



Introducing Chris Heuertz from Word Made Flesh

(wordmadeflesh.org)

Word Made Flesh is called and committed to serve Jesus among the most vulnerable of the world's poor. This calling is realized as a prophetic ministry for, and an incarnational, holistic mission among the poor. They focus their energy to make Jesus known among the poor while reconciling the church with the poor.

Word Made Flesh is united in an intentional spirituality that is expressed through nine core values.

Intimacy: We celebrate intimacy with Jesus to be our highest calling and our created purpose.

Obedience: We celebrate obedience as our loving response to the grace of Jesus.

Humility: We celebrate humility before God and humanity.

Community: We celebrate community as a means for discipleship and service.

Service: We celebrate service as an expression of our fellowship.

Simplicity: We celebrate simplicity as a privilege in identification with Jesus and the poor.

Submission: We celebrate submission to Jesus, each other and the poor.

Brokenness: We celebrate brokenness as our responsibility in ministry among the broken.

Suffering: We celebrate suffering as a willing sacrifice in serving Jesus.

Make a splash this summer!

LEARN about your site's focus and the needs and opportunities in your city.
UNDERSTAND what a lifestyle of compassion looks like for you and your family.
DO – get out there – serve and build new friendships!

How do I get started?

1. Take a look at the “splash card” and visit the online resource list.
2. Challenge yourself to do something! Think about the 3, 5, or 10 experiences that you would like to do this summer.
3. Fill in the pledge card. You can provide your email to get bi-weekly reflections, serving opportunities and updates (or email splash@themeetinghouse.ca).
4. Let us know you're in! RETURN THE CARD BY JUNE 5!

Additional Resources:

- Summer Splash Resources and Information: themeetinghouse.ca/splash
- Word Made Flesh: wordmadeflesh.org
- Books by Chris Heuertz:
 - *Simple Spirituality: Learning to see God in a broken world*
 - *Friendship at the Margins: Discovering mutuality in service and mission*

Q & Eh? Text 647.330.2789 or email ask@themeetinghouse.ca

HOME CHURCH QUESTIONS

Warming Up...

1. After reviewing this week's message, talk about what most encouraged, frustrated, or puzzled you. Is there a story that Chris told that sticks with you? Why?
2. How does living compassionately actually “rage against the machine”?

Look to the Book...

3. Read **Philippians 2:1-11**. Discuss the passage and share what stands out to you.
4. Why do you think the writer, Paul, starts this passage the way he did? Read verses 1 and 2. Does he build a good case for his readers? Why?
5. Read verses 3 and 4 from different translations. What does “selfish ambition and vain conceit” (NIV) look like in your life? How does it get in the way of living compassionately?
6. What are some qualities the passage points out that we must have to serve others well?
7. What qualities that you identified do you find most challenging? Why? What can you do about it?
8. How does Christ's example of being the ultimate servant help us understand how to build relationships with and serve the poor?

So What? Now What?

9. Take time to review and discuss the “splash card”. What are some things that pop out to you? Things you'd like to try? Things you can see yourself doing? Anything seem too challenging? Anything not listed that you can suggest for any of the three areas?
10. What will get in the way of you actually participating this summer? What can you, and the people in your Home Church, do to avoid this from happening? Come up with a list of five things you can do to help each other (i.e. plan to do something together, check in with one another, etc.). Get creative and have fun with your ideas!
11. Pray for The Meeting House community that we will become more aware of the people in our midst that are living in the margins. Pray for each other to become excited about moving forward in new opportunities of learning, serving and building relationships together. Pray that each person would have courage to step out of their comfort zones.

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Notes are available online at themeetinghouse.ca/teaching