

Curriculum Team

Meet the people who contributed to this year's resource. A very big thank you goes to each and every one!



Al Anderson works on staff with Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship teaching and mentoring university students. He is a member of Kingsway Baptist Church in Etobicoke. This is his first time contributing to the BCOQ Youth curriculum. Al is married and has three amazing kids about whom he can speak for hours at a time.

Paul Carter is Lead Pastor at First Baptist Church in Orillia. He is one of the original creators of the BCOQ curriculum and despite hints to the contrary, he continues to submit material year after year. When he is not pastoring or writing, he is stressing out over the need to find a bio picture that makes him look young and cool.



Gino Dubé is Director of Youth Ministries at First Baptist Church in Orillia. This is his first year contributing to curriculum. Gino and his wife Kei are new parents of son, Noah. Before his birth, they enjoyed a remarkable family trip to Japan.

Dallas Friesen is a Pastor at Mount Hamilton Baptist Church. This is his second year contributing to the BCOQ Youth curriculum. Although originally from the mountain terrains of Vancouver Island, Dallas enjoys living on Hamilton's "mountain" with his wife and co-pastor Leanne, puppy Cinder, and new baby Josiah. Dallas enjoys house renovations, reading, basketball, and playing bass guitar.



Leanne Friesen is a Pastor at Mount Hamilton Baptist Church. This is her second year contributing to the BCOQ Youth curriculum. Leanne loves to read, walk, scrapbook, and hang out with friends. She is also a new mom and loving it!



Chris Heise has been Associate Pastor of Avenue Road Baptist Church in Cambridge for over six years. This is his first year contributing to the BCOQ Youth curriculum. Chris is married with a two-year-old son.

Luz Iglesias is Manager of Youth Mission and Education for the BCOQ and a member of Lorne Park Baptist Church in Mississauga. This is her third year contributing to the BCOQ Youth curriculum. When Luz is not editing curriculum, she is walking all over God's green earth. She is married with dog and enjoying the sunny summer!



Alvin Lau is Management Assistant for the BCOQ and a member of Mimico Baptist Church in Etobicoke. This is his fifth year contributing to the BCOQ Youth curriculum. When Alvin isn't writing curriculum or answering emails, he's hanging with his four-year-old son and one-year-old daughter (giving mommy a much needed break).

Tim McCoy is Director of Youth Ministries for the BCOQ and a member of Kingsway Baptist Church in Etobicoke. This is his second year contributing to the curriculum. Originally hailing from North Carolina, Tim is an avid golfer, jokester, and family man. He lives in an excitingly diverse pocket of Toronto with fellow McCoys, Julie, Daphne, Madeleine, and Nathan.



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In a year of many births in the BCOQ Youth ministry family, this year's curriculum is dedicated to the newest members of the City of God, with great hope that they will impart to us wisdom, love, faith, and community, now and in time. We especially dedicate this resource to the newest members of our writing family, **Noah Masaru Dubé** (b. 29.05.07) and **Josiah Dallas Ben Friesen** (b. 18.07.07). Welcome to the City!