

Our Relational Commitment

As organizers of Love [Your City], we don't want to get too heavily into signed agreements, legal issues, etc. We merely wish to pass on what God's given to us as generously and wisely as possible, and be relational with other communities as best we can!

So all we're looking for here is to know that there's agreement among at least 3 Christian pastors and leaders in your community (ie. representing at least 3 churches) to pursue an event like this, and that you agree with the mission, vision and value statements of Love [Your City]. **We suggest you first pursue this through your local ministerial of pastors and leaders, who might either feel led to organize the event at that level, or at least give their blessing to a group (hopefully representing a few churches) to plan the event.**

Please read through the following and if you're in agreement, sign below (last page) and fax to: 604.864.9160.

Thank you!

Love [Your City] organizers
Abbotsford, BC

WHO WE ARE – keeping it simple...

Our Mission:

- *To love the people of our cities into a relationship with Jesus Christ.*

Jesus said to love God with everything, and to love our neighbour.

We want to draw people to Jesus through the unity of the city church, expressing its love for people through simple acts of kindness with no strings attached. And we also want to show our love for God through worship, service, and our love for one another.

Our Vision:

- *To promote unity among the churches as we work together toward a common task.*
- *To touch as many unbelievers as possible through servant evangelism – redefining the church, breaking barriers and building bridges moving them toward Christ.*
- *To help establish ongoing servant evangelism within the local Church context.*



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Our Key Values:

1. Love [Your City] is based on the generosity of God spilling out of our lives, and out of our churches into the lives of the people in our communities. The method we're using is called "servant evangelism" which is offering people free gifts or services to show God's love in a practical way – no strings attached!
2. Love [Your City] is based on the belief/assumption that church unity and cooperation is central in reaching our communities for Jesus. For this reason we ask that this outreach express the desire of a number of churches and denominations in the community and not just one or two, and that as much as possible, participants wear a Love [Your City] T-shirt.
3. Love [Your City] is based on the two commandments of Jesus – to love God with everything, and to love our neighbour. The kindness explosion is our expression of the second one, and an evening worship celebration is our expression of the first. These two work very well together!
4. Love [Your City] is based on the belief/assumption that experiencing the kindness of God is a key step in people moving towards repentance. For this reason we do not want to attach other messages, tracts, or church distinctives beyond that *for this event**. Having your church's name, phone number, website, etc. on the back of the kindness card can provide a helpful link for those wishing to take "a next step".
5. Love [Your City] expresses kindness to people by giving people goods or services for free. Why? To express to them the free love of the Father. For this reason *we do not receive donations from those we've served*.
6. Love [Your City] is based on the belief/assumption that showing love needs to cost us something. Therefore we do not solicit money from people or business's to offset our costs, or try to get goods or services for free. We say this, because often our first reaction is to see what we can get donated to us, so that our outreach won't cost as much. It needs to cost us something! Having said that, businesses may donate some items or give them to us for a cheaper price, but with no expectation of advertising for them. We suggest you start from this point - that all costs for the outreaches be born by the participating churches and/or members within those churches – and see what happens after that.
7. Love [Your City] is done in the name of Jesus. We are doing this because of the kindness of God expressed through his son, Jesus. Although we make the use of products and donations toward this purpose, we desire to make the name of Jesus famous, not advertise or build up corporations or local businesses. For this reason we want to avoid the type of underwriting that many business's provide if there is an expectation of exposure or promotion as a return benefit.

* we believe that God can and does use all sorts of methods for evangelism – ie. street preaching, tracts, evangelistic crusades, etc. – but believe that this is a significant time for the city church to simply *show* the love of Christ without any other "string" that people may be expecting to have attached to our message.



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Relational Commitment Form



We, the undersigned, from the community of _____
(town or city, country)

1. have read and commit to serving the mission, vision and values of Love [Your City] to the best of our ability.
2. do not hold the organizers of Love [Your City] legally responsible for anything that takes place in our community.
3. together with the organizers of Love [Your City], desire to honour Jesus Christ with our plans and hope to draw as many people as possible to Him through our unity, worship, and loving acts of kindness.

1. Name: _____ Position _____ Church/Organization _____

Signature: _____

2. Name: _____ Position _____ Church/Organization _____

Signature: _____

3. Name: _____ Position _____ Church/Organization _____

Signature: _____

Point Person:

Name: _____ Church/Organization _____ Email: _____

mailing address: _____ Phone: _____

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Date received _____
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