

# Prairie District PROFILE

Summer 2012



## DISTRICT PASTORAL CHANGES

### South Calgary Chinese EFC

**Isaac Quan** has resigned as associate pastor with their English ministry, following seven years of service. He will now move into a mission ministry.

### Lethbridge EFC

After 11 years of faithful service, **Steve and Linda Bateman** are leaving the position of community outreach pastor. They plan to step out of vocational ministry for the immediate future.

### Superintendent Tim & Lynn Seim

### Brooks EFC

**Josiah Johnson** has accepted the call to serve in a youth ministry position. Josiah is a recent graduate of Multnomah University in Portland, OR. He has worked previously in Canada with camps and drop-in centres and with a skateboard church in Portland.

### Calgary Chinese EFC

**Richard Emilson** has resigned his position as English pastor after six years of service. Richard and Eunice are planning to work with EFCCM.

**Ezekiel Wong** will finish his pastoral ministry (Cantonese) in June. Pastor Ezekiel and his wife, Ruth, have served the church twice, with this latest time being 3-1/2 years. Thanks to the Wongs for their ministry in the Prairie District.

**Grace Kwan** has been called to serve as pastor of Cantonese ministries. Her ministry experience has been in church work in Hong Kong and in Chinese ministries in Vancouver since 1991. Grace is married to Rev. Albert Kwan and they have one adult son.

### Foremost EFC

**Conrad and Anita Broersma** will be leaving their ministry in Foremost after nearly five years. The Broersmas have accepted a church planting ministry with the EFC church in Valemout, BC.



## CHURCHES SEEKING PASTORS

- Delia Christian Fellowship (pastor)
- Good Shepherd Community Church, Cut Knife SK (pastor)
- Northeast Calgary Chinese EFC (pastor)
- EFC of Regina (pastor)
- Manitou EFC, Neilburg SK (youth pastor)
- Bow Island EFC (youth pastor)
- Saskatoon EFC (youth pastor)

## EFCC NATIONAL CONFERENCE—JULY 26-29, 2012



Join us at Okotoks EFC in Alberta! Our keynote speaker will be Larry Osbourne, pastor of NorthCoast EFC in California and author of books such as *Sticky Teams*, *Sticky Churches*, and *The Unity Factor*. Online registration is available at [efcc.ca](http://efcc.ca).



## PRAIRIE DISTRICT CONFERENCE—SEPTEMBER 28-29, 2012

We're looking forward to the exciting opportunity of having a joint conference with ANACEFC (Association of North American Chinese Evangelical Free Churches) at South Calgary Chinese in September! Registration information will be mailed to all district churches soon. Guest speakers include:

- Bill Taylor, EFCC Executive Director
- Dave Acree, EFCC Leadership Development Catalyst
- Charlie Worley, EFCC Church Planting Catalyst

## DISTRICT GIVING UPDATE

Thank you for your faithful gifts to our Equal Share of the district ministry budget.

- Budget to date (October 2011—May 2012) \$68,000.00
- Received to date (October 2011—May 2012) \$63,112.49
- Equal Shares needed by fiscal year-end (Sept 30, 2012) \$102,000.00

Our fiscal year ends September 30, 2012. Thanks for getting your giving to us so we can carry on the ministries the Lord has called us to do together.

Send all gifts to our financial secretary: **Yvonne Ling**

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## TIM'S PICKS: RESOURCES THAT REALLY HELP

*Gospel Truths* is a theological exposition of the Statement of Faith of the EFCC adopted in 2008. Having read *Gospel Truths*, I can say it was a biblical feast to walk through our core statements of faith and be able to say thanks to the Lord for these beliefs which unite us and guide us in our "Gospel" ministry together. From his forward, EFCC Executive Director Bill Taylor writes "Let us pray that this book, *Gospel Truths*, will be a vital tool, an invaluable resource in our ongoing efforts to ensure that we remain centered in the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ."

A must read! Contact the EFCC Home Office for your copy.  
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