



Esther Mueller's Update from serving with Youth With A Mission in Canada Febraury 16, 2015

Hello!

I hope this update finds you doing well!

Due to getting a different computer (my previous laptop's screen would perpetually go black and the screen no longer stood up by itself so I thought it was time for something new) I no longer have the spiffy program that helped me create fancy updates. Therefore I will type out my updates in a simpler way to keep you informed on my time serving with Youth With A Mission in Canada.

Recent Events:

Moving from Vancouver, British Columbia to Turner Valley, Alberta in Canada

On January 3, 2015 I moved from Vancouver, BC, where I served with Youth With A Mission (YWAM) Vancouver for the past three years, and arrived in a small town called Turner Valley, Alberta in Canada. For the next five months I will be in Turner Valley receiving Bible training in a course run by YWAM and I am living in a dorm room on the YWAM property.

Transition: new place, new community

I have experienced excitement and sadness as I have come to receive training with YWAM Turner Valley. Excitement for all God will teach me in the next five months and sadness for leaving behind relationships and investments I made in Vancouver.

One of my fears with leaving Vancouver was losing the network of support and relationships that I build in Vancouver over the past few years. When I prayed about this fear I felt God say that Turner Valley would be a safe place to grow in my relationship with him. So in faith I moved to Turner Valley trusting that God would provide for my relational needs and he certainly has. As I have taken risks to be vulnerable and have been intentional about spending time with people I am seeing precious friendships develop. It is an exciting time and I find myself laughing a lot with my new friends. I am so thankful for the way God provides!

Biblical Studies: The Pentateuch

I have been studying the first five books of the Old Testament, also known as the Pentateuch, for the past few weeks. I have been struck by the consistency of God's character displayed throughout these books. For example In Genesis God takes a Sabbath after completing his creation. Then in the next four books, which continue the story God began in Genesis, God commands that his people take a Sabbath and make it holy. This is just one area that I noticed God portraying his constant nature. Seeing God's character in the Old Testament is reaffirming truths I learned about God in the New Testament which encourages me to trust God more. Discovering more about God and growing in relationship with him is an exciting journey! What aspect of God's character have you experienced in your life recently?

Canadian Fun Fact:

Canada officially got its own national flag on February 15, 1965 — almost 100 years after it became a country (in 1867).

Praises:

- Financial support: I will be receiving the \$3,700 I needed beyond my monthly support in order to participate in this YWAM Bible course. Thank you Lord for provision!
- building friendships with the YWAM team and Bible students in Turner Valley
- getting to study God's word full time- it is such a privilege!

Prayer Requests:

- wisdom for taking breaks and resting while studying full time
- for more revelations of God's character as I study the Bible
- continue to build healthy relationships with YWAM Turner Valley team and Bible students

Thank you so much for your continued prayers and support. I would not be able to receive this training and serve with YWAM without you!

I would love to hear how you are doing and pray for you if you have any prayer requests so feel free to shoot me an e-mail or send a letter if you have time (My address and e-mail address are on the bottom of this page.).

Blessings,
Esther

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(The YWAM property I live at in Turner Valley)



(A staff member Randall and I reenact how a priest would receive a sin offering in the Old