**BCBC THE GATHEIRNG YOUTH CONFERENCE**

**Breakout Description**

**September 21 - 22, 2018**

**THEME : LOVE KNOW WORSHIP**

**PLACE : CEDAR GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH**

 10330 144TH Street, Surrey , BC

**SPEAKERS : BERNARD MUKWAVI (Friday)**

 District Minister, BC Baptist Conference

 **STEVE MASOUD (Saturday Morning)**

 Youth Pastor

 **JOSEPH PETERSON (Saturday evening)**

Westside Church, Vancouver

**BREAKOUTS:**

**Seeing Jesus through Scriptures: How to Read the Bible**

Austin Ballesteros & Joshua Arriola

Our primary source to knowing, worshipping and loving Jesus is found in a collection of 66 literary works we call the Bible.  But how do we hope to do this when it is hard to even understand what we read from the Scriptures?  Join us as we explore...

**Reclaiming Our Story in Social Media**

Matt Pelayo

"We live in a day and age where social media has become a major platform by which we tell our stories. Our stories are a reflection of the inner longings of our hearts, and at the core of what we worship. Yet at the same time, it is a reflection of what we are in search for. Through understanding our stories within God's story, our stories start to be made complete and in His. This is the story we are meant to share and tell on social media."

**The tools that shape us: Social Media / Girls Only**

Michelle Torres

Social media is the most prominent tool for connection and information in our everyday lives. The question is this: is social media shaping you or are you shaping social media? As women, we hope to discuss how we can re-shape social media as a tool to help us love, worship, and know Jesus.

**Anxiety - Don’t let it sidetrack you!**

 Kristiina Vuorensivu
Jesus knows and sees every anxious thought and feeling we experience, and the key is to invite Him into our struggles.
Come learn about facing our anxieties and tips for helping those who struggle. Hear from a registered clinical counsellor, and college psychology teacher who has journeyed through anxiety herself since she was a young child, and who sees anxiety everyday in the lives of the youth and young adults she supports.

**Sex, Shame & Porn: God’s View and Purpose in Creating Sex**

Jylisa Knull

Porn is bad, not many will argue against this. Yet so many feel the shame of being in bondage to it. This workshop tackles the task of understanding pornography and how it causes shame, discovering ways to experience freedom from both, and exploring God’s purpose in creating sex.