



Church Plant Profile Greenhills Christian Fellowship, Calgary

Location: Calgary, Alberta.

Community: Calgary

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Start Date: July 1, 2009

Partner(s): Greenhills Christian Fellowship Canada

Description: Called to replant a dying church in Calgary in June 05, to reach the growing population of Filipino which is the 3rd largest ethnic community in the province. By December 06 a bigger facility was needed to accommodate growth. The search for a bigger facility ended in a merger with a sister church who's struggling at that time to continue to exist. However, after two years of trying to encourage change and develop the new leadership dynamic as merged church, resistance to change stood strong. Consequently, two years of unproductive ministry became enough to convince myself to start fresh again. I tendered my resignation and started a new core group in July 09. I have to admit a few people from the old group have joined the new work. The passion to reach lost souls for Jesus Christ remains the call because we don't want anyone to perish and go to hell. We decided to become GCF Canada satellite in Calgary because of its passion to reach lost people and having a strategic plan to do it effectively. Our desire is to bring many Filipino and International people in Calgary to Christ. We also would like to implement proper discipleship to help every Christian reach their Christ-like potential in order to serve God. At present we have 4 Care Groups meeting every week to help assimilate people through worship time, Bible study, prayer, fellowship, and actual personal assistance when needed. At this time we also have a bi-weekly prayer meeting, youth meeting, Sunday school every Sunday, and leadership training and church business meeting once a month. We have a growing connection with contract workers, new immigrants, young families, and couples in mix marriage. 35 years old is the average age of the group.

Vision/Mission: Adapted vision of GCF: GCF is one church reaching influencers through satellites in strategic areas worldwide.

Our Mission: For the glory of God, we commit ourselves to evangelize and enlist people into our fellowship, to edify and equip them for spiritual maturity and service, and to exalt God together in worship.

Ministry focus: Reaching established Filipino and International families, as well as new immigrants and contract workers in Calgary for Christ.

Worship Times: Sunday, 10:30 am, Days Inn Motel, 3828 MacLeod Tr., SE Calgary

Current size: 75 as of October, 2009

Prayer & Practical Needs:

- Financial support for church planter salary and benefits, ministry needs and expenses.
- Sound Equipments: base guitar and amplifier, speakers, microphones, music stands, key board, drums, and snake cable.
- We need help to do our payroll, donation receipts until GCF Calgary is recognized charity in the province of Alberta and Canada.
- Pray for our ministries to grow effectively according to God's plan. Pray for the leaders to excel in their spiritual growth and service of God, modelling true discipleship.