



Serve

There are many opportunities for you to serve alongside brothers and sisters in support of the ministries here at Willingdon.

We are in urgent need of volunteers for:
Kids Min, Student Min, Parking, and Welcome Centre Hosts.

Pick up a Serve Catalogue found on the Info Stands for more information.
Signup available at the Resource Centre.

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

Encounter Gr. 11 & 12 Sunday - 10am, YC2

THIS WEEK AT WILLINGDON

New to Willingdon

Glad you are here. If this is your first time visiting Willingdon Church, please come visit us at the Welcome Centre! We would love to meet you and help get you connected with all that's going on here at Willingdon!

Basecamp Discipleship Pathway

Friday, Oct 19, 6-9:15pm & Saturday, Oct 20, 8:45am-2pm. Cost: \$20 (Adults), \$10 (Students)
BASECAMP is a 2-day conference. We will learn to identify our stage of growth, how to take the next steps and the foundational priorities that are key to our personal growth as disciples while helping others become disciples of Jesus.

Friday: Combined worship and teaching (adult and youth breakouts).

Saturday: Adult sessions with Jean Milliken & Youth sessions with Calvin Russell
Registration is required by Oct 10.
More info and online registration at willingdon.org/event/basecamp-discipleship-pathway

Marriage Conference

Friday, Nov 16, 7:30 pm. Ticket \$20/person at the Resource Centre. **Fierce Marriage** - Radically pursuing each other in light of Christ's relentless love. Speakers: Ryan and Selena Frederick. Singles, married, engaged, or dating; all are welcome!

Confident Kids

Confident Kids is a support group ministry reaching the needs of both parent and child walking through the loss of a parent/spouse, separation or divorce. For more info, or if you're interested in volunteering, please contact Ryan Ponte at rponte@willingdon.org.

Ongoing Ministries

High Voltage (Gr. 6 & 7): willingdon.org/high-voltage
Fri, Oct 5, 7pm, YthCtr: FUSE

Riptide (Gr. 8-10): willingdon.org/riptide
Thurs, Oct 4, 7pm, YthCtr: Gab Groups

Encounter (Gr. 11 & 12): willingdon.org/encounter
Tues, Sept 25, 7pm, YthCtr: Large Group, Nuts & Bolts

The Exchange (Age 18-30): willingdon.org/theexchange
Wed, Oct 3, 6:45pm, Cafe: Life Groups and Cafe meal.

Christ Centered Singles: Sat, Oct 20, 7:30pm, Chapel: Bill Der sharing his 3 crises in life.

Men's Class: Sun, Sept 23 – Oct 28, 10am, Rm 3040.
A Man and His Work. ilee@willingdon.org

Mom's Connect: Wed, 10am, Nursery. A weekly gathering of moms and their little ones. Email kids@willingdon.org for more info.

New Horizons (Seniors): Thurs, 1pm, Chapel.

GriefShare: Sun, 8:30am, Rm 3030.

Alongside: Sun, Oct 21, 1:15pm, Rm 3030. RSVP to alongsidecare@gmail.com

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

Global Hotspots Prayer: Sun, 10am, Rm 3090.
This weekend, Sandy Ewan (South Sudan) will be sharing about her ministry with SIM.

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

Creation Science Class: Sat, Oct 6, 2pm, Fireside.
Topic: Creation – the Cardinal Truths

ESL Bible Studies: Fri, Sept 28 – Nov 30, 10am, Rm 3040.

International Language Ministries:
willingdon.org/international-language
9 International Language Groups meet throughout the week. A sample of groups meeting this week:
Cantonese - Wed, 7pm, Rm 3030
Korean - Sun, 1:30pm, HQ
Mandarin - Sun, 1:00pm, Fireside

PRAYER

Prayer Requests: Fill out a Prayer Card and drop in one of the boxes at the Resource Centre, Info Desk, or Welcome Centre. You can also 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 Info Card: A prayer info card with family matters and ways to get involved in prayer can be found on the Info Stands and at the Info Desk.

LIFE GROUPS

1. Take some time to catch up. How did this week go? What steps of obedience did you take and what has God been teaching you?
2. Take time to read John 3:1-21. What stands out to you from the text and/or sermon that Pastor Willy preached? Is there something that you did not know/notice before?
3. In this text, Nicodemus is seeking a human solution to a spiritual problem. Have you ever tried to use a human solution for a spiritual problem? How did that work out for you?
4. Nicodemus was a ruler and teacher of Israel. He would have been morally upright, well-respected, and knowledgeable about the Bible. If Nicodemus needed a new birth, what does that tell us about the human condition?
5. John 3:16 is probably the most famous verse in the Bible. We have all heard it before, but how does hearing it in its original context help us to appreciate it even more?
6. How do you feel led to respond to this week's message and text? Are there steps of obedience you feel the Spirit asking you to take? How can we pray for you as a group?

GLOBAL PRAYER

Please pray for the short-term mission team that is travelling this weekend to India. Pray for unity, health, and that the Lord will use them in wonderful ways. If you'd like to learn more about the ministry of Child of Mine, check out Episode 13 of the Willingdon On Mission Podcast (now available on iTunes).

FAMILY MATTERS

Our condolences to the family and friends of Chris Erickson who passed away to the Lord on Sept 19. A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, October 17, 1pm, in the Willingdon Church Sanctuary.

SERVE YOUR CHURCH

There are many opportunities for you to serve alongside brothers and sisters in support of the ministries here at Willingdon.

Here are some of the most urgent areas of need:

- MAC Service Technicians
- Welcome Centre Hosts
- Parking Attendants
- Cafe, Events, Food Services Volunteers
- Kids Info Desk and SafeKids Volunteers
- Gems (Girls Gr 1-6) Leaders & Volunteers
- Scouts (Boys Ages 5-17) Leaders & Volunteers

WEDNESDAY CAFÉ

Wednesdays from 5pm-7:30pm.

This is a great opportunity for fellowship and a delicious meal for only \$5!

CHURCH PHOTOGRAPHER

Please be aware that there is a Willingdon Church photographer on site taking photos in service and around the church. Please note the photos will be shared on social media channels.

When we come to church, we often have questions. We wonder if people will accept us or judge us. We wonder if we're going to meet real people or perhaps just some religious fanatics. We also wonder if we will discover something significant for our lives. We wonder if there is more to Jesus than what we see in the media. Can we actually have a relationship with Jesus like people talk about? Will Jesus make a difference in our lives? In the language of Willingdon we would say we're explorers, exploring who Jesus is, who His people are, and what the implications are for our lives.

Today's text is about an explorer. Now, he happens to be a religious explorer. What is a religious explorer? This is a person who knows about God, who knows about religion, but he really doesn't know who Jesus is. This is a person who doesn't know what it means to actually follow Jesus or believe in Jesus or have a relationship with Jesus. If you're exploring Christianity then you have a lot in common with the main character in today's text.

- 1. Jesus gives us the answers we need not the answers we want
- 2. The heart of God is to give
- 3. We live in God's freedom when we live in His light

WILLINGDON CHURCH ELDERS

Phil Balzer	Ruben Heyn	Mark Loewen	Rick Reimer	Ed Thiessen
John Best	Danny Lee	Dave Marshall	Vince Reimer	Wayne Wiebe
Jim Eisenhauer	Paul Lee	Ken Redekopp	Willy Reimer	
Ray Harms-Wiebe	Ron Leonard	Mark Reimer	Norm Schmidt	