

# Standing on the water

ministry of  
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We have a  
**NEW WEBSITE**

We had a bit of a difficult go with our last website....our best intentions were met with frustration and lack of ability...sooooo... we decided to scrap the old site and start something NEW!! If you read this newsletter and then go to our website - it's still [www.standingonthewater.ca](http://www.standingonthewater.ca)

you will see some uncanny similarities:). You can find more information about anything and everything we do!

We have added some new sections like:

**What is a missionary?**

**What is YWAM?**

If you go to the page about YWAM there is a small dictionary of terms and vocabulary. So enjoy the new site and let us know what you

**Please stay in contact**

We pray for our friends, family and churches on a regular basis. We would love to hear how you are doing!!

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What a ride we have been on these last 6 months!! Here is a little glimpse into the organized chaos of it all!! In February, Malakai was born (we like to start things with a bang!!), we then became some of the last YWAM staff at the ranch, to finish off preparations for the move to Blackfalds. During this time we had staff in Korea running the first ever International Discipleship Training School (IDTS). We also had staff in Blackfalds, doing construction and carpentry on the soon-to-be coffee house so that we could open for business this summer. We finished everything off in Medicine Hat and with the help of Kim's parents we made the move to Blackfalds at the beginning of June. There were some minor incidents (like our back van window blowing out) but we made it safely to our new home!!



What an incredible day that was to pull up to our new house...37 Sunrise Crescent, Blackfalds, AB. It was overwhelming, but amazing to think of God's incredible generosity and faithfulness in providing for our family!! We love the house and community!!

All of our staff are now gathered here in Blackfalds. Those in Korea made it safely back and those here already are now settling into some more permanent housing. We are in the process of running the fall schools and are still working on many details of how that will work here.

The coffee house is OPEN!!! As of late July we were open for business. It is called *After the Grind* and we have enjoyed the opportunity to meet people in the community with which we would not have otherwise come into contact. We are excited about the potential for future ministry through the coffee house!

If you would like more information about our new base, check out [www.ywamblackfalds.com](http://www.ywamblackfalds.com) or [www.standingonthewater.ca](http://www.standingonthewater.ca). We are also on Facebook!

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The theme for our Discipleship Training school is based on the scripture in Luke 18:40 & 41 "So Jesus stopped and ordered the blind man to be brought to him. When he came near, Jesus asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" "Sir," he answered, "I want to see again."

Jesus desires humanity to be in relationship with him. He wants to talk and share with us and us with him. He invited the man to talk about his needs, even though Jesus knew what they were! What an invitation!! The God that created all and knows all invites us to share our lives, desires and needs with Him.

Let go of your ambitions. Come let's

# change the WORLD

Thank you so much for your continued prayers. God has been good to us! Malakai is growing and developing well. Gideon went for eye surgery early this fall to correct his lazy eye. It was successful and he is healing well. We also ask for continued grace as we have the single staff girls live with us in the house. We want to be a great example to them, and our house to really be a place to rest, and grow. Blessings!!

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## Future Plans

We have many exciting opportunities here in Central Alberta!

Some of the ventures in the near future include

- ~finishing off the basement in for our student housing.
- ~beginning the fall schools on September 17.
- ~looking for ways to be more involved in our local community.
- ~finishing the renovations in our basement to make the living space more suitable for the staff girls that live with us.
- ~we would like to start a Bible study at Red Deer College Campus.
- ~we are going to be recruiting staff and students by visiting and working with various churches across the prairie provinces.
- ~we are arranging for a group of volunteers to go to the Philippines to work with a project there. If you are interested please contact us.

## Some final thoughts...

"Finally, all of you live in harmony with one another, be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate, and humble. 1 Peter 3:8 NIV

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