



Heart & Home

“Where your *treasure* is, there your *heart* will be also” MATTHEW 6:21

CASCADE VIEW COVENANT CHURCH

My Dreams for Cascade View

—PASTOR JIM SEQUEIRA

Why the Heart & Home Campaign? Before moving to Vancouver to plant CASCADE VIEW COVENANT CHURCH, we lived in the basement of Glenna’s parents’ home while our house was being built. As much as I appreciated my in-laws’ generosity and hospitality, we were house guests, and life is dramatically different between being a house guest and living in your own home. Being a house guest comes with many challenges, frustrations and fewer opportunities; but once we moved into our home we had unlimited opportunities to be a blessing to others. Moving into our home allowed the things God placed on our hearts—like practicing hospitality, generosity, community, discipleship, and bringing people one step closer to Jesus—became a reality.

Our *Heart & Home* Campaign is an invitation and initiative to equip, expand, enhance and establish CVCC’s ministry locally and globally, and to allow the things God has placed on the heart of the people and community of Cascade View to become a reality. The *Heart & Home* Campaign emancipates us from being house guests—with the challenges, frustrations and missed opportunities that come with it—to having a home from which we can be a blessing to those locally and globally:

- I have dreamt of something better than my living room or the Wendy’s dining area to have Confirmation and discipleship for the middle schoolers.
- I have dreamt of a place bigger than our living room or bonus room where the high schoolers can burn energy, play games and invite their friends to gatherings (like after-game pizza parties, movie nights, New Year Eve parties, finals week burger bash) and to awareness events (like 30-Hour Famine and making meals to hand out to the homeless).

- I have dreamt of the day we have our own place to have Vacation Bible School for our children and our guests.
- I have dreamt of the time when our worship team will have a place to plug in and practice in the same place we worship Sunday morning.
- I have dreamt of a time when the few faithful set-up people won’t have to unload, load and haul a trailer every Sunday morning.
- I have dreamt of a time and a place where Cascade View’s opportunities to bring people one step closer to Jesus, transform lives and reach out into the world and community is limited only by our imagination and not by our space
- I dream of a place where people are seeing and experiencing the love and grace of God.
- I dream of a place where we can help forge positive, hopeful and fun memories for our children and youth to carry throughout their life.
- I dream of a place where we can offer the best in spiritual formation, growth and service.
- I dream of a place where people are experiencing victory over addictions, freedom from abuse, acceptance in spite of bad choices; a place where no one stands or cries alone; a safe place to seek God, emotional and spiritual wholeness, racial righteousness, compassion, mercy and justice.
- I dream of CASCADE VIEW COVENANT CHURCH, a home where the things God has placed on our hearts can come true.



An Interview with Edward and Fern Bruce

—Pastor Jim Sequeira

Jim: How long have you been attending CVCC?

Edward: Since June 2008.

Jim: What brought you to CVCC?

Edward: We saw the A-frame signs outside the middle school. Last year was a challenging time for us and we'd been looking for a church home to settle down.

Jim: Why did you choose to stay?

Fern: We felt very welcomed and loved. We thought we were received really well.

Jim: What do you want people to know about CVCC?

Edward: As it says in the bulletin every week, "CVCC is a safe place to seek and worship God." And it truly is. Everyone is warm, friendly, open—it's like being with a family—a large family.

Jim: What are some of your hopes and dreams for CVCC?



Fern: I hope we grow—and grow inside—without losing a sense of family.

Edward: I hope that as we grow, the leadership remains accessible, as it is now.



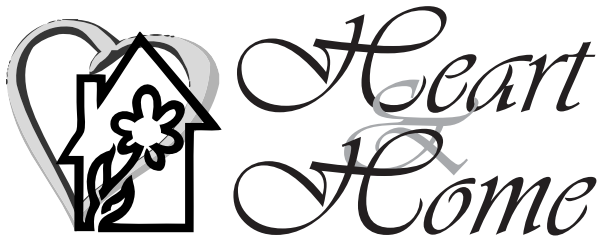
As you pray through your 30-day prayer cards think about *faith* and *faithfulness*, as in Habakkuk 2:4b:

“The righteous will live by their faithfulness”
(footnote: *the righteous will live by their faith*)

Translators argue about which rendering is correct, but I think they *both* are: righteous people live by faith *in* God and by faithfulness *to* God. Faith is taking God at his word—because he is trustworthy, we can trust him. Faithfulness is living by God's Word—because we love God and want to be good and trustworthy servants, we obey his commands.

Pray, knowing that God is faithful. Live, knowing that God rewards faithfulness.

—John Kohlenberger



Prayer for Guidance	Daily
Simon's introduction ✓	May 10
Erik's challenge ✓	May 17
Jim's encouragement	May 24
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