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Two Makes Five!



My husband just recently surprised me with a gift. He had gold chains and pendants designed and hand made for our soon to be family on our most recent trip to Costa Rica. On the front of the round pendant is a white gold cross and on the back is our first name initials (GLSEK) and the verse from Ephesians 1:5. This verse states that God, "... in love, predestined us to be adopted as his children through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will..." (NIV). When we accept Jesus into our hearts, we are adopted into God's kingdom for eternity. Adoption is born into our hearts by the Holy Spirit.

After a long journey of unexplained infertility, unsuccessful In Vitro Fertility sessions and a lot of prayer from our family, friends and church community, we came to the conclusion that we would enter into the adoption process. We knew that we wanted to adopt a sibling group.

Through many doors closing to Latin America and our agency not wanting to start a new international adoption program, we switched agencies and began a process of trying to adopt from Latvia. Why Latvia? We met a couple from our church through a series of events who adopted their children from this Baltic Sea country and who had a connection with a Christian orphanage there. When we were sent a picture of the children, the Holy Spirit jumped into our hearts and our love for these children was born. No other explanation. We knew that God would open the paths for us to be their parents. Last summer, we found ourselves volunteering at an orphanage in Latvia for three weeks and falling in love with this sibling group. How could we adopt them? Through a lot of prayer and support from our family and friends, Sunrise Family Services, Centrs Elizabete and the Canadian government, we will be this sibling group of three children. Yes, zero to three. Mr. Friesen says we have caught up to him.



On Saturday, April 16, Greivin and I will be flying to Latvia to foster our three children for three weeks. At the end of this time, they will be returning to Canada with us in early May. We are excited beyond what we can express and at the same time, a bit nervous.

I will be on parent leave until late August 2016 and will return to Carver in September 2016. It is our hope that our children will be able to attend private Christian schooling in September.

Please pray for Greivin and I as we take on this new journey, for our financial resources, adjust to our children, have them learn English and Spanish, and as God unites us as a family. As Greivin says, three cultures and one family. Let God bring the nations together.

During my leave of absence, Mr. Edmond Chin will be covering my classes and teaching English 10. He has been covering my classes over the last year and has been a part of the Carver community for the past two years.

Lisa Gonzalez
Humanities Teacher

Course Selection Sessions for Parents

Seniors Grades 10-12:

April 5— 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

This is a one time session that will be held at Carver. A minimum of 10 parents is required for this session to be held.

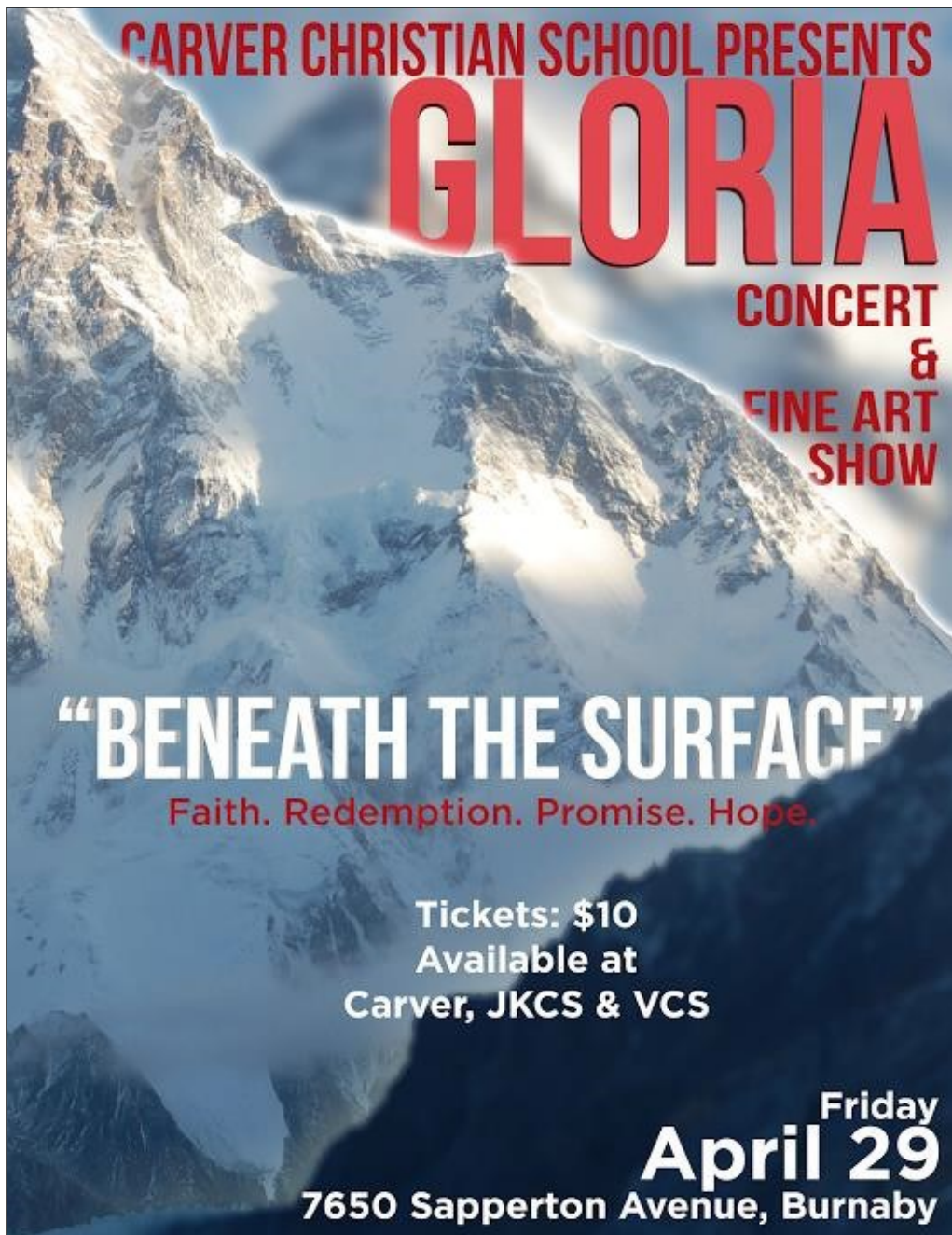
Please email Mrs. Lo-Voo to register (glo@carverchristian.org)

Juniors Grades 7-9:

April 12—1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

This is a one time session that will be held at Carver. A minimum of 10 parents is required for this session to be held.

Please email Mrs. Lo-Voo to register (glo@carverchristian.org)



Gloria 2016!

Help make it happen: Plan to come and bring a friend

Tickets are just \$10 and will soon be on sale in the school offices.

Volunteer

Email Linda Smythe to find out where you can help to make this a success.
“Many hands make light work.”

Donate an item for the Silent Auction

Gift Certificates for a great family experience; A product or service from your business.

Donate Funds

Our goal is \$35,000

All donations will receive a tax-deductible receipt and all equip us to equip them!

Drama 10-12 Spring Production

We are looking for volunteers to help with our set design for this year's play, Twelve Angry Men which will be held on Thursday, May 19, 2016.

If you have some free time and expertise in wood work or theatre, please email Mrs. Loconte (rloconte@carverchristian.org). Thank you.



Photography 8-9



We are looking for camera donations or cameras to borrow, preferably DSLR models, for the semester (mid June) for Photography 8-9.

If requested, a tax receipt will be issued for donations.

Announcements

Business office email: Parents and guardians can email their questions to: business@vancouverchristian.org

Encounters with Canada (EWC): Hello Carver students! As many of you already know, Carver has created a unique and wonderful opportunity for all its students aged 14 to 17 to attend a week in Ottawa alongside other students from across Canada. We are gearing up for applications from YOU for programs running all next school year, beginning with Arts and Culture (August 28 to September 5, 2016). The cost is \$675 and includes airfare, room and board and a once-in-a-lifetime exciting experience in a program unique to their interests. Applications will be formally accepted in May (stay tuned to this spot for more details!) and will consist of a paragraph outlining why you want to go and what benefit you see yourself deriving from this experience. Have more questions about EWC? Please check: <https://www.ewc-rdc.ca/pub/> (If you are interested in attending, please consider the following - family vacation times, sports and extra-curricular commitments and provincial exam schedules).

Are you a new or first generation Canadian? There are still some spots for **Experience Canada** June 26 to July 2, 2016, at a cost of only \$550! Read more about Experience Canada at <https://www.ewc-rdc.ca/pub/en/node/955> (Note: You must be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada to attend this week). You do NOT need to wait to apply internally for this EWC week! Please email Carver's EWC coordinator Andrea Dresselhuis at adresselhuis@carverchristian.org to get your code for Experience Canada today!

YWAM's Summer High School Program: This program will be from July 1 to 17, 2016. The rate is \$600 per student for a group of 5 to 9 students, and \$550 per student for a group of 10 or more. For more details, please check: <http://ywamkansascity.com/page/ti/>

School Calendar

April 2016	May 2016	June 2016
22 — Marking Day	5 — Student Teacher Parent Conferences	13 — Graduation Ceremony
29 — Gloria!	6 — Student Teacher Parent Conferences	16 — Awards Ceremony/Athletic Banquet
	19 — Drama Production: Twelve Angry Men	17 — Student Council Day
	23 — Victoria Day (no school)	20-27 — School Final/Provincial Exams
		28 — Marking Day/Yearbook Day
		29 — Marking Day for Team Leaders
		30 — Staff Meeting