

## More FAQs

### Q - How will small groups relate to Neighbourhood Clusters?

A - If you are already participating in a small group there are a number of options for your group:

- you can participate as a group in the same Neighbourhood Cluster
- you can release group members to participate as individuals/families in the Neighbourhood Cluster of their choice.
- you can continue only with your small group participation. (Some Grandview small groups are doing really great "OUT" ministries.)

If you are not presently part of a small group, a Cluster is the perfect place to meet others of like mind and interest. We anticipate small groups forming out of Cluster gatherings and are prepared to help you get a group going.

### Q - How will a Neighbourhood Christmas Presence Project spread the Gospel?

A - Ministry in the Neighbourhoods will bring you into close relationships with two kinds of people: the people you are seeking to serve and others serving with you in the community with a purely humanitarian purpose. To both groups you will be going in the presence, power and love of Jesus, together with others from your Cluster who love Him.

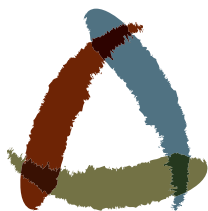


## A Check List for Getting Involved

- ✓ Reflect and pray seriously about participating in your Neighbourhood Cluster
- ✓ Reflect and pray seriously about serving as a Cluster Leader or Host
- ✓ Watch and listen for the announcement regarding the first gathering in your Neighbourhood. Better yet, contact your Neighbourhood Cluster Leader or Host as soon as their name is published.
- ✓ Reflect and pray: "what would the presence of Jesus and His Kingdom, through His people look like in my Neighbourhood?"

### The Good News will be...

- shown in our serving
- lived in how our Cluster functions
- spoken as we have the opportunity



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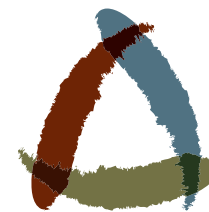
## INTRODUCING



## Neighbourhood CLUSTERS

Communities of Belonging  
for  
Neighbourhood Mission

FALL 2009



*Grandview ...to go*

## A CLUSTER IS:

a multigenerational gathering of 20-50 followers of Jesus.

## A CLUSTER GATHERS:

to experience community as members learn to be followers of Jesus together. **(IN)**

## A CLUSTER GOES:

to experience mission by being the hands and heart of Jesus in service to a city Neighbourhood. **(OUT)**

## A CLUSTER MEETS:

1. At least once a month in a home to share a potluck meal and the Lord's Supper together. It meets to support and pray for group members. It meets to learn how to be missional disciples and to plan its outreach as a missional community.
2. Regularly to represent Jesus to people in a city Neighbourhood through acts of service.

## CLUSTER NEIGHBOURHOODS

The entire KW area has been divided into **11 Neighbourhoods**. Approximately 100 Grandview attenders live in each Neighbourhood. In September everyone will be invited to participate in a Cluster, based upon the area of the region in which they live.

## A CLUSTER SERVES:

its Neighbourhood in Mission.

The Neighbourhood Mission for Fall 2009 is called...

### "CHRISTMAS PRESENCE"



Each Cluster will be led through a process of neighbourhood discovery and focus. The Cluster will work together to plan and conduct a "Christmas Presence" project to be done in it's area of the city. As an initial learning experience these projects will be simple. (ie a clothing drive, caroling at a mall or door to door, a Christmas block party, canvassing for the food bank etc.) The design and planning for the project will be up to the Cluster. The character of the projects is to become the heart and hands of Jesus in serving others in some way in the Neighbourhood area.

As Clusters take shape over the long term, they will develop their own patterns for service in the Neighbourhood, with some taking on long term, complex projects and others continuing to identify short term involvements.

## Some CLUSTER FAQs:

- Q - What if I want to be part of a Cluster, but don't want to focus on the neighbourhood where I live?**
- A -** You will be invited to participate in the Neighbourhood where you live. However, it would be better for you to participate in the Cluster of your choice than for you not to participate at all.
- Q - I'm already heavily involved in other ministries. What if I don't have time to participate in a Neighbourhood Cluster?**
- A -** Your participation in a Grandview ministry or other community outreach is very important. We don't want to pull people away from things they are already doing. If you are too involved in other ministry to join a Cluster, you can pray for the one in your Neighbourhood and encourage others to participate in one in their Neighbourhood. However, don't underestimate how your ministry stories in a Cluster context can encourage others and how their prayer and support can enhance your serving!

You live in a Neighbourhood ... Why not serve it through participating in a Cluster ???

