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YWAM Victoria,

There is power in story and that power multiplies when the stories can be connected to real people and real life. This is one of the amazing benefits the First Nations Mission Adventure has offered to our group as the lives of our students have intersected with the lives of the people of Port Renfrew. It is these life on life experiences that have made the stories come alive and in the interacting and re-telling of the stories our students have been changed. Because they have seen into the eyes and life of a First Nations child, they pray more often and more powerfully for God to move in Port Renfrew and in their own backyard.

In the pouring out of their energy and love, they have come face to face with what ministry looks like. I have seen students' hearts broken for the lost and hurting as a result of this experience. Our students' ears have been opened to the call of missions and ministry locally and abroad. Not only has this call been heard by a few students who visited Port Renfrew, but the call has been repeated and ingrained in our ministry because of the power of God moving through this experience.

We have been to Port Renfrew three times and now virtually everyone in our ministry knows and has a heart for the First Nations people there. Through the power of life on life stories that YWAM has allowed us to experience, this has become more than a mission trip. It has become a missions experience that continues to impact students' lives and worldviews. Thanks YWAM Victoria and YWAM Vancouver for providing this awesome opportunity.

Sincerely,



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