed father, whose hard  
hands  
bent my ears to listen;  
the school teacher who stifled a  
laugh  
when I was tripped and broke my  
tooth.

He didn't know it, but I'd read all of  
Macbeth:  
how he forded his crimson river,  
stood in the middle to test the  
current,  
and stumbling,  
muttered about idiot storytellers.  
I've certainly had my share of  
soaked feet  
knew better than to pause halfway.

When they raised me up and I  
looked  
over at the ghostly quiet one  
who'd been getting all the

attention.  
I barely recognized him.  
Back in the cell he had told my  
friend  
not to be so outraged  
that he was already  
drowned and dead

I recalled Macbeth alone in his  
castle  
And grew weary of the fun  
my friend and the guards were  
having.

"Save yourself, then,  
and me while you're at it,"  
he slurred between gulps of wine.

I told him to shut up.  
Then, feeling stupid,  
asked the guy in the middle  
if he'd tell my story for me  
without the tired excuses and  
antagonists.

He turned his eyes my way  
just for a second  
and halfway grinning, said,  
"You'll have your chance."

Graeme

EASTER  
REFLECTION 1

*But the Jews were upset. They asked, "What credentials can you present to justify this?" Jesus answered, "Tear down this Temple and in three days I'll put it back together." They were indignant: "It took forty six years to build this temple, and you're going to rebuild it in three days?" But Jesus was talking about his body as the Temple. Later, after he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered he had said this. They then put two and two together and believed both what was written in Scripture and what had Jesus said.*

*John 2:18-22, The Message*

Reading scripture sometimes requires imagination to form an image of the scene in your mind. When Jesus spoke those words, I imagine there must have been a moment of earth-shattering silence that seemed to last forever. Then, like sudden thunder and lighting, there would have been shrieks, and the roar of laughter. You know how it is when someone says something so absolutely outrageous that it takes a few moments for the nerve endings in your brain to get a hold of it?

Destroy temple. Rebuild in three days. Does this Jesus know what he just said? Man! This wasn't a revival tent that God was going to show up in for a few days and then move on to the next show, this place was built to house God forever. In 1 Kings 5:17, at the king's command, the people quarried out great, costly stones in order to lay the foundation for the original temple. They had 80,000 hewers or carvers of stone. To house an eternal God, they built this place to last.

Almost 10 centuries later, King Herod undertook the magnanimous job of rebuilding the temple of Jerusalem, to what he thought was an even greater state of glory than Solomon had. It took 46 years to build this temple for this time. The courtyard walls were greatly extended and although he kept much of the original floor plan of Solomon's temple, instead of using an Egyptian/Canaanite motif, the new temple had more of a Greek architectural construction. It had 162 Corinthian columns and was over 100 feet high. It was larger, grander, more solid and more magnificent.

Destroy the temple and in three days raise it again. Hmm. Repeat after me: "This guy has been out in the sun and sand longer than Moses."

Easter morning, the stone is found rolled away, the tomb is empty and Jesus is missing, but the temple is still standing. OK, there is this slight problem



with the torn veil, but hopefully no one caught a glimpse to see there is nothing on the other side and hasn't been since the Glory left the temple. Having a dead body would have been nice, but with Jesus out of the way, the Pharisees and religious folk could carry on with their magic of smoke and mirrors, convincing people that God was still in the temple.

But, just as Jesus' physical body was raised from the dead, so was this incredible mystical body of Jesus...the body of Christ...the new temple. Jesus was just as alive seated at the right hand of his Father in heaven, as he was in the hearts of those who believed in him. What the Lord raised up in resurrection was not only his own body, but also everyone who was joined to Him through faith. This was the two and two the disciples had put together; this was how Jesus would rebuild the temple in three days. It wasn't going to be huge hunks of stationary granite, but living, moving, breathing, spirit-filled stones.

I mean, just think of how amazing God is. Solomon's temple had this immense foundation, but in Jesus, the foundation of His new temple stretches from the beginning of time to the end of time. And these first living stones, which were laid in a little corner of this immense planet, now stretch around the world. Even here at the Place, the building of this new temple continues. Jesus, the divine artisan continues to hew living stones, shaping them for his grand design and purpose.

If we have the eyes to see and the ears to hear, we will see that Jesus is very much alive and that the temple has been rebuilt. And if we listen closely, we will hear the sounds of construction.

Ron

## EASTER REFLECTION 2

*Thomas said, "Master, we have no idea where you're going. How do you expect us to know the road?" Jesus said, "I am the Road, also the Truth, also the Life. No one gets to the Father apart from me. If you really knew me, you would know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him. You've even seen him!"*

*John 14:5-7, The Message*

I know this is stretching it to the extreme, but can you imagine Easter morning for the disciples? There is no New Testament; they are like actors in an unfolding play where there is no written script. They haven't got it figured out yet. I mean, when word reached them about the stone being rolled away and the tomb empty, it must have been like an Easter egg hunt.

They saw the cross and all the suffering that led up to it.

They weren't ready for this - an empty tomb. Where is He? How do we follow Him when we can't even find Him? Where is the road that leads to the Father? Like the disciples, in our desire to follow, we discover the Road is very close.

Easter is really the beginning of the faith journey after being seized by love; of coming to know God; following the Road; the discovery of Truth; and in the end infinite Life.

But how can we follow this Road and come to have a relationship with God? To begin with, following the Road we discover "Road Signs," revelations of Truth along the way. We believe, trust and have faith that we have been pursued all our life and have been seized by the sacrificial love of the cross. Because of our response, the Spirit

of God lives inside us. So in a sense we're already there. We don't need to strive, climb and exhaust ourselves and we cannot attain the presence of God by our own efforts. The Truth is we're already in the midst of God through His Spirit. Well if that is the Truth, why don't many of us know it? Maybe it's as Jesus said, we don't have the eyes to see or the ears to hear (Mark 4:12.) So, what are the solutions? Bifocals and hearing aids? To see and hear outwardly the things of earth, the answer would be yes. But to see the things God sees, we must look inside.



When it comes to knowing God, the initiative lies with Him. I've always wondered why God chooses to reveal himself more to some people than others. Does God play the game of favorites? Does God love some more than others? No, God loves us all equally. So if we're filled with equal amounts of the presence of God, why does it look and feel otherwise at times? Well, back to the glasses and hearing aids. You can have perfect prescription glasses and high-tech hearing aids, but if you don't keep them clean and keep the batteries charged, your vision and hearing will always be impaired. The glasses through which we see God, or through which God reveals himself is "Self." The condition or quality of Self dictates how we see and respond to God. The less there is of Self, and the more it is kept clean, pure, bright and transparent, the greater the revelation and the more we see of God. Also, being obedient will ensure we are

always wide-eyed. Our ability to see and follow the Road is not limited so much by our head knowledge as by our willingness to follow the Road. As we follow, we come to understand more about God and His purposes.

But how many of us are willing to make the journey? There is a cost.

*Then Jesus went to work on his disciples  
"Anyone who intends to come with me has to let me lead. You're not in the driver's seat; I am. Don't run from suffering; embrace it. Follow me and I'll show you how. Self-help is no help at all. Self-sacrifice is the way, my way, to finding yourself, your true self. What kind of deal is it to get everything you want but lose yourself? What could you ever trade your soul for?"*

*Matthew 16:24-26, The Message*

First I have to admit that a great portion of me is centred on Self and a lot of times I see me as the centre of my own little world. That recognition tells me that a lot of times I'm filled to overflowing with Self. How then can there be room for even the slightest glimpse or revelation of God?

It's really when the glasses of Self are completely removed that I see well, because that's when I trust God to be my vision. With self-sacrifice, there is no blurred vision and no impaired hearing. We begin to see our enemies in a new light. We see the prostitute, the homeless drug addict, the criminal, the rebel, the poor the sick and dying, the single mother, the gay couple and the unbeliever through the eyes of God. Our vision is not obscured by self-justification and excuses. Instead God can reveal himself and respond.

Easter is leaving the tomb and beginning the journey: knowing Jesus is the Road; the Truth; and the Life; and in that getting a greater revelation of God. We see and respond to the world differently and His Kingdom has increased.

*Ron*

"Life is Art

Sometimes I am in the shadows

Sometimes I am in the highlights

And other times I can experience all  
the colours in between

All these encounters bring form and  
depth to my life

Thank God that God is the master  
artist"

*Rachel K*



GALLERY  
the Place Bowling and  
Potluck by Jen P



## ongoing

ADULT LEARNING  
COMMUNITY

WEDNESDAYS UNTIL APRIL 21ST

It begins with dinner and an opportunity to further your growth as a Christian in a number of ways - small group discipleship options, classroom style, support group choices, from 1 to 10 weeks.

- Lambrick Park Church
- 6:30 pm for dinner (\$5 suggested)
- 7:30 pm for sessions
- childcare to grade 6

Contact Karen Brantley 477-9721 or  
communitylife@lambrick.com

CYCLING FOR  
A CAUSE THIS  
SUMMER!

The Cycling Connection puts rides on every year that people can sign up for and then raise funds for the Christian ministry of their choice. There are a few rides this year including Fraser Valley, Vancouver Island, and Rocky Mountains. If you think you might be interested in riding for CFHI click on "2004 Cyclathons! Ride-Fun-Fellowship" link on <http://www.cfh.ca> or email Dave at [davee@cfh.ca](mailto:davee@cfh.ca)

## 'SPIRIT HIKERS'

A small group has recently started involving some Place people and so here is a little plug: if you are interested in hiking around God's creation with other Christians then check out [www.spirithikers.ca](http://www.spirithikers.ca)



## events

## EASTER SERVICES

PALM SUNDAY 6:45PM

RGC LEAD WORSHIP @ THE PLACE

GOOD FRIDAY 7PM

COMMUNION SERVICE @ LPC

EASTER SUNDAY 6AM

SUNRISE SERVICE @ GYRO PARK

EASTER SUNDAY 6:54PM

CELEBRATION @ THE PLACE

**MAKE SURE YOUR CAR IS LOCKED** as there are thieves active around the church area.

**NO PARKING** anywhere but LPC carpark or Tyndall. Please respect our neighbours!

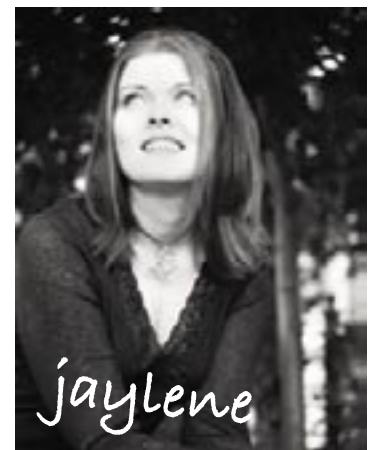
**NO STICKING GUM** under chairs or anywhere in the building. This too is annoying.

JILL PAQUETTE  
& 'LIFT MY EYES'  
TOUR

**APRIL 13TH 7:30PM \$6 (\$8 ON DOOR) AT LAMBRICK**

*Tickets available at the Christian Book & Music Center & Lambrick.*

Signed to Reunion Records Jill's great new self-titled CD 'Jill Paquette' has been picked in the ten best albums of 2003 by ChristianityToday.Com. Jill has two Dove Award Nominations and a Juno Award Nomination. ChristianityToday.Com says '...sure to be one of the year's breakthrough artists, Jill's talents as a songwriter and musician are strongly evident throughout this dynamite debut.' She is joined by special guest Jaylene Johnson whose song "Daughters" was awarded "The 2003 Contemporary Song of The Year at the GMAs Awards."





## 'HEARTS AND HANDS IN AFRICA'

**APRIL 24TH 7PM &  
APRIL 25TH 2:30PM  
\$10 AT LAMBRICK**

*Tickets available at the Christian Book & Music Center & Lambrick.*

**T**HE REVELATION GOSPEL CHOIR, full of fellow Placers, is performing a benefit concert where all proceeds go to Canadian Food for the Hungry. This is an opportunity for those of us who are being called to serve in Victoria to send our Hearts with the Hands of those who may be called to serve in other parts of the world. This venture includes raising funds to send a visionary team to Central Africa along with a representative from CFHI to assess the relief and development needs. Then with the prayer, support and wisdom of the leadership of The Place/ LPC we will partner with a 'sister' community on the far side of the world.



## MISSIONS PRESENTATIONS @ A.L.C.

**WED. APRIL 14TH & 21ST  
STEVE CLARKE AND PHIL  
RICHMOND OF EXPEDITION  
INDIA**

**F**or 20 years Steve has been visiting India in his work with Hope for the Nations. Last fall Phil Richmond joined him for a life changing experience. These two nights Steve and Phil will share some of their story from the Fall 2003 trip, as well as information about their Fall 2004 mission. Join us for dinner at , a time of sharing, and prayer with Steve and Phil about India, and involvement opportunities (see 'ongoing' for details of the Adult Learning Community)

## WOMEN'S EVENING EDITION

**MONDAY APRIL 5 7 - 9 PM**  
"THE BIBLE AS GOD'S STORY...  
ENGAGING THE LIFE-GIVING, LIFE-  
CHANGING WORD OF GOD"

**MONDAY MAY 3, 7 - 9PM**  
DEPRESSION? . . . WHO, WHAT,  
HOW, AND HEALING THROUGH  
HOPE!

Suggested Free Will Offering \$5  
Questions? Call Joan on 812-3705

## needs

### LPC PASTORAL CARE

This vital ministry needs us to fill the grey bin in the foyer with non-perishable FOOD.

### PLACE KIDS MINISTRY

We need an overall coordinator. Contact Kim at [theplacekids@hotmail.com](mailto:theplacekids@hotmail.com)

### INDEPENDENT SINGLE PARENTS

We're looking pretty short on helpers for the kids on Wed nights at ISP...as many people are working/ leaving Uvic and Victoria for the summer. I think we need 4-6 new people by the end of April... hopefully asap. Contact Michelle at [michmaggiora@yahoo.com](mailto:michmaggiora@yahoo.com)

### YOUTH MINISTRIES

Need leaders - see page 16.

## CAFE SUBURBIA

Come experience our own coffee house after the Place every week. Fine coffee, delectable desserts and a chance for relaxing conversation. The Cafe also promotes bands and runs concerts at Lambrick and downtown.

Contact Dave at  
[dbooth@humboldthouse.com](mailto:dbooth@humboldthouse.com)

## PLACE PRAYER REQUESTS

A team is being set up to pray for our community's prayer requests. If you have a need that you would like us to be remembering in prayer then you can email us at:

[placeprayer@hotmail.com](mailto:placeprayer@hotmail.com)

## PLACE KIDS MINISTRY

The Place offers a place for Kids who come with their parents to the Place. There is always a staffed nursery at the back of the main sanctuary. For kids (k to grade 6) there are special groups that meet downstairs and are run by groups of caring, responsible leaders. Depending on the age of the child they will be able to play and have fun, hear stories or watch videos, make crafts and learn more about God.

Contact Kim at  
[theplacekids@hotmail.com](mailto:theplacekids@hotmail.com)  
or Pia at [pia@pendulum.ca](mailto:pia@pendulum.ca)

## SMALL GROUPS

There are many groups running at the Place - from baseball to bible studies, and everything in between. Groups like these are a vital part of the Place and if you would like info:

Contact James Kingsley at  
[theplacesmallgroups@shaw.ca](mailto:theplacesmallgroups@shaw.ca)

## INDEPENDENT SINGLE PARENTS

**WED at 6:30-8:30pm (LPC)**

A parenting group who want to explore what it means to be a parent from the Christian perspective. We are learning to pray for your kids and each other. Childcare provided. Call in advance to find out the activities (6yrs+ often go swimming).

We have been invited to take part in the Adult Learning Community Supper that runs until the summer.

Contact Michelle Maggiora 384-0010  
or [michmaggiora@yahoo.com](mailto:michmaggiora@yahoo.com)

## LPC COMMUNITY GARDEN

This is a group that welcomes gardeners who want to assist in making LPC plots a success! When you join you will meet people of all ages and backgrounds and enjoy an informal and friendly environment while sharing horticultural know-how. \$10 membership fee. The produce grown by this group is donated to Pastoral Care and the Place Practical Helps.

Contact Kathryn at 592-8450 or  
[kathrynate@hotmail.com](mailto:kathrynate@hotmail.com)

## INDOOR SOCCER

**WED at 10-12pm (LPC)**

It's the best sport in the world, and our version is fun, co-ed and for all. Free, bring non-marking indoor shoes and up to date medical (!).

Contact Simon at [simon@lambrick.com](mailto:simon@lambrick.com)

## BASEBALL

**Sundays afternoons**

Contact Ken at  
[uptownkenny@hotmail.com](mailto:uptownkenny@hotmail.com)

## YOUTH MINISTRY

**SUNDAY MORNINGS**

9 AM - "Expedition": A Bible study class for middle school kids (grades 6-8) meeting in room 106 after the first set of worship at the 9am service.

11 AM - "Access": A youth service for high-school kids (grades 8-12) in room 208 during the 11am service. Contact Launa at 4726415 or see [www.lpcaccess.com](http://www.lpcaccess.com).

**SUNDAY NIGHTS**

6:45 PM - "Place Middle School Ministry": A class for middle school kids (grades 6-8) in room 106 after the first set of worship. Contact Graeme at [graemeb@shaw.ca](mailto:graemeb@shaw.ca)

**TUESDAY NIGHTS**

7:30 PM - "The Lounging Place": A Bible study for High School kids (grades 9-12) in room 208. Contact Hilary at [hilary\\_cain@hotmail.com](mailto:hilary_cain@hotmail.com)

**THURSDAY NIGHTS**

7 PM - "Second Mile": A discipleship ministry for junior high boys (grades 7-9) in room 200 for fun and serious discussions. Contact Jasun at [jasunfox@hotmail.com](mailto:jasunfox@hotmail.com)

**FRIDAY NIGHTS**

7 PM - "WYLDLIFE": An outreach oriented, social night for middle school kids (grades 6-8) from LPC and our local community in room 208 every second Friday. Contact James at [james@lambrick.com](mailto:james@lambrick.com)

**SATURDAY NIGHTS**

7 PM - "For the Birds": A discipleship ministry for junior high girls (grade 7-9) led by Kate Firestone (meeting at Kate's house on Tyndall Road). Contact Kate at [tiaraclement@hotmail.com](mailto:tiaraclement@hotmail.com)

**WE NEED MORE LEADERS SO  
CONTACT JAMES AT 812-6293 OR  
[JAMES@LAMBRICK.COM](mailto:JAMES@LAMBRICK.COM)**



# Place Practical Helps

*Do you think of the church first when you think of needing or giving help?*

The response to the forms given out in February was absolutely amazing (over 75%) and we now have a huge, exciting, useful database. Thank you very much. Some initial observations:

- 1) **DEMOGRAPHICS:** We have a really good idea who attends the Place now (Did you know: 25% are over 30? 66% consider the Place their home church? 44% come every week?)
- 2) **MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS:** We have been able to contact many of you about helping out with specific Place ministries on Sunday nights.
- 3) **PRACTICAL HELPS:** The organization for this ministry is going ahead well. By the end of April we will have formed the whole leadership team and so will be starting to attend to more needs in our community, our church and our city.

## WHOLISTIC MINISTRY - GOD CREATED WHOLE PERSONS

Recently some of us went on a retreat with Gary Zander from Canadian Food for the Hungry. He reminded us that, since our mandate is to love God with all our hearts, souls, minds and strength, and to love our neighbours as ourselves (Mark 12:28-34), we should be adopting a wholistic view of ministry. We can start by examining how we are to use all these God-given aspects of humanity (mentioned above) to His glory:

*EMOTIONAL: (hearts, feelings; passion/ zeal)*

*SPIRITUAL: (soul/ spirit)*

*INTELLECTUAL/ RATIONAL: (mind, intellect)*

*PHYSICAL: (strength, body, possessions)*

*SOCIAL: (love, social skills)*

The passage in Mark should therefore impact our view of how we spread the Good News. Our approach should be *integrated* (present in all areas of life), *relational* (seeking to reconcile equally the 4 relationships, broken in the Fall, of People with God, People with the World, People with others, People within themselves), and *inclusive* to all.

For instance, God has special concern about the physical needs of people (Isaiah 58, Matt 25:31-46) - and so must we. That is why we are putting our efforts into starting a ministry that can help practical needs as they arise.

Simon

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General Help	Resources to Offer
<input type="checkbox"/> Childcare <input type="checkbox"/> Babysitting <input type="checkbox"/> Moving People <input type="checkbox"/> Housework/ Cleaning <input type="checkbox"/> Yardwork <input type="checkbox"/> Painting <input type="checkbox"/> Gardening <input type="checkbox"/> Unskilled labour	<input type="checkbox"/> Use of Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Accommodation <input type="checkbox"/> Tools (Household) <input type="checkbox"/> Tools (Garden) <input type="checkbox"/> Clothes <input type="checkbox"/> Ride to appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Car Pool – downtown work <input type="checkbox"/> Car Pool - The Place
Food Related *	Other...
<input type="checkbox"/> Food service (e.g. Pot-lucks, Funeral Teas) <input type="checkbox"/> Communal Kitchen <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-making family dinners <input type="checkbox"/> Preparing hampers <input type="checkbox"/> Packing hampers <input type="checkbox"/> Food / hamper delivery <input type="checkbox"/> Helping with groceries <input type="checkbox"/> Canning	
Trade to Offer	Community Action
<input type="checkbox"/> Car Maintenance <input type="checkbox"/> Carpentry <input type="checkbox"/> Plumbing <input type="checkbox"/> Electrician <input type="checkbox"/> Computers <input type="checkbox"/> .....	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>VOLUNTEER-ON-CALL</b> (Specifically for working with other community groups)
Skilled Advice	Leadership
<input type="checkbox"/> Financial / debt * <input type="checkbox"/> Legal <input type="checkbox"/> Wills <input type="checkbox"/> Job Search <input type="checkbox"/> Medical <input type="checkbox"/> Dental <input type="checkbox"/> Parenting <input type="checkbox"/> Environ. / Fair Trade <input type="checkbox"/> .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Interested in Leadership of this ministry

For Everyone	Application only
<input type="checkbox"/> Cafe	<input type="checkbox"/> Scripture Reading
<input type="checkbox"/> Music and Art Setup	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Prayer
<input type="checkbox"/> Ushering	<input type="checkbox"/> Communion Serving
<input type="checkbox"/> Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/> Prayer Room Ministry
<input type="checkbox"/> Nursery *	<input type="checkbox"/> Worship Teams
<input type="checkbox"/> Toddlers *	<input type="checkbox"/> Sound
<input type="checkbox"/> Kids (k-3) *	<input type="checkbox"/> Powerpoint
<input type="checkbox"/> Kids (4-6) *	<input type="checkbox"/> Artists
<input type="checkbox"/> Middle School Ministry*	<input type="checkbox"/> Small Group Leader
<input type="checkbox"/> Welcomers (before/ after the Place)	
<input type="checkbox"/> I would like to talk about this so give me a call...	

*\*A criminal record check will be taken*

**Name:** .....

**Phone number:**.....

**Email:**.....

**Town/ Area Location (e.g. Duncan or Oak Bay...)**

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**Age Range (optional) - please circle**

<18 18-30 30-40 40-50 50-60 >60

**University Student:** Y / N

Please tick here if you would like to be put on the Place Community eMailout

*NB information is confidential and for internal use only and will not be given to other organizations*

## VOLUNTEERING

As you can see from form there are many ways in which you can generously give your time regularly to the Place, both in terms of Practical Helps and helping us run our Sunday meetings. Most of these causes need people throughout the year. In addition to the filling in the cut-off sheet, you can get directly involved by contacting the leaders - they can be found either in our 'The Regular's' or here:

**Facilities/ Ushering** - Ken Thomson

*kenjthomson@hotmail.com*

**Art and Music Setup** - Ant Andrews

*canadiandrifter@hotmail.com*

**Worship and Music** - Launa Kremler

*placeworship@shaw.ca*

## OFFERINGS

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Financial support is only one of the ways we can worship God with our life. If you wish to make this easier, more regular and get a tax receipt at the end of the year you can get some envelopes from Simon in the foyer. Interac is also available. Also you can set up a PAC.

## MERCHANDISE

Brian McLaren's books are well worth a read - and we have them cheaper than anywhere. We're not particularly big on the idea of merchandising, however we do have a huge amount of talent at the Place and so you will find all sorts of odds and ends in foyer after the Place including Disclaimer - a Journal of Christian Thought and Art, CDs from various bands at the Place and other fragrant offerings.





*"I'm moving to Victoria because I need a change."*

*"I've come to the West Coast to start over."*

Will it be possible for me to reinvent myself while I am studying in Cambridge? Perhaps I could change my name from "Randy" to "Randal," buy a pipe and a tweed jacket, drink sherry and speak in complete sentences. Not a chance.

As ridiculous as it sounds, sometimes we play these games with ourselves. We con ourselves into believing that a change of scenery – perhaps moving to a new location or entering into a new community – will be enough to prompt some kind of inner change. We make mental notes to ourselves in an effort to act (or not act) in certain ways in certain situations in the hope that people will see a different person.

But I think all our attempts to reinvent ourselves are a waste of time. Because that old silly cliché found scribbled on the walls of most tavern washrooms is actually a jagged truth: "no matter where you go, there you are."

It is God who makes us new, BUT he works with the blood and guts of what are already our lives.

After his encounter with Christ on the road to Damascus, there is no doubt that the Apostle Paul went through a dramatic conversion experience. His life was transformed. He went from being a zealous persecutor of the church to becoming her ambassador to the Gentiles.

Paul writes, "forgetting what is behind..." And so we should. When it comes to our position before God, there is no condemnation. The weight of our past should not forever keep us awake at night. The albatross is no longer dangling around our neck, so to speak.

But Paul never forgot who he was. He never forgot where he came from. It informed his life. His zeal for the law

became a zeal for grace. The rhetoric he learned as a Pharisee infused his epistles with a fiery logic. No doubt the recollection of Stephen's compassionate confidence during his execution (one which Paul had affirmed at the time) motivated his life of self-sacrifice. While sharing his testimony, either with the church or mainstream culture, he never shied away from telling his whole story.

So, don't be ashamed of your story. Don't be ashamed of who you are (and what you are becoming). As Fredrick Buechner reminds us, in Christ, your story has become a prayer.

So, listen to your life.

Randy Hein

## ACTS HALFTIME REPORT

We are at the halfway mark in our study of the New Testament book of Acts. My favourite part so far has been the early description of the new faith community in Jerusalem. Dr. Luke, in Acts 2:42-45, wrote that the believers

*"devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles ... and [they] had everything in common" (NIV).*

Of course Randy has already said, when he taught on this passage, what the crucial thing about this passage is. These early Christians "devoted themselves" to these most important things: Apostolic teaching (the Word of God), fellowship (community), bread breaking (worship) and prayer. They began to do these things, especially on Sundays, as a weekly celebration of the Easter resurrection of Jesus.

Their setting was entirely different from ours. Theirs was a first century Jewish context. Our 21<sup>st</sup> Century electronic music and PowerPoint would shock them senseless. But, we do continue to "devote" ourselves to these exact same essentials. This is what connects us to these early faith relatives. We do these same things every Sunday, as God's continuing peculiar Easter people. We just do them in a new language, culture and history.

While we do these same essential practices, which make us an authentic community of God, I hope that we will also experience these other distinctives mentioned by Luke. I hope that we will all be "filled with awe," see "many wonders and miraculous signs" and that we would have "everything in common."

James Prette

## Schedule



Date	Teaching	Title
April 4	Acts 9:19-31	Encouragement
April 11	Acts 9:32-43	Healing
April 18	Acts 10	Reconciliation
April 25	Acts 11	Accountability
May 2	Acts 12	Miracles
May 9	Acts 13, 14	Commissioning
May 16	Acts 15	Authority
May 23	Acts 16	Engaging Philippi
May 30	Acts 17	Engaging Athens
Jun 6	Acts 18	Engaging Corinth
Jun 13	Acts 19	Engaging Ephesus
Jun 20	Acts 20	Engaging Macedonia
Jun 27	Acts 21-26	Trials
July 4	Acts 27, 28	Road to Rome



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