

# SPA NEWS

To be a diverse church, connecting our neighbours with Jesus and empowering communities with purpose.



**October 2017**  
**Issue #77**

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**pre-service prayer**  
10am | rm #108

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**communion**  
**October 1**

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**missions highlight:**  
ICR human trafficking

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**am service: 10:30**

**pm service: 6:30**  
**recessed Oct 8**

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## WISE WORDS

### LIVING IN "WHINE" COUNTRY

Our son pastors in St. Catharines, Ontario. The city is surrounded by vineyards. It's wine country. Some people, however, live in "whine" country; they are constant complainers. I'm susceptible too.

Why can't I get a grocery cart that has perfectly round wheels? Why is the lineup I am in at Costco always the slowest? Why can't I find a good magazine that is not a year outdated while I wait for an hour at the doctor's office? Why are all the traffic lights red when I'm in a hurry? You can see that all my whining is legitimate???

But it's Thanksgiving time. Let's focus on the good things God has blessed us with. Good things happen within us, and sometimes around us, when we learn to praise the Lord. In Acts 5:15 the Bible records that even touching Peter's shadow healed many people. If Peter had a shadow, he must have been walking on the sunny side of the street. A sunny disposition and a thankful heart honours God and chases away the darkness. Want to know God's will? I Thessalonians 5:18 says "Give thanks in ALL circumstances (not necessarily for every circumstance); for this is the will of God for you".

Thanksgiving is an attitude; not just a season! Pastor Les

# LIFT community

JOIN A GROUP TODAY

Check the website or the L.I.F.T. Community Center  
for the full list.



Tuesday's 7pm | rm#108

## RECURRING EVENTS | October

### MONDAYS

Dare to Care | 6:30pm | recessed 9 & 25

### TUESDAYS

Prayer 10am | rm#108

SPA Youth | 7pm | [pwes@surreychurch.org](mailto:pwes@surreychurch.org)

### WEDNESDAYS

Ladies LIFT Group | 9:30am @ the church | Rm#105

Legacy Builders | 55 plus | 11:45am

Oct. 4 | Lunch | Cost: \$7 per person

Speaker: Pastor Nicole

Oct.18 | Writers Circle | Rm#206

Bring a bag lunch | Invite your friends!

### THURSDAYS

Worship Team Practice | 7pm

### FRIDAYS

Praise & Worship LIFT Group | 7:30pm | sanctuary

### SATURDAYS

Multi-Cultural LIFT Group | 7pm | downstairs

## new beginnings breakfast

Saturday, October 21 | 9am-11am

If you are new to SPA Church in the last  
6 months please join us for breakfast..

RSVP to the church. [office@surreychurch.org](mailto:office@surreychurch.org)  
or 604-574-2403

YOU ARE INVITED!

## CEDAR GARDENS

October 28 | 11am-1pm Event

10:30am | meet @ the church



Outreach to the community

Contact the office if you want to get involved



## GLOW

Wednesday, October 31st | 5pm-9pm

Meet @ Coast Meridian School parking lot  
Outreach to the community for Halloween.

Giving out candy, glow sticks, hot  
chocolate. A great time

to get to know our neighbours

Please drop off all candy donations at the office.

**SAVE THE DATE:** October 14 | 9:30am

**Ladies Breakfast** here @ the church

Special Speaker

Theme: "Being Thankful"