

# **MEETING AGENDA**

6:00 PM	WELCOME & PRAYER
6:05 PM	YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS PASTOR INTRODUCTION
6:10 PM	MODERATOR'S REPORT
6:15 PM	ADOPTION OF MAY 2020 MEETING MINUTES
6:20 PM	APPRECIATION OF RETIRING ELDERS
6:30 PM	PASTORAL ADDRESS
6:40 PM	MISSIONS AND MINISTRY UPDATES
6:50 PM	2020 FINANCIALS & 2021 BUDGET AFFIRMATION
<b>7</b> :15 PM	JERICHO FAITH SOCIETY UPDATE
7:30 PM	PAUSE FOR PRAYER
7:40 PM	AFFIRMATION OF ELDERS
<b>7:45</b> PM	SUNG WORSHIP
7:55 PM	ADJOURNMENT

# **MODERATOR'S REPORT**

#### Ron Zacharias // Moderator

If I had to choose one word that sums up the characteristics of the Elders Board, that word would be 'consistent.'

Our Board prays for our congregation consistently. It meets consistently, it communicates consistently, and it stays faithful to the Lord and to the calling He has placed on us. We meet every two weeks, alternating between prayer meetings and operations meetings. It is worth noting that operations meetings often pause for prayer, as an Elder or two inevitably says "we should pray about that right now."

Perhaps no one on the Elders Board has exemplified this consistency better than two Elders who, after six years of faithful service, will be stepping down this November as they have completed three consecutive two-year terms. In keeping with JRCC's constitution, Tyler Schacter and David McFarland will be stepping away from the Elders Board this November. I'd like to take this opportunity to express on behalf of the Board, and indeed on behalf of all of Jericho, our sincere thanks and appreciation for their steady leadership over the past six years.

In keeping with a theme of consistency, after much prayer and careful consideration, the Board is putting forward two more individuals for Elder candidacy this AGM. By staggering the start and end dates of Elders we hope to maintain a level of consistency on our Board. We are convinced that a healthy Board is one of the keys to a healthy church.

A significant focus for our Board recently has been the search for and hiring of a Youth and Young Adults Pastor. We're thankful to God for providing Jason for this ministry at Jericho.

Over the summer our Board met in a more informal setting to set goals for the future of JRCC. This year, with all of the unforeseen challenges that we have seen in recent months, has perhaps made this more important than ever. Setting goals is, of course, nothing without execution, and for this we continue look to our entire JRCC congregation. **The goals were identified as:** 

#### **EMPHASIZE AN INVITATIONAL CULTURE.**

It's as easy as saying, "would you like to come to..." whether it is a Sunday morning, or a small group, or an invite to join online.

# CREATE LANGUAGE AND FRAMEWORK FOR DISCIPLESHIP.

Probably the most challenging goal is this one. As we see people coming to Jesus, helping each other to remain consistent in our walk with Jesus is crucial. Pray earnestly that we would see this come to fruition.

# INTEGRATE DIGITAL ENVIRONMENTS INTO CORE ACTIVITIES.

As we eventually move back to in-person gatherings, we recognize the significant role that an online presence has played. We expect this may often be the first way that newcomers connect with Jericho. This will be an ongoing challenge as we envision the integration of online and live service components.

It is our firm belief that if we maintain a consistent foundation of prayer, a humble attitude before God and each other, and continue to meet together for encouragement and worship of our God, Jericho will continue to fulfill the ministry to which He has called us.

May we all develop and maintain a consistent walk with our Saviour. Blessings to you all.





**RE-ROOTING** 

**Brad Sumner** // Lead Pastor

LIKE MANY OF YOU, MEG AND I HAVE TACKLED SOME PROJECTS AROUND THE HOUSE OVER THE PAST 7 MONTHS. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE DID A LOT OF WORK IN WAS OUR GARDEN.

I say "garden" meaning the flower beds that are up against our house, not like the cornucopia of vegetableproducing wonderlands I see some of you cultivating and posting on your social media feeds! Those are some seriously green thumbs, people!

Most of our garden work was really re-planting. You see, we moved into our house 14 years ago so some of the things that used to fit nicely in their spot needed to be dug up and moved. Some areas were overgrown and some plants were not in the right spot for them to thrive over the long haul.



Some of the changes were hard work. I was blissfully unaware, for example, how much of a root ball holly bushes can have! Some of the changes were downright painful. Meg's favourite magnolia tree needed to be cut down because its roots were deemed to be detrimental to our concrete foundation. But the end goal was always the same: caring for our saplings, our soil and our space in a way that allows for extended and ongoing flourishing.

In many ways, COVID 19 has felt like an uprooting for individuals, families, churches, and communities. Life feels more tenuous. We are like uprooted trees, separated from each other and from the warmth and comfort of good soil that helps us feel communally interconnected. Unseen networks of relational and spiritual tendrils from which we are usually nourished have been severed.

So how does a vision for 2021 speak into this space? Some churches will no doubt be obsessed with "relaunching" – a desire to get programmatically moving again at full speed without a sense of being limited or tethered. But I love what Canadian author and pastor Preston Pouteaux said in a recent article in Faith Today: "In churches and communities, we are not in the business of launching rockets as much as we may be in the work of gardening...We need to help our communities and churches re-root by inviting new ways to see and settle in to life after the pandemic... The best fruit ripens only when the health of the soil's invisible places are nurtured. Our communities and churches need us to tend well and pay attention to the subtle work of relationships, sorrow, fear, hope and anxiety." Maybe as we move into 2021, gardeners are better models for us than rocket scientists.

I anticipate that by God's grace, we will return to a season of doing many wonderful things at full capacity. But for now, I think this is a good season for nurturing the soil of those who grow with us. Of ensuring that the conditions and spiritual practices are present in our own lives to support present and future flourishing. I love the words of Colossians 2:7 "Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness."

I suspect that the coming year will require the slow, hard work of re-rooting. Of tending well to relationships that have not been able to be nurtured during our season of separation. Of pushing down deeper into the truth of God's love for us and God's desire for us to bear fruit that will last.

On the very first Easter morning, Jesus was mistaken for a gardener. I pray that many of us will be too.

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"You will always harvest what you plant...
So let's not get tired of doing what is good.
At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up."

#### **BRAD'S TIPS FOR DEVELOPING**

## **A GREENER THUMB IN 2021**

#### IN THE SOIL OF OUR INDIVIDUAL LIVES

**CULTIVATING:** Develop a consistent rhythm of Scripture intake. For example, in the month of January, we'll be launching a challenge to read through the Gospel of John together as a community.

**PLANTING:** Spend time asking God about what invitations to generosity you are going to say yes to in 2021. Make a financial plan as to where and how much you are going to sow into different ministries. I invite you to prioritize your giving to your local church as that is the 'home soil' where you receive and give spiritual nourishment. If you need help developing a giving plan, Tyler and Lindsey Schacter gave a great talk that you can access online at jerichoridge.com/sermon/a-generous-plan

**REAPING:** As we round out 2020, take some time to journal and write down what God has brought to full fruition in your life in this season. Make space for gratitude and model it to those around you. Don't get dragged into debates.

#### IN OUR HOMES / FRIENDSHIPS

**CULTIVATING:** Taking the next step when church is primarily digital is a challenge. That's why I appreciate people like Ali Nicole, who took it upon herself to create an online Wednesday evening group for women to cultivate deeper friendships. Ask God for creative and timely ways to help people stay or get connecting in these challenging times. We are willing to coach you if you need help.

**PLANTING:** JRCC continues to invest in support for those impacted by Mental Health through Living Well. If you haven't been, reach out and come out – even if it is only for the large group sessions. The skills and tools that are presented are excellent seeds to plant into your life or the life of a person you love who lives with mental illness.

**REAPING:** Key events in people's lives often become a turning point for them to seek God. Be on the lookout for these moments in the lives of your coworkers or friends and then be bold enough to ask: "Would you like me to pray with you about that?" The pastoral team is also available as a resource to you in discussions with friends around difficult issues or challenging seasons of life.

#### IN OUR WORLD

**CULTIVATING:** JRCC is committed to being a good neighbour. We are looking to reprise some of the events that have proven successful for us in this respect. Look for a summer Block Party and a Halloween event where we can use the space God has provided to us well to engage our neighbours.

**PLANTING:** 2021 will be a year of re-examining our local service projects and partners to see which ones are well aligned with where we are. We invite you to prayerfully engage in this discernment process. Do you know of a local agency where JRCC could show up and be a blessing? Let us know!

**REAPING:** One of the cool things about online church is that the "friction" is low for people to attend. Consider prayerfully who you will invite to join you at a Watch Party. Take up the

challenge to post in your social network(s) that you are attending church online and invite others to engage. Maybe invite family or friends from another part of the country to join you for Christmas Eve online. We are believing in faith that God will grow not only God's Kingdom but also JRCC in 2021!



# 2020 YEAR-TO-DATE FINANCIAL REPORT

James Carpenter // Elder Over Finance

To say that 2020 has been different than anyone could have predicted would be an understatement. Covid-19 has greatly altered many of our estimations. Some things have not changed: God's faithfulness and your generosity.

Because of your generosity we were able to meet some family and community needs through the generous benevolence offerings.

We are so grateful to be able to share with others the gifts you so willingly gave to help through this difficult season.

Thanks to a grant, and some designated gifts, we have grown our online outreach. We have added and upgraded much needed equipment for the recording and livestreaming and hired staff to operate equipment.

We also qualified for Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy to help offset the cost of some of our salary expenses. This helped us weather the impact of having to cover the full facility costs for January and February and the impact of COVID-19.

The one area of our budget with a significant shortfall is the capital campaign. We budgeted \$81,000 to meet our commitments to our lender and so far, have received \$26,280. Gratefully, we

have still been able to meet our commitments because of the strong year-end giving from 2019 that provided a surplus.

Our initial General Revenue was projected to be \$350,000 and we are on target to reach that with continued strong giving through the end of the year. Our expenses, though higher than expected due to covering the full facility costs for January and February and the added equipment, were greatly offset through the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy and Open Bible Society grant.

We are projected to have a balanced budget at year end.

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2020	Budgeted	Actual as of Oct 31
General Revenue	\$350,000	\$332,110
General Expenditure	\$348,853	\$346,002
Capital Campaign	\$81,000	\$26,280

# 2021 PROPOSED BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

Putting together a budget for 2021 was difficult because of the unpredictable environment of COVID-19. Each of us are facing uncertainty as we look forward. Therefore, we built a budget considering multiple scenarios of how ministry might unfold.

Our goals are to grow our presence in the community through local and online outreach while discipling those in the church family and continuing our missions work with our partners. How we do this becomes more complex and requires greater flexibility.

Although we may qualify for some form of government support, we created a budget with the assumption of no support.

We serve a faithful God. He has demonstrated His faithfulness over and over through the years. We are grateful for this generous church family that we are proud to be part of.

Continuing to embrace a generous lifestyle this year will allow us to grow into our space and serve the community through these uncertain times.

We maintain cautious optimism for 2021, relying on God's faithfulness and the generous lifestyle at Jericho that has been demonstrated throughout the years.

# BUDGET PROPOSED 2021

GENE	RAL BUDGET	2020 APPROVED	2020 YTD (OCT. 31)	VARIANCE YTD	2021 SUBMISSIO
REVE	NUE				
3.	General Revenue	350,000	332,110	(17,890)	376,000
4.	Capital Campaign	216,513	26,280	(190,233)	81,000
5.	Benevolence		14,067	14,067	
6.	Grants		26,500	26,500	31,000
7.	Guatemala Revenue	40,000	47,466	7,466	20,000
Total	Receipted Revenue	606,513	446,423	(160,090)	508,000
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10.	Salary and Benefits	212,500	162,002	50,498	238,579
11.	Pastoral Support	8,000	6,403	1,597	12,740
Total	Staff	220,500	168,405	52,095	251,319
ADMI	INISTRATION				
14.	Facility	46,491	101,185	(54,694)	60,000
15.	General Administration	29,672	37,223	(7,551)	39,859
Total Administration		76,163	138,408	(62,245)	99,859
CHUF	RCH MINISTRY				
18.	Children's Ministry	1,925	728	1,197	1,980
19.	Youth Ministry	2,200	1,857	343	2,200
20.	Frontlines/Hospitality	3,000	3,734	(734)	2,023
21.	Prayer Ministry	870	0	870	360
22.	Groups	460	591	(131)	400
23.	Worship	3,235	35,082	(31,847)	5,000
Total	Church Ministry	11,690	41,991	(30,301)	11,963
MISS	IONS				
26.	General Missions	35,000	29,678	5,322	37,500
27.	Guatemala	40,000	47,466	(7,466)	20,000
28.	Local Outreach	5,500	28,175	(22,675)	6,650
Total	Missions	80,500	105,319	(24,819)	64,150
Total	Expenses – Operations	388,853	454,123	(65,270)	427,291
CAPI	TAL ITEMS				
32.	Building Campaign	81,000	26,280	54,720	81,666
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# JERICHO FAITH SOCIETY REPORT

Peter Ash // Chair

As I continue to seek The Lord's heart as Chair of Jericho Faith Society, I believe that His calling to each of us who are part of Jericho is clear. It is articulated by our Lord as He spoke to His disciples in the Gospel of Matthew 9:35-38 (NLT):

"35 Jesus traveled through all the towns and villages of that area, teaching in the synagogues and announcing the Good News about the Kingdom. And He healed every kind of disease and illness. 36 When He saw the crowds, He had compassion on them because they were confused and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. 37 He said to his disciples, 'The harvest is great, but the workers are few. 38 So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask Him to send more workers into His fields."

As a team, we have believed from the very start of our facility search in early 2018 that what must always drive us is the need of the community for His love. When we became of aware of our facility in July of 2018 we sought The Lord's direction. We began to imagine the outreach opportunities into the community surrounding the building. Over the last two years we have become increasingly aware of the opportunities all around us. Many new people have connected with Jericho. It has been a blessing to see and be a part of it.

As I mentioned in my last report the arrival of the global pandemic in March had a profound impact on everything JFS and JRCC was involved with. JFS moved ahead to complete renovations to accommodate our major tenant, Fraser Valley Elementary School. Accommodations for COVID-19 protocols had to be made for the school's operations.

Hope for revenue opportunities through other groups

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**MATTHEW 9:37b-38 (NLT)** 

renting have been very minimal due to the restrictions on public gatherings.

Amid all of these challenges and changes – one thing has remained constant: the field is ready for harvest. Jesus calls us to use our spiritual eyes to see the spiritual needs all around us. Our facility is a powerful tool in our hands to respond to those needs.

Today I am inviting each person who is part of the JRCC family to carefully consider their responsibility in this. You might think that the rent the school pays covers the mortgage. Let me be clear, this is not the case. While this rental revenue is very helpful, it in no way makes the facility financially feasible on its own.

The capital campaign commitments each of us made need to be followed through on. Our mortgage payments to the conference will be increasing as we begin to pay both interest and principal, and everyone will need to step up to this challenge. I would invite you to bring this challenge to The Lord. Please ask Him what He would have you do. Perhaps as individuals and families we might consider offering a special financial gift by the end of this year for this purpose. Though some of our in-person meetings have had to be suspended, there has been no suspension in the spiritual needs of the community, nor in our need for your ongoing financial support.

Nothing has changed from the time of Jesus as it relates to the number of available workers to take in the "harvest" – they were few then and they are few now. Let us pray that The Lord of the harvest will raise up everyone who is needed to do His kingdom work.

My sincere appreciation to Tammy Goh, who has worked above and beyond the call of duty in doing all that is needed to make Jericho Centre the success it has been. Thanks to our entire Pastoral staff team as well. They serve with grace and dedication day in and day out. Lastly, thanks to the amazing and gifted team that makes up the Board of Jericho Faith Society: Al Thiessen, Tyler Schacter, Joel Schacter, Ed Goh and Ron Zacharias as well as Pastor Brad. Sincere thanks as well to Denise McFarland who has served very well and is now stepping off the team. A special welcome to Sean Faulkes who will be joining us shortly.

God has been truly faithful, and we trust in His faithfulness in the year ahead of us.



**JERICHO FAITH SOCIETY** 

#### 2020 FINANCE UPDATE

Tyler Schacter // JFS Treasurer

Jericho Faith Society's budget has been impacted by the reduction in demand and ability to rent out the facility to larger groups. The expenses are expected to finish the year around \$500,000. Rental revenue from Fraser Valley School and Jericho Ridge Community Church comprise the majority of Jericho Faith Society's income, with the balance coming from City Collective church, El Camino church, and the sale of parking permits. The anticipated revenue for the year is \$475,000, leaving a \$25,000 deficit that will be covered by surplus funds from the renovation project. We look forward to utilizing the facility in its full capacity and the resulting rental revenues after the pandemic restrictions are lifted.

The renovation is now complete, and the final invoices are being wrapped up. The total tally of expenses came in at \$2,881,417.56, with Fraser Valley School contributing \$1,409,421.97 towards the project. We are pleased to report that the renovation expenses have come under the budgeted amount that was originally projected. We would like to thank our contractor, Shirmar Construction, for their thorough and efficient management of the entire process.

#### JFS 2020 YEAR-END PROJECTION

JRCC Additional  FVS (\$28,884.94/month)  El Camino  Parking Permits  City Collective  Total	\$60,000.00 \$55,060.00 \$346,619.80 \$4,200.00 \$2,054.31 \$6,305.00 \$474,239.11
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	\$336,270.00
	\$37,196.10
	\$25,200.00
	\$1,726.08
Cleaning	\$5,475.00
Lawn Maintenance	\$1,600.00
Snow Removal	\$8,630.00
Gutters & Roof	\$1,500.00
Facility Supplies	\$5,026.00
Security/Monitoring	\$6,480.00
Insurance	\$2,915.00
Payroll	\$38,916.48
Bank Fees	\$840.00
Accounting	\$25,000.00
Advertising	\$450.00
Total	\$497,224.66
Expenses over Revenue	-\$22,985.55

#### **JERICHO FAITH SOCIETY**

# **2021 BUDGET**

Jericho Faith Society's projected expenses for 2021 are expected to be slightly below what they were in 2020 due to a lower interest rate on the mortgage payment. Expenses are budgeted at \$492,000 with anticipated revenues sufficient to cover this amount. The 2021 budget includes only a small amount for additional rental revenue; however, this potential is expected to increase as restrictions on facility usage are relaxed.

Jericho Ridge Community Church's rent has been set at \$5,000 for the 2021 year. It is worth noting that this low rental amount is possible due to the current requirement for interest-only payments on the mortgage. At the start of 2022, the interest-only period will expire and payments including principal and interest will be necessary. With the increased mortgage payment, Jericho Ridge's monthly commitment will increase to approximately \$15,000, after additional revenue sources are accounted for.

REVENUE			
JRCC (\$5,000/month)	\$60,000.00		
JRCC Additional			
FVS (\$35,485.18/month)	\$425,822.16		
Parking Permits	\$3,840.00		
Other Rental Revenue	\$2,400.00		
Total	\$492,062.16		
EXPENSES			
Mortgage	\$325,704.00		
TI Loan Repayment	\$49,594.80		
Utilities	\$25,104.00		
Maintenance/Monitoring	\$6,569.24		
Waste Removal	\$1,812.48		
Cleaning	\$11,655.00		
Lawn Maintenance	\$3,100.00		
Snow Removal	\$8,630.00		
Facility Supplies	\$6,000.00		
Office Supplies	\$408.00		
Insurance	\$2,915.00		
Payroll	\$38,916.48		
Bank Fees	\$1,015.00		
Accounting	\$8,000.00		
Telephone & WiFi	\$600.00		
Advertising	\$1,800.00		
Total	\$491,824.00		
Expenses over Revenue	\$238.16		



GLOCAL MISSIONS REPORT

Lindsey Schacter // Chair

On behalf of the JRCC Glocal Missions team (Curtis Cottrell, Ali Nicolle, Lindsey Schacter, Brad Sumner):

We know that ministry continues both locally and around the world even in the middle of a pandemic. At JRCC one of the ways we value Glocal Mission is by committing a minimum of 10% of our annual budget to both GLObal and loCAL mission opportunities. GLO + CAL = Glocal.

It's a delight to reflect over this past year and update you on how we as a community have invested in Glocal missions at home and around the world.



#### **GLOCAL MISSIONS REPORT**

### **GLOBAL INITIATIVES**

We continue to support, through both prayer and monthly financial support, five missionary families. You can expect to hear more updates from each of them in the near future.

#### STEVE, ALI, HANNAH, KATRINA AND DANNY NICOLE

Steve and Ali serve with Wycliffe Bible Translators/Canada Institute of Linguistics (CanIL) at Trinity Western in Langley. Steve is excited to be part of a team training field workers for the ministry of Bible translation, literacy, and language development across the globe.

#### **GARY AND BETTY STEVENSON**

Gary and Betty serve with Frontiers Canada in the Lower Mainland. Gary is the BC Training & Internship Coordinator with Frontiers, an organization that is committed to sharing the gospel message with Muslims (who represent 23% of the world's population).

#### JON, ANITA, BENJAMIN, JACOB, ELLIOTT AND LUCY McCARTHY

The McCarthys serve with Wycliffe Canada in Papua New Guinea, working as high school teachers serving the families of those involved on the front lines of Bible translation.

#### J & P

J and P and their three children are living in SE Asia, and working for the indigenous people with translation, literacy, and Scripture engagement.

#### TYLER, LINDSEY, THEODORE AND EDISON SCHACTER

Lindsey serves as the Chief of Staff with Global Aid Network (GAiN) Canada based out of their HQ in Langley. GAiN exists to reveal hope by sharing God's unconditional love and restore life by demonstrating the gospel through compassionate action to those who are living in poverty, injustice and crisis around the world.

#### **GUATEMALA PARTNERSHIP**

Even though our planned Spring Break Missions team could not travel to Guatemala due to COVID-19, JRCC continued our partnership with Bethel Ministries. Project funds raised for the 2020 Missions Trip had been sent to Guatemala prior to COVID-19 shutting down travel. Understandably, it was very disappointing, especially for new members of the team, to not share the experience and serve. Thankfully, Bethel was able to arrange construction of the two families' houses. Recently Bethel has been allowed to begin hosting wheelchair distributions. We are hoping to return to Guatemala in March of 2021 – Stay tuned!

#### TANZANIA PARTNERSHIP

JRCC has continued our partnership with Under the Same Sun (UTSS) through prayer and raising awareness about their work in Tanzania. UTSS helps people with albinism overcome often deadly discrimination through education and advocacy.

#### **GLOCAL MISSIONS REPORT**

#### LOCAL INITIATIVES

While we had plans for an open house and block party this summer, we had to pivot due to COVID-19 and as a JRCC community we have been able to connect with our neighbours and serve our city and province through:

- Growing awareness in our community: Our local paper reported on our Drive-In church service and we have seen a significant increase (more than five times) in web traffic due to our successful application for a Google Ad grant.
- Pastor Jenna continues to sit on the Inter-Agency Task Force which gives her input into meeting the needs of at-risk families in our city via the school district.

  This came out of our Hello Church initiative.
- Pastor Brad was appointed as chairperson of the Langley Christian Leaders association. He has organized meetings with local civic and political leaders on issues that matter to the faith community including spiritual care at the hospital and supportive housing.
- We were the pick-up location for families in Langley / Surrey for Camp Still-wood's Camp in a Box program. We also had people serve creatively and do work projects at Camp Bob (on Vancouver Island) this summer and fall. It was great to support our BCMB camps in a practical way as they faced a very difficult season.
- Our "Little Pumpkins Trick or Treat" event for our community was well-attended and we're looking ahead to reprise it next year so that we can continue engaging with our neighbours.
- We're also looking ahead with joy to four (that's right, four!) Christmas Eve services this year. We will be live in-person and livestreaming at 3, 5, 7, and 9 PM.
- Through your generous giving to our benevolence fund, we have dispersed more than \$4,000 to people in need in 2020.

Thank you JRCC for your heart to see others reached with the transformational love of Christ.

You are a great community and it is a joy to serve alongside each of you!









# **ELDER CANDIDATE PROFILES**

The Elders Board provides spiritual and administrative leadership for the congregation and is open to men and women who are gifted, called, and affirmed as congregational leaders. These two individuals have been discerned and called out and those who are covenant members will be asked to affirm them. They have been provided with a copy of the Profile of an Elder and meet all of the biblical and philosophical criteria for serving in this role. We invite your prayerful consideration of the following:



#### DENISE McFARLAND

When Denise and her husband David walked through the door and up the many steps of Jericho Community Church back in 2011, they knew they were home. The teaching and care of the pastoral staff along with the warmth and authenticity of the JRCC family has been a rich blessing in their lives. Denise grew up in Langley and committed her life to Christ as a teenager at a Youth Alpha event hosted by North Langley Community Church. She attended Trinity Western University to study nursing where she happened to meet a handsome Humanities student from Ontario. Denise and David were married in 2007 while members at Peace Portal Alliance church. Denise presently works at Langley Memorial Hospital as a RN on the Maternity unit and in the NICU.

Thirteen years of marriage and one boisterous 6-year-old son named Sam later, Denise and David have experienced the evolving seasons of life through which they have strived to continue serving the church. Denise has volunteered for the last six years at the Welcome Centre. She has served behind the scenes on the board of the Jericho Faith Society (originally, the Future Facilities team) since 2017. Denise has worked for JRCC as the Capital Campaign study coordinator as well as the transitional Office & Facility Administrator during JRCC's purchase of and transition into the Jericho Centre building in Fall 2018. JRCC has been a safe space even during difficult times and now, Denise is grateful for the opportunity to serve the JRCC family as an Elder.



#### **DIANE ZORN**

Diane started attending Jericho Ridge Community Church back in 2006 shortly after meeting her husband Mike. At that time JRCC was meeting in the cafeteria of R.E. Mountain Secondary School, and Diane loved the intimate feel of the church as well as its authenticity. Mike and Diane have two children, two pets, and a nephew and a niece currently living with them (the last one a result of COVID-19), and love having lots of people around the dinner table and going in and out of their house. Diane is an environmental engineer and just passed the 20-year mark at the consulting company she works for.

Diane has been involved at Jericho Ridge in a number of different forms - serving first as the nursery coordinator, then as a Kids @ the Ridge teacher, helping to guide a group of children as they progressed from Grade 1 up to Fuel. She has also been engaged with various women's and Life Journaling groups along the way. After a few years off from serving to concentrate on her family – including a particularly challenging year of health issues for Mike - Diane was looking for a new way to serve at Jericho Ridge. She is excited to use her management training from her consulting work, organizational skills, and her heart for serving people to help bring Jericho Ridge into the community in new and fulfilling ways.

## **JRCC MEETING MINUTES**

SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2020 MINISTRY NIGHT // ONLINE ZOOM MEETING, 7 - 8:30 PM

#### 1. WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

#### 2. MODERATOR'S REPORT (RON ZACHARIAS)

- Gratitude for our staff and adaptability during a season (yet again) of much change
- We've moved in to Jericho Centre! New office space for staff.
- The need to adapt to the reality of COVID-19; implementation of live-streaming of our service.

#### 3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF VISION NIGHT 2019 (DAVID MCFARLAND)

• Motion: To adopt minutes as presented in the 2019 Ministry Night Packet (p. 6).

Vote: Approved.

#### 4. ADOPTION OF THE 2019 FINANCIALS (JAMES CARPENTER & TYLER SCHACTER)

Motion: To approve JRCC 2019 financial statements as presented in the 2019 Ministry Night Packet (p. 14).

Vote: Approved.

#### 5. FINANCIAL UPDATE (JAMES CARPENTER & TYLER SCHACTER)

- YTD (Jan March) Total Revenue: \$150,856 | Total Expenses: \$186,972 | Difference (\$36,116)
- In addition to our general giving we also received \$152,195 in Capital Campaign donations this was towards our budgeted goal of \$241,000.
- Benevolence Fund currently sits at its highest point in JRCC's history with a balance of \$12,726 available to help those in need.
- Thank you for your generous lifestyle and support for Jericho Ridge Community Church!

#### 6. JERICHO FAITH SOCIETY UPDATE (PETER ASH)

- The past year saw very significant design and construction activity. Building out the facility to meet the ministry needs of JRCC, while at the same time accommodating the needs of our other major tenant, Fraser Valley Elementary School has required careful planning and thoughtful negotiation.
- We have also been mindful of developing the facility in a way that allows for future usage opportunities in the area of conferences, weddings etc. Give and take has been the order of the day in this important process.

#### 7. PASTORAL REPORT (BRAD SUMNER)

- Reflections on ministry life at JRCC in the past ministry season. "Running with endurance."
- Invitation to join Brad and Elders Team in a "season of discernment" for "what's next for Jericho Ridge?"

#### 8. ELDER CANDIDATE AFFIRMATION

■ **Motion:** To affirm Katy Kwon and James Carpenter as Elder Board members for another two-year term.

Vote: Approved.

#### 9. STAFF TRANSITION (MIKE RYDER)

Honouring and praying for Mike and Katelyn Ryder as Mike transitions from a JRCC staff position.

#### 10. CLOSING PRAYER & MEETING ADJOURNED