



WCAC English Ministry

~May 12th 2024~

¹² For this is what the LORD says:

*"I will extend peace to her like a river,
and the wealth of nations like a flooding stream;
you will nurse and be carried on her arm
and dandled on her knees.*

¹³ As a mother comforts her child,

*so will I comfort you;
and you will be comforted over Jerusalem."*

--Isaiah 66:12-13

MISSIONARY NEWS:

Doug and Carol Woon—Japan.

Doug is from Stoney Creek, Ontario, and Carol is from Oakville, Ontario. They met at Heritage Park Alliance Church in Windsor, Ontario, where Doug was serving as assistant pastor. After getting married, they studied for a year in Wheaton, Illinois. They served at Stoney Creek Alliance Church shortly before leaving for Tokyo, Japan. Together, they have three daughters: Heather, Laura, and Megan.

Doug was raised in a Christian home. He was challenged in his faith by participating in an evangelism training program at the age of 15. Serving in his home church and a recommendation by a youth pastor caused him to consider ministry at the end of high school.

Carol was raised in a Christian home but didn't meet Christ in a personal way until she was working in the emergency department of the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto. Being exposed to illness and death in children caused her to question the meaning of life, leading her to ask God, "If you do indeed exist, please reveal yourself to me."

God's answer came shortly afterwards as she was a camp nurse at a Christian Athlete Hockey Camp, where she heard the testimonies of Christian hockey players and watched their relationships with their families. They obviously had the love, joy, and peace that she felt was missing from her life and asked for God's forgiveness.

Hearing the statistic that 90% of the world's Christian workers work with 10% of the world's population caused Doug to be open to overseas service. During Bible college and in home service, Doug had the opportunity to minister to Asians and to observe ministry to Asians. This work, among other ministry opportunities, put a burden on his heart for Asia, with 60% of the world's population.

Doug and Carol arrived in Japan in 1987, in 2007 they moved to the Tokyo Bay area to be involved in fostering a growing network of congregations. They now

serve as team leaders for the Canadian team and team developers for Japan and Taiwan.

In their area of Tokyo called Shiohama, Doug and Carol are involved in teaching English and the Bible to children, moms, and to singles to create, contribute, and to reach out to their community. They also meet with believers and seekers to study the Bible and spur them toward faith and maturity, and ultimately toward joining in the ministry of reaching others.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School

Please join us for some extra Christian education at 11:10am. We have classes for Grades 5-7, 8-12, university/adults. Children's Sunday school is also running at the same time in the Chapel basement.

Fellowship

Join us in the fellowship hall for a time of fellowship between English service and Sunday school. If you are interested in bringing something to share, talk to Anna and Chris Choi.

WCAC Church Retreat

This year's church retreat is May 18-20. Pastor Spencer Keroff, lead pastor of River City Assembly of God in Yankton, SD, will be our English speaker. Pray that God meets with us at retreat.

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

Jr. High

Meets at WCAC rectory basement Saturdays at 7:30pm

Carmel

Meets at WCAC rectory basement Saturdays at 7:30pm

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Meets on U/W Campus, Saturdays, bi-weekly, at 7:30pm, typically in Dillon Hall

Cornerstone

Meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday, see Chris or Lei for details

Emmanuel

Men's/Women's Bible study and fellowships. Ask any adult members for details.

CHURCH INFO

Board minutes

The board meeting minutes are available upon request to members. Just ask an elder or pastor.

Offering

Feel free to give to what we are all doing here at WCAC. You can fill an envelope out and place it in the offering bag. Or, for online giving, instructions can be found at wcac.ca on the English main page offering button.

Contact info

Go to wcac.ca to find contact info for all of our pastors and directions to our church building.

HELPFUL LINKS

Alliance Statement of Faith

<http://thealliancecanada.ca/beliefs/>

Give to the work of our missionaries

<https://thealliancecanada.ca/give/>

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20,000 videos on Bible study, kids shows and leadership workshops/teaching. Click the link below and sign up for your free account. <https://www.rightnowmedia.org/account/invite/wcac>

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