

# First Impressions Ministries

**Glad  
you  
are  
here**

こんにちは 你好 buna こんにちは 你好 buna  
Hola 여보세요 こんにちは Bonjour こんにちは buna  
buna Olá 你好 Hola 여보세요 Kamusta Hola Bonjour  
Bonjour こんにちは buna Olá Здравствуйте Kamusta  
Kamusta Hola Bonjour こんにちは Hola 你好 buna Здрав  
Здравствуйте Kamusta Hola 여보세요 Olá Hola 你好  
Hola 你好 buna Здравствуйте 你好 buna 여보세요 Olá  
여보세요 Olá Hola 你好 여보세요 こんにちは Ho  
你好 buna 여보세요 Olá buna Olá 你好 Hola

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for the glory of God.*

Romans 15:7

## *Welcome to First Impressions Ministries.*

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Parking Attendants, Sidewalk Ministry, Greeters, Info Desk Attendants, Ushers, Resource Centre Attendants, Welcome Centre Hosts, Ministry Support Team Members, First Aid Attendants, and Flower Ministry Team all play a vital role in how new visitors experience church for the first time.

Creating a warm, welcoming and hospitable climate in our church begins in the parking lot and continues into the heart of the congregation. This ministry is the responsibility of the entire church family and the many volunteers and leaders who serve in the ministries. To ensure people are experiencing the love of Christ, love needs to be manifested in practical ways.

*"By this everyone will know that you are my disciple, if you love one another." John 13:35*

As we follow our mission statement, "to know Jesus Christ personally and to carry on His ministry," and commit to our central ministry focus, "to make disciples of Jesus," we (volunteers, members, and leaders) as the body of Christ will move towards a better understanding of the importance of welcoming guests and creating an environment of acceptance and love for one another as Christ loved us. Revealing the love of Christ in

practical ways will increase the quality and quantity of transformational fellowship in our church.

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Through God’s grace and guidance, we pray we will be able to honour Him by welcoming both those who do not know Him and those who do know Him and are longing to transform their lives, grow in their faith, and disciple others.

Our desire is to empower you to present the BEST first impression and, as a TEAM, demonstrate the love of Jesus to every person who visits Willingdon.

Thank you for your faithful and dedicated service to His ministry!

On behalf of the First Impressions Committee,

Penny Fuchihara

# First Impressions Ministries Contacts

## Ministry Leaders

- o Parking – Len Soet
- o Sidewalk Ministry – Tony Castro
- o Greeters – Trish and Howie Lee
- o Info Desk and Flower Ministry – Rachael Schmidt
- o Ushers – Philip Bryant
- o Resource Center – Roslyn Klassen
- o Welcome Center – Tony Castro and Sophia Tam
- o First Aid Attendants – Caroline Reimer
- o Ministry Support Team – Kerry Jung

Overseeing Elder – Ron Leonard

Team Leader – Penny Fuchihara

Pastoral Intern – Tony Castro

Pastoral support – John Best

Staff Admin Support – Marlyn Zidkovich, Sophia Tam, Janis Chan



# Everyone is Welcome

Pastor John Best

- Who shows up at Willingdon that I tend to avoid, ignore, or not even notice? How is the Lord inviting me to welcome these people?
  
- What is one small adjustment I can make to how I serve so that people feel more “radically welcomed”?
  
- What “barriers” exist for first-time visitors, and in what ways can I help remove these?
  
- How will I prepare myself for each First Impressions shift I’m scheduled for?





## Serve with Joy

Pastor Brad Bates

- God is all about JOY!
- To make others feel welcome and that they belong
- Communication begins before saying a word.

How can you prepare your whole self ?

Heart:

Mind:

Eyes:

Hands:

Focus on Jesus



## **Focus on Jesus**

Pastoral Intern Tony Castro

How is your confidence built up in knowing that God works all things?

How is God making you more like His Son Jesus Christ and enabling you to serve?

When serving, how do you reflect the character of Jesus?  
Does your life reflect a life of obedience?

How will you serve God today knowing He has given you eternal rewards?

As you serve God today, how does He remind you that He has made you “more than a conqueror”?



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