



# Calvary Chapel Langley

God is doing some great things here at CCL. Let me start by sharing a bit of background. I have a dear friend who I have known since I was about 11 years old, and has been a huge part of my life. This friend is Pastor Mike Murray who pastored Calvary Chapel Ridge Meadows. For the last little while, God has been calling Pastor Mike into some different areas, and thus he resigned from CC Ridge Meadows back in June of this year.

This has brought us to pray together for the future of Calvary Chapel Ridge Meadows. And so, after much prayer between Pastor Mike and myself, and discussion and prayer with our leadership teams; our church and CC Ridge Meadows have been led of the Lord to join together into one fellowship.

We all truly believe that God has ordained this and through His Holy Spirit has led us in this manner. It is something the Lord birthed in thought a year and a half ago, but has established it now in His perfect timing.

In the last month, the leaders in each perspective church have merged into one leadership team. We have met and will continue to meet to seek God's will and wisdom on all aspects of merging Calvary Chapel Ridge Meadows and Calvary Chapel Langley into one church.

Now obviously, there will be many questions regarding details and how all this will come together. But for right now, I want to encourage you to be in the Spirit. Ask the Lord to speak to your heart about the greater vision of us simply coming together as one body. Let's begin this exciting venture of faith on the right foot and walk in the Spirit and not in the flesh. Yes, there will be questions, maybe fears, but let's rather trust the Lord!

- I think of the 12 spies that entered into Canaan. 10 came back with a bad report and only 2 with a good report. Did they see different things? No. Rather two trusted the Lord. He said He'd give them the land, and because of that, Joshua and Caleb knew that they were well able to overcome it (Numbers 13).
- That's the key here. Has the Lord called us? Yes, and we'll trust Him to carry out His plan.
- Job 42:2, "I know that you can do everything, and that no purpose of Yours can be withheld from You."

So I ask you to pray for myself, as I prepare to pastor through this transition. Pray for the leadership team as they will be very instrumental in this time.

And mark your calendars for **Friday, September 10**. On this night we will be inviting the two bodies to join together at CC Ridge Meadows for a vision and Q+A night. This will be an opportunity for us to share more details with you and a chance for you to ask questions.

I am very excited for this new chapter in the life of our fellowship. Please be in prayer over the next few weeks, and ask the Lord to ignite your heart with an excitement for what He has in store for us. And let's begin this venture of faith together!

\* Romans 8:28, "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose."

All for His glory!

- Pastor Brent