

WELCOME TO WILLINGDON CHURCH | January 13 & 14, 2018

STARTS

SMALL TEAMS ALWAYS READY TO SERVE

The STARTS Course is a great way to learn how to share the Gospel and how to get involved with short-term missions.

You can find out more and register by visiting the table in the Main Lobby.

WINTER 2018

MONDAYS: JAN 15, 22, 29, FEB 5, 12, 19, 26 | 7:00PM - 9:30PM

WILLINGDON SCHOOL OF THE BIBLE

January 16 is the last day to register for a WSB Winter course.

WSB is also offering the Old Testament Panorama course in Mandarin, and the New Testament Panorama in Spanish this winter.

Visit the table in the Main Lobby for a full list of courses and to register.

New to Willingdon

willingdon.org

Thanks for visiting us today. Come see us in the Welcome Centre. We would love to say hello in person. You can also ask any questions you may have about Willingdon or find out how you might get connected.

Regular Weekend Services

Saturday:

The Connection 5:00pm, 6:30pm

Sunday:

Sanctuary 8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am

The Connection 10:00am, 11:45am

Nursery Available: Saturday 5pm

Sunday 8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am

Welcome and Resource Centres

Saturday • 4:30pm - 8:00pm

Sunday • 8:15am - 1:15pm

Having trouble finding your way around? Our Info Desk volunteers are happy to help direct you and answer any questions you may have.

Discovery Classes (in the Chapel)

A series of small group studies about Jesus Christ and the Church Family. Pick up a Discovery sign-up brochure at the Info Desk, Resource Centre or drop by the Chapel.

Saturday • 5:00pm

Sunday • 10:00am & 11:30am

Children's Ministry

Saturday Kids' Classes: 5pm

Sunday Kids' Classes: 10am & 11:30am. Kids who are first-time visitors or guests, please visit the Kids Info Desk (1st floor).

Student Ministry

Gr. 6-10 Saturday Zone - Sat 5pm, YC1

Gr. 6-10: The Zone - Sun 10am & 11:30am, YC1

Gr. 11 & 12: Sunday @ the 10, YC2

Baptism Class (Gr. 8-10) Meet at Sugar Shack, 11:30am

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THIS WEEK AT WILLINGDON

Alpha

Wed, Feb 21–May 2 (10 weeks), 6:30pm, Chapel.
An open, honest, and informal space to explore and discuss life's big questions and the basics of the Christian faith. Please pray and consider who you can invite. Sign up in the Main Lobby or email to kchan@willingdon.org

Small Groups Winter Signup

Small Groups (Jan 14-Mar 17) signup in the Main Lobby. Pickup a Small Group catalogue or visit willingdon.org/small-groups for more info.

Web Wise Seminar for Students

For Gr. 8-12. Fri, Feb 2, 7pm, Connection. Cost: \$2.
You may think you're in control when it comes to what you do online, but we want to make sure you're equipped to be wise about how you use technology. Come hang out with a former RCMP officer and get the lowdown!

Cuba Microfinance Breakfast

Sat, Jan 20, 8am, Rm 3040.
Come and hear great stories from our recent Cuba short-term mission team, who served the Cuban church by training pastors in basic business principles. Tickets (\$10) online at willingdon.org/event/cuba-microfinance-breakfast

Marriage Min Datanight Comedy

Fri, Feb 16, 7:30pm, Sanctuary
Couples; come laugh, love, and learn as comics Matt Falk and Timmy Boyle create a night you won't forget. Tickets \$15 in the Resource Centre.

Perspectives Course

willingdon.org/event/perspectives-class
14 Mondays starting Feb 5. Signup online.
This course is designed to enhance your understanding of God's mission, through biblical foundations, history of global mission, and various strategies for mission.

Ongoing Ministries

High Voltage (Gr. 6 & 7): willingdon.org/high-voltage
Fri, Jan 19, 7pm, YthCtr: FUSE

Riptide (Gr. 8-10): willingdon.org/riptide
Thurs, Jan 18, 7pm, YthCtr: Gab Groups

Encounter (Gr. 11 & 12): willingdon.org/encounter
Tues, Jan 16, 7pm, YthCtr: Family Feast. Cost: \$2 & bring side dish to share.

Generate (Age 18-30): willingdon.org/generate
Wed, Jan 17, 6:45pm, Cafe: Movie Night & Dinner

Christ Centered Singles: 6 Tests for Finding SAFE PEOPLE. Sat, Jan 20, 7 pm, Chapel

Creation Science Class: Sat, Jan 20, 2pm, Fireside

Men's Ministry: Men's Class - A Man and His Traps.
Sundays, 10am, Rm 3040, starting this Sunday.

Woman's Walk: willingdon.org/women-bible-studies
Wed: 6:30pm, Rm 3040, Cost: \$30 for book
Thurs: 9:30am, Rm 3040, Cost: \$30 for book. Childcare available for Thurs, Cost: \$20, email blairstp@telus.net

Prayer Meetings: Wed, 6:30am, Fireside
Sun, 8am, Connection

Divorce Care: willingdon.org/divorce-care
Willingdon Divorce Care group will be taking a break. Please check divorcecare.org for other locations.

GriefShare: Sun, 8:30am, Rm 3030. \$20 for workbook.

Alongside Ministry: Sun, Jan 21, 1:15pm, Rm 3040.
RSVP to alongsidecare@gmail.com

Global Hotspots Prayer: Sun, 10am, Rm 3090.

Missions Circle: Tues, 9:30am, Rm 1500.

ESL Classes: Thurs, 7pm, Jan 18, or Sun, 1:30pm, Jan 21–Mar 18. Contact Bill to sign up at btong007@gmail.com & Fri, 10am, Jan 19, contact Pastor Walter to sign up at wpatterson@willingdon.org

International Language Ministries:
willingdon.org/international-language
9 International Language Groups meet throughout the week. A sample of groups meeting this week:
Korean - 1:30pm, Sun, HQ
Mandarin - 1:00pm, Sun, Fireside

Generate Life Group Leaders (Small Groups for Ages 18-30)

Life Groups are small groups for young adults to join in community as followers of Christ. We are looking for leaders to guide a Life Group every other Wednesday from 7-9:30pm, starting January 31 to June 6. There will be leadership training on January 14. Please pick up a leader signup card in the Resource Centre or contact Pastor Trevor at tberry@willingdon.org if you wish to lead a Life Group.

PRAYER

Prayer Requests: Fill out a Welcome & Prayer Card or email prayer@willingdon.org.

Prayer Chain: Bev Leonard (604-803-0052)
Pastoral visits: Pastor Walter (604-435-5544)

Prayers 4 Women: Women, if you have a prayer or care request you feel more comfortable sharing with another woman, please email prayers4women@willingdon.org or call the church office.

Prayer Card: A prayer card for info, family matters, and prayer requests can be found on the Info Stands and Info Desk each week.

BIBLE STUDY QUESTIONS

1. Are there any stories/conversations from the holiday season that stand out to you that you'd like to share?
2. To what degree do you think the North American Church experiences suffering because of their faith?
 - a. Is persecution increasing or decreasing? Why?
 - b. Have you experienced any suffering because of your beliefs?
 - c. What is the primary reason Christians experience persecution?
3. Think back to the last time someone asked you about your faith. If you can't think of a time, why do you think that is? If you can think of a time, how did you respond to that person? Did you feel prepared for the conversation?
4. There are bible verses that speak about sharing the gospel boldly. Peter calls for believers to speak with gentleness and respect.
 - a. What do you think the balance should be between boldness and gentleness when talking about the gospel?
 - b. How do you know when to emphasize one or the other?
5. One of the best ways to "give a reason for the hope that is in you" is to share your story.
 - a. If you haven't already, take time this week to write out your story (testimony) in a length that you could share in 5 minutes or less.
 - b. Pray that God brings to mind someone to share your story with and opportunities to share this coming week.

GLOBAL PRAYER

Please take time this week to pray for John & Rebecca Dyck, serving with WorldServe focused on Cuba. This week, there are two ways to learn more about this couple: 1) plan to come to the Sat Jan 20 Cuba Microfinance breakfast, 2) Listen to Willingdon on Mission Podcast Episode 7 - a second interview with John.

VOLUNTEER NEEDS

Kids Info Desk Volunteers

Kids Min is looking for volunteers to serve at the Kids Info Desk during regular services. Please contact Amanda at aponte@willingdon.org

Imagine Ministry Volunteers

Imagine ministry is in need of volunteers to give children with special needs weekly one-on-one support for the Sat 5pm and Sun 10am service. Please contact aportillo@willingdon.org

EMPLOYMENT

• Discipleship Pastor - Small Groups

• Discipleship Pastor - Women's Ministry

• Administrative Assistant - Discipleship Ministries

Job summaries and qualifications at willingdon.org/employment-opportunities. Please submit your resume and cover letter to HR@willingdon.org

WEDNESDAY CAFÉ

This is a great opportunity for fellowship and a delicious meal for only \$5! Wednesdays from 5pm-7:30pm.

TAX RETURNS

In order for Willingdon to process your tithes and offerings for 2017, **please advise us of your new address if you have moved in the last year.**

You can contact the Church Office at 604-435-5544, or by email at database@willingdon.org

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1st Century Christians lived in an unfriendly, sometimes even hostile, environment where their faith had psychological, social and economic consequences. They had to wrestle with a number of temptations: (1) the temptation to shame those that maligned them; (2) to carefully privatize their faith to avoid exclusion; (3) to become so politically correct that their witness would be muted; and (4) to lose all enthusiasm for sharing their faith. We may tell ourselves, "No one wants to hear about Jesus anyways." How do we share our faith, as disciples of Jesus, when we live in a challenging environment where our biblical convictions seem to be unwelcome?

1. Prepare your **heart**
 - a. Do not **fear** them (v14b)
 - b. Fear **the One** they don't (v15a)
2. Be prepared to give an **answer** (v15)
 - a. Share the **reason** for the hope **in you**
 - b. Share with **gentleness** and **respect**
 - c. Keep a good **conscience**
3. Remember, you will **be blessed**

WILLINGDON CHURCH ELDERS

Phil Balzer	Ruben Heyn	Paul Lee	Ken Redekopp	Vince Reimer
Jim Eisenhauer	Mark Janzen	Ron Leonard	Mark Reimer	Ed Thiessen
Ray Harms-Wiebe	Danny Lee	Mark Loewen	Rick Reimer	Wayne Wiebe

Please continue to pray for the elders.

If you wish to contact an elder please email
elders@willingdon.org