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Koreans Celebrate 3 years at Immanuel



April 25 marked the 3rd year anniversary of Korean Ministries at Immanuel. What a time of great celebration and joy! The orchestra led the worship, and the choir and a guest singer added to the celebration of music. Brother Win Rompf made encouraging remarks commenting that the Korean brothers and sisters were very much appreciated and that as a church strategically located in

the heart of the city, we have a lot of work to do for God's kingdom.

Pastor David's message reminded us that every day should be a celebration of joy and gladness because of the love of God in our lives. The Sunday school children's dance added to the excitement, and the college & career drama called "Chair" delighted everyone.

Some of the Korean brothers and sisters, who have

returned to Korea, sent their greetings through recorded videos. The celebration service was followed by a feast prepared by the Korean ladies. All who were there enjoyed the wonderful food and great fellowship. It was an occasion to witness God's goodness and faithfulness despite some very challenging times in the past 3 years.

by David Cho
Photos by Rina Kim



!! Concert !!

The Korean congregation will present a fundraising concert on

**Saturday
May 15
4:00 pm**

The performers will include young artists from our own church as well as guest musicians presenting solo, choral and orchestral music and dance. Admission is by donation with all proceeds going to a summer short term missions trip to the First Nations of B.C.

Deutsche Gottesdienste German Church Services



From back left: Manfred Schmidt, Lori Halldorson, Magdalena Spiedel, Gisela Wagner, Werner Gartner, Raimund Becker, Elisabeth Leischner, Horst Radant, Gisela Meier, Elisabeth Schwabe, Elfriede Niessen, Ruth Gartner, Meta Radant

We may be few in number, but about 25 faithful members attend the German Service on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am and are always blessed by the messages of our guest speakers like Pastor Erhard Schneider, Pastor Kroguletz, Carole Gerber and others.

The opportunity to praise the Lord in song is a gift, as there is such a rich heritage of hymns in the German language, anthems that have been sung through centuries. Songs by contemporary songwriters are sung and enjoyed as well. We thank Gabriele Speidel

who has been our pianist for 14 years now.

On May 13th at 7:30 pm there will be a service at Culloden MB Church, thanking God for decades of German services in South Vancouver. That service will signify the end of German services at that church. With the aging of the German congregation this will happen in other churches as well, so we are thankful that at this time, we still have a German worship service as well as Wednesday Bible studies, which are led by Manfred Schmidt, and attended by 12 - 15 people.

German Spring Celebration - Frühlingsfest - by Iris Naguschewski photos by Margarete Rompf



with a lunch of open face sandwiches and delicious home baking.

The subject of the day was "Bees", concentrating on their wondrous colony life and industriousness, an example for us humans in our everyday and Christian lives. We sang songs from a specially prepared song sheet and were entertained by a "Queen Bee and Worker Bee" and enjoyed a bee poem by the beloved German poet Wilhelm Busch with accompanying illustrations on overhead that showed the wonders of insect life. A good time was had by all.

About 25 people of the German congregation gathered at noon on April 14th for a spring celebration. We began



Queen bee: Angela Tischer
Worker bee: Carmen Tischer

Ladies Retreat Green Bay Bible Camp

A Few Thoughts about My Retreat by Joanne Chen

I was brave enough to sign up for the Great Escape retreat for women realizing that I wouldn't know anyone. I waved at Kathryn madly when Chin dropped me at Bethany Church where we would take the bus to the retreat site in Kelowna.

I was so excited to meet the guest speaker, Donna Carter. Her relationship with God, revealed through her presentations, touched me deeply. I felt the presence of the Holy Spirit when Donna opened her heart to share her life experiences with us. It proved once again that God loves every one of us through his children who express their love from God. It was also very moving to hear the other sisters' genuine prayer for me. At the end of our retreat, when two sisters came up to say good-bye to me and told me they'll remember me in their prayers, I shed tears of joy.

Kathryn, her mum Helen and sister Dawn, were very kind to me. I enjoyed our fellowship as we laughed a lot together. Now, I have lots of new friends.



Kathryn, speaker: Donna Carter, Joanne

Greetings from Pastor Charlie & Marty

In March, former Pastor Charlie Worley accepted a ministry position as the new Church Planting Coach for the Pacific Northwest District of the Evangelical Free Church of America. The district covers 43 churches in Washington, Oregon and Alaska. Pastor Charlie and Marty will continue to live in Lynden and serve other denominations and churches including some in

Canada as God opens doors where church planting help is needed.

They are currently raising support as faith home missionaries. Charlie's responsibilities include coaching, consulting, mentoring, training and assessing church planters and developing support systems for church planting and church planters. He is also available to speak at and consult with

churches about how to start new churches and develop leaders.

You may keep in contact with the Worleys by e-mail charlieworley@gmail.com on their Face Book pages, or by following their new ministry Blog at worleyteamtalk.blogspot.com.

"You, (Immanuel) are in our prayers. Come and visit us anytime".
Charlie and Marty

Men's Breakfast by Siegfried Gursche

Motivating men to get together for Christian fellowship isn't easy, so Immanuel's Men's Ministry is in the active pursuit of men in order to connect them to each other, to God and His Word for the purpose of winning, growing, and training God's man in Christ.

Last year, Win Rompf

initiated Immanuel's Men's Breakfast by inviting men to join him at 8 am one Saturday a month. The men came and appeared to enjoy the fabulous variety of scrumptious food, and each month the breakfast became more popular. The April 24 breakfast had the highest turnout ever including 3

first-timers.

As speaker this month, I spoke about the correlation of the increase of degenerative diseases with the widespread consumption of foods made with refined flour, white sugar, additives and refined, heat damaged vegetable oils. Not only did we go into overtime, but the men also applauded long and requested an opportunity for their wives to hear this message as well.

Coming Events



- May 15 Korean Fund Raising Concert
- May 19 German Bible Study - last one for the season
- May 20 English Women's Fellowship
- May 21-24 May Camp for Youth at Green Bay
- May 22 Chinese Fellowship
- May 24 Victoria Day holiday
- May 29 Men's Breakfast
- June 6 Combined German / English Worship Service Fellowship Potluck Strawberry Tea
- June 16 Father's Day
- June 20